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On August 13, 2025, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the initiation of antidumping duty (AD) investigations of certain freight rail couplers and parts thereof (freight rail couplers) from the Czech Republic and India and countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of freight rail couplers from India.

### Alleged Dumping Margin

Trading Partner	Dumping Margins (percent)
Czech Republic	119.96
India	7.86 - 71.01

### Alleged Subsidy Rate

Trading Partner	Subsidy Rate
India	Above de minimis*

\* de minimis = less than one percent for developed countries, less than two percent for developing countries

### Import Statistics

Czech Republic	2022	2023	2024
Volume (KG)	362	1,024	562,769
Value (USD)	\$24,730	\$3,384	\$1,663,278

<b>Indonesia</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Volume (KG)	1,095,869	1,196,497	2,066,492
Value (USD)	\$3,027,244	\$3,542,982	\$5,589,463

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through S&P Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 8607.30.1000). Starting July 1, 2025, this HTSUS subheading is no longer applicable and HTSUS subheadings 8607.30.1010, 8607.30.1050, and 8607.30.1090 will cover subject merchandise. Imports of freight rail couplers enter under HTSUS subheadings that may cover subject and non-subject merchandise. Therefore, publicly available import data may not accurately reflect actual imports of freight rail couplers covered by the scope of the investigations.

## Next Steps

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is currently scheduled to issue its preliminary determination on September 8, 2025. For more information related to the ITC’s timeline, please refer to [the ITC’s calendar](#).
- If the ITC issues an affirmative preliminary determination, Commerce is scheduled to announce its preliminary determination on October 17, 2025, for the CVD investigation and, on December 31, 2025, for the AD investigation. These deadlines may be extended in accordance with the statute.

## Other Case Information

- The petitioner is the Coalition of Freight Coupler Producers, whose members are McConway & Torley LLC (Pittsburgh, PA) and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union (Pittsburgh, PA).
- For general information and next steps, please refer to a [list of initiation FAQs](#).
- Additional case information, including the scope of the investigation, 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 case numbers:

### Trading Partner AD Case Number CVD Case Number

Czech Republic A-851-806 N/A

India A-533-940 C-533-941

- To date, Commerce maintains 777 AD and countervailing duty orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.