

Global Harmonized System (HS) Code Directory – 2025

A compact, chapter-wise professional reference for international trade

Designed for Students, Exporters, Customs Professionals & Analysts

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Note: This directory highlights selected high-trade-volume HS codes for reference (2025 edition). /n Always verify with official WCO/national sources for binding classifications./nLast updated: December 2025.

How to Use This Directory

- HS Codes: 6-digit global standard for classifying goods (managed by World Customs Organization)
- Structure: First 2 digits = Chapter, next 2 = Heading, last 2 = Subheading
- Why accurate codes matter: Avoid delays, penalties & incorrect duties
- Refer chapters to classify goods accurately
- Avoid errors using “Common Mistakes” notes
- Trade Notes provide real-world examples

Quick HS Code Search Tips

• Use official tools: WCO HS Database, national tariff schedules
• Apply General Rules of Interpretation (GRI) step-by-step
• For complex items: Request binding rulings from customs

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Top 20 High-Volume HS Codes (Global Trade 2025)

Quick reference to the world's busiest codes by trade value (est. \$10T+). Source: UN Comtrade/WITS.

HS Code	Product	Trade Value (2025 Est.)	Quick Note
851712	Smartphones	\$500B+	Consumer electronics leader
270900	Crude petroleum oils	\$800B+	Energy commodity king
870323	Passenger cars (1.5-3L engine)	\$400B+	Auto export staple
271012	Gasoline/motor spirit	\$300B+	Fuel for transport
850760	Lithium-ion batteries	\$200B+	EV/tech demand surge
854231	Processors/microchips	\$250B+	Semiconductor boom
847130	Laptops/portable computers	\$150B+	Remote work essential
870899	Vehicle parts/accessories	\$180B+	Auto aftermarket
390110	Low-density polyethylene	\$120B+	Packaging polymer
100590	Maize/corn seed	\$100B+	Feed/food staple
080310	Bananas/plantains	\$15B	Top fresh fruit export
290121	Ethylene	\$50B	Petchem base
300490	Medicaments (mixed)	\$300B+	Pharma generics
720810	Hot-rolled steel coils	\$150B+	Construction metal
848340	Gears/transmissions	\$80B	Machinery parts
401110	Car tires, pneumatic	\$40B	Vehicle safety
841191	Turbojet parts	\$60B	Aviation engines
852872	TV receivers (>14")	\$70B	Entertainment tech
611030	Knitted pullovers/jerseys	\$20B	Apparel knitwear

Chapter 01: Live Animals

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
010121	Pure-bred breeding horses	Racing and equestrian sports
010129	Other live horses	Transport and recreation
010221	Pure-bred breeding cattle	Dairy and beef farming
010229	Other live cattle	Meat production
010310	Pure-bred breeding swine	Commercial pig farming
010391	Live swine <50kg	Feeder pigs
010420	Live goats	Meat and milk production
010511	Live fowls (chickens) ≤185g	Day-old chicks for poultry
010594	Live fowls (chickens) >185g	Broiler chickens
010599	Other live poultry	Turkeys/ducks

Chapter 02: Meat and Edible Meat Offal

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
020130	Boneless bovine meat, fresh or chilled	Premium beef cuts
020230	Boneless bovine meat, frozen	Global beef trade staple
020312	Hams and shoulders, swine, bone-in	Processed pork
020329	Other swine meat, frozen	Pork shoulders/legs
020714	Chicken cuts and offal, frozen	Major poultry export
020727	Turkey cuts, frozen	Holiday demand
021011	Hams, swine, cured	Processed meats

Chapter 03: Fish and Crustaceans, Molluscs

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
030214	Atlantic salmon, fresh or chilled	Premium seafood
030471	Cod fillets, frozen	White fish staple
030617	Other shrimps and prawns, frozen	High-volume shrimp trade
030743	Cuttle fish and squid, frozen	Seafood delicacy
030389	Other fish fillets, frozen	Tuna/pollock alternatives
030499	Fish meat, minced	Surimi base
030614	Crabs, frozen	Shellfish trade

Chapter 04: Dairy Produce; Birds' Eggs; Natural Honey

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
040510	Butter	Dairy fat export
040690	Cheese (other than fresh/processed)	Cheddar/edam varieties
040721	Birds' eggs, in shell	Table eggs
040811	Egg yolks, dried	Bakery ingredient
040900	Natural honey	Health food demand
040610	Fresh cheese (including whey cheese)	Mozzarella/ricotta

Chapter 08: Edible Fruit and Nuts;

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
080310	Plantains, fresh	Tropical staple
080390	Bananas, fresh	World's top fruit export
080410	Dates, fresh or dried	Middle East specialty
080510	Oranges, fresh	Citrus leader
080520	Mandarins/tangerines	Easy-peel varieties
080610	Grapes, fresh	Table grapes
080710	Melons	Seasonal fruit
080810	Apples, fresh	Major temperate fruit
081010	Strawberries, fresh	Berry trade
080910	Apricots, fresh	Stone fruit

Chapter 09: Coffee, Tea, Maté and Spices

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
090111	Coffee, not roasted, not decaffeinated	Arabica/Robusta beans
090121	Coffee, roasted, not decaffeinated	Ground coffee base
090190	Coffee husks and skins	By-products
090230	Black tea, fermented	Common tea bags
090240	Other black tea	Loose leaf
091011	Ginger, neither crushed nor ground	Fresh spice
091030	Turmeric (curcuma)	Health spice
091091	Mixtures of spices	Curry powder
090420	Pepper, dried/crushed	Black peppercorns
090520	Vanilla	Premium flavoring

Chapter 10: Cereals

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
100119	Durum wheat	Pasta production
100199	Other wheat and meslin	Bread wheat
100590	Maize (corn), other	Animal feed staple
100630	Rice, semi-milled or wholly milled	White rice
100640	Broken rice	Low-grade use
100710	Grain sorghum	Feed/alternative
110100	Wheat flour	Baking essential

Chapter 15: Animal, Vegetable or Microbial Fats and Oils

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
150710	Crude soya-bean oil	Major vegetable oil
150790	Other soya-bean oil	Refined for cooking
151110	Crude palm oil	Tropical oil staple
151190	Other palm oil	Fractionated
151211	Crude sunflower-seed oil	Healthy oil
151620	Vegetable fats and oils	Margarine base
152000	Glycerol	Industrial use

Chapter 27: Mineral Fuels, Mineral Oils

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
270900	Petroleum oils, crude	Top global commodity
271012	Light petroleum distillates	Gasoline blends
271019	Medium/heavy petroleum oils	Diesel/fuel oil
271111	Natural gas, liquefied	LNG exports
271121	Natural gas, gaseous	Pipeline trade
271311	Petroleum coke	Industrial fuel

Chapter 30: Pharmaceutical Products

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
300490	Other medicaments	Generic drugs, high volume
300215	Immunological products	Vaccines/COVID era
300439	Hormone medicaments	Insulin/diabetes
300660	Chemical contraceptive preparations	Global health
300241	Vaccines for human medicine	Essential health
300450	Vitamins and supplements	Health products

Chapter 39: Plastics and Articles Thereof

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
390110	Polyethylene, low density	Packaging film
390210	Polypropylene	Containers/molding
390761	Polyethylene terephthalate (PET)	Bottles
391990	Self-adhesive plates/sheets	Labels/tapes
392321	Sacks and bags of polymers	Plastic bags
392690	Other plastic articles	Miscellaneous goods

Chapter 71: Natural or Cultured Pearls, Precious Stones

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
710231	Non-industrial diamonds, unworked	Gem trade
710812	Gold, unwrought	Bullion investment
711319	Jewellery of precious metal	Fashion exports
710691	Silver, unwrought	Industrial/precious

Chapter 72: Iron and Steel

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
720810	Flat-rolled iron/steel, in coils	Construction material
720917	Cold-rolled iron/steel sheets	Automotive use
721049	Other coated flat-rolled	Galvanized steel
722540	Alloy steel flat-rolled	Tool steel

Chapter 84: Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery and Mechanical Appliances

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
841191	Parts of turbo-jets	Aviation engines
847130	Portable computers (laptops)	Consumer tech
847330	Parts of computers	Motherboards/RAM
848640	Machines for semiconductor manufacturing	Chip production
850440	Static converters	Power supplies
842952	Excavators	Construction machinery
843149	Parts of machinery	Heavy equipment
841510	Air conditioning machines	HVAC

Chapter 85: Electrical Machinery and Equipment

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
851712	Telephones for cellular networks (smartphones)	Top global import
854231	Electronic integrated circuits (processors)	Semiconductors
854140	Photosensitive semiconductor devices (solar cells)	Renewable energy
854449	Other electric conductors	Cables/wires
850760	Lithium-ion batteries	EV/tech demand
852351	Solid-state drives	Data storage
853400	Printed circuits	Electronics base

Chapter 87: Vehicles Other Than Railway or Tramway

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
870323	Cars with spark-ignition engine 1,500-3,000cc	Mid-size sedans
870333	Diesel cars >2,500cc	SUVs/trucks
870421	Goods vehicles, diesel	Light trucks
870899	Other parts of vehicles	Auto parts trade
870380	Electric vehicles	Growing green trade

Chapter 90: Optical, Photographic, Medical Instruments

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
902139	Artificial joints	Orthopedic implants
901890	Other medical instruments	Surgical tools
903180	Other measuring instruments	Testing equipment

Chapter 97: Works of Art, Collectors' Pieces and Antiques

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
970121	Paintings, drawings	Fine art trade
970310	Original sculptures	Modern art
970199	Collages and similar	Decorative art

Chapter 07: Edible Vegetables and Certain Roots

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
070200	Tomatoes, fresh or chilled	High-volume salad staple
070310	Onions, fresh or chilled	Culinary essential, global export
070410	Cauliflower and headed broccoli, fresh	Vegetable medley trade
070511	Cabbage, fresh	Basic produce for processing
070959	Other vegetables, fresh (e.g., peppers)	Mixed fresh veg export
071080	Vegetables, frozen (uncooked)	Convenience food surge
071310	Peas, frozen, uncooked	Processed veg leader

Chapter 17: Sugars and Sugar Confectionery

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
170112	Raw beet sugar	Beet sugar alternative to cane
170199	Cane/refined sugar, solid	Sweetener industry base
170230	Glucose and fructose, solid	Food/beverage processing
170490	Sugar confectionery (e.g., candies)	Snack food export
180690	Chocolate preparations	Confectionery powerhouse

Chapter 29: Organic Chemicals

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
290121	Ethylene	Petrochemical building block
290211	Cyclohexane	Industrial solvent and precursor
291411	Acetone	Paint/solvent staple
291512	Ethyl acetate	Adhesives and coatings
292419	Acyclic amides	Pharma/agro intermediates
293299	Other heterocyclic compounds	Specialty chemical trade

Chapter 61: Articles of Apparel and Clothing Accessories

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
610910	T-shirts and singlets, cotton	Casual wear global staple
611030	Pullovers, jerseys, cotton	Knitwear fashion leader
610462	Women's trousers, knitted	Active/athleisure demand
610510	Men's shirts, knitted	Everyday apparel
611420	Women's/girls' garments, knitted	Dresses and suits
611595	Knitted or crocheted socks	Footwear accessories

Chapter 73: Articles of Iron or Steel

HS Code	Product Description	Trade Notes
730531	Welded pipes/tubes >406mm	Pipeline/infrastructure trade
730431	Seamless pipes, cold-drawn	High-pressure applications
730830	Doors, windows, structures	Construction sector
731815	Screws, bolts, nuts	Fastener hardware staple
732690	Other articles of iron/steel	Miscellaneous industrial goods