

STRAWBERRIES

I. Tariff status, TSUS numbers, and rates of duty

TSUS No.	Description	Rate of duty		U.S. imports, 1967 (thou- sands of pounds)
		December 1967	Post K.R.	
146.58	Fresh, or in brine: Entered during June 15-Sept. 15, in- clusive, of any year.	0.5 cent per pound ¹	0.2 cent per pound..	1,216
146.60	Entered any other time.....	0.75 cent per pound ²	0.75 cent per pound..	20,520
146.7520 ³	Frozen strawberries.....	14 percent.....	14 percent.....	74,659
152.7420 ⁴	Strawberry pulp and paste.....	15 percent.....	15 percent.....	6,042

¹ Based on 1967 imports, virtually all from Canada, the AVE was 1.4 percent.

² In 1967, the AVE ranged from 0.8 percent to 12.0 percent. The average AVE on imports from Mexico, which accounted for the great bulk of the entries, was 4.8 percent.

³ Formerly 146.7220.

⁴ Formerly 152.70 (part).

Note: Import data include fresh and frozen strawberries and strawberry paste and pulp but exclude minor quantities of strawberry jam; imports of strawberries in all other forms have been negligible.

II. U.S. production and trade

STRAWBERRIES: FRESH AND PREPARED OR PRESERVED¹ (TSUS 146.58, -.60, -.7520, AND 152.7420)

[In millions of pounds, fresh weight equivalent]

Year	Production	Imports	Exports ²	Apparent consumption	Ratio of imports to—	
					Production (Percent)	Consumption (Percent)
1963.....	510	36	22	524	7.1	6.9
1964.....	557	43	22	578	7.7	7.
1965.....	459	55	15	499	12.0	11.
1966.....	464	87	14	537	18.8	16.2
1967.....	478	86	10	554	18.0	15.5
1963-67 average.....	494	61	17	538	12.3	11.3

¹ Data on production includes output for the fresh market and for processing. The fresh weight equivalent of imported frozen strawberries and strawberry pulp is computed at 80 percent of the reported total weight of the imports to take account of the sugar content of the entries.

² Data on exports, which are not separately available, are estimates based upon import statistics for Canada, which accounts for the great bulk of U.S. foreign shipments.

Note: The data on production include small quantities of strawberries for canning. The combined output of fresh and frozen strawberries shown on the succeeding tables do not add to the total shown above, primarily because the production data for the following table on frozen strawberries is on a finished product basis, including the weight of added sugar.

Source: Production compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Agriculture; imports compiled from official statistics of the U.S. Department of Commerce.