

Textile and Apparel Products Covered by the US-China Tariff War--Reference List  
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**Table 1 U.S. Section 301 Actions against Chinese Products**

Stage	Punitive tariff rate & current status	Products covered (8-digit HS code)	Impact on Textile and apparel*
Tranche 1	25% tariff rate, effective July 6, 2018—present; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">818 tariff lines</a> (US\$34 billion imports)	No textile and apparel products covered
Tranche 2	25% tariff rate, effective August 23, 2018—present; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">279 tariff lines</a> (US\$16 billion imports)	No textile and apparel products covered
Tranche 3	10% tariff rate, effective September 24, 2018; increased to 25% tariff rate, effective May 10, 2019—present; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">5,733 tariff lines</a> (US\$200 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$3.7 billion textile products covered</b>
Tranche 4A	15% tariff rate (was 10%), effective September 1, 2019—present; The tariff rate is <a href="#">reduced to 7.5% since February 14, 2020*</a> ; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">3,243 tariff lines</a> (US\$112 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$31 billion textiles, apparel, and home textile products covered</b>
Tranche 4B	15% tariff rate (was 10%) scheduled to take effect on December 15, 2019; <b>suspended</b> because of the reaching of the U.S.-China “phase one” trade deal*	<a href="#">555 tariff lines</a> (US\$160 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$4.7 billion textiles, apparel, and home textile products covered</b>

Note: HS Chapters 50 to 63; trade value in 2018 (data source: USTR, 2019; USITC, 2019)

\*: On 23 August 2019, in response to China’s decision to impose 5%–10% retaliatory tariffs on US\$75 billion U.S. products, the Trump administration announced to raise the scheduled Section 301 tariffs from 10% to 15% on around \$300 billion Chinese products (Tranche 4A and Tranche 4B). The punitive tariffs for Tranche 4A products took effect on 1 September 2019 and were scheduled to take effect on 15 December 2019 for Tranche 4B products. Because of the reaching of a [U.S.-China “phase one” economic and trade agreement](#), which was officially signed on January 15, 2020, the 15% punitive tariffs on Tranche 4A products are reduced to 7.5%, effective on February 14, 2020. Meanwhile, the scheduled tariffs for Tranche 4B products are suspended for now.

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**Textiles and Apparel (HS Chapters 50-62) Excluded from U.S. Section 301 Actions against Chinese Products (As of December 30, 2020)**

**Table 2A: Tranche 3 & 4A exclusions extended from January 1, 2021 to March 31, 2021**

HS code	Product description	Note
5603.12.0090	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 25 g/m2 but not more than 70 g/m2, others	Tranche 3
5603.14.9090	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 150 g/m2:	Tranche 3
5603.92.0090	Other nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 25 g/m2 but not more than 70 g/m2	Tranche 3
5603.93.0090	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 70 g/m2 but not more than 150 g/m2	Tranche 3
5210.11.4040	Sheeting	Tranche 4A
5210.11.6020	Poplin or broadcloth	Tranche 4A
5504.10.0000	Artificial staple fibers, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning: of viscose rayon	Tranche 4A
6210.10.5010	Nonwoven disposable apparel designed for use in hospitals, clinics, laboratories or contaminated areas	Tranche 4A
6210.10.50.90	Nonwoven disposable apparel designed for use in hospitals, clinics, laboratories or contaminated areas	Tranche 4A
6116.10.6500	Gloves, containing less than 50 percent by weight of textile fibers, coated with rubber or plastics designed for enhanced grip	Tranche 4A

Compiled based on [USTR \(2020\)](#)

**Table 2B: Tranche 3 exclusion initially granted from September 24, 2018 to August 7, 2020 and further extended from August 7, 2020 to December 31, 2020 and expired on January 1, 2021 (i.e., be subject to a 25% Section 301 punitive tariff after January 1, 2021)**

HS code	Product description
5603.12.0090*	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 25 g/m2 but not more than 70 g/m2, others
5603.14.9090*	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 150 g/m2:
5603.92.0090*	Other nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 25 g/m2 but not more than 70 g/m2
5603.93.0090*	Nonwovens, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated, Weighing more than 70 g/m2 but not more than 150 g/m2
5402.20.30	Single high tenacity yarn of polyesters, not put up for retail sale
5603.92.00	Nonwovens (not of man-made filaments), weighing >25 but not >70 g/square m, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated
5007.20.0065	Other fabrics, containing 85 percent or more by weight of silk or of silk waste other than noil silk, More than 127 cm in width
5007.20.0085	Other fabrics, containing 85 percent or more by weight of silk or of silk waste other than noil silk, not over 127 cm in width
5108.10.8000	Yarn of fine animal hair (carded or combed), not put up for retail sale
5407.52.2060	Woven fabrics, over 85 percent textured polyester filaments, dyed, nesoi
5407.61.9930	Woven dupioni fabric wholly of nontextured dyed polyester filaments, weighing not more than 170 g/m2, measuring not more than 310 cm in width

5407.61.9935	Woven dupioni fabric wholly of nontextured dyed polyester filaments, weighing not more than 170 g/m <sup>2</sup> , measuring not more than 310 cm in width
5407.72.0015	Woven fabric containing by weight 47 percent of nylon and 53 percent of polyester, dyed, containing textured filaments, weighing not more than 170 g/m <sup>2</sup> , measuring greater than 274 cm in width
5501.20.0000	Synthetic filament tow, of polyesters
5501.40.0000	Synthetic filament tow, of polypropylene

Compiled based on [USTR \(2020\)](#);

\*Note: Extended until March 31, 2021. See Table 2A

**Table 2C: Tranche 3 exclusion initially granted from September 24, 2018 to August 7, 2020 and expired (i.e., be subject to a 25% Section 301 punitive tariff after August 7, 2020)**

HS code	Product description
5513.11.00	Woven fabric of poly staple fiber, < 85% wt poly staple fibers, mixed mainly/solely w/cotton, wt n/o 170 g/m <sup>2</sup> , plain weave, unbleached/bleached
5903.20.25	Textile fabrics of man-made fibers, impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyurethane, n/o 70% by weight rubber or plastics
5106.10.00	Yarn of carded wool, containing 85 percent or more by weight of wool, not put up for retail sale
5407.52.20	Woven fabrics, over 85 percent textured polyester filaments, dyed, nesoi
5603.12.00	Nonwovens, of man-made filaments, weighing >25 but not >70 g/square m, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated
5806.32.20	Narrow woven fabrics (other than ribbons), not pile, of man-made fibers, not cont by wt 5% or more of elastomeric yarn or rubber
5903.10.20	Textile fabrics nesoi, of man-made fibers, impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyvinyl chloride, over 70% wt. rubber or plastics
6001.10.20	Knitted or crocheted "long pile" fabrics of man-made fibers
5407.10.00	Woven fabrics obtained from high tenacity yarn of nylon or other polyamides or of polyesters
5408.32.90	Woven fabrics of artificial filament yarn nesoi, dyed, nesoi
5603.94.10	Nonwoven floor covering underlays (not of man-made filaments), weighing >150 g/square m, whether or not impreg, coated, cov or laminated
5609.00.30	Articles of yarn, strip, twine, cordage, rope or cables nesoi, of man-made fibers
5407.52.20	Woven fabric of 100 percent textured polyester filaments, dyed, weighing more than 170 g/m <sup>2</sup> , measuring not more than 310 cm in width
5512.19.0090	Woven dyed fabrics wholly of spun polyester, weighing more than 240 g/m <sup>2</sup> and measuring not more than 310 cm in width
5514.22.0020	Woven dyed 3-thread twill fabrics containing by weight 65 percent of polyester and 35 percent of cotton staple fibers, not napped, weighing more than 200 g/m <sup>2</sup> and exceeding 310 cm in width
5603.94.9090	Non-woven fabrics of polyethylene terephthalate (PET), in sheets measuring not more than 160 cm by 250 cm, weighing more than 1,800 g/m <sup>2</sup> but not more than 3,000 g/m <sup>2</sup>
5701.90.1010	Rugs of hand-knotted pile, of nylon and polypropylene, measuring at least 1.2 m <sup>2</sup>
5705.00.2030	Rugs of 100 percent polyester or polypropylene
5810.92.9080	Woven dyed embroidery fabrics containing by weight 55 percent of

	polyester and 45 percent of nylon, weighing less than 115 g/m2 and measuring 289 cm in width
6001.92.0000	Fabrics wholly of polyester, warp knit, bonded to a plain weave backing fabric, measuring not more than 141 cm in width, weighing over 271 g/m2, of a kind used to upholster furniture
6003.40.6000	Knitted or crocheted fabrics of artificial staple fibers derived from bamboo
5609.00.40	Storage containers of twisted paper rope, each measuring not less than 8 cm but not more than 39 cm in length, not less than 8 cm but not more than 39 cm in width and not less than 9 cm but not more than 57 cm in height
5208.11.40	Fabrics wholly of cotton, unbleached, plain weave, weighing not more than 100 g/m2, of numbers 43 to 68 (“cheesecloth”), 3-layer folded and crimped, less than 28cm wide after folding and crimping, compliant with standards of Aerospace Management Services (AMS)
5208.21.40	Fabrics wholly of cotton, bleached, plain weave, weighing not more than 100 g/m2, of numbers 43 to 68 (“cheesecloth”), compliant with standards of Aerospace Management Services (AMS)
5407.92.20	Woven fabrics of synthetic filament yarn, dyed, weighing more than 280 g/m2 but not more than 420 g/m2
5516.44.00	Sheeting fabrics containing less than 85 percent by weight of artificial staple fibers, mixed mainly or solely with cotton, such artificial staple fibers derived from wood, printed
6005.39.00	Fabrics wholly of polyester, warp knit, printed, bonded to a woven backing wholly of polyester, weighing not less than 290 g/m2 but not more than 500 g/m2, of a kind used to upholster furniture
5516.92.00	Dyed sateen fabric containing artificial staple fibers, measuring 292.1cm in width
5903.90.20	Fabrics of 100 percent polyester, silicone coated of a kind suitable for upholstery, weighing more than 90 g/m2.

Compiled based on [USTR \(2020\)](#)

**Table 2C: Tranche 4A exclusions granted from September 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020, and expired on January 1, 2021 (i.e., be subject to a 7.5% Section 301 punitive tariff after January 1, 2021)**

HS code	Product description
5210.11.4040*	Sheeting
5210.11.6020*	Poplin or broadcloth
5504.10.0000*	Artificial staple fibers, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning: of viscose rayon
6210.10.5000*	Nonwoven disposable apparel designed for use in hospitals, clinics, laboratories or contaminated areas
6108.91.0030	Women's knit robes in chief weight of cotton, with hook and loop tab closure
6111.20.6070	Babies' gowns of cotton knitted interlock fabric, each with sleeves, neck opening and elasticized bottom opening
6111.20.6070	Babies' sleep sacks of cotton interlock knitted fabric, sleeveless, each with neck opening and two-way zipper
6111.20.6070	Babies' sleep sacks, knitted, of cotton, each with neck opening and two-way zipper
6111.20.6070	Babies' swaddle sacks of cotton knitted interlock fabric, each with sleeves and mitten cuffs
6111.30.5015	Babies' blanket sleepers of polyester knitted fleece, sleeveless, each with two-way zipper

6116.10.6500*	Gloves, containing less than 50 percent by weight of textile fibers, coated with rubber or plastics designed for enhanced grip
6207.91.1000	Men's and boys' cotton terry bathrobes with muslin trim, each beltless but featuring a hook-and-loop tab
6208.91.1010	Women's cotton terry bathrobes with muslin trim, each beltless but featuring a hookand-loop tab
6208.91.1020	Girls' cotton terry bathrobes with muslin trim, each beltless but featuring a hookand-loop tab
6208.92.0020	Girls' fleece bathrobes, each beltless but featuring a hook-and-loop tab

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\*Note: Extended until March 31, 2021. See Table 2A

**Table 3 China's Tariff Actions against U.S. Products**

Stage	Punitive tariff rate & current status	Products covered (8-digit HS code)	Impact on Textile and apparel*
List 1	25% tariff rate, effective July 16, 2018; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">545 tariff lines</a> (US\$34 billion imports)	No textile and apparel products covered
List 2	25% tariff rate, effective August 23, 2018; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">333 tariff lines</a> (US\$16 billion imports)	No textile and apparel products covered
List 3 (2018)	5%, 10%, 20% and 25% tariff rates, effective September 24, 2018; <b>the tariff rates and product list were updated in June 2019</b>	<a href="#">5,207 tariff lines</a> (US\$60 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$486 million textile and apparel products covered</b>
Updated List 3 (2019)	5%, 10%, 20% and 25% tariff rates, effective 1 June 2019; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">5,140 tariff lines</a> (US\$60 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$854 million textile and apparel products covered</b>
List 4-1	5%, 10% tariff, effective September 1, 2019; The tariffs were reduced to 2.5% and 5%, effective February 14, 2020; <b>active</b>	<a href="#">1,717 tariff lines</a> (List 4-1 and 4-2 combined around US\$75 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$19.5 million textiles and apparel products covered</b>
List 4-2	5%, 10% tariff, scheduled to take effect on December 15, 2019; <b>suspended</b> because of the reaching of the U.S.-China "phase one" trade deal	<a href="#">3,361 tariff lines</a> (List 4-1 and 4-2 combined around US\$75 billion imports)	<b>Around US\$1,363 million textiles and apparel products covered</b>

Note: HS Chapters 50 to 63; trade value in 2017 (data source: U.S. International Trade Commission, 2019; MOFCOM, 2019)