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1. INTRODUCTION

In line with Article 27 of Council Regulation (EC) No 732/2008 (hereinafter, "the Basic Regulation"), this report provides statistical information on the salient aspects of the GSP scheme (2006-2009). Reference is also made to the Impact Assessment accompanying the Commission's proposal for a new GSP Regulation, which contains a broader set of data and information on the GSP scheme and its effects. It is possible that some minor variations may be found between the figures in this report and those of the Impact Assessment. This may be due, for example, to different dates of retrieval of the information from the relevant databases, in which the data are refined and/or updated regularly. The following terminology has been used in this report:

Covered Imports: Imports of products listed in the GSP regulation, (including those imports for which a country is graduated out of any section / does not benefit from preferences for a given product section).

Eligible imports: Imports of products for which the country of origin is entitled to GSP treatment.

Preferential imports: Products placed under the customs procedure of free circulation under GSP preferences.

Utilisation rate: The ratio of preferential imports to eligible imports. It indicates the imports which actually benefit from tariff preferences as a share of the total amount of imports for which such preferences are available.

"Loss" of income: The nominal loss of EU customs revenue due to the application of preferences, assuming that trade remains the same in a situation without preferences.

Preferential margin: This is the difference between the tariffs paid by countries that do not benefit from preferential access to EU markets (MFN) and those that do benefit from the preference scheme, expressed in percentage points. Example: A tariff preference of 30% from an MFN duty of 10% gives a preferential margin of 3 percentage points and a preferential tariff of 7%.

All statistics have been obtained from COMEXT.

For lists of countries falling under each arrangement, please see the Basic Regulation. Given that Sri Lanka was temporarily withdrawn from GSP+ after 2009, its data are included under the GSP+ category. Given that Venezuela moved from GSP+ to GSP after 2009, its data are included under the GSP+ category. Cape Verde was withdrawn from EBA in 2007 but remains under the EBA category during the period, as it benefits from the transitional period established in Article 11(8) of the Basic Regulation. Given that Maldives was withdrawn after 2009, its data are included under the EBA category.

2. EVOLUTION OF PREFERENTIAL IMPORTS

2.1. General overview

The following tables provide a general overview of imports from beneficiary countries in 2006 and in 2009. (For certain countries – mainly small island territories – Eurostat does not report data for total world exports.)

Table 1. Exports by beneficiaries, 2006

Countries	Year 2006			
	Total Exports to the World x € 1,000	Total Exports to EU x €1,000	EU-imports under GSP scheme ("Covered Imports") x € 1,000	EU-imports under GSP scheme ("Preferential Imports") x € 1,000
Afghanistan	220.360	26.709	5.756	1.567
Algeria	42.782.392	17.588.417	1.589.765	7.795
American Samoa	0	750	394	33
Angola	21.867.971	2.170.059	84.473	12.521
Anguilla	0	4.800	29	0
Antigua and Barbuda	0	164.469	5.862	567
Argentina	36.289.688	7.116.288	2.059.462	1.533.377
Armenia	781.013	318.291	138.873	122.568
Aruba	86.578	237.328	113.088	5.480
Azerbaijan	5.053.364	5.359.634	370.675	31.928
Bahamas	1.698.207	966.994	85.270	2.458
Bahrein	4.821.473	503.234	437.573	178.547
Bangladesh	8.052.456	5.256.467	5.181.953	3.584.268
Barbados	254.833	40.200	6.335	4
Bélarus	15.615.477	4.348.226	889.633	488.611
Belize	335.171	87.933	16.908	291
Benin	272.032	61.423	3.381	5.044
Bermuda	489.237	292.985	16.445	0
Bhutan	0	1.009	267	88
Bolivia	2.437.330	148.008	25.968	25.126
Botswana	0	1.798.397	9.152	0

Bouvet (island)	0	230	74	0
Brazil	106.792.193	25.774.120	8.195.416	4.540.226
British territory of the Indian Ocean	0	152	124	10
Brunéi Darussalam	5.470.238	52.330	45.448	317
Burkina Faso	315.069	29.960	5.539	2.678
Burundi	36.240	25.804	2.498	49
Caïmanes (islands)	0	1.532.778	3.889	1
Cambodia	2.829.798	662.971	658.203	475.357
Cameroon	3.689.929	2.736.381	110.390	209
Cape Verde (Republic of)	29.866	26.692	25.290	24
Central African (Republic)	88.962	61.807	164	0
Chad	1.769.637	34.976	325	10
China (People's Republic of)	752.676.406	190.168.840	109.132.898	1.622.327
Christmas (island)	0	123	109	0
Cocos (islands) (or Keeling islands)	0	432	274	0
Colombia	18.975.140	3.490.109	618.318	488.145
Comoros Islands (Islands)	25.670	20.806	13.068	23
Cook (Islands)	0	372	235	0
Costa Rica	10.534.755	2.994.338	663.914	407.125
Côte d'Ivoire	6.087.453	2.470.765	652.996	5.262
Cuba	2.039.159	267.894	174.363	147.134
Djibouti	270.319	3.997	978	261
Dominica	74.780	18.158	6.838	10
Dominican (Republic)	4.614.160	660.488	162.162	4.044
Ecuador	9.930.996	1.540.427	844.420	770.278
Egypt	14.824.128	7.321.249	2.383.079	198.071
El Salvador	2.938.289	179.225	78.811	64.993
Equatorial Guinea	5.332.341	1.728.620	223.157	1.567
Eritrea	0	4.109	1.243	1
Ethiopia	743.671	282.524	66.678	19.638
Falkland (islands)	0	92.521	87.650	0
Fiji (islands)	573.949	114.099	6.109	929

French Polynesia	0	24.904	13.861	27
French Southern Lands	0	1.389	1.355	0
Gabon	3.224.089	601.381	115.236	507
Gambia	27.118	11.330	6.746	271
Georgia	770.158	448.125	86.865	76.405
Ghana	1.994.077	1.089.084	279.491	2.589
Gibraltar	0	131.357	53.978	1
Greenland	368.671	298.219	282.847	0
Grenada	27.746	4.965	1.611	1
Guam	0	1.561	767	35
Guatemala	4.988.323	352.432	140.647	134.533
Guinea	911.162	376.777	45.267	6
Guinea-Bissau	105.687	3.024	2.002	0
Guyana	534.008	172.789	11.042	17
Haiti	456.282	21.621	11.167	1.580
Heard and McDonald islands (HIMI)	0	4	4	0
Honduras	4.046.261	446.106	147.788	95.518
India	96.327.293	22.091.271	15.057.667	9.689.591
Indonesia	78.021.127	12.016.257	6.278.654	2.893.985
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	45.996.062	14.072.234	643.890	445.795
Iraq	18.364.758	5.016.009	5.482	67
Jamaica	1.564.247	467.824	23.562	199
Jordan	3.788.533	213.835	112.352	4.108
Kazakhstan	22.086.899	12.485.344	696.153	523.072
Kenya	3.092.978	1.015.016	725.683	7.568
Kirghizia	633.073	16.474	6.980	3.051
Kiribati	0	536	478	0
Kuwait	30.064.727	4.003.745	1.494.801	480.392
Lao People's Democratic Republic	724.251	144.605	131.393	102.773
Lebanon	2.001.683	216.083	109.557	2.608
Lesotho	0	63.353	920	615
Liberia	1.238.325	572.512	2.166	50

Libyan (Jamahiriya Arab)	31.309.705	23.817.065	1.046.206	466.280
Macao	1.914.997	535.920	509.827	17.432
Madagascar	828.859	519.733	434.686	6.292
Malawi	488.276	157.013	110.395	10.684
Malaysia	124.292.073	17.400.094	5.389.995	2.113.970
Mali	285.961	111.388	2.201	135
Mariannes of the North (Islands)	0	1.728	1.680	0
Marshall (islands)	0	297.740	523	56
Mauritania	1.095.453	533.834	110.247	778
Mauritius	1.650.735	1.066.424	714.965	2.291
Mayotte	0	2.091	1.432	0
Mexico	198.629.055	10.369.702	4.070.591	66.252
Micronesia (federate States of)	0	60	59	16
Minor islands moved away from the United States	0	275	179	0
Mongolia	1.150.456	59.049	19.845	11.855
Montserrat	0	644	451	2
Morocco	10.297.674	7.027.809	5.577.557	56.777
Mozambique	1.791.580	1.275.220	113.544	8.431
Myanmar	3.241.698	303.314	244.688	0
Namibia	0	1.308.325	266.970	13.262
Nauru	0	249	42	0
Nepal	646.572	87.993	80.630	68.532
New Caledonia	924.371	441.163	15.064	51
Nicaragua	807.721	119.877	31.798	28.322
Niger	339.611	130.685	1.803	87
Nigeria	41.651.653	10.653.927	342.025	43.116
Niue (island)	0	3	0	0
Norfolk (island)	0	140	25	0
Oman	18.434.164	388.065	174.541	64.159
Pakistan	13.345.389	3.267.393	2.965.001	2.306.046
Palaos	0	93	68	35
Panama	757.316	902.112	111.370	95.542

Papua New Guinea	3.154.441	398.531	203.728	495
Paraguay	1.367.060	299.889	28.077	18.969
Peru	18.108.056	3.423.397	702.210	648.271
Pitcairn	0	21.288	532	0
Qatar	19.541.409	2.049.861	788.194	110.720
Russia (Federation of)	229.014.139	112.905.101	7.128.466	1.424.183
Rwanda	81.939	40.756	774	53
Saint Helena	0	2.650	983	1
Saint Lucia	231.225	202.138	174.979	0
Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon	0	21.076	20.806	0
Saint-Vincent-et them Grendaïan	153.813	124.996	494	0
Samoa	87.193	344	285	0
Sao Tome and Principe	8.628	6.362	928	15
Saudi Arabia	145.085.819	23.081.992	4.378.675	2.004.662
Senegal	901.654	303.810	211.614	9.700
Seychelles	270.495	212.239	192.188	0
Sierra Leone	159.311	123.414	1.473	3.029
Somalia	240.010	1.767	113	2
South Africa	41.452.458	17.776.113	6.193.389	1.319.258
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	24	23	0
Sri Lanka	4.983.272	1.871.126	1.495.357	939.451
St. Kitts and Nevis	63.939	2.535	1.825	31
Sudan	4.469.689	109.244	4.609	1.064
Surinam	946.760	232.366	18.588	145
Swaziland	0	118.906	22.422	586
Syrian (Arab Republic)	9.605.435	3.456.252	201.465	11.691
Tajikistan	1.111.936	204.774	22.967	18.762
Tanzania (Republic of)	1.141.065	336.687	208.152	2.842
Thailand	100.922.815	14.346.935	8.115.591	3.122.350
The Antarctic	0	25	0	0
The Congo	5.779.529	370.332	39.839	0
The Congo (Democratic Republic of)	1.262.364	622.905	8.493	2.787

The Maldives	135.496	45.316	44.949	44.316
The Netherlands Antilles	2.997.867	299.630	82.661	20.023
The Philippines	35.808.895	6.203.422	1.747.248	789.193
The Solomon Islands	174.850	11.341	7.402	14
Timor-Leste	0	4.568	65	11
Togo	444.570	117.462	12.985	2.282
Tokelau (islands)	0	2.429	1.044	55
Tonga	17.433	240	204	0
Trinidad and Tobago	10.360.564	1.245.737	383.886	24.668
Tunisia	9.048.294	7.562.312	5.442.517	45.446
Turkmenistan	4.873.173	530.047	81.246	63.125
Turks-et-Caïques (islands)	0	3.680	2.666	1
Tuvalu	0	602	373	0
Uganda	498.374	276.431	165.227	1.950
Ukraine	30.955.431	8.314.118	2.658.422	1.727.344
United Arab Emirates	73.845.103	5.565.116	1.723.834	609.693
Uruguay	3.289.365	690.399	210.757	173.374
Uzbekistan	3.928.645	473.650	108.887	64.499
Vanuatu	197.179	6.827	2.744	0
Venezuela	38.208.673	6.049.579	906.263	437.416
Vietnam	30.331.449	6.788.941	4.993.287	3.026.849
British Virgin islands	0	95.573	35.523	93
U.S. Virgin islands	0	56.777	1.016	194
Wallis and Futuna	0	162	61	0
Yemen	5.116.433	126.357	103.548	86.479
Zambia	2.864.452	365.778	63.308	11.156
Zimbabwe	748.273	379.006	182.727	1.416

Table 2. Exports by beneficiaries, 2009

Countries	Year 2009			
	Total Exports to the World x	Total Exports to	Exports to EU under GSP scheme	Exports to EU under GSP scheme

	€1,000	EU x €1,000	("Covered Imports") x €1,000	("Preferential Imports") x €1,000
Afghanistan	322.692	14.447	5.328	191
Algeria	32.276.662	17.342.469	1.094.701	36.010
American Samoa	0	296	164	1
Angola	24.937.395	4.909.696	37.756	8.024
Anguilla	0	263	9	0
Antigua and Barbuda	0	60.473	2.627	723
Argentina	39.210.712	8.122.359	2.234.099	1.892.166
Armenia	490.115	160.150	70.243	62.836
Aruba	91.406	175.145	69.553	52
Azerbaijan	9.879.032	7.287.538	79.005	35.419
Bahamas	1.392.067	398.898	53.812	893
Bahrain	4.448.218	390.190	294.222	188.075
Bangladesh	8.889.418	5.801.965	5.743.780	4.543.072
Barbados	225.397	33.795	2.330	9
Belarus	15.147.945	2.555.550	645.024	0
Belize	252.787	94.127	8.084	144
Benin	291.723	27.597	4.827	10.002
Bermuda	123.995	78.902	1.083	0
Bhutan	0	2.327	942	66
Bolivia	2.565.001	183.389	28.263	49.854
Botswana	0	370.707	1.633	16
Bouvet (island)	0	345	42	41
Brazil	105.173.608	25.128.740	7.600.202	3.357.155
British Indian Ocean Territory	0	201	182	108
Brunéi Dar-Es-Salam	4.620.032	22.619	7.331	107
Burkina Faso	341.505	62.846	5.930	5.424
Burundi	52.520	38.945	348	12
Cayman Islands	0	586.655	6.037	2
Cambodia	3.574.631	764.630	739.721	553.643
Cameroon	2.635.175	1.741.473	120.554	508

Cape Verde (Republic of)	30.141	26.017	24.364	23.368
Central African (Republic)	79.243	43.578	122	0
Chad	1.501.809	117.616	4.314	0
China (People's Republic of)	843.062.848	213.137.509	121.725.879	1.479.029
Christmas Island	0	203	46	0
Cocos (islands) (or Keeling Islands)	0	2.426	38	24
Colombia	23.280.488	3.797.624	590.806	478.900
Comoros Islands	18.820	8.132	2.780	0
Cook Islands	0	2.377	228	15
Costa Rica	6.215.744	2.768.886	688.771	638.110
Côte d'Ivoire	6.977.925	3.051.014	862.806	5.996
Cuba	1.623.731	298.903	172.497	110.820
Djibouti	265.012	22.665	19.600	18.520
Dominica	117.867	29.891	2.197	0
Dominican (Republic)	3.804.348	580.639	124.141	3.320
Ecuador	9.745.474	1.874.692	1.006.559	972.966
Egypt	15.974.277	5.956.418	1.988.179	132.002
El Salvador	2.595.798	198.528	77.660	67.416
Equatorial Guinea	5.431.864	1.477.405	81.727	64.480
Eritrea	0	3.504	2.653	2.270
Ethiopia	898.869	379.891	153.624	138.723
Falkland (islands)	0	78.027	75.962	0
Fiji (islands)	536.797	92.402	4.252	68
French Polynesia	0	22.066	11.833	2
French Southern Lands	0	1.881	1.691	0
Gabon	2.863.577	751.086	98.715	91.139
Gambia	39.183	10.925	6.462	6.213
Georgia	804.779	478.056	60.597	76.905
Ghana	2.176.661	1.087.871	338.774	8.001
Gibraltar	0	155.352	23.813	370
Greenland	406.646	303.109	277.600	0
Grenada	36.970	2.538	938	4

Guam	0	842	661	0
Guatemala	5.220.306	357.157	135.156	144.350
Guinea	722.001	381.555	5.166	374
Guinea-Bissau	107.087	2.435	696	97
Guyana	679.330	183.132	9.053	13
Haiti	459.134	18.917	9.629	1.343
Heard Island and McDonald Islands	0	0	0	0
Honduras	1.654.885	514.435	176.610	149.313
India	114.169.037	25.071.342	17.988.552	13.064.619
Indonesia	80.938.959	11.572.168	6.456.383	3.383.616
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	42.935.263	8.435.132	677.208	486.307
Iraq	23.688.183	5.918.588	5.090	191
Jamaica	934.150	207.767	20.746	34
Jordan	3.558.796	164.684	106.505	491
Kazakhstan	22.531.772	10.180.834	538.714	335.090
Kenya	2.988.944	1.075.550	745.620	5.890
Kirghizia	682.312	28.984	7.957	3.012
Kiribati	0	346	163	9
Kuwait	30.975.890	2.822.701	1.642.534	998.510
Lao People's Democratic Republic	881.957	138.008	109.570	107.209
Lebanon	2.314.224	252.311	121.997	1.129
Lesotho	0	101.270	2.246	372
Liberia	830.476	530.894	1.576	17
Libyan (Jamahiriya Arab)	24.652.358	19.985.052	899.538	725.476
Macao	615.325	97.912	69.445	608
Madagascar	692.680	451.597	369.872	13.190
Malawi	646.114	231.299	189.167	164.448
Malaysia	109.592.415	14.334.764	5.138.138	2.510.075
Mali	100.679	18.237	2.792	1.376
North Marianas (Islands)	0	419	301	0
Marshall (Islands)	0	308.026	11.083	0
Mauritania	1.231.990	371.234	111.392	106.545

Mauritius	1.258.590	860.776	594.008	1.399
Mayotte	0	5.397	1.478	0
Mexico	162.812.249	9.628.569	4.020.863	57.560
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0	621	99	81
Minor islands moved away from the United States	0	8.838	283	0
Mongolia	1.300.466	44.482	10.741	8.352
Montserrat	0	620	135	0
Morocco	9.488.952	6.407.553	5.262.707	84.171
Mozambique	1.183.497	675.687	76.315	30.356
Myanmar	3.942.133	155.865	147.269	0
Namibia	0	585.778	261.837	479
Nauru	0	156	56	24
Nepal	459.607	74.241	65.908	59.542
New Caledonia	627.049	286.042	13.576	295
Nicaragua	980.699	165.519	51.258	50.059
Niger	377.662	219.089	2.059	706
Nigeria	36.676.636	10.425.470	329.705	234.949
Niue (island)	0	42	42	0
Norfolk (island)	0	97	3	0
Oman	16.544.166	486.315	200.716	121.138
Pakistan	12.325.003	3.273.948	2.867.022	2.634.484
Palau	0	14	10	0
Panama	3.866.109	543.760	76.418	62.288
Papua New Guinea	3.468.739	499.164	334.704	1.205
Paraguay	2.247.641	358.745	15.388	11.488
Peru	18.642.989	3.128.625	728.551	730.767
Pitcairn	0	155	51	27
Qatar	29.197.900	3.160.801	244.997	84.326
Russia (Federation of)	167.343.033	99.105.176	6.069.294	2.923.651
Rwanda	236.339	37.491	558	0
Saint Helena	0	5.511	606	0
Saint Lucia	123.122	63.240	867	18

Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon	0	3.625	3.557	0
Saint-Vincent-and the Grenadines	145.844	127.639	8.058	0
Samoa	73.537	1.049	498	37
Sao Tome-and-Principe	9.898	6.458	468	215
Saudi Arabia	117.231.560	10.907.850	2.732.236	2.172.970
Senegal	1.165.992	260.356	181.934	186.601
Seychelles	221.732	182.115	167.801	111
Sierra Leone	147.928	99.519	1.866	2.379
Somalia	309.903	413	27	0
South Africa	38.750.787	14.367.679	4.679.232	784.488
South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands	0	15.597	10.210	0
Sri Lanka	4.797.634	2.001.434	1.675.062	1.198.613
St. Kitts and Nevis	53.598	2.436	2.159	193
Sudan	4.984.771	104.285	3.640	13.448
Surinam	964.258	264.525	18.956	131
Swaziland	0	130.656	24.698	1.623
Syrian (Arab Republic)	8.108.694	2.304.234	146.024	10.559
Tajikistan	716.716	74.425	15.143	14.359
Tanzania (Republic of)	1.234.903	346.020	204.729	29.647
Thailand	106.539.788	14.147.153	8.320.881	4.218.962
The Antarctic	0	500	343	0
The Congo	4.438.135	695.802	44.280	32.803
The Congo (Democratic Republic of)	1.741.396	324.441	12.051	6.798
The Maldives	81.170	49.107	48.372	47.264
The Netherlands Antilles	2.233.431	193.371	76.932	1
The Philippines	26.876.588	3.804.580	1.325.817	723.669
The Solomon Islands	184.409	21.029	20.642	19.965
Timor-Leste	0	3.634	44	0
Togo	473.893	257.777	12.475	11.960
Tokelau (islands)	0	3.768	1.868	16
Tonga	9.834	223	203	1
Trinidad and Tobago	8.568.495	1.850.230	339.294	16.909

Tunisia	9.582.204	7.868.959	5.647.684	63.692
Turkmenistan	2.048.960	426.483	63.239	55.027
Turks and Caicos (islands)	0	135	79	9
Tuvalu	0	37	35	0
Uganda	1.052.456	371.120	148.526	2.156
Ukraine	27.929.538	7.604.956	2.322.254	1.621.707
United Arab Emirates	69.022.109	3.662.690	1.915.969	1.234.195
Uruguay	4.202.238	926.726	117.778	96.923
Uzbekistan	3.559.355	310.741	79.519	60.983
Vanuatu	123.577	20.963	1.872	1.746
Venezuela	32.299.868	3.850.086	876.233	648.815
Vietnam	38.525.851	7.746.821	5.482.037	1.890.024
British Virgin islands	0	75.901	24.687	61
U.S. Virgin islands	0	79.812	42.163	25.067
Wallis and Futuna	0	418	115	0
Yemen	3.432.444	27.900	17.834	13.466
Zambia	3.056.842	185.674	51.998	41.565
Zimbabwe	958.610	234.993	98.820	2.848

Table 3. Exports per scheme, 2006

2006 €1000	Total Imports (1)	Covered Imports (2)	Eligible Imports (3)	Preferential Imports (4)	Pref. imports (%)	Pref. / Total (4) / (1)	Utilization rate (4) / (3)
EBA	17.210.841	9.333.123	9.333.123	4.469.027	9%	26%	48%
GSP	634.596.794	218.882.910	89.648.104	42.671.383	83%	7%	48%
GSP+	22.414.859	5.771.115	5.771.115	4.408.824	9%	20%	76%
Total	674.222.495	233.987.148	104.752.342	51.549.234	100%	8%	49%

Table 4. Exports per scheme, 2009

2009 €1000	Total Imports (1)	Covered Imports (2)	Eligible Imports (3)	Preferential Imports (4)	Pref. imports (%)	Pref. / Total (4) / (1)	Utilization rate (4) / (3)
EBA	19.200.134	9.033.207	9.033.207	6.236.838	10%	32%	69%
GSP	596.660.215	226.063.637	91.388.757	48.055.287	81%	8%	53%
GSP+	27.169.345	6.257.906	6.257.906	5.324.162	9%	20%	85%
Total	643.029.694	241.354.749	106.679.870	59.616.288	100%	9%	56%

2.2. The General Arrangement

2.2.1. The Coverage of the General Arrangement

Table 5 provides an overview of the coverage of the general arrangement in 2006 and 2010. The differences stem from changes of tariff lines under the Common Customs Tariff, not as a result of amendments to the GSP product list. The number of tariff lines described as "Not in GSP" reflects the difference between the total number of tariff lines benefiting from an import preference under the general GSP arrangement and the number of tariff lines under the MFN system that are dutiable.

Table 5: Coverage in terms of number of lines by sectors of the general arrangement.

GSP 2006					GSP 2010				GSP 2006-2010			
Sector	No. lines	0 ¹	<>0 ²	not in GSP	No. lines	0	<>0	not in GSP	No. lines	0	<>0	not in GSP
Agricultural	1.172	103	1.069	762	1.159	99	1.060	759	-13	-4	-9	-3
Textiles	1.169	0	1.169	7	1.125	0	1.125	6	-44	0	-44	-1
Industrial	4.038	3.103	935	132	3.925	3.027	898	131	-113	-76	-37	-1
Total	6.379	3.206	3.173	901	6.209	3.126	3.083	896	-170	-80	-90	-5

2.2.2. The Utilisation Rate of the General Arrangement

Table 6 explores the utilisation rate of the general arrangement.

Table 6: Development of preferential imports as well as their share in eligible imports, i.e. the utilisation rate of preferences available under the general arrangement. (Mio Euro, %)

	2006	2007	06-07	2008	07-08	2009	08-09	06-09
	Value	Value	growth	value	growth	value	growth	growth
Total Imports	629.521	696.847	11%	789.559	13%	596.660	-24%	-5%
Eligible imports	89.235	103.937	16%	110.344	6%	91.389	-17%	2%
Preferential Imports	42.593	51.279	20%	59.543	16%	48.055	-19%	13%
Utilisation rate³	48%	49%	3%	54%	10%	53%	-2%	10%
Utilisation rate (average) ⁴	49%	51%	4%	57%	12%	56%	-2%	14%
Agricultural products (total)	42.404	50.696	20%	58.670	16%	51.324	-13%	21%
Eligible imports	15.300	16.745	9%	18.278	9%	16.167	-12%	6%
Preferential Imports	7.175	7.746	8%	9.458	22%	7.985	-16%	11%
Utilisation rate	47%	46%	-1%	52%	12%	49%	-6%	4%

¹ 0: Products that enjoy 100% preference thus enter the EU Market duty free.

² <> 0: Dutiable products. Products which benefit from a reduction from the MFN tariff but do not enter the EU Market duty free.

³ Utilisation rate of the countries benefiting from the GSP general arrangement

⁴ Utilisation rate average of the 176 beneficiary countries. It includes GSP+ and EBA.

Utilisation rate(average)	50%	50%	0%	59%	18%	58%	-2%	16%
Textile products (total)	46.015	50197	9%	51.847	3%	50.069	-3%	9%
Eligible imports	20.144	20.124	0%	18.899	-6%	17.647	-7%	-12%
Preferential Imports	8.411	8.534	1%	8.578	1%	8.525	-1%	1%
Utilisation rate	42%	42%	1%	45%	7%	48%	7%	14%
Utilisation rate (average)	48%	49%	2%	53%	8%	56%	6%	17%
Industrial products (total)	541.102	595.953	10%	679.042	14%	495.268	-27%	-8%
Eligible imports	53.792	67.067	25%	73.167	9%	57.575	-21%	7%
Preferential Imports	27.007	34.999	30%	41.507	19%	31.545	-24%	17%
Utilisation rate	50%	52%	4%	57%	9%	55%	-4%	10%
Utilisation rate (average)	49%	52%	6%	57%	10%	55%	-4%	12%

2.2.3. Graduation from the General Arrangement

In January 2009, as a result of re-calculating the trade data for the period 2004-06, seven country-sector combinations were de-graduated, and one country-sector was graduated.

Table 7. De-graduated country-sectors

Countries	Sections	2006 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2006 Preferential imports x 1,000 €	2009 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2009 Preferential imports x 1,000 €
Algeria	5	1.333.438,44		896.849,52	29.180,30
India	14	394.249,51		371.926,24	298.362,30
Indonesia	9	184.706,27		118.256,53	90.925,91
Russia (Federation of)	15	1.309.541,58	-	763.553,12	397.656,73
Russia (Federation of)	6	1.578.687,90		1.090.536,27	598.452,90
South Africa	17	793.565,66		878.580,64	7.147,78
Thailand	17	1.138.887,41		844.585,69	201.448,42

Table 8. Additional graduated country-sector

Countries	Sections	2006 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2006 Preferential imports x 1,000 €	2009 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2009 Preferential imports x 1,000 €
Vietnam	12	2.111.054,96	1.632.192,10	1.889.447,45	-

Twenty country-sector combinations remained graduated over the period.

Table 9. Country-sectors which remain graduated

Countries	Section	2006 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2006 Preferential imports x 1,000 €	2009 Covered imports x 1,000 €	2009 Preferential imports x 1,000 €
Brazil	4	1.133.718,05	-	1.473.533,09	-
Brazil	9	338.247,62		232.914,23	-
China (People's Republic of)	11a	2.516.023,64		2.440.733,27	-
China (People's Republic of)	11b	20.792.230,76		27.999.957,40	-
China (People's Republic of)	12	6.750.759,16		7.444.386,16	-
China (People's Republic of)	13	2.756.017,01		3.219.234,78	-
China (People's Republic of)	14	1.096.703,75		1.170.026,11	-
China (People's Republic of)	15	8.447.153,29		8.575.984,32	-
China (People's Republic of)	16	31.233.893,64		34.885.991,22	-
China (People's Republic of)	17	2.578.315,08		3.360.548,05	-
China (People's Republic of)	18	4.609.288,15		3.564.058,58	-
China (People's Republic of)	20	10.523.969,12		10.539.041,39	-
China (People's Republic of)	6	4.126.797,35		4.404.519,24	-
China (People's Republic of)	7	4.998.477,78		5.728.025,76	-
China (People's Republic of)	8	5.112.914,69		5.024.023,73	-
China (People's Republic of)	9	744.877,99		586.737,93	-
India	11a	1.411.292,51		1.096.794,23	-
Indonesia	3	763.493,23		1.106.111,63	-
Malaysia	3	641.894,85		724.031,33	-
Thailand	14	702.600,33		707.155,92	-

2.3. The GSP+ Special Arrangement

2.3.1. The coverage of the GSP+ Arrangement.

Table 10 provides an overview of the coverage of the GSP+ arrangement in 2006 and 2009. The differences arise from changes of tariff lines under the Common Customs Tariff, not from amendments to the GSP+ product list. The number of tariff lines described as "Not in GSP+" reflects the difference between the total number of tariff lines benefiting from an import preference under the GSP+ arrangement and the number of tariff lines under the MFN system that are dutiable.

Table 10: Coverage in terms of number of lines by sectors of the GSP+ arrangement.

Sector	GSP+ 2006				GSP+ 2010				GSP+ 2006-2010			
	No. lines	0	<0	Not in GSP+	No. lines	0	<0	Not in GSP+	No. lines	0	<0	Not in GSP
Agricultural	1.234	1.213	21	700	1.211	1.206	5	707	-23	-7	-16	7
Textiles	1.169	1.169	0	7	1.125	1.125	0	6	-44	-44	0	-1
Industrial	4.051	4.051	0	119	3.938	3.938	0	118	-113	-113	0	-1
Total	6.454	6.433	21	826	6.274	6.269	5	831	-180	-164	-16	5

2.3.2. The Utilisation Rate of the GSP+ Arrangement

Table 11 explores the utilisation rate of the GSP+ special arrangement.

Table 11: Development of preferential imports, share of eligible imports, i.e. the utilisation rate of preferences available for beneficiaries of the GSP+ arrangement. (Mio Euro, %)

	2006	2007	06-07	2008	07-08	2009	08-09	06-09
	Value	Value	growth	value	growth	value	growth	growth
Total Imports	27.100	30.155	11%	35.769	19%	27.169	-24%	0%
Eligible imports	5.901	6.117	4%	6.888	13%	6.258	-9%	6%
Preferential Imports	4.301	4.748	10%	5.873	24%	5.324	-9%	24%
Utilisation rate	73%	78%	6%	85%	10%	85%	0%	16%
Utilisation rate (average)	49%	51%	4%	57%	12%	56%	-2%	14%
Agricultural products (total)	6.987	7.788	11%	8.588	10%	7.785	-9%	11%
Eligible imports	2.908	3.302	14%	3.666	11%	3.349	-9%	15%
Preferential Imports	2.544	2.846	12%	3.431	21%	3.164	-8%	24%
Utilisation rate	88%	86%	-1%	94%	9%	95%	1%	8%
Utilisation rate(average)	50%	50%	0%	59%	18%	58%	-2%	16%

Textile products (total)	1.336	1.428	7%	1488	4%	1.479	-1%	11%
Eligible imports	1.241	1.321	6%	1.392	5%	1.401	1%	13%
Preferential Imports	738	854	16%	936	10%	965	3%	31%
Utilisation rate	60%	65%	9%	67%	4%	69%	3%	15%
Utilisation rate (average)	48%	49%	2%	53%	8%	56%	6%	17%
Industrial products (total)	18.777	20.939	12%	25.692	23%	17.905	-30%	-5%
Eligible imports	1.752	1.494	-15%	1.830	23%	1508	-18%	-14%
Preferential Imports	1.019	1.048	3%	1.507	44%	1196	-21%	17%
Utilisation rate	58%	70%	21%	82%	17%	79%	-4%	36%
Utilisation rate (average)	49%	52%	6%	57%	10%	55%	-4%	12%

2.3.3. Graduation from the GSP+ Arrangement

No GSP+ beneficiary country has been graduated over the period.

2.4. The "Everything But Arms" Initiative.

2.4.1. The coverage of the Arrangement for the LDCs.

Table 12 provides an overview of EBA coverage in 2006 and 2009. The differences arise from changes in tariff lines under the Common Customs Tariff, not as a result of amendments to the EBA product list. The number of tariff lines described as "Not in EBA", reflects the difference between the total number of tariff lines benefiting from an import preference under the EBA arrangement and the number of tariff lines under the MFN system that are dutiable. The 40 tariff lines that are dutiable corresponded to products under tariff headings 1006 (rice) and 1701 (sugar) which were totally liberalised in September and October 2009 respectively. Arms and ammunition (22 industrial tariff lines) are excluded from the arrangement.

Table 12: Coverage in terms of number of lines by sectors of the arrangement for the LDCs.

Sector	EBA 2006				EBA 2010				EBA 2006-2010			
	No. lines	0	<>0	Not in EBA	No. lines	0	<>0	Not in EBA	No. lines	0	<>0	Not in EBA
Agricultural	1.893	1.893	0	41	1.918	1.918	0	0	25	25	0	-41
Textiles	1.176	1.176	0	0	1.131	1.131	0	0	-45	-45	0	0
Industrial	4.147	4.147	0	23	4.034	4.034	0	22	-113	-113	0	-1

Total	7.216	7.216	0	64	7.083	7.083	0	22	-133	-133	0	-42

2.4.2. The Utilisation Rate of the EBA Arrangement

Table 13 explores the utilisation rate of the EBA arrangement.

Table 13: Development of preferential imports as well as their share of eligible imports, i.e. the utilisation rate of preferences available for LDCs. (Mio Euro, %)

	2006	2007	06-07	2008	07-08	2009	08-09	06-09
	Value	Value	growth	value	growth	value	growth	growth
Total Imports	17.211	19817	15%	24820	25%	19.200	-23%	12%
Eligible imports	9.333	9.285	-1%	9.012	-3%	9.033	0%	-3%
Preferential Imports	4.469	4.371	-2%	5.905	35%	6.237	6%	40%
Utilisation rate	48%	47%	-2%	66%	39%	69%	5%	44%
Utilisation rate (average)	49%	51%	4%	57%	12%	56%	-4%	12%
Agricultural products (total)	2.505	2.856	14%	2.773	-3%	2.881	4%	15%
Eligible imports	1.658	1.841	11%	1.657	-10%	1.683	2%	2%
Preferential Imports	291	282	-3%	973	245%	1.084	11%	273%
Utilisation rate	18%	15%	-13%	59%	284%	64%	9%	258%
Utilisation rate(average)	50%	50%	0%	59%	18%	58%	-3%	14%
Textile products (total)	6.141	5.916	-4%	6.173	4%	6.463	5%	5%
Eligible imports	5.800	5.604	-3%	5.916	6%	6.249	6%	8%
Preferential Imports	3.833	3.770	-2%	4.365	16%	4.692	7%	22%
Utilisation rate	66%	67%	2%	74%	10%	75%	1%	14%
Utilisation rate (average)	48%	49%	2%	53%	8%	56%	6%	17%
Industrial products (total)	8.564	11.045	29%	15.873	44%	9.856	-38%	15%
Eligible imports	1.874	1.839	-2%	1.440	-22%	1.102	-23%	-41%
Preferential Imports	344	318	0,08	567	78%	461	-19%	34%
Utilisation rate	18%	17%	-6%	40%	128%	42%	5%	132%
Utilisation rate (average)	49%	52%	6%	57%	10%	55%	-5%	10%

2.4.3. Graduation from the EBA Arrangement

According to the Regulations implementing the GSP scheme in the years 2006-2008 and 2009-2011, graduation does not apply to the LDCs.

3. PREFERENTIAL MARGINS UNDER THE GSP

The table below shows the average preferential margin for each of the arrangements for the years 2006 to 2009, for the agricultural, textile and industrial sectors.

Table 14: Average Preferential Margin (percentage points)

Average Preferential Margin	2006			2009		
	GSP	GSP+	EBA	GSP	GSP+	EBA
Total	3.29	8.54	9.16	3,22	6.96	6.88
Agriculture	4.57	11.17	10.88	4.46	11.63	11.32
Textiles	1.95	10.38	10.72	1.89	10.62	10.62
Industrial	3.45	4.60	5.63	3.40	4.11	4.06

4. THE IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY BUDGET

The following table presents an overview of the static loss of income associated with the scheme.

Table 15: Loss of income to the EU budget resulting from granting tariff preferences to imports under the three arrangements (Mio Euro, %)⁵

	2006	2007	06-07	2008	07-08	2009	08-09	06-09
	Value	Value	growth	value	growth	value	growth	growth
GSP	1.496	1.687	13%	2.170	29%	1.757	-19%	17%
GSP+	416	469	13%	568	21%	486	-14%	17%
EBA	517	507	-2%	659	30%	730	11%	41%
Total	2.429	2.663	10%	3.397	28%	2.973	-12%	22%

⁵ Figures in the table represent the calculated gross amounts of foregone customs duties. In order to obtain the financial impact on the EU budget, one needs to further deduct 25% of Member States' collection costs.