

## Preliminary Affirmative Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations of Hard Empty Capsules from Brazil, the People’s Republic of China, India, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

On March 25, 2025, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its preliminary affirmative determinations in the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of hard empty capsules from Brazil, the People’s Republic of China (China), India and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam). Commerce is also conducting [concurrent antidumping duty \(AD\) investigations](#) of hard empty capsules from Brazil, China, India, and Vietnam.

### Preliminary Subsidy Rates

#### Brazil

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rate (percent)
ACG do Brasil S.A.	4.94
All Others	4.94

#### China

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rate (percent)
Jiangsu Lefan Capsule Co., Ltd.	3.45
Shanxi JC Biological Technology Co., Ltd.	8.53
All Others	6.82

#### India

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rate (percent)
ACG Associated Capsules Private Limited; ACG Pam Pharma Technologies Private Limited; ACG Universal Capsules Private Limited	9.95
All Others	9.95

#### Vietnam

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rate (percent)
Suheung Vietnam Co., Ltd.	2.15
All Others	2.15

### Case Calendar

Event	CVD INVESTIGATION
Petitions Filed	October 28, 2024
Commerce Initiation Date	November 13, 2024
ITC Preliminary Determination*	December 9, 2024
Commerce Preliminary Determinations	March 24, 2025
Commerce Final Determinations	August 5, 2025
ITC Final Determination**	September 19, 2025
Issuance of Orders***	September 26, 2025

NOTE: Commerce’s preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For CVD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 703(b) and 705(a)(1) of the Act.

\* If the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes a negative preliminary determination of injury, then the corresponding AD/CVD investigation(s) will be terminated.

\*\* This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations from Commerce.

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### Import Statistics

Brazil	2021	2022	2023
Volume (Thousands of Units)	1,632,654	994,227	1,718,426
Value (USD)	\$3,575,488	\$2,787,874	\$3,882,817
China	2021	2022	2023
Volume (Thousands of Units)	14,066,752	15,018,218	9,594,167
Value (USD)	\$57,468,963	\$71,039,414	\$43,601,253
India	2021	2022	2023
Volume (Thousands of Units)	14,872,331	17,410,788	18,697,334
Value (USD)	\$47,533,317	\$57,911,090	\$63,353,135
Vietnam	2021	2022	2023
Volume (Thousands of Units)	8,881,910	10,992,599	9,119,111
Value (USD)	\$30,067,771	\$34,714,736	\$24,264,147

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through S&P Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings 9602.00.1040 and 9602.00.5010).

### Other Case Information

- The petitioner is Lonza Greenwood LLC (Greenwood, SC).
- For general information and next steps, please refer to a list of [preliminary FAQs](#).
- Additional case information, including the scope of the investigations and alleged subsidy programs, are on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). Once you [log in](#), please refer to the following case numbers:

Trading Partner	Countervailing Duty Case Number
Brazil	C-351-865
China	C-570-185
India	C-533-935
Vietnam	C-552-848

- For more information on subsidy programs, please refer to the [subsidies enforcement library](#).
- To date, Commerce maintains 732 antidumping duty (AD) and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.