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WASHINGTON, April 2, 2001 - Exporters now have unlimited access to the most up-to-date trade data on U.S. exports and imports of agricultural, fishery, and forestry products. The U.S. Trade Internet System, developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service, incorporates the latest export and import data supplied by the U.S. Census Bureau.

This new service allows users the flexibility to customize their data searches and save their search criteria for repeated use. Data can be selected by harmonized code or selected commodity groupings on either a value or volume basis. Users will also be able to track trade trends since the database will include exports and imports going back to 1989.

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