

Textile and Apparel Imports from China: Statistical Reports

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PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The United States International Trade Commission (Commission) instituted this investigation following receipt of a request on October 14, 2008, from the Committee on Ways and Means of the U.S. House of Representatives (Committee) under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)).

The Committee requested that the Commission provide statistical reports every two weeks (biweekly) on the volume, value, unit value, and import market share of imports from China that were subject to the provisions of the 2005 U.S.-China Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Trade in Textiles and Apparel (MOU). As requested, these reports included official import data from the U.S. Department of Commerce (Census Bureau) and preliminary import data, as available, from the U.S. Customs and Border Protection agency (CBP). The Commission's reports contained these data at the 3-digit textile/apparel category level and by the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) 10-digit statistical reporting numbers (HTS10 or HTS10 codes) in these categories.

In a second request received from the Committee on October 3, 2019, the Commission was asked to change the report publication frequency from biweekly to quarterly and discontinue including the preliminary import data from CBP.

The Commission posts the latest report on its website at the two following locations: http://www.usitc.gov/research_and_analysis/what_we_are_working_on.htm
https://ids.usitc.gov/case/6576/investigation/2210

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ABOUT GENERAL FACTFINDING INVESTIGATIONS:

The Commission's general factfinding investigations, such as this investigation, cover matters related to tariffs or trade and are generally conducted under section 332 of the Tariff Act of 1930 at the request of the U.S. Trade Representative, the House Committee on Ways and Means, or the Senate Committee on Finance. The resulting reports convey the Commission's objective findings and independent analyses on the subjects investigated. The Commission makes no recommendations on policy or other matters in its general factfinding reports. Upon completion of each investigation, the Commission submits its findings and analyses to the requester. General factfinding investigation reports are subsequently released to the public unless they are classified by the requester for national security reasons.

Introduction

Textile and apparel import data are presented by 3-digit category numbers (and combinations thereof). The HTS10 items in these categories are based on a correlation maintained by the Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce. Click on the following link for this correlation:

Textile and apparel correlation to HTS10 items

https://www.trade.gov/data-visualization/us-textile-and-apparel-correlation

The import data presented here are only for the items subject to the 2005 Memorandum of Understanding. These HTS10 items are specified in the document at the following link:

MOU quota HTS10 items

https://www.usitc.gov/research_and_analysis/us-china_textile_mou.pdf

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Data notices

- 1. Census data are compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce and reflect all current official revisions for 2010 to the current year. Import data are based on the general imports data series, and the import value data are reported on a Customs value basis.
- 2. Data time periods:

Tab	Description	This report contains data through
Annual	Full year data	2024
Annual	Two (2) year-to-date (YTD) columns in the two most recent periods in mid-year releases with data through to most recent quarter.	January to December
Monthly	January 2003 to latest month	December 2024

3. Valid HTS10 codes vary during the reporting period because of revisions to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule over time. Typically, HTS10 codes are superseded by new HTS10 codes as a result of statistical breakouts or changes to the HTS that are necessary pursuant to HS revisions by the World Customs Organization. Care should be taken when interpreting trends if an HTS10 code is not valid for all reporting periods.