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Summary: Biden is raising levies on semiconductors, batteries, solar cells, and critical minerals, in addition to previously reported increases on steel, aluminum, and electric vehicles. The changes are projected to affect around \$18 billion in current annual imports. None of Trump's tariffs will be reduced. Biden will ratchet up rates on goods the US struggled to import during the coronavirus pandemic, and for industries, like chips and green energy, that he's sought to bolster since he took office. The tariff rate on semiconductors doubles from 25% to 50% by 2025. The levies aim to counter China's rush into so-called legacy chips, older-generation components still essential to the global economy. Certain critical minerals will see a new 25% tariff this year, while natural graphite and permanent magnets will be hit with that rate in 2026. Ship-to-shore cranes also face a new 25% tariff this year. The electric vehicle tariff takes effect this year, with a final tariff rate of 102.5%, up from 27.5% now. And tariffs on certain steel and aluminum from China — currently facing a 0% or 7.5% tariff — will rise to 25% this year.

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