AGOA AND ANGOLA



THE AFRICAN GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY ACT



Duty-free

under AGOA'S

textile provisions

Angola is one of currently 35 Sub- Saharan African countries that benefit from preferential access to the United States market under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), which grants +- 6,700 products duty-free status.

United States importers of products that are made in Angola are able to import these goods duty-free, enhancing price competitiveness. These preferences are currently available until end September 2025, unless the AGOA legislation is extended or replaced by another arrangement beyond that date.

ANGOLA'S PREFERENTIAL MARKET ACCESS TO THE UNITED STATES 46% 39 % Duty-free Duty-free under BREAKDOWN under general U.S. tariff **OF TARIFF** AGOA / GSP rules (MFN) TREATMENT general **Normal Tariff** ON AGOA preferences Relations (NTR) BENEFICIARIES' POTENTIAL EXPORTS 3% **UNITED STATES 12** % Tariff lines that are

WHAT IS AGOA?

- O AGOA, the acronym for the African Growth and Opportunity Act, forms part of United States trade legislation, having been signed into law in May 2000 as Public Law 106. It offers special access to the U.S. market for qualifying exports from Sub-Saharan African beneficiary countries including Angola, but also provides a framework for other U.S. support to, and engagement with, African countries. AGOA was originally set to expire after 8 years (in 2008) but has subsequently been extended a number of times, most recently in 2015 for a period of 10 years (now set to expire only in 2025 unless further extended by the U.S. Congress).
- O AGOA broadens and enhances the trade preferences of the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). While virtually all products that are GSP eligible also qualify under AGOA, the coverage of AGOA preferences is significantly greater. It is important to note that the GSP is subject to more regular congressional re-authorization and last 'expired' at the end of 2020; AGOA is therefore currently the only preferential market access arrangement that provides qualifying Sub-Saharan African beneficiary countries with duty-free access to the U.S. market, for approximately 6,700 products, including in numerous categories generally considered to be 'sensitive'.
- O Qualifying products* under AGOA include textiles and clothing, motor vehicles and parts, many agricultural products including nuts, leather products, chemicals, wine, travel luggage, machinery and equipment, and many more.

* Subject to complying with the Rules of Origin (local processing/content requirements)

AGOA RULES OF ORIGIN

subject to standard

U.S. import duties

RULES OF ORIGIN (RoO) are prescribed criteria used to determine the national origin of a product. RoO form an integral part of preferential trade arrangements, and help ensure that market access preferences are correctly linked to imports from an AGOA beneficiary country. AGOA has different RoO criteria for apparel, and general goods. The RoO prescribe the minimum processing or local content required for a product to obtain origin status of the (exporting) country: only 'originating' products receive preferential entry (into the United States) in terms of the AGOA legislation.

2015 - 2025 AGOA II AMENDMENTS AGOA IV AMENDMENTS RENEWAL AGOA legislation receives a makeover with numerous changes. It is extended to 2025 Technical amendments and clarifications to the legislation. Botswana and Namibia earn special status under 'wearing apparel' rules AGOA legislation is extended from 2008 to 2015. The special provisior for apparel are again extended, to 2012 P0ST-2025 AGOA SIGNED INTO LAW AGOA III AMENDMENTS AGOA V AMENDMENTS DISPENSATION The special provisions for apparel (i.e. flexible Rules of Origin) are extended to 2007; Mauritius receives wearing apparel rules concession similar to LDC countries US President Bill Clinton signs AGOA into law, with strong bipartisan support in the U.S. Congress. Originally set to expire in 2008 The apparel provisions for LDC countries are extended to 2015, DEPENDS ON HS CONGRESS considered critical for the African apparel manufacturing sector

AGOA RULES OF ORIGIN: TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

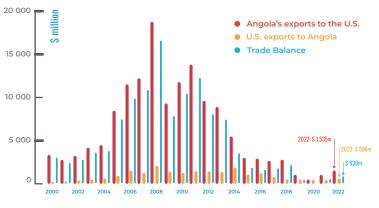
- Qualifying apparel (garments) must be made up locally (cut, make, trim); however fabric sourced from anywhere in the world* may be used for this purpose. * ANGOLA HAS NOT YET IMPLEMENTED AN APPAREL VISA SYSTEM FOR AGOA PURPOSES
- Textiles (yarns, fabric of Chapters 50-60, and 63) from Angola or any other AGOA 'lesser developed beneficiary country' also qualify under AGOA provided that they are wholly produced from local fibres, yarns, fabrics, or components knit-to-shape in such countries.

AGOA RULES OF ORIGIN: OTHERS PRODUCTS

Products must be the 'growth, product or manufacture' of one or more AGOA beneficiary countries, or if some imported / non-originating materials are used, the cost of local materials + direct cost of processing must equal at least 35% of the product's appraised value at the U.S. port of entry. Up to 15% (of the 35%) may consist of U.S.

BASIC AGOA EXPORT CHECKLIST

- Correctly identify the unique HTS tariff code of product SEE: HTTPS://HTS.USITC.GOV [TURN OVER PAGE FOR QR CODE]
- Check if product is AGOA / GSP eligible (0% duty) [TARIFF CODE 'D' FOR AGOA, OR 'A' FOR GSP]
- Alternatively: Check aplicable duty, or whether duty-free status under general US import tariff rules
- Ensure compliance with **Rules of Origin** requirements Obtain certificate of origin / endorsement from national customs / revenue service



Angola's aynorts to the United States by programme 2000-2022 | \$ million

Trade in goods between the U.S. and Angola	2000	2021	2022
Angola's exports to the United States	\$3,343m	\$1,029m	\$1,534m
United States exports to Angola	\$225m	\$430m	\$596m
Balance of Trade (pos. values = trade surplus for Angola)	\$3,118m	\$600m	\$938m

Data in \$ million. Source: USITC Dataweb database. U.S. domestic exports (FAS) vs. U.S. imports for consumption (at customs value)

United States exports to Angola | 2021-2022

During the period under review - 2000-2022 - Angola has consistently recorded a trade surplus with the United States, driven by U.S. sourcing of petroleum products from Angola. During 2022, wo-way trade began increasing again, off a historical low in 2020. The bulk of U.S. exports to Angola in recent years comprised poultry products, with general purpose machinery following in 2022. Other exports included machinery for the extractive industries such as those used in oil and gas installations. The leading U.S. exports to Angola for the period 2021 - 2022 are listed below.

Poultry meat \$124m \$232m Pumps and compressors \$7m \$1	
Other general purpose machinery \$24m \$52m Computers \$14m \$1	17m
Metal valves \$22m \$31m Engines, power transmission equip. \$23m \$1	16m
Mining and gas field machinery \$40m \$22m Other basic organic chemicals \$13m \$1	15m

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Exports under AGOA	0	0	0	0	1,249	4,216	4,533	4,768	9,795	4,225	6,294	11,577	6,619	6,001	3,540	1,830	1,998	2,271	1,950	543	144	300	361
Exports under GSP*	2,844	2,511	2,826	3,883	3,066	4,098	6,774	6,924	7,529	4,142	3,544	304	628	710	845	1	1	0	117	62	0	0	0
No preferences claimed	500	265	405	293	161	151	207	519	1,440	938	1,933	1,923	2,355	2,189	1,093	1,179	917	380	714	432	349	729	1,173
TOTAL country exports to U.S.	3,343	2,776	3,231	4,176	4,476	8,466	11,514	12,211	18,763	9,306	11,771	13,803	9,602	8,900	5,478	3,010	2,917	2,651	2,781	1,037	454	1,029	1,534

Source: USITC Dataweb database. Totals may not perfectly correspond due to rounding * The GSP had not been re-authorized in 2021/2022 and any preference claim is deferred

Angola's exports to the United States in 2022 | leading products

Any % values denote respective share of Angola's sector exports that entered the U.S. duty-free under AGOA.

The graphic below provides an overview of the sectoral spread of **Angola's** exports to the United States during Year 2022



New York, New York - \$1216m Products shipped: Petroleum oils, di New Orleans, Louisiana - \$91m onolulu, Hawaii- \$65m San Francisco, California - \$62m Los Angeles, California - \$40m

U.S. destinations of Angola's exports (by district)

Leading destinations, by U.S. district of en
 Accounts for 98% of Angola's exports to t

Non-AGOA trade in each category is mostly duty-free under the standard U.S. tariff schedu

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Overview: Angola's duty-free exports to the United States

Two-way trade between between Angola and the United States, over the 2000-2022 period, was worth over \$165 billion. Most of Angola's exports to the U.S. is in tariff lines that have no or very low duties under the general tariff schedule, although some products utilize the available AGOA preferences. Virtually all of Angola's exports to the U.S. comprise petroleum products (98% of total U.S. bound exports since 2000), while there are also a number of other products being exported (diamonds, nails, fish,wood etc.)

The value of Angola's exports to the U.S. far exceeds its imports, and since the inception of AGOA, over \$143 billion worth of exports have been sent to the U.S.

While Angola has recorded significant exports to the U.S. by value, little diversification has taken place in its overall export trade profile over the past two decades.

Very few of Angola's exports are subject to any U.S. import duties because they are either duty-free under the U.S. 'normal tariff relations' schedule, or qualify for AGOA preference.

Goods qualify for preferences if they are AGOA eligible, and when the goods are a product of Angola by fulfilling the AGOA origin requirements*, which stipulate 35% local content for all non-textile goods. During 2022, \$1.2m in import duties were calculated on U.S. imports from Angola.

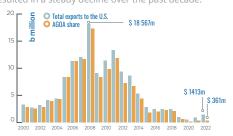
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SELECTION OF ANGOLA'S EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES SINCE 2000

Petroleum oils (HTS 2709+2710)

2000-2022: \$139 billion exports to the U.S.

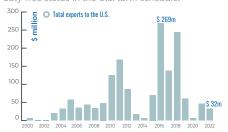
Petroleum products (crude and non-crude) dominate Angola's exports to the U.S. and have been the mainstay of U.S.-bound exports since the start of AGOA preferences in 2000. Exports peaked in 2008 with almost \$19 billion worth of exports. Most trade within these two tariff headings qualifies for preferential export to the U.S. under AGOA. Fluctuating oil prices and shifts in demand have resulted in a steady decline over the past decade.



Diamonds (HTS 7102)

2000-2022: \$ 1.5 billion exports to the U.S.

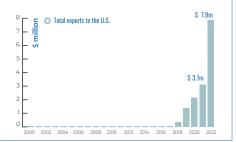
Angola is the world's sixth-largest diamond producer, and the fourth largest in Africa. Angola has exported more than \$ 1.5b worth of diamonds to the U.S. since 2000, albeit with significant year-on-year fluctuations in value and composition (industrial versus non-industrial diamonds). Over the past two decades, the majority of diamond exports from Angola to the U.S. comprised non-industrial diamonds. Diamonds enjoy MFN duty-free status in the U.S. tariff schedule.



Nails made of iron or steel (HTS 7317)

2000-2022: \$ 14.9m exports to the U.S.

Angola began exporting iron and steel nails to the U.S. in 2018. These exports comprise mainly 'collated nails...made of round wire' classified under HTS 7317.00.55, and are duty-free under the U.S. general tariff schedule, and thus not AGOA-eligible, U.S. import data shows that exports have increased at a rapid pace and more than doubled to \$7.9m in the course of 2022.







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