

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

## Medical Equipment

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### Trade and Tariffs

Medical equipment accounted for almost 2 percent of total U.S. industrial exports to Oman in 2003, totaling \$7.3 million. Top U.S. exports to Oman in this sector are instruments, laboratory equipment, and endoscopes.

U.S. exports of medical equipment to Oman either enters duty free or is subject to a 5 percent duty. The average duty for this sector is 4.63 percent.

Oman did not export any medical equipment to the United States in 2003.

U.S. import duties on medical equipment range from zero to 4 percent and average 0.25 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.

Currently, 91 percent of U.S. medical equipment imports receive duty-free treatment. Upon implementation of the agreement, the remaining 9 percent of imports from Oman will receive immediate duty-free treatment.

Oman currently applies a 5 percent duty on 92.5 percent of medical equipment imports. Upon implementation of the agreement Oman will grant duty free access for 100 percent of medical equipment imports from the United States.