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Report Name: Turkiye Announces Tariff Quota for Sunflower Seed-Crude Sunflower Oil

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Report Highlights:

On June 18, 2025, Turkiye announced that it will open a lower-duty quota for 1.0 million metric tons of sunflower seed and/or 400,000 metric tons of crude sunflower oil from January to May 2026. The quota period will begin next year to protect the domestic sunflower industry from an influx of cheap imports during the current year's harvest. To apply for a quota license, Turkish firms must first purchase an equivalent amount of domestic sunflower seed.

Background:

According to a [Presidential Decree](#) published in the Official Gazette on June 18, 2025, Türkiye will open a tariff quota with a lower duty for 1 million metric tons (MMT) of sunflower seed or as an equivalent 400,000 MT of crude sunflower oil for Marketing Year 2025/26. The within-quota import tariff will be zero for sunflower seed and 20 percent for sunflower oil. The Turkish government regularly issues tariff quotas for sunflower seed and oil, as well as grain, to regulate supplies of these products and ensure stable prices.

The quota will not open immediately but will instead be opened between January and May 2026 to protect local farmers from an influx of lower-cost imports during Türkiye's sunflower harvest season, which runs through the end of October.

Table 1: In-Quota Tariff Rates for Sunflower seed and/or Oil from January-May 2026					
HS Code	Commodity	Quota Amount	MFN Rate	Reduced Tariff	Period for Quota
1206.00.99.00.19	Sunflower seed	1 MMT*	27	0	1/12/2026-5/31/2026
1512.11.91.00.00	Crude Sunflower oil	400,000 MT	36	20	

*1 MMT of sunflower seed is equivalent to 400,000 MT of crude sunflower oil.

The tariff quota will be distributed by the Ministry of Trade (MoT) General Directorate of Imports between July 1 and November 30, 2025, to industrial companies producing crude and/or refined sunflower oil, with priority given to those purchasing domestic sunflower seeds. The government implemented a similar quota and allocation last summer. The MoT also published [a communique](#) with details on how the quota will be allocated and managed.

Attachments:

No Attachments.