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Report Highlights:

This report presents China Customs agricultural, fishery, and forestry commodity trade data recorded from January through March 2005. Year to date agricultural, fishery, and forestry imports were \$7.7 billion, of which \$2.1 originated from the United States. Leading imports are soybeans, cotton, untreated woods, wheat, and vegetable oils. China's agricultural, fishery, and forestry exports were \$7.2 billion; primarily processed aquatic products and woodenware.

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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.

Highlights –Still More Beans than Boeings in Q1 2005

China Customs Reported Trade in the First Three Months of 2005		
	Jan-Mar 2005	Jan-Mar 2005
	All Commodities	Ag. Fish, and Forestry
Imports from the World:	\$139.3 billion	\$7.7 billion
Imports from the U.S.:	\$11.1 billion	\$2.1 billion
Exports to the World:	\$155.9 billion	\$7.2 billion
Exports to the U.S.:	\$32.5 billion	\$1.0 billion
Source: China Customs		

At the four-digit HTS level, China's highest value commodity import from the U.S. remains soybeans (\$1.4 billion), which exceeded the combined value of the number two and three imports from the U.S.: electronic integrated circuits (\$810 million) and powered aircraft (\$499 million). Imports of cotton (\$179 million) ranked eighth and bovine/equine hide and skins (\$128 million) ranked sixteenth.

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

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by Origin (\$Million) through March								
		Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	% Share			% Change
Rank	Country	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	- 05/04 -
	--World--	5,132	8,362	7,728	100%	100%	100%	-8%
1	United States	1,572	3,102	2,105	31%	37%	27%	-32%
2	Russia	403	459	647	8%	5%	8%	41%
3	Australia	336	443	585	7%	5%	8%	32%
4	Malaysia	403	542	508	8%	6%	7%	-6%
5	Thailand	397	504	491	8%	6%	6%	-3%
6	Canada	116	319	396	2%	4%	5%	24%
7	Indonesia	221	308	336	4%	4%	4%	9%
8	Brazil	156	302	316	3%	4%	4%	5%
9	Argentina	100	392	246	2%	5%	3%	-37%
10	New Zealand	160	213	212	3%	3%	3%	-1%
11	France	99	74	190	2%	1%	2%	157%
12	Peru	26	67	130	1%	1%	2%	93%
13	Japan	77	83	94	1%	1%	1%	13%
14	Vietnam	72	86	88	1%	1%	1%	2%
15	Myanmar	40	51	78	1%	1%	1%	52%
16	India	35	124	75	1%	1%	1%	-40%
17	Uzbekistan	15	125	74	0%	1%	1%	-41%
18	Chile	36	54	74	1%	1%	1%	38%
19	Papua New Guinea	40	39	68	1%	0%	1%	74%
20	Germany	70	58	67	1%	1%	1%	15%
21	Korea, South	38	52	62	1%	1%	1%	20%
22	Denmark	37	46	56	1%	1%	1%	22%
23	United Kingdom	18	29	53	0%	0%	1%	85%
24	Netherlands	28	40	51	1%	0%	1%	27%
25	Gabon	51	40	47	1%	0%	1%	18%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year January through March

China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports from the World by Entering Area

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports by Port Territory (\$Million) through March								
Rank	District	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	% Share			% Change
		2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	- 05/04 -
	-All Districts-	5,132	8,362	7,728	100%	100%	100%	-8%
1	Qingdao	932	1,687	1,490	18%	20%	19%	-12%
2	Nanjing	779	1,232	1,136	15%	15%	15%	-8%
3	Shanghai	719	1,242	1,085	14%	15%	14%	-13%
4	Dalian	236	310	499	5%	4%	6%	61%
5	Tianjin	285	774	490	6%	9%	6%	-37%
6	Huangpu	248	526	486	5%	6%	6%	-8%
7	Shenzhen	514	662	409	10%	8%	5%	-38%
8	Guangzhou	308	231	238	6%	3%	3%	3%
9	Shijiazhuang	52	65	200	1%	1%	3%	209%
10	Xiamen	88	169	179	2%	2%	2%	6%
11	Ningbo	157	239	171	3%	3%	2%	-29%
12	Harbin	105	123	162	2%	1%	2%	32%
13	Manzhouli	101	147	161	2%	2%	2%	9%
14	Nanning	119	197	158	2%	2%	2%	-20%
15	Hangzhou	72	110	140	1%	1%	2%	28%
16	Fuzhou	43	72	100	1%	1%	1%	38%
17	Zhanjiang	51	116	93	1%	1%	1%	-20%
18	Kunming	39	49	82	1%	1%	1%	68%
19	Jiangmen	26	31	77	1%	0%	1%	147%
20	Gongbei	61	88	75	1%	1%	1%	-15%
21	Hohhot	38	42	55	1%	1%	1%	30%
22	Zhengzhou	19	25	39	0%	0%	1%	57%
23	Beijing	37	47	37	1%	1%	0%	-21%
24	Urumqi	19	41	35	0%	0%	0%	-14%
25	Chongqing	1	2	26	0%	0%	0%	1260%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March

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 (\$Million) through March					
HS	Description	Jan-Mar 2003	Jan-Mar 2004	Jan-Mar 2005	% Change - 05/04 -
China's Imports of Worldwide Ag, Fish, and Forestry		5,132	8,362	7,728	-8%
All Agricultural Products (BICO)		3,724	6,863	5,826	-15%
All Aquatic (edible)		348	382	611	60%
All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)		1,060	1,118	1,292	16%
120100	Soybeans	972	1,908	1,519	-20%
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	173	1,242	337	-73%
440320	Wood, coniferous, in the rough, not treated	226	257	304	18%
151190	Palm Oil, refined, not chemically modified	224	355	303	-14%
440399	Wood, nonconiferous, in the rough, not treated	206	179	247	38%
100190	Wheat (anything other than Durum) and Meslin	0	7	246	3377%
030360	Cod, frozen, excluding fillets	122	128	228	78%
510111	Wool, not carded or combed, greasy and shorn	165	166	226	36%
400122	Rubber, technically specified natural (TSNR)	106	172	222	28%
150710	Soybean Oil, crude, not chemically modified	123	438	199	-55%
410150	Hides and Skins, whole, bovine or equine, >16kg	111	167	184	10%
230120	Fish or Crustacean, meal and pellets, inedible	52	103	173	69%
100110	Wheat, Durum (not only Durum, but any hard wheat)	16	46	172	274%
440349	Wood, other tropical, in the rough, not treated	138	152	146	-5%
240120	Tobacco, partly or wholly stemmed/stripped	131	60	143	138%
440799	Wood, nonconiferous, sawn, sliced, >6m	129	142	130	-9%
100300	Barley	81	68	118	75%
400121	Rubber, natural, in smoked sheets	137	147	118	-20%
071410	Cassava (Manioc), fresh or dried, w/nt pellet	57	96	107	11%
440729	Wood, other tropical, sawn/chipped lengthwise	63	66	84	28%
030379	Fish, frozen, with bones, nesoi	54	42	72	71%
440710	Wood, coniferous, sawn/sliced >6mm	41	56	69	23%
410210	Hides and Skins, sheep, wool-on, fresh, not tanned	29	35	60	72%
530121	Flax, broken or scutched	38	47	53	13%
100630	Rice, semi-or wholly milled, polished	48	64	51	-20%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March

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

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Imports at HTS 6 Digits from the U.S. (\$Million) through March					
HS	Description	Jan-Mar 2003	Jan-Mar 2004	Jan-Mar 2005	% Change - 05/04 -
China's Imports of U.S. Ag, Fish, and Forestry		1,572	3,102	2,105	-32%
All Agricultural Products (BICO)		1,489	2,978	1,953	-34%
All Aquatic (edible)		19	45	63	42%
All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)		64	80	89	12%
120100	Soybeans	923	1,798	1,393	-23%
520100	Cotton, not carded or combed	121	778	179	-77%
410150	Hides and Skins, whole, bovine or equine, >16kg	80	110	118	7%
440799	Wood, nonconiferous, sawn, sliced, >6m	35	38	40	5%
100190	Wheat (anything other than Durum) and Meslin	0	0	34	0%
210690	Food Preparations, nesoi	24	25	16	-33%
030380	Fish, livers and roes, frozen	1	6	15	137%
440399	Wood, nonconiferous, in the rough, not treated	7	12	15	27%
020649	Swine, frozen, edible offal, except livers	19	13	13	-2%
030360	Cod, frozen, excluding fillets	3	13	12	-3%
020714	Chicken, frozen, cuts and edible offal incl.livers	88	52	12	-77%
030749	Cuttlefish and Squid, frozen, dried, salted or brined	1	6	11	103%
230990	Animal Feed, excluding dog or cat, retail packages	9	9	11	21%
040410	Whey and Mod. Whey, whether concentrated w/added sweetener	5	5	10	103%
050400	Animal guts, bladders, stomachs and parts	22	7	9	33%
100110	Wheat, Durum (not only Durum, but any hard wheat)	4	5	9	86%
200410	Potatoes, frozen, prepared, etc.	8	8	9	11%
440791	Wood, Oak, sawn, sliced >6mm	4	6	8	31%
410330	Hides and Skins, swine, not pretanned or salted	0	2	8	285%
080810	Apples, fresh	5	7	8	5%
330210	Food and drink, mixtures, odiferous substances	3	2	7	220%
030332	Plaice, frozen, excluding fillets	3	5	7	57%
030614	Crabs, frozen, including in-shell	6	9	7	-24%
410190	Hides and Skins, butts/bends/bellies, bovine or equine	22	16	6	-66%
440890	Wood, Veneer Sheets, nonconiferous, <6mm, nesoi	5	5	5	5%
Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March					

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

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports by Country (\$Million) through March								
		Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	% Share			% Change
Rank	Country	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	05/04 -
	--World--	5,181	6,013	7,206	100%	100%	100%	20%
1	Japan	1,479	1,770	2,032	29%	29%	28%	15%
2	United States	565	774	957	11%	13%	13%	24%
3	Korea, South	546	513	696	11%	9%	10%	36%
4	Hong Kong	529	640	639	10%	11%	9%	0%
5	Germany	156	187	248	3%	3%	3%	33%
6	Russia	149	138	186	3%	2%	3%	34%
7	Malaysia	137	126	156	3%	2%	2%	24%
8	Netherlands	103	123	156	2%	2%	2%	27%
9	United Kingdom	87	105	138	2%	2%	2%	31%
10	Canada	62	92	121	1%	2%	2%	31%
11	Taiwan	91	99	116	2%	2%	2%	17%
12	Spain	33	52	102	1%	1%	1%	98%
13	Indonesia	126	92	96	2%	2%	1%	5%
14	Italy	62	60	89	1%	1%	1%	47%
15	Singapore	71	71	78	1%	1%	1%	10%
16	Vietnam	65	49	72	1%	1%	1%	46%
17	Korea, North	34	51	71	1%	1%	1%	42%
18	Belgium	33	35	71	1%	1%	1%	100%
19	Australia	42	62	70	1%	1%	1%	13%
20	Philippines	52	78	68	1%	1%	1%	-12%
21	Thailand	46	64	66	1%	1%	1%	4%
22	France	38	48	63	1%	1%	1%	30%
23	United Arab Emirates	23	44	60	0%	1%	1%	36%
24	India	49	49	58	1%	1%	1%	19%
25	Mexico	18	30	42	0%	1%	1%	41%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March

China's Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exports to the World by Departure Area

Top 25 Ag, Fish, and Forestry Exporting Port Territories (\$Million) through March								
		Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	Jan-Mar	% Share			% Change
Rank	District	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005	- 05/04 -
	-All Districts-	5,181	6,013	7,206	100%	100%	100%	20%
1	Qingdao	1,116	1,339	1,735	22%	22%	24%	30%
2	Dalian	871	804	1,029	17%	13%	14%	28%
3	Shanghai	584	783	929	11%	13%	13%	19%
4	Shenzhen	474	567	604	9%	9%	8%	6%
5	Tianjin	426	473	558	8%	8%	8%	18%
6	Xiamen	236	345	417	5%	6%	6%	21%
7	Ningbo	268	335	396	5%	6%	6%	18%
8	Nanjing	209	227	260	4%	4%	4%	14%
9	Fuzhou	146	186	211	3%	3%	3%	13%
10	Huangpu	128	149	177	2%	2%	2%	19%
11	Guangzhou	105	146	146	2%	2%	2%	0%
12	Shantou	60	80	74	1%	1%	1%	-7%
13	Gongbei	50	60	71	1%	1%	1%	19%
14	Nanning	49	50	60	1%	1%	1%	20%
15	Zhanjiang	34	54	57	1%	1%	1%	6%
16	Harbin	66	54	54	1%	1%	1%	-1%
17	Jiangmen	31	40	43	1%	1%	1%	7%
18	Changchun	28	20	42	1%	0%	1%	106%
19	Shijiazhuang	43	32	41	1%	1%	1%	27%
20	Chongqing	21	33	35	0%	1%	0%	5%
21	Haikou	22	39	33	0%	1%	0%	-16%
22	Wuhan	25	36	32	0%	1%	0%	-10%
23	Nanchang	10	20	25	0%	0%	0%	27%
24	Shenyang	53	19	24	1%	0%	0%	30%
25	Kunming	15	21	24	0%	0%	0%	14%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March

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 (\$Million) through March					
HS	Description	Jan-Mar 2003	Jan-Mar 2004	Jan-Mar 2005	% Change - 05/04 -
China's Exports of Ag, Fish, and Forestry to the World		5,181	6,013	7,206	20%
All Agricultural Products (BICO)		3,530	3,817	4,454	17%
All Aquatic (edible)		931	1,252	1,472	18%
All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)		720	945	1,280	36%
030420	Fish, frozen fillets	219	291	353	21%
160419	Fish, prepared or preserved, whole or in pieces	172	250	254	2%
100590	Corn (Maize), other than seed	411	119	220	84%
442190	Wood, articles, nesoi	151	177	214	21%
441219	Wood, plywood, both outer layers coniferous, <6mm both sides	41	75	147	95%
160590	Molluscs, prepared or preserved	70	93	139	50%
030379	Fish, frozen, with bones, nesoi	86	109	136	26%
200979	Apple Juice, nesoi, not fortified, unfermented	66	102	123	20%
050400	Animal (not fish) guts, bladders, stomachs, parts	78	125	119	-5%
441229	Wood, plywood, 1 outer layer hardwood, nesoi	20	45	118	162%
200590	Vegetables and mix., nesoi, prepared or preserved, not frozen	66	89	117	31%
160232	Chicken meat or offal, prepared or preserved, nesoi	99	41	115	182%
070320	Garlic, fresh or chilled	76	84	108	29%
160520	Shrimp and Prawns, prepared or preserved	43	91	103	14%
020329	Swine meat, frozen, nesoi	52	68	101	47%
071290	Vegetables and mixtures, nesoi, dried	78	79	91	16%
440920	Wood, nonconiferous, tongued, grooved, or molded	31	27	91	239%
120220	Peanuts, raw, shelled, broken or not	83	77	88	14%
200310	Mushrooms, prepared or preserved, excluding vinegar	78	93	78	-17%
080810	Apples, fresh	49	69	76	9%
050510	Down, for stuffing, cleaned/disinfected/treated	42	74	75	2%
200811	Peanuts, prepared or preserved, nesoi	55	62	75	20%
200290	Tomato Paste	43	51	73	44%
071333	Kidney Beans and White Pea Beans, shelled, dried	60	53	71	35%
442010	Wood, statuettes and other ornaments	52	63	71	13%
Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March					

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 (\$Million) through March					
HS	Description	Jan-Mar 2003	Jan-Mar 2004	Jan-Mar 2005 - 05/04	% Change
China's Exports of Ag, Fish, and Forestry to the U.S.		565	774	957	24%
All Agricultural Products (BICO)		234	331	373	13%
All Aquatic (edible)		156	200	222	11%
All Forest Products (excluding pulp and paper)		175	244	363	49%
030420	Fish, frozen fillets	66	81	114	40%
442190	Wood, articles, nesoi	47	56	66	19%
200979	Apple Juice, nesoi, not fortified, unfermented	26	51	50	-1%
441229	Wood, plywood, 1 outer layer hardwood, nesoi	8	19	50	166%
441219	Wood, plywood, both outer layers conferous, <6mm	7	21	44	110%
050510	Down, for stuffing, cleaned/disinfected/treated	18	33	34	1%
442010	Wood, statuettes and other ornaments	24	27	28	3%
440920	Wood, nonconiferous, tongued, grooved, or molded	7	5	27	496%
441400	Wooden, frames, paintings, mirrors, etc.	23	23	27	18%
441820	Wooden, doors and doorframes and thresholds	5	13	24	84%
200830	Citrus fruit (incl. Mixtures), prepared, etc. nesoi	19	21	20	-1%
050400	Animal (not fish) guts, bladders, stomachs, parts	13	19	20	9%
160590	Molluscs, prepared or preserved	6	7	17	167%
441213	Wood, plywood at least one outer layer tropical	3	11	17	58%
160520	Shrimp and Prawns, prepared or preserved	29	20	16	-20%
071290	Vegetables and mixtures, nesoi, dried	15	14	16	10%
160510	Crab, prepared or preserved	5	10	15	53%
441119	Wood, fiberboard and lign. material density >.8g/cm3, nesoi	0	1	12	748%
160419	Fish, prepared or preserved, whole or in pieces	6	6	11	74%
441900	Wood, tableware and kitchenware	8	8	11	37%
200590	Vegetables and mix., nesoi, prepared or preserved, not frozen	5	9	10	18%
441890	Wood, builders joinery and carpentry, nesoi	3	6	10	60%
442090	Wood, marquetry, caskets, cases, etc.	8	9	9	4%
070320	Garlic, fresh or chilled	6	6	9	57%
210690	Food Preparations, nesoi	6	12	9	-29%

Source of data: China Customs, Calendar Year, January through March