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On March 5, 2025, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the initiation of an antidumping duty (AD) investigation of methylene diphenyl diisocyanate (MDI) from the People's Republic of China (China).

**Alleged Dumping Margins**

| Trading Partner | Dumping Margins (Percent) |
|---|---|
| China | 305.81 – 511.75 |

**Case Calendar**

| EVENT | AD INVESTIGATION |
|---|---|
| Petition(s) Filed | February 12, 2025 |
| Commerce Initiation Date* | March 4, 2025 |
| ITC Preliminary Determinations** | March 31, 2025* |
| Commerce Preliminary Determinations | July 22, 2025* |
| Commerce Final Determinations | October 6, 2025* |
| ITC Final Determinations*** | November 20, 2025 |
| Issuance of Orders**** | November 28, 2025* |

NOTE: Commerce's preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For AD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 733(b) and 735(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. These deadlines may be extended under certain circumstances.
* Where the deadline falls on a weekend/holiday, the appropriate date is the next business day.
** If the International Trade Commission (ITC) makes a negative preliminary determination of injury, then the corresponding AD investigation will be terminated.
*** This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from Commerce.
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**Import Statistics**

| China | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Volume (kg) | 163,887,704 | 175,534,602 | 198,761,010 |
| Value (USD) | 345,563,208 | 230,840,709 | 241,014,447 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through S&P Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS)) subheadings 2929.10.8010 and 3909.31.0000). Imports of MDI enter under HTSUS

subheadings that may cover subject and non-subject merchandise. Therefore, publicly available import data may not accurately reflect actual imports of MDI covered by the scope of the investigation.

### Other Case Information

- The petitioner is the Ad Hoc MDI Fair Trade Coalition, whose members are BASF Corporation (Florham Park, NJ) and The Dow Chemical Company (Midland, MI).For general information and next steps, please refer to a list of initiation FAQs.
- Additional case information, including the scope of the investigations and alleged subsidy programs, are on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). Once you log in, please refer to the following case number:

| Trading Partner | Case Number |
|---|---|
| China | A-570-200 |

- To date, Commerce maintains 727 AD and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.

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## Global Business Navigator Chatbot Beta

Welcome to the Global Business Navigator, an artificial intelligence (AI) Chatbot from the International Trade Administration (ITA). This tool, currently in beta version testing, is designed to provide general information on the exporting process and the resources available to assist new and experienced U.S. exporters. The Chatbot, developed using Microsoft's Azure AI services, is trained on ITA's export-related content and aims to quickly get users the information they need. The Chatbot is intended to make the benefits of exporting more accessible by understanding non-expert language, idiomatic expressions, and foreign languages.

### Limitations

As a beta product, the Chatbot is currently being tested and its responses may occasionally produce inaccurate or incomplete information. The Chatbot is trained to decline out of scope or inappropriate requests. The Chatbot's knowledge is limited to the public information on the Export Solutions web pages of Trade.gov, which covers a wide range of topics on exporting. While it cannot provide responses specific to a company's product or a specific foreign market, its reference pages will guide you to other relevant government resources and market research. Always double-check the Chatbot's responses using the provided references or by visiting the Export Solutions web pages on Trade.gov. Do not use its responses as legal or professional advice. Inaccurate advice from the Chatbot would not be a defense to violating any export rules or regulations.

### Privacy

The Chatbot does not collect information about users and does not use the contents of users' chat history to learn new information. All feedback is anonymous. Please do not enter personally identifiable information (PII),

sensitive, or proprietary information into the Chatbot. Your conversations will not be connected to other interactions or accounts with ITA. Conversations with the Chatbot may be reviewed to help ITA improve the tool and address harmful, illegal, or otherwise inappropriate questions.

## Translation

The Chatbot supports a wide range of languages. Because the Chatbot is trained in English and responses are translated, you should verify the translation. For example, the Chatbot may have difficulty with acronyms, abbreviations, and nuances in a language other than English.