

U.S.-Japan Trade Agreement

Pulses



Overview: In 2024, the United States exported over \$9 million of pulses, to Japan, making Japan the #21 overseas market. The United States accounted for seven percent of Japan’s total imports of pulses. The years below correspond to Japan’s fiscal year beginning April 1.

Product Name Japan Customs HS Code	Base Rate	Year 7 (2025)	Year 8 (2026)	Year 9 (2027)	Final Tariff (Year)	2024 Imports from U.S.
Dried kidney beans, shelled* 071333221	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$3,769,178
Dried peas, shelled* 071310221	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$3,097,616
Dried chickpeas, shelled, excl. rendered for sowing by chemical treatment 071320020	8.5%		Free		Free (2019)	\$1,146,896
Dried broad beans and horse beans** 071350210	6.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$239,023
Dried lentils, shelled, excl. rendered for sowing by chemical treatment 071340020	8.5%		Free		Free (2019)	\$228,064
Dried peas, shelled** 071310211	6.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$7,807
Dried kidney beans, shelled** 071333210	6.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$0
Dried azuki beans, shelled, in WTO quota* 071332010	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$0
Dried cow peas, shelled*/** 071335291/071335210	10.0%/ 6.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$0/ \$0
Other beans*, excl. <i>Phaseolus calcaratus</i> 071339226	10.0%		Free		Free (2019)	\$2,372,078

*Within WTO quota, excluding those rendered suitable solely for sowing by chemical treatment

**Certified as planting seeds under a Cabinet Order

Market Considerations: Japan maintains a tariff-rate quota under the World Trade Organization (WTO) for dried leguminous vegetables including adzuki, kidney beans, peas, and other pulses. The United States is the fourth largest supplier of pulses to Japan after China, Canada, and Burma. About 60 percent of beans in Japan are used for sweet bean paste primarily as a filling for traditional desserts and pastries. While demand for bean paste has been stagnant, non-traditional use of pulses, such as chickpeas and lentils, in salads, soups and hummus is on the rise.

Additional Resources: Further information is available at www.usdajapan.org. For additional questions, please contact the USDA Agricultural Trade Office at atotokyo@usda.gov, Tel: 81-3-3224-5115.