

Avolin (Future) Duty Rates

Global Trade Content



Let's Start the Conversation

Good sourcing decisions are based on good data. These data include information on prices, manufacturer reliability and scalability, logistics costs and many other factors. A key variable in sourcing decisions should be the total landed costs of the good. A crucial element of the total landed costs, are the import duties. They are a net cost to the manufacturer. The import duties are typically anywhere between 0% and 35% (depending on the good and country of import). But the import duties can be lower if Free Trade Agreements (FTA) or other preferential trade programs are in place and the related conditions are met. With FTA rates usually decreasing over time, it is of vital importance to have access not only to current regular and preferential rates, but also to future duty rates – only then a true comparison of best sourcing options is possible.

Tradebeam (Future) Duty Rates Provision

For over a decade, TradeBeam has been collecting Global Trade Content. Import duty rates and preferential duty rates have always been a part of our collection process. With the growing interest of our clients into the duty rate implications of Free Trade Agreements, we added another dimension to our offering: future duty rates.

Future duty rates are the duty rates for future years as defined by the various Free Trade Agreements (FTAs). The FTA defines whether or not specific products benefit from lower duty rates, and if so at which rate. For example, the next five years duty rates for 'Tops' under the USA- Colombia Free Trade Agreement are as follows and clearly show that if you want to import Womens' or Girls' Tops, there are considerable advantages in doing so from Colombia:

Product Description	US MFN	Preferential Rates under US – Colombia FTA				
		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Womens' or Girls' Tops	28.20%	14.10%	11.20%	8.40%	5.60%	2.80%

TradeBeam collects this information for a large variety of countries and their associated FTAs. Providing the future rates to our clients allows them to make informed sourcing decisions regarding raw materials, semi-finished products, or finished products for the long term.

Functionality

The Future Duty Rates are identified based on the importing country's HS code. The future rates can be obtained on a case by case basis (queries), as an ongoing feed, or in integrated fashion (through web services). We also provide the future duty rates in different formats (for example XML or excel), and can provide the data to the customer through various methodologies (email, XML, sFTP, etc.).

Updates

TradeBeam updates Trade Content, including regular and preferential duty rates, on an ongoing basis (i.e. we update as the authorities update). Our clients can obtain these updates as they become available or on a periodic basis.

More Trade Content

TradeBeam collects Trade Content for more than 150 countries. The collected data do not only include duty rates, but span a wide variety of trade content, including (but not limited to) classification trees (HS and ECCN based) in various languages, import and export license requirements, OGA information, document requirements, other duties and taxes such as VAT, Sales Tax, excise, and additional (in-)direct taxes, Restricted Party data, Rules of Origin, and customs exchange rates.

More Information and Contact

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