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## Argentina

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### Argentina Increases Import Tariff Rates on 100 products

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**Report Highlights:**

Argentina increased import duties under the Common External Tariff (CET) of Mercosur for 100 products including agricultural products.

## General Information:

### Argentina – New Decree Increasing Import Tariffs

On January 22, 2012, Argentina issued [Decree 25/2013](#) increasing import duties under the Common External Tariff (CET) of Mercosur for 100 products including over a dozen agricultural products. The list had been anticipated since July 2012 after the Mercosur customs union agreed that member countries would raise import duties on 100 tariff lines of their choosing up to their bound rates. Brazil presented its list several months ago, Paraguay is momentarily suspended from Mercosur, and Uruguay has a more open policy and has not presented its list yet. The rates will be effective immediately through December 2014, with the option for annual renewal. In addition to agricultural products, the list also includes food processing machinery, agricultural equipment, equipment for mining and petroleum, computers, tires for all types of vehicles, sunglasses, motorcycles, cosmetics, personal hygiene, plastic and textiles.

Agricultural products affected under this Decree are:

HS Code	Product	Previous Applied Tariff Rate	New Applied Tariff Rate
0810.50	Fresh Kiwifruit	10%	35%
0901.21	Roasted Coffee (excl. decaff.)	10%	35%
1209.29	Seeds of forage (excl. cereals, sugar beet, alfalfa, clover, etc)	0%	35%
1516.20	Vegetable fats & oils and their fractions	10%	35%
1517.90	Edible mixtures or prep. Of animal or veg. fats or oils	12%	35%
1604.14	Prep. Or preserved tunas, skipjack or Atlantic bonito	16%	35%
1604.20	Prepared or preserved fish (excl whole or in pieces)	16%	35%
2002.90	Tomatoes, prep. Or preserved. otherwise than vinegar/acetic	14%	35%
2003.10	Mushrooms prep. Or preserved otherwise than vinegar/acetic	14%	35%
2008.20	Pineapples, prep or preserved.	14%	35%
2106.90	Food Preparations n.e.s.	18%	22%
2202.90	Non alcohol. Bev (excl. water, fruit/veg juices & milk)	20%	35%
2208.30	Whiskies	20%	35%
2309.90	Prep. Used in animal feeding(excl cat/dog for retail)	14%	20%
2401.10	Tobacco, unstemmed or unstripped	14%	35%
4411.92	Fibreboard of wood or other ligneous material	10%	35%

4421.90	Other articles of wood n.e.s.	14%	35%
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