

# U.S.-Oman Free Trade Agreement Market Access Results

## Environmental Goods

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### Trade and Tariffs

The environmental sector includes a variety of products geared toward improving the environment and human safety.

Environmental goods accounted for nearly 5 percent of total U.S. non-textile industrial good exports to Oman in 2003, totaling approximately \$17 million. Centrifugal pumps for liquids were a leading export and comprised 21 percent of exports in this sector.

U.S. exports of environmental goods to Oman either enters duty free or is subject to a 5 percent duty. The average applied duty is 4.9 percent.

Oman exports of environmental goods to the United States in 2003 were insignificant at approximately \$15,000. The United States tariffs on environmental goods range from 0 to 8 percent with an average duty of 1.5 percent.

### Tariff Elimination

In industrial goods overall, tariffs will be phased out according to four tariff elimination categories: 1) immediate elimination, 2) equal cuts over 5 years, 3) equal cuts over 10 years and 4) no reduction in rate until January 1 of year ten when the rate goes to zero.

The United States currently allows 17 percent of environmental products to enter the country duty free. Upon implementation of the agreement, the remaining 83 percent will receive immediate duty-free treatment upon implementation of the agreement.

While Oman currently allows only 2 percent of environmental products to enter duty free, 100 percent of environmental products imported from the United States will be duty free immediately upon implementation.