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Report Highlights:

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General Information:

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Table 1: Croatia – Beef Imports

Croatia Import Statistics			
Calendar Year: 2009 - 2011			
Partner Country	United States Dollars		
	2009	2010	2011
World	\$42,090,789	\$30,448,695	\$37,858,734
Netherlands	\$14,679,248	\$13,527,736	\$20,585,073
Austria	\$3,114,141	\$4,130,746	\$4,323,091
Uruguay	\$6,491,078	\$3,012,121	\$2,119,666
Italy	\$294,377	\$13,717	\$1,747,653
Poland	\$2,062,800	\$2,603,233	\$1,473,301
France	\$12,494	\$560,802	\$1,198,250
Germany	\$1,366,921	\$698,763	\$1,165,147
Australia	\$619,906	\$435,962	\$1,032,074
Brazil	\$1,933,516	\$715,025	\$982,418
Romania	\$0	\$0	\$939,053
United States	\$8,475	\$0	\$467,082
The rest	\$11,507,833	\$4,750,590	\$1,825,926

Source: Global Trade Atlas

Croatia also exports about \$25 million of beef annually, mostly to Italy and Bosnia & Herzegovina.

Tariffs and VAT

The value added tax (VAT) on beef and veal is 25%.

The most recent tariff rates can be found at:

<http://www.carina.hr/ActInternet/MainFrame/AplMainFrame.aspx>

Key Contacts and Further Information

A list of Croatian importers is available to U.S. exporters and can be obtained by contacting:

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