



Australian Government

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FACT SHEET – FISH AND FISH PRODUCTS

ASEAN is only a small market for Australian exports of fish, with average annual exports of \$45 million. While many ASEAN tariffs are low, there are quite a few in the 15%-40% range. Tariffs on the majority of tariff lines in this sector will be bound at 0% on entry-into-force (EIF), or phased to 0%, with tariffs on the remaining lines phased to low rates (generally 5% or lower). This should benefit Australian industry through reduced barriers to trade and greater certainty in market access.

Australia's Major Exports to ASEAN (Australian Produce)

Product (HS 03, 1604-1605)	Exports to ASEAN 3 year average 2006-2008 (\$A million)	Exports to ASEAN as Percentage of Australia's Global Exports of Each Product 3 year average 2006-2008 %
Fish (HS 03)	44.0	4.2
Preparations of Fish (HS 1604-1605)	18.8	21.3
Total	62.7	5.6

Summary of Outcomes

Australia

All tariffs bound at 0% on EIF.

Indonesia

Tariffs on 166 tariff lines either bound at 0% on EIF or phase to 0%, and on the remaining 11 lines reduced to 7.5% or 2.5%.

- Tariffs of 5% on most tariff lines eliminated in 2010.
- Tariffs of 15% on fresh, chilled or frozen fish and fish fillets and fish meat phase to 7.5% by 2025, commencing in 2013 (7 tariff lines);
- Tariffs of 15% on live fish phase to 0% by 2013;
- Tariffs of 5% on preserved or tinned fish phase to 0% in 2010, except for canned sardines, tuna and mackerel, which reduce 2.5% in one step in 2020 (4 tariff lines);
- Tariffs of 0% on flour/meal/pellets bound at 0% on EIF.

Malaysia

All tariffs bound at 0% on EIF or phase to 0%

- Tariffs of 0% on most live, fresh, chilled or frozen fish and molluscs (except most octopus) bound at EIF.
- Tariff of 20% on octopus phases to 0% by 2015;
- Tariffs of 7% - 8% on smoked, dried or salted, fish, some lobsters, crabs and prawns phase to 0% by 2011.
- Tariffs of 0% - 20% on canned or preserved fish, molluscs and crustaceans bound or eliminated on EIF, except for shark fins and caviar on which tariffs phase to 0% by 2011.

New Zealand

All tariffs bound at 0% or eliminated at EIF

Note: Australia already benefits from bound 0% tariffs under ANZCERTA.

Philippines

Tariffs phase to 0% for all tariff lines except for 2 lines on which the tariff phases to 4% or 5%

- tariffs of 1% - 15% on fresh, chilled, frozen or dried fish (137 lines) phase to 0% by 2015 at the latest, except for 2 lines, with many tariffs eliminated in 2010 and 2011:
 - 5% tariff on frozen mackerel reduce to 4% in one step in 2015
 - 15% tariff on fish fillets (dried, salted, in brine, but not smoked) phase from 15% to 5% by 2016
- 10% tariffs on some prepared or preserved fish phase to 0% by 2012;
- 15% tariffs on most prepared or preserved fish phase to 0% by 2015, except for 1 line (salmon in airtight containers) which phases to 0% by 2020.

Singapore

All tariffs bound at 0% at EIF

Note: these tariff commitments the same as in SAFTA

Thailand

All tariffs phase to 0%

- Tariffs of 5% on 84 lines eliminated in 2010;
- Tariff of 10% on one line (tuna in sealed containers) phases to 0% by 2010;
- Tariffs of 20% phase to 0% by 2012 except for 2 lines (chilled or frozen shrimp/prawns, 'other' fish) on which tariffs are eliminated in one step in 2020
- Tariffs of 30% phase to 0% by 2020 except for 3 lines (live ornamental fish, canned tunas, canned mackerel), on which tariffs are eliminated in one step in 2020.

Note: Duty free treatment for most products comes into effect earlier under TAFTA.

Vietnam

All tariffs phase to 0% (125 tariff lines) or 5% (40 lines)

- **Live, fresh, frozen, dried, salted, smoked fish; crustaceans and molluscs:**
 - 6 tariff lines (breeding fish) at 0% bound at EIF;
 - 30% tariffs on 17 lines phase to 5% by 2022;
 - 30% tariffs on remaining 113 lines phase to 0% mostly by 2018, with reductions commencing in 2010.
- **Prepared or preserved fish, caviar, crustaceans:** 29 tariff lines at 40%:
 - Tariffs on 6 lines, caviar, brisling/sprats, shark fins, crab) phase to 0% by 2018 or 2019;
 - Tariffs on 23 lines phase to 5% by 2022, commencing in 2015.