

U.S.-Australia Free Trade Agreement Market Access Results

Paper and Paper Products

Trade and Tariffs

This sector is defined by the Paper Uruguay Round sector agreement. Paper and paper products accounted for 2.2 percent of total U.S industrial exports to Australia in 2003, totaling \$278 million. The top U.S. exports in this sector are periodicals, personal paper items and miscellaneous paper products. Australia's tariffs range between zero and five percent, with an average of 3.2 percent in 2003.

Australia exports to the United States totaled \$31 million in 2003, or 0.54 percent of total exports to the United States. Australia's top exports to the top United States are periodicals, kraft paper and labels. The United States is a signatory of the Uruguay Round sectoral agreement and is duty free on these products.

Tariff Elimination

Both Australia and the United States will eliminate all tariffs on paper and paper products immediately upon implementation of the agreement.

Non-Tariff Barriers

The U.S.-Australia FTA will establish a Committee on Trade in Goods to address any non-tariff measures, as well as other market access issues that may arise in the context of this agreement.