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Report Highlights:

On April 3, Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries announced tariff-rate quota (TRQ) volumes for dairy products during Japanese Fiscal Year 2023 (April to March). The announcement includes quotas for natural cheese for processing, skimmed milk powder, evaporated milk, butter and butter oil, as well as certain whey products. The quota volume for natural cheese for processing dropped six percent from JFY2022.

General Information:

On April 3, 2023, Japan’s Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) announced tariff-rate quota (TRQ) volumes for dairy products that will be in effect during Japanese Fiscal Year (JFY) 2023 (April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024). These TRQs operated by MAFF are separate from the designated dairy product TRQs operated by the Agriculture and Livestock Industries Corporation (ALIC), which were announced on January 27 (see [JA2023-0032](#)). See Table 1 below for the list of MAFF TRQs.

For the “natural cheese for processed cheese production” TRQ, each applicant (within Japan) is allowed to import natural cheese duty-free up to 2.5 times the volume of domestic cheese it uses for the production of processed cheese. The volume allocation for this TRQ was down 6 percent from JFY 2022 to 52,000 MT. While the TRQs for skimmed milk powder and butter and butter oil remained unchanged, volumes for sub-categories were adjusted based on MAFF’s projection of domestic demand and production (see Table 1 for the details).

Table 1: Japan’s Dairy TRQs for JFY 2023 Operated by MAFF

Product	TRQ Volume in JFY 2023 (metric tons)	Change from JFY 2022 (metric tons)	Note
Natural cheese for processed cheese production	52,000 MT	-3,500 MT	Pooled quota of natural cheese for processed cheese
Other dairy products	133,940 MT (Whole milk equivalent basis)	Unchanged	Includes certain products within HS 0401.10 0401.20 0401.40 0401.50 0403.20 0403.90 0404.90 1806.20 1806.90 1901.10 1901.20 1901.90 2101.12 2101.20 2106.10 2106.90
Skimmed milk powder (for school lunch)	7,264 MT	Unchanged	
Skimmed milk powder (for other purposes)	74,973 MT subdivided into: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assorted feed production: 74,326 MT Reconstituted milk production for Okinawa: 599 MT Infant formula production for Okinawa: 48 MT 	The total was unchanged. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assorted feed production: - 68 MT Reconstituted milk production for Okinawa: +76 MT Infant formula production for Okinawa: - 8 MT 	
Evaporated milk	1,500 MT	Unchanged	Pooled quota for certain products within HS 0402.91
Mineral concentrated whey	14,000 MT	Unchanged	
Whey and modified whey (for animal feeding purposes)	45,000 MT	Unchanged	
Prepared whey (for infant formula)	25,000 MT	Unchanged	Pooled quota of whey etc. used for prepared milk powder for babies and infants

Butter and butteroil	<p>Total 581 MT subdivided into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reconstituted milk production for Okinawa: 448 MT • Powdered infant formula production for Okinawa: 3 MT • International flight use: 103 MT • International trade fair use: 27 MT 	<p><i>The total was unchanged:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Reconstituted milk production for Okinawa: + 14 MT</i> • <i>Powdered infant formula production for Okinawa: - 1 MT</i> • <i>International flight use: - 1 MT</i> • <i>International trade fair use: - 12 MT</i> 	
Source: MAFF			

Attachments:

No Attachments.