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**Report Highlights:**

This report presents China Customs agricultural, fishery, and forestry trade data recorded from January to October 2005. This month carpenter's wood and frozen fish have elevated to the top-twenty five commodities exported to and imported from the U.S. while soybeans remain the #1 import for China from the world and U.S. To date, China has imported \$5.8 billion worth of agricultural, fishery, and forestry commodities from the U.S.

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## Disclaimer

The Agricultural Affairs Office at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing provides this report for information purposes only. Readers should be aware that China Customs data in this report will not match other countries' export statistics due to the timing of exports (e.g., trade recorded in an exporting country in one month may not show up in China's data until the following month). Furthermore, values from one country to another will vary due to disparity in recording methods (e.g., FOB vs. CIF/landed price). Also, inconsistencies may exist as a result of Hong Kong or Macau re-export trade to or from China. Finally, some inconsistencies may result from different classification of goods (e.g., hard wheat from one country may be classified as durum by China).

"HTS" refers to Harmonized Tariff System. At the two, four, and six-digit level, tariff line items/descriptions for all countries are harmonized; more precise categories may differ between countries. Commodity descriptions are increasingly precise as the number of digits increase.

Additionally, it is useful to recognize that trade data for many of these commodities are more accurately depicted on a marketing year basis, as reported in individual commodity reports.

Agricultural commodities refer to those commodities identified in Annex I of the Uruguay round of agricultural negotiations. Fishery commodities refer to commodities recognized in HTS Chapters 03.02 through 03.07, 16.04, and 16.05. Forestry commodities refer to HTS codes referred to in U.S. Trade Reports for Forest Products excluding pulp and paper.

## Highlights

### *China Customs Reported Trade in First Ten Months of 2005*

	Jan-Oct 2005 <b>All Commodities</b>	Jan-Oct 2005 <b>Ag, Fish, and Forestry</b>
Imports from World:	\$ 534.1 billion	\$ 29.1 billion
Imports from U.S.:	\$ 39.8 billion	\$ 5.8 billion
Exports To World:	\$ 614.7 billion	\$ 27.1 billion
Exports To U.S.:	\$ 132.5 billion	\$ 3.8 billion

China's agricultural, fishery and forestry imports and exports, to date, are consistent with previous GAIN reports. China's imports from the U.S. and exports to the U.S. have both increased by \$400 million since the September report. Soybeans remain as China's #1 import from the United States and the world, while frozen fish continue to be China's top exported commodity to the world and the U.S.

## Fish Squeeze Into Top Imports

The United States is China's largest supplier of agricultural, fishery, and forestry commodities valued at more than twice the next largest importer, Argentina (\$2.5 billion). Soybeans continue to be the premier value import from the world in all commodities, of which the U.S. has supplied the greatest share, 38% and \$2.4 billion. The import value of soybeans from the U.S. has surpassed China's total fishery commodities imports from the

world (\$2.3 billion). Cotton remains the second largest commodity imported from the world (\$2.5 billion) and the U.S. (\$1.2 billion).

In October, the top twenty-five imported commodities supplied by the U.S. have remained relatively consistent. The top ten commodities experienced one change since the September report. Fishmeal and pellets moved to the tenth position replacing frozen swine. This month the top ten commodities are soybeans, cotton, hides, sawn wood, frozen chicken, plaice (type of flatfish), food preparations, untreated wood, frozen cod, and fishmeal and pellets, listed in respective order. The majority of the top ten commodities continue to increase in the import value when compared to the same time period last year.

This month there was only one new entry in the top-twenty five; frozen fish with bones. In September, that commodity was number twenty-six and has moved up to twenty-third.

### **Fish Fillet Export Continues Five Month Reign**

The United States remains China's second largest export destination behind Japan. To date, China has exported \$3.8 billion agricultural, fishery, and forestry products to the U.S. Although the majority of the top twenty-five are forestry products, frozen fish fillet continues to lead at \$ 477 million.

In October, the top ten China agricultural exports to the U.S. are: frozen fish fillets, wood articles, plywood, plywood with hardwood, apple juice, grooved wood, stuffing down, wood statuettes, wood frames, and wood doors. The majority of the top twenty-five exports experienced an increase in export value the same time period last year.

FAS China forecasts China's import value and volume of U.S. commodities will continue growing through the calendar year.

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports from the World by Origin

## Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by Country through October (\$Millions)

Rank	Country	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	% Share			% Change
		2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	- 05/04 -
	World	20,281	29,441	29,980	100	100	100	2
1	United States	4,112	6,597	5,767	20	22	19	-13
2	Argentina	1,970	2,485	2,589	10	8	9	4
3	Brazil	1,963	2,677	2,572	10	9	9	-4
4	Russia	1,484	1,884	2,451	7	6	8	30
5	Australia	1,046	2,108	2,082	5	7	7	-1
6	Malaysia	1,680	2,104	2,047	8	7	7	-3
7	Thailand	1,112	1,631	1,610	5	6	5	-1
8	Indonesia	1,012	1,377	1,429	5	5	5	4
9	Canada	478	1,279	1,066	2	4	4	-17
10	Peru	272	455	745	1	2	2	64
11	New Zealand	611	796	681	3	3	2	-14
12	France	340	313	554	2	1	2	77
13	Uzbekistan	151	335	333	1	1	1	-1
14	India	121	297	323	1	1	1	9
15	Japan	269	287	323	1	1	1	13
16	Chile	168	200	315	1	1	1	57
17	Vietnam	229	232	290	1	1	1	25
18	Germany	219	214	245	1	1	1	14
19	Korea, South	159	207	243	1	1	1	17
20	Netherlands	119	191	224	1	1	1	17
21	Papua New Guinea	132	135	221	1	0	1	64
22	Myanmar	118	151	211	1	1	1	40
23	Denmark	166	202	196	1	1	1	-3
24	Gabon	184	145	189	1	0	1	30
25	United Kingdom	71	128	187	0	0	1	46

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by Port Territory

## Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by Port Territory through October (\$Million)

Rank	District	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	%Share			% Change
		2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	- 05/04 -
	All Districts	20,281	29,441	29,980	100	100	100	2
1	Qingdao	3,841	5,450	5,817	19	19	19	7
2	Shanghai	2,594	4,077	4,380	13	14	15	7
3	Nanjing	2,852	4,241	4,076	14	14	14	-4
4	Tianjin	1,422	2,523	2,271	7	9	8	-10
5	Huangpu	1,128	2,046	2,069	6	7	7	1
6	Dalian	1,173	1,664	1,766	6	6	6	6
7	Shenzhen	1,919	2,059	1,581	9	7	5	-23
8	Guangzhou	968	961	882	5	3	3	-8
9	Xiamen	456	655	747	2	2	2	14
10	Ningbo	553	883	722	3	3	2	-18
11	Hangzhou	289	492	647	1	2	2	31
12	Nanning	434	628	642	2	2	2	2
13	Harbin	362	471	578	2	2	2	23
14	Manzhouli	337	474	577	2	2	2	22
15	Shijiazhuang	325	329	499	2	1	2	52
16	Zhanjiang	297	557	416	1	2	1	-25
17	Fuzhou	191	380	404	1	1	1	6
18	Jiangmen	91	136	279	0	0	1	105
19	Gongbei	220	287	244	1	1	1	-15
20	Kunming	121	143	206	1	0	1	44
21	Hohhot	123	163	198	1	1	1	22
22	Beijing	141	170	184	1	1	1	8
23	Zhengzhou	73	97	137	0	0	0	41
24	Haikou	38	72	110	0	0	0	54
25	Chongqing	3	37	97	0	0	0	163

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports from the World by HTS 6 Digits

## Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports at HTS 6 Digits from the World through October (\$Millions)

HS	Description	Jan-Oct 2003	Jan-Oct 2004	Jan-Oct 2005	% Change - 05/04 -
	China's Imports of World Ag, Fish, and Forestry	20,281	29,441	29,980	2
	All Agricultural Products (Uruguay Annex I)	15,103	23,387	22,986	-2
	All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)	3,731	4,174	4,618	11
	All Aquatic (edible)	1,447	1,881	2,375	26
120100	Soybeans	4,671	5,636	6,369	13
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	833	3,052	2,457	-19
151190	Palm oil, refined, not chemically modified	1,178	1,544	1,456	-6
440320	Wood, coniferous, in the rough, not treated	799	969	1,139	18
230120	Fish or Crustacean, meal and pellets, inedible	463	638	1,027	61
400122	Rubber, technically specified natural (TSNR)	424	687	967	41
510111	Wool, not carded or combed, greasy and shorn	477	772	898	16
440399	Wood, nonconiferous, in the rough, not treated	612	628	861	37
030360	Cod, frozen, excluding fillets	506	637	836	31
410150	Hides and Skins, whole, bovine or equine, >16kg	422	696	742	7
150710	Soybean Oil, crude, not chemically modified	669	1,397	680	-51
440799	Wood, nonconiferous, sawn, sliced, >6m	459	523	522	0
440349	Wood, other tropical, in the rough, not treated	501	559	444	-21
100110	Wheat, Durum (not only Durum, but any hard wheat)	55	711	384	-46
100300	Barley	251	284	371	31
100190	Wheat (anything other than Durum) and Meslin	0	646	351	-46
071410	Cassava (Manioc), fresh or dried, w/nt pellet	162	288	350	22
170111	Cane Sugar, Raw, Solid form w/o added flav/color	126	221	311	41
440729	Wood, other tropical, sawn/chipped lengthwise	230	268	297	11
030379	Fish, frozen, with bones, nesoi	177	187	275	47
400121	Rubber, natural, in smoke sheets	348	324	272	-16
440710	Wood, coniferous, sawn/sliced >6mm	173	231	264	15
020714	Chicken, frozen, cuts and edible offal incl. Livers	319	132	258	96
240120	Tobacco, partly and wholly stemmed/stripped	219	183	245	34
440391	Wood, Oak, in the rough, not treated	51	100	171	70

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry from the U.S. by HTS 6 Digits

## Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by HTS 6 Digits from the U.S. through October (\$Millions)

		Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	%Change
HS	Description	2003	2004	2005	-05/04-
	China's Imports of U.S. Ag, Fish, and Forestry	4,112	6,597	5,767	-13
	All Agricultural Products (Uruguay Annex I)	3,756	6,070	5,083	-16
	All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)	242	308	372	21
	All Aquatic (edible)	114	218	311	43
120100	Soybeans	1,608	2,332	2,409	3
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	484	1,702	1,207	-29
410150	Hides and Skins, whole, bovine or equine, >16kg	312	455	486	7
440799	Wood, nonconiferous, sawn, sliced, >6m	125	145	163	13
020714	Chicken, frozen, cuts and edible offal incl. Livers	313	59	129	118
030332	Plaice, frozen, excluding fillets	40	52	95	81
210690	Food Preparations, nesoi	129	168	62	-63
440399	Wood, nonconiferous, in the rough, not treated	25	38	55	45
030360	Cod, frozen, excluding fillets	23	58	54	-7
230120	Fish or Crustacean, meal and pellets, inedible	51	55	53	-3
020649	Swine, frozen, edible offal, except livers	48	84	52	-38
100110	Wheat, Durum (not only Durum, but any hard wheat)	19	276	48	-83
100190	Wheat (anything other than Durum) and Meslin	0	280	46	-84
440791	Wood, Oak, sawn, sliced, >6mm	18	28	46	62
030380	Fish, livers and roes, frozen	9	32	41	29
040410	Whey and Mod, Whey whether concent. W/add. sweetener	21	23	39	69
030319	Pacific Salmon, nesoi, Excluding filet, liver, roe, fro	11	13	37	186
230990	Animal Feed, excluding dog or cat, retail packages	36	35	31	-13
050400	Animal guts, bladders, stomachs and parts	65	39	30	-23
440890	Wood, Veneer Sheets, nonconiferous, <6mm, nesoi	19	25	26	2
410330	Swine raw hides and skins, not pretan, frh, or salted, et	2	5	25	370
440391	Wood, Oak, in the rough not treated	10	18	23	27
030379	Frozen Fish, Nesoi, With Bones	4	14	23	60
200410	Potatoes, frozen, prepared, etc.	27	36	23	-36
330210	Food and drink, mixtures, odiferous substances	8	10	22	128

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October



## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the World by Destination

## Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports by Country through October (\$Million)

Rank	Country	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	% Share			%Change
		2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	-05/04-
	World	19,247	21,855	27,074	100	100	100	24
1	Japan	5,516	6,591	7,297	29	30	27	11
2	United States	2,377	3,002	3,835	12	14	14	28
3	Korea, South	1,982	1,723	2,430	10	8	9	41
4	Hong Kong	1,886	2,260	2,329	10	10	9	3
5	Germany	557	651	923	3	3	3	42
6	Russia	465	478	662	2	2	2	38
7	Malaysia	529	424	563	3	2	2	33
8	United Kingdom	316	424	551	2	2	2	30
9	Netherlands	348	383	530	2	2	2	38
10	Canada	236	382	513	1	2	2	34
11	Taiwan	305	356	435	2	2	2	22
12	Spain	158	238	421	1	1	2	77
13	Indonesia	417	383	365	2	2	1	-5
14	Italy	207	220	319	1	1	1	45
15	Belgium	135	175	312	1	1	1	78
16	Singapore	224	272	287	1	1	1	5
17	Australia	169	239	279	1	1	1	17
18	Thailand	172	211	265	1	1	1	26
19	Philippines	230	222	256	1	1	1	15
20	Vietnam	258	195	256	1	1	1	31
21	France	154	177	252	1	1	1	42
22	Korea, North	138	199	236	1	1	1	19
23	United Arab Emirates	93	156	229	0	1	1	46
24	India	172	175	187	1	1	1	7
25	Mexico	66	148	185	0	1	1	26

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the World by Port Territory

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exporting Port Territories through September  
(\$Million)

Rank	District	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	Jan-Oct	% Share			% Change
		2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	-05/04-
	All Districts	19,247	21,855	27,074	100	100	100	24
1	Qingdao	4,262	5,137	6,535	22	24	24	27
2	Dalian	3,132	2,819	3,901	16	13	14	38
3	Shanghai	2,223	2,808	3,451	12	13	13	23
4	Shenzhen	1,748	2,054	2,289	9	9	8	11
5	Tianjin	1,440	1,636	1,970	7	7	7	20
6	Ningbo	961	1,176	1,412	5	5	5	20
7	Xiamen	769	1,087	1,329	4	5	5	22
8	Nanjing	879	904	1,197	5	4	4	32
9	Huangpu	525	609	770	3	3	3	26
10	Fuzhou	507	688	716	3	3	3	4
11	Guangzhou	369	471	567	2	2	2	20
12	Shantou	229	283	277	1	1	1	-2
13	Zhanjiang	229	271	273	1	1	1	1
14	Gongbei	189	232	259	1	1	1	12
15	Harbin	209	169	203	1	1	1	20
16	Nanning	171	162	187	1	1	1	15
17	Shenyang	195	65	180	1	0	1	177
18	Jiangmen	134	153	166	1	1	1	9
19	Changchun	96	70	160	1	0	1	128
20	Chongqing	83	130	146	0	1	1	13
21	Shijiazhuang	161	117	128	1	1	0	9
22	Haikou	92	120	124	0	1	0	3
23	Wuhan	114	134	122	1	1	0	-9
24	Kunming	92	109	113	0	1	0	4
25	Urumqi	56	41	108	0	0	0	161

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the World by HTS 6 Digits

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the World by HTS 6 Digits through October  
(\$Million)

HS	Description	Jan-Oct 2003	Jan-Oct 2004	Jan-Oct 2005	%Change -05/04-
	China's Exports to the World of Ag, Fish, and Forestry	19,247	21,855	27,074	24
	All Agricultural Products (UruguayAnnexI)	12,539	12,925	16,008	24
	All Aquatic (edible)	3,885	4,839	5,636	16
	All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)	2,823	4,091	5,429	33
030420	Fish, frozen fillets	866	1,102	1,462	33
100590	Corn (Maize), other than seed	1,302	273	959	251
442190	Wood, articles, nesoi	545	671	782	17
160419	Fish, prepared or preserved, whole or in pieces	526	735	775	5
441219	Wood, plywood, both outer layers coniferous <6mm both sides	164	474	708	49
160590	Molluscs, prepared or preserved	295	404	574	42
160520	Shrimps and Prawns, prepared or preserved	343	427	508	19
160232	Chicken meat or offal, prepared or preserved, nesoi	349	341	508	49
441229	Wood, plywood, 1 outer layer hardwood, nesoi	102	261	486	86
070320	Garlic, fresh or chilled	297	339	463	37
440920	Wood, nonconiferous, tongued, grooved, or molded	131	192	432	125
050400	Animal (not fish) guts, bladders, stomachs, parts	312	417	429	3
200590	Vegetables and mix. nesoi, prepared or preserved, not frozen	242	337	422	25
200979	Apple Juice, nesoi, not fortified, unfermented	186	245	375	53
030379	Fish, frozen, with bones, nesoi	274	306	358	17
020329	Swine meat, frozen, nesoi	178	329	321	-2
071290	Vegetables and mix. nesoi, dried	248	262	314	20
050510	Down, for stuffing, cleaned/disinfected/treated	192	290	294	2
442010	Wood, statuettes and other ornaments	188	260	286	10
441820	Wooden, doors and doorframes and thresholds	135	210	283	35
441900	Wood, tableware and kitchenware	223	243	278	14
210690	Food Preparations, nesoi	237	250	274	10
220190	Waters including Ice and Snow, w/o sweetener or flav.	199	318	259	-19
441400	Wooden frames paintings, photographs, mirrors, etc	154	205	249	22
030613	Frozen Shrimps and Prawns, including Shell	308	332	249	-25

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October

## China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the U.S. by HTS 6 Digits

## Top 25 Ag, Fish and Forestry Exports to the U.S. by HTS 6 Digits through October (\$Million)

HS	Description	Jan-Oct 2003	Jan-Oct 2004	Jan-Oct 2005	%Change - 05/04 -
	China's Exports to the U.S. of Ag, Fish, and Forestry	2,377	3,002	3,835	28
	All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)	732	1,183	1,567	33
	All Agricultural Products (UruguayAnnexI)	843	1,101	1,323	20
	All Aquatic (edible)	802	718	944	32
030420	Fish, frozen fillets	240	308	463	50
442190	Wood, articles, nesoi	189	233	257	11
441219	Wood, plywood, both outer layers coniferous < 6mm both sides	32	156	210	35
441229	Wood, plywood, 1 outer layer hardwood, nesoi	39	97	206	112
200979	Apple Juice, nesoi, not fortified, unfermented	71	122	145	19
440920	Wood, nonconiferous, tongued, grooved, or molded	29	54	139	158
050510	Down, for stuffing, cleaned/disinfected/treated	84	132	121	-8
442010	Wood, statuettes and other ornaments	90	119	115	-3
441400	Wooden, frames, paintings, mirrors, etc.	86	96	108	13
441820	Wooden, doors and doorframes and thresholds	21	58	103	79
200830	Citrus fruit (incl. Mixtures), prepared, etc...nesoi	64	68	77	14
160590	Molluscs, prepared or preserved	27	33	75	129
050400	Animal (not fish) guts, bladders, stomachs, parts	64	73	73	-1
160520	Shrimps and Prawns, prepared or preserved	201	62	65	5
160510	Crab, prepared or preserved	28	47	63	34
441213	Wood, plywood at least one layer tropical	14	63	62	-1
441119	Wood, fiberboard and lign., Material density > .8g/cm3, nesoi	3	7	55	671
071290	Vegetables and mix., nesoi, dried	48	41	52	26
170490	Confectionary Sugar (Including wh choc), no cocoa, nesoi	23	30	50	71
442090	Wood, Marquetry, etc; Wood Caskets and Cases, etc.	40	47	50	5
441900	Wood, tableware and kitchenware	27	36	42	17
441214	Wood, plywood, at least one outer layer nonconiferous	1	7	42	531
160419	Fish, prepared or preserved, whole or in pieces	23	25	42	65
441890	Wood, Builders Joinery & Carpentry, Nesoi	13	24	36	48
200310	Mushrooms, prepared or preserved, excluding vinegar	20	38	36	-6

Source of Data: China Customs, January to October