Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS) Agreement
http://spsims.wto.org/

How many measures have been notified?

→ Total = 25,749. (Regular + emergency = 19,513)

How many specific trade concerns (STCs) have been raised?
Specific Trade Concerns = 464 = 1.8% of notified measures.

How many disputes cite the SPS Agreement?
https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/dispu_agreements_index_e.htm

21 “full” disputes cite the SPS Agreement in the request for consultations; 49 cases if including dormant, settled out of court, or withdrawn
“Full” disputes = 0.08% of notified measures; all disputes = < 0.2% of notified measures
“Full” disputes = 4.5% of concerns raised in the committee; all disputes = 10.6% of concerns (≈90% never become disputes)

Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) Agreement
http://tbtims.wto.org/

How many measures have been notified?
Regular notifications = 27,848. Revisions = 407. Addenda/Corrigenda/Supplements = 8,655

→ Total = 36,910

How many specific trade concerns (STCs) have been raised?
Specific Trade Concerns = 605 = 1.7% of notified measures

How many disputes cite the SPS Agreement?
https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/dispu_agreements_index_e.htm

24 “full” disputes cite the TBT Agreement in the request for consultations; 55 cases if including dormant, settled out of court, or withdrawn
“Full disputes = 0.06% of notified measures; all disputes = 0.1% of notified measures
“Full” disputes = 4.0% of concerns raised in the committee; all disputes = 9.1% of concerns raised in the committee (≈90% never become disputes)
Dispute settlement is not essential for the WTO to work (but it helps)

Less than 0.2% of SPS and TBT measures notified to the WTO end up as disputes. Less than 2% are raised as concerns in the SPS and TBT committees and 90% of those never become disputes.

Source: WTO. Data retrieved January 1, 2020 from [SPS](http://spsims.wto.org/) (SPS), [TBT](http://tbtims.wto.org/) (TBT); and [SPS disputes](https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/dispu_agreements_index_e.htm?id=A19#selected_agreement) and [TBT disputes](https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/dispu_agreements_index_e.htm?id=A22#selected_agreement).
Disputes involving TBT and SPS agreements
https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/dispu_e/dispu_agreements_index_e.htm

These are all the disputes citing the TBT and SPS agreements. There are two types of count:

- all cases including cases that never became “full” disputes
- those that are actively proceeding at least to a panel ruling, and in many cases to appeal.

Fully-fledged (“full”) disputes exclude those that do not complete the panel stage. They have been withdrawn, a mutually agreed solution is reached before completing the panel stage (“settled out of court”), the authorisation to set up a panel has lapsed, or the case has stayed in the initial “request for consultations” stage for at least five years and can be considered to be “dormant”. They are listed without numbering and the reason for considering them to have lapsed or to be non-active is highlighted.

Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT)
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55 cases cite this agreement in the request for consultations, 21 not lapsed (34 lapsed)

1. **DS593 European Union (formerly EC) — Certain measures concerning palm oil and oil palm crop-based biofuels**
   
   Consultations requested: 9 December 2019
   Current status: In consultations

2. **DS532 Russian Federation — Measures Concerning the Importation and Transit of Certain Ukrainian Products**
   
   Consultations requested: 13 October 2017
   Current status: In consultations

3. **DS525 Ukraine — Measures relating to Trade in Goods and Services**
   
   Consultations requested: 19 May 2017
   Current status: In consultations

4. **DS506 Indonesia — Measures Concerning the Importation of Bovine Meat**
   
   Consultations requested: 4 April 2016
   Current status: In consultations

5. **DS499 Russian Federation — Measures affecting the importation of railway equipment and parts thereof**
   
   Consultations requested: 21 October 2015
   Current status: Panel report under appeal

6. **DS484 Indonesia — Measures Concerning the Importation of Chicken Meat and Chicken Products**
   
   Consultations requested: 16 October 2014
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Consultations requested: 13 May 2003
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17. DS291 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products

Consultations requested: 13 May 2003
Current status: Authorization to retaliate requested (including 22.6 arbitration)

18. DS290 European Union (formerly EC) — Protection of Trademarks and Geographical Indications for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs

Consultations requested: 17 April 2003
Current status: Implementation notified by respondent

DS279 India — Import Restrictions Maintained Under the Export and Import Policy 2002-2007

Consultations requested: 23 December 2002
Current status: In consultations

DS263 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting Imports of Wine

Consultations requested: 4 September 2002
Current status: In consultations

DS233 Argentina — Measures Affecting the Import of Pharmaceutical Products

Consultations requested: 25 May 2001
Current status: In consultations

DS232 Mexico — Measures Affecting the Import of Matches

Consultations requested: 17 May 2001
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

DS231 European Union (formerly EC) — Trade Description of Sardines

Consultations requested: 20 March 2001
Current status: Mutually acceptable solution on implementation notified

DS210 Belgium — Administration of Measures Establishing Customs Duties for Rice

Consultations requested: 12 October 2000
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

DS203 Mexico — Measures Affecting Trade in Live Swine
Consultations requested: 10 July 2000
Current status: In consultations

**DS151 United States — Measures Affecting Textiles and Apparel Products (II)**
Consultations requested: 19 November 1998
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

**DS144 United States — Certain Measures Affecting the Import of Cattle, Swine and Grain from Canada**
Consultations requested: 25 September 1998
Current status: In consultations

**DS137 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting Imports of Wood of Conifers from Canada**
Consultations requested: 17 June 1998
Current status: In consultations

19. **DS135 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting Asbestos and Products Containing Asbestos**
Consultations requested: 28 May 1998
Current status: Report(s) adopted, no further action required

**DS134 European Union (formerly EC) — Restrictions on Certain Import Duties on Rice**
Consultations requested: 27 May 1998
Current status: In consultations

**DS100 United States — Measures Affecting Imports of Poultry Products**
Consultations requested: 18 August 1997
Current status: In consultations

**DS85 United States — Measures Affecting Textiles and Apparel Products**
Consultations requested: 22 May 1997
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

**DS77 Argentina — Measures Affecting Textiles, Clothing and Footwear**
Consultations requested: 23 April 1997
Current status: Authority for panel lapsed

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### DS5 Korea, Republic of — Measures Concerning the Shelf-Life of Products

Consultations requested: 3 May 1995  
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

### 22. DS4 United States — Standards for Reformulated and Conventional Gasoline

Consultations requested: 10 April 1995  
Current status: Implementation notified by respondent

### DS3 Korea, Republic of — Measures Concerning the Testing and Inspection of Agricultural Products

Consultations requested: 4 April 1995  
Current status: **In consultations**

### 23. DS2 United States — Standards for Reformulated and Conventional Gasoline

Consultations requested: 24 January 1995  
Current status: Implementation notified by respondent
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49 cases cite this agreement in the request for consultations, 23 not lapsed (36 lapsed)

1. **DS589 China — Measures Concerning the Importation of Canola Seed from Canada**
   
   Consultations requested: 9 September 2019  
   Current status: In consultations

2. **DS540 United States — Certain Measures Concerning Pangasius Seafood Products from Viet Nam**
   
   Consultations requested: 22 February 2018  
   Current status: In consultations

3. **DS532 Russian Federation — Measures Concerning the Importation and Transit of Certain Ukrainian Products**
   
   Consultations requested: 13 October 2017  
   Current status: In consultations

4. **DS525 Ukraine — Measures relating to Trade in Goods and Services**
   
   Consultations requested: 19 May 2017  
   Current status: In consultations

5. **DS524 Costa Rica — Measures Concerning the Importation of Fresh Avocados from Mexico**
   
   Consultations requested: 8 March 2017  
   Current status: Panel composed

6. **DS506 Indonesia — Measures Concerning the Importation of Bovine Meat**
   
   Consultations requested: 4 April 2016  
   Current status: In consultations

7. **DS495 Korea, Republic of — Import Bans, and Testing and Certification Requirements for Radionuclides**
   
   Consultations requested: 21 May 2015  
   Current status: Report(s) adopted, with recommendation to bring measure(s) into conformity

8. **DS484 Indonesia — Measures Concerning the Importation of Chicken Meat and Chicken Products**
   
   Consultations requested: 16 October 2014  
   Current status: Compliance proceedings ongoing

Consultations requested: 8 April 2014
Current status: Compliance proceedings ongoing

**DS448 United States — Measures Affecting the Importation of Fresh Lemons**
Consultations requested: 3 September 2012
Current status: In consultations

10. **DS447 United States — Measures Affecting the Importation of Animals, Meat and Other Animal Products from Argentina**
Consultations requested: 30 August 2012
Current status: Report(s) adopted, with recommendation to bring measure(s) into conformity

11. **DS430 India — Measures Concerning the Importation of Certain Agricultural Products**
Consultations requested: 6 March 2012
Current status: Authorization to retaliate requested (including 22.6 arbitration)

12. **DS406 United States — Measures Affecting the Production and Sale of Clove Cigarettes**
Consultations requested: 7 April 2010
Current status: Mutually acceptable solution on implementation notified

13. **DS392 United States — Certain Measures Affecting Imports of Poultry from China**
Consultations requested: 17 April 2009
Current status: Report(s) adopted, no further action required

**DS391 Korea, Republic of — Measures Affecting the Importation of Bovine Meat and Meat Products from Canada**
Consultations requested: 9 April 2009
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

**DS389 European Union (formerly EC) — Certain Measures Affecting Poultry Meat and Poultry Meat Products from the United States**
Consultations requested: 16 January 2009
Current status: Panel established, but not yet composed

Consultations requested: 17 December 2008
Current status: Authorization to retaliate granted

15. **DS384 United States — Certain Country of Origin Labelling (Cool) Requirements**
Consultations requested: 1 December 2008
Current status: Authorization to retaliate granted

16. **DS367 Australia — Measures Affecting the Importation of Apples from New Zealand**
Consultations requested: 31 August 2007
Current status: Implementation notified by respondent

**DS297 Croatia — Measures Affecting Imports of Live Animals and Meat Products**
Consultations requested: 9 July 2003
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

**DS293 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products**
Consultations requested: 14 May 2003
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

**DS292 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products**
Consultations requested: 13 May 2003
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

17. **DS291 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products**
Consultations requested: 13 May 2003
Current status: Authorization to retaliate requested (including 22.6 arbitration)

**DS287 Australia — Quarantine Regime for Imports**
Consultations requested: 3 April 2003
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

**DS284 Mexico — Certain Measures Preventing the Importation of Black Beans from Nicaragua**
Consultations requested: 17 March 2003
Current status: **Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)**

**DS279 India — Import Restrictions Maintained Under the Export and Import Policy 2002-2007**
Consultations requested: 23 December 2002
Current status: **In consultations**

**DS271 Australia — Certain Measures Affecting the Importation of Fresh Pineapple**
Consultations requested: 18 October 2002
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Current status: In consultations

DS100 United States — Measures Affecting Imports of Poultry Products
Consultations requested: 18 August 1997
Current status: In consultations

DS96 India — Quantitative Restrictions on Imports of Agricultural, Textile and Industrial Products
Consultations requested: 18 July 1997
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

20. DS76 Japan — Measures Affecting Agricultural Products
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Current status: Mutually acceptable solution on implementation notified

21. DS48 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Concerning Meat and Meat Products (Hormones)
Consultations requested: 28 July 1996
Current status: Mutually acceptable solution on implementation notified

DS41 Korea, Republic of — Measures concerning Inspection of Agricultural Products
Consultations requested: 24 May 1996
Current status: In consultations

22. DS26 European Union (formerly EC) — Measures Concerning Meat and Meat Products (Hormones)
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### DS5 Korea, Republic of — Measures Concerning the Shelf-Life of Products

Consultations requested: 3 May 1995  
Current status: Settled or terminated (withdrawn, mutually agreed solution)

### DS3 Korea, Republic of — Measures Concerning the Testing and Inspection of Agricultural Products

Consultations requested: 4 April 1995  
Current status: In consultations