

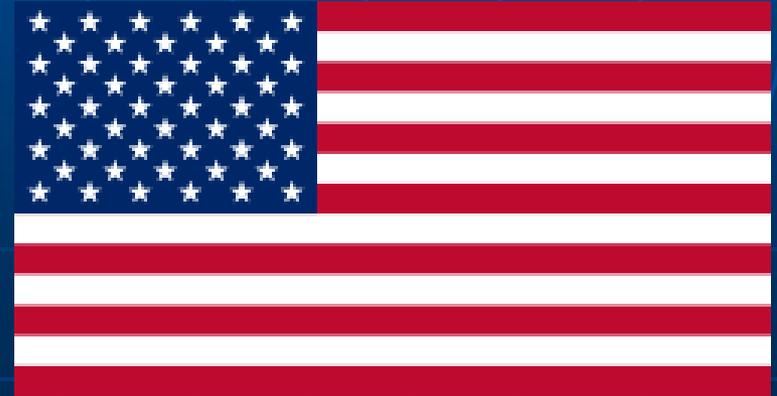
Expanding Egypt's Export Opportunities through GSP

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Presentation Summary

- **History of Egypt's exports to the U.S. under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) Program**
- **Overview of the U.S. GSP Program**
- **How to increase Egypt's use of duty-free opportunities**

U.S. and Egypt Overall Trade

- The U.S. is currently Egypt's number one bilateral trading partner.
- As of August 2008, the U.S. is the destination for \$1.5b of Egyptian exports for the year.
- While this shows a significant partnership, it is also a decrease from August 2007, when Egyptian exports to the U.S. totaled almost \$1.8b.

U.S. and Egypt Trade

- The U.S. wants to become a destination for more Egyptian exports through stronger trade.
- How to accomplish more exports from Egypt: through Egypt's use of GSP duty-free opportunities
- Out of 3,400 GSP-eligible products, Egypt exports just 364 products
- Therefore, our goal is to use GSP to increase trade through diversifying Egypt's exported products.

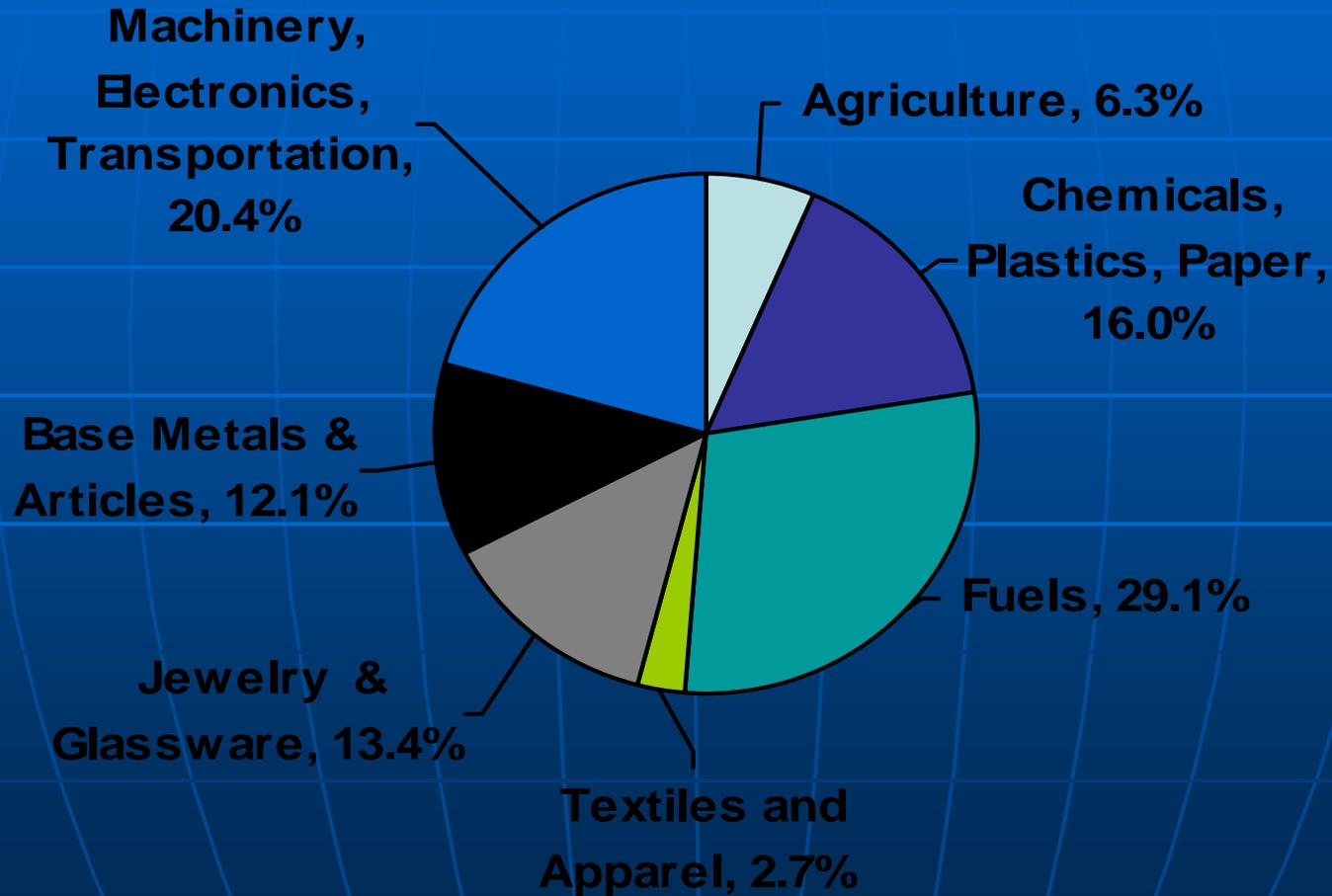
GSP Program

- Gives enhanced access to U.S. for developing countries' products and expanded choices for U.S. industries & consumers
- Provides duty-free treatment for 3,400 types of products from 132 countries
- \$30.8 billion in total U.S. GSP imports (2007)
- The GSP program has been renewed through December 31, 2009.

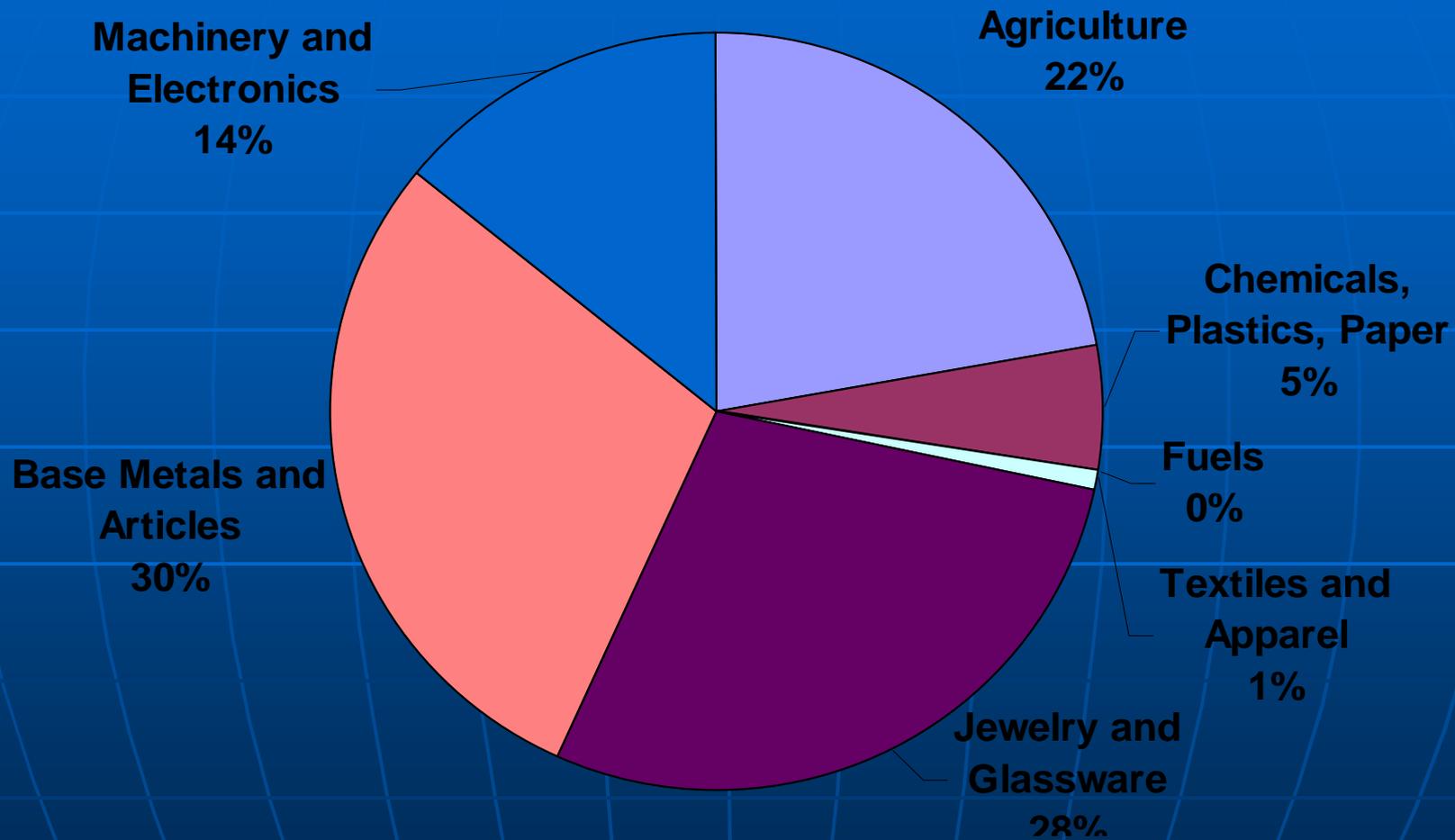
GSP Program: *Eligible Exports*

- Eligible: manufactured items & inputs, jewelry, most fresh and processed non-dairy agricultural products, chemicals, marble, and minerals, silk-blend apparel, most carpets
- Ineligible: most textiles & apparel, watches, footwear, handbags, luggage, gloves & leather goods

Types of U.S. imports that received GSP duty-free treatment in 2007



Egypt's Exports to the U.S. under GSP, 2007



Egypt's Historic Use of GSP

- Egypt has been a beneficiary country since March 1975.
- In the past three years, Egypt has taken advantage of about 90% of its potential GSP benefits.
 - Meaning, some products came into the U.S. incorrectly marked! These products did not receive duty-free treatment, and thus cost importers unnecessary duties at the border.
- Because the U.S. and Egypt are such strong trading partners, this approximate 10% waste of GSP cost importers about \$250k in unnecessary duties!

Egypt and GSP

- Egypt ranked 32nd in exports to the U.S. under GSP, as of August 2008.
- Exports under GSP account for a small percentage of overall trade with the U.S. because petroleum products and textiles are Egypt's main exports to the U.S.
- Egypt can take further advantage of duty-free treatment by expanding its GSP-eligible exports.

Egypt and GSP 2006-2007

- In 2006, Egypt exported about \$70m duty-free under GSP.
- Largest item: aluminum alloy plates, sheets, and strips (3% duty), of which the U.S. imported over \$16 million
 - That saved \$480,000 in duties.
- Egypt's use of GSP dropped by over \$8 million in 2007 to \$61.5m, accounting for only 2.6% of overall Egyptian exports to the U.S.

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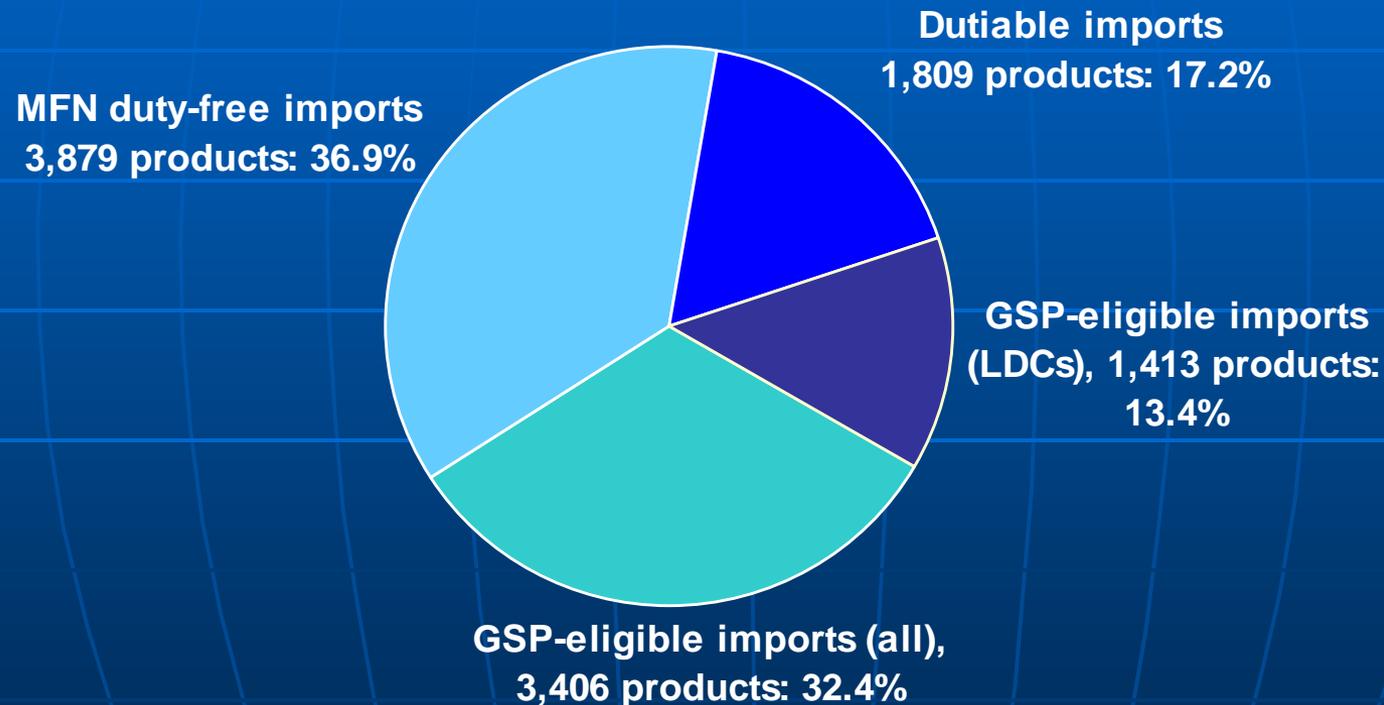
- **Other Top Exports under GSP in 2006 and 2007:**
 - **Monument/building stone & art: \$5.2 million (2006); \$5.8 million (2007)**
 - **Nonalcoholic beverages: \$3.2 million (2006); \$3.3 million (2007)**
 - **Single-fruit juice: \$2.0 million (2006); \$3.1 million (2007)**
 - **Plastic baths, showers, and washbasins: \$1.8 million (2006); \$1.5 million (2007)**
 - **Parts of lamps: \$1.1 million (2006); \$3.0 million (2007)**
 - **Significant increase in imports!**

Egypt and GSP Today

- Egypt has exported \$34.7m to the U.S. under GSP through August 2008.
- In 2007, however, Egypt exported \$42.5m under GSP by August 2007.
- Thus, there has been an 18.4% decrease in Egypt's exports to the U.S. under GSP.
- The top exports have remained the same since 2006 (aluminum, building stone, fruit juices, and non-alcoholic juices).
- Total number of product types exported: 364 out of 3,400
 - 11% of its potential types of duty-free products

Overview of the GSP Program

How many products are eligible for GSP duty-free treatment?



How to Qualify for Duty-Free Treatment under GSP

1. **Must be a GSP-eligible product**
2. **Must be exported into the U.S. directly from Egypt or pass through another country on a through bill of lading**
3. **Must be a product or growth of Egypt**
4. **If the product includes imported input, the cost of the local content & processing must equal 35% of the product's price.**

Is my product eligible for duty-free treatment under GSP?

- The easiest way to find out is to go to:

http://dataweb.usitc.gov/scripts/tariff_current.asp

- Fill in the blank with:

- Any part of a product description. For example, "jam" OR
- The tariff number (four, six, or eight numbers). For example, 2007, 200799, or 20079925

- Then click on "List Items"

Claiming GSP Duty-Free Treatment

- U.S. importer **MUST REQUEST** duty-free treatment for the import
- How? Importer writes an “A” before the tariff number on Customs entry form 7501
- If importer forgets: can apply to U.S. Customs for refund

Make sure importer marks an "A" before the tariff number on the form!

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
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Job of the Exporter?

- **Remind the U.S. importer that your product is eligible for duty-free entry under GSP and to mark “A” on U.S. Customs Entry Form**
- **Keep good records (cost of production; where produced; if using imported components – where they are from and their cost)**

Phyto-sanitary & Sanitary *Requirements*

- **U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)** regulates all food (except most beef and poultry), cosmetics, biologics, drugs & some electronics.
- **Product requirements:** pure & wholesome; safe to eat; produced under sanitary conditions; informative & truthful labels in English
- **Importer files notice and bond to Customs, which contacts FDA: test?**
- **Bioterrorism Act:** registry of foreign facilities with FDA, including producers, that export food

Egypt's Exports to the U.S.

- 2004: \$1.3b total imports; \$38.1m under GSP – 2.9% of all imports
- 2005: \$2.1b total imports; \$65.1m (GSP) – 3.1% of all imports
- 2006: \$2.4b total imports; \$69.9m (GSP) – 2.9% of all imports
- 2007 (through August): \$1.8b total imports; \$42.5m (GSP) – 2.6%
- 2008 (through August): \$1.4b total imports; \$34.7m (GSP) – 2.4%

Examples of Top GSP Exports to the U.S. (Jan – August 2008)

- Aluminum (3% duty): \$7.3m entered under GSP and saved \$219k in duties; all imports duty-free in 2008
- Building Stone (4.9% duty): \$3.1m entered under GSP and saved \$152k in duties; but \$247k did not enter under GSP and paid \$12k in duties;
- Lamps and lighting fixtures (4.5%): \$1.9m entered under GSP and saved \$86k in duties ; all imports duty-free in 2008

Other Top GSP Exports to the U.S. (Jan – August 2008)

- Plastic baths and washbasins (6.3% duty): \$1.8m entered under GSP and saved \$113k in duties; but \$34k entered unclaimed, costing \$2100 in duties
- Marble slabs (2.5% duty): \$1.1m entered under GSP and saved \$28k in duties
- Dried parsley (3.8% duty): \$800k entered under GSP and saved \$30.4k in duties

Other Top GSP Exports to the U.S. (Jan – August 2008)

Ag: green olives, virgin olive oil, frozen & dried vegetables, soups & broths, frozen okra, spices, herbs, jam, seasonings/condiments, mint leaves, prepared/preserved beans, flowers, strawberries

Manufactured: glass fibers, plastic builders' ware, lamp parts, iron/steel items, voltage meters, chandeliers/wall & ceiling light fixtures, boiler taps & valves, electric switches, sweetened water

Auto parts: ignition wiring harnesses, fuel pumps

Metals: ferrosilicon, iron oxides

Consumer items: pens, gold jewelry, non-wood smoker pipes, inlaid wood items, imitation jewelry, brooms/brushes/mops, copper household items, plastic household items, carpets, ceramic sanitary items, stainless steel table, kitchen or household items, ceramic items

How to Increase Duty-Free Exports to the U.S.

- Export more of current GSP-eligible exports and export them more consistently
- Ensure that GSP treatment is claimed for current GSP-eligible exports
- Identify GSP-eligible products that Egypt is exporting to other markets and consider exporting them to the U.S. duty-free (GSP)
- Take advantage of what other countries can no longer export duty-free under GSP
- Export home décor and craft items

Ensure that GSP Treatment is Claimed for Eligible Products

- Of \$34m in GSP-eligible products exported from Egypt (Jan – August 2008), \$30.6m received GSP duty-free treatment
- Egypt's GSP utilization rate is 89.5% (actual GSP-claimed exports to the U.S. out of total GSP-eligible)
- d\$3.6m in GSP-eligible goods from Egypt cost U.S. importers duties of almost \$130k.

Egypt's GSP-ELIGIBLE Exports to the U.S.: Unclaimed through August 2008

Egypt exported these products to the U.S. in large quantities with an assessed duty. Importers paid the duty – producers may have gotten less for their items – even though the items have GSP duty-free status:

- Brake parts (2.5%): \$1.1m (2007) and \$877k (2008) did not enter under GSP, costing \$50,000 in duties
- Chlorides (3.7%): \$351k (2007) and \$544k (2008) cost over \$33,000 in duties
- Plastic packing materials (3%): \$832k (2007) and \$361k (2008) cost almost \$36,000 in duties

Increase Egypt's Exports to the U.S. under GSP

- Egypt exported these products to the U.S. in 2007 in excess of \$150,000, yet less than 60% of the exports entered duty-free under GSP!
 - Automatic Regulating Products
 - Ballpoint Pens
 - Electric Control Boards and Panels
 - Electronic Circuits and Parts
 - Carpets and Other Textile Floor Coverings
 - Paints and Varnishes (synthetic polymers)

Additional GSP-ELIGIBLE Exports: Unclaimed through August 2008

- **Marble (4.9%): \$361k unclaimed; costing importers \$18k in unnecessary duties**
- **Auto safety glass (5%): \$243k unclaimed, \$18k in unnecessary duties**
- **Plastic apparel (5%): \$165k unclaimed, \$8k in unnecessary duties**
- **Gym equipment (4.6%): \$122k unclaimed, costing \$6k in unnecessary duties**
 - This is significant because athletic equipment is an emerging Egyptian export to the U.S. as trade increased from \$0 in 2007 to \$120k through August 2008.
- **Dried vegetables (8.3%): \$91k unclaimed, costing importers \$5.1k in unnecessary duties**

Other industries exporting products not claimed under GSP

- Many motor vehicle parts (including glass)
- Plastic baths, showers, basins, pursettes
- Electric light fixtures, switches,
- Ag: vegetables, juices, spices, onions, olives, mint leaves, baking chocolate/cocoa
- Electrical parts, light fixtures, lamps
- Carpets, national flags, cushions
- Machine and pipe parts, asphalt items, rubber hoses
- Ceramic sinks, building stones, machine tool parts

Egypt's GSP-Eligible *World Exports*

- Egypt exports these products to other trading partners in large quantities that it could export to the U.S. duty-free, including:
 - Ag: other fruit & veg. juices, sugar confections , coffee preparations
 - Hand-woven cotton fabrics, cotton flax
 - Iron/steel products: fittings, flanges, & elbows for tubes/pipes, chain, screws, washers, wire, grinders
 - Copper alloys, copper wire/bars/rods/cathodes, etc.
 - Wooden furniture; mattresses and supports
 - Pure oils & essences; ethyl alcohol

Export GSP-eligible products duty-free that other countries cannot

- Gold necklaces, neck chains, earrings, pendants, & rings (India, Thailand, and Turkey)
- Insulated ignition wiring harnesses for cars, planes and ships (Indonesia)
- Wind turbines (India and Brazil)
- Olives, figs, essential oils of peppermint (Turkey, India)
- Copper cathodes and wire (Brazil)
- Hides and skins (Brazil)

Export home décor and craft items duty-free under GSP

- Wood statues, bowls, boxes, furniture & tableware (3.2-10.9% duty)
- Ceramic bowls and ornamental articles (6-9.8% duty)
- Woven baskets and bags (6.6% duty)
- Drawn & blown glass (6.4% duty)
- Carpets and rugs (6% duty)
- Brass, beaded, silver & other jewelry (5-11%)
- String & wind musical instruments (2.9-8.7%)
- Wall-hangings & pillow/cushion covers (3.8%)
- Handmade paper & paperboard (MFN free)

Egypt-Specific Contacts

- **American Chamber of Commerce in Egypt:**
 - <http://www.amcham.org.eg/BSAC/ustrade/PDFFiles/exportguidefinal.pdf>
- **U.S. Embassy in Cairo:**
 - <http://cairo.usembassy.gov/>
20 22 797 3300
 - Catherine Hill-Herndon, Economic Counselor
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 - Peter Kurz, Agriculture Counselor
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For Further Information

- Office of the U.S. Trade Representative Website, GSP guidebook and lists of GSP eligible and ineligible products:
 - http://www.ustr.gov/Trade_Development/Preference_Programs/GSP/Section_Index.html

- Department of Homeland Security: Customs & Border Protection:
 - <http://www.customs.gov/xp/cgov/import/>
 - CUSTOMS FORM 7501:
<https://forms.customs.gov/customsrf/getformharness.asp?formName=cf-7501-form.xft>
 - <http://www.customs.treas.gov/xp/cgov/toolbox/publications/>

For Further Information

- **U.S. Tariff Schedule:**
 - <http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts>
- **U.S. Department of Commerce Trade Information Center:**
 - <http://www.trade.gov/td/tic/>
 - Email counseling: tic@ita.doc.gov

For Additional Information

Agricultural Products:

- U.S. Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) requirements that Tunisian exporters of agricultural and seafood products need to satisfy when export to the U.S. market: www.ams.usda.gov/cool
- Sanitary certifications:
 - <http://www.foodlabels.com/q&a.htm>
 - http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/manuals/ports/downloads/fv.pdf
 - http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/permits/index.shtml
 - http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/plants/plant_imports/index.shtml
 - <http://www.cfsan.fda.gov/list.html>

Other GSP Programs

<http://www.unctad.org/Templates/Page.asp?intItemID=1418&lang=1>

OR go to <http://www.unctad.org> and type in "GSP" in the search window in the top right corner of the home page

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