IDB Work on Preferential Rules of Origin

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- Backstory on RoO Analysis for Negotiation Support
 - Language challenges Have to know if the substance is the same
- Codification allows comparison, interpretation, and analysis
 - The HS is big automation is key
- Tools for the next challenges in RoO
 - Public and Private Navigation of the SB
 - Negotiation of convergence





An online gateway for information on integration and trade in Latin America and the Caribbean

- In-depth data on trade agreements
- Detailed statistics on imports and exports
- Indicators of trade structure and performance
- Sophisticated tools for searching and using these data

The <u>scope</u> of the databases and their level of <u>detail</u> make INTradeBID a <u>unique resource</u> for the region.

Organization of the System

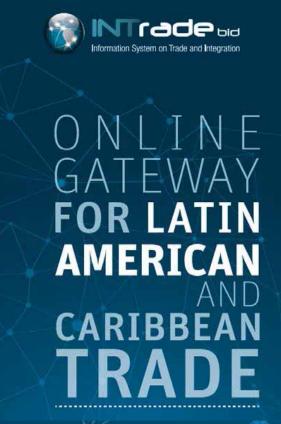
Data by Topic – Access to the core databases for direct queries

Tools for Users – Specialized options focused on specific needs





Information System on Trade and Integration





Legal Framework

Trade Agreements:
 Basic facts, detailed timelines, and official texts

Indexed Texts of Trade Agreements:
 Indexation of agreement texts by keyword

Double Taxation Agreements:
 Official texts of agreements



Indexed Texts of FTAs

Easily build custom comparative matrices of trade agreement texts





RoO Chapter Index

- RULES OF ORIGIN AND CUSTOMS PROCEDURES ORIGIN CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA REFUND OR EXEMPTION OF IMPORT DUTIES TREATMENT OF ACCUMULATION Treatment of originating and processing goods in the territory of a country not a Party to the agreement CLASSIFICATION OF SPECIFIC TYPES OF GOODS AND MATERIALS OPERATIONS THAT DO NOT CONFER ORIGIN DIRECT SHIPMENT, TRANSIT AND TRANSSHIPMENT INVOICING CARRIED OUT BY THIRD PARTIES DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT DECLARATION AND CERTIFICATION VERIFICATION AND CONTROL OF ORIGIN PENALTIES ADMINISTRATION OF RULES OF ORIGIN DEFINITIONS GENERAL PROVISIONS PUBLICATION CUSTOMS CLEARANCE OF GOODS USE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RISK ASSESSMENT **FXPRESS SHIPMENT**
- ✓ Allows analysis of texts across over 60 agreements

Market Access

- Most Favored Nation Tariffs: Non-preferential customs
- Tariff Phase-Out Schedules and Tariff Rate Quotas: Product-level preferences and quantitative limits
- Rules of Origin:
 Eligibility criteria for preferential access
- Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures:
 Border rejections and private standards





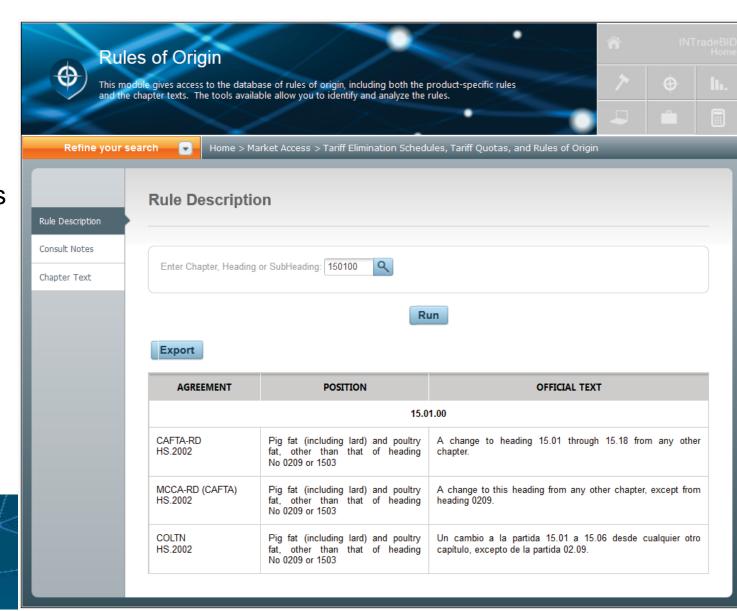
Rules of Origin

Preferential tariffs apply only to originating goods.

The Rules of Origin (RoO) define which goods may be considered originating.

The INTrade database contains over 1 million rules of origin, including:

- For every product, the text of the rule as defined in FTA annexes
- Detailed presentation of agreement notes that affect the application of the specific requirements
- Indexed, searchable RoO chapter texts.



Data and Tools for Business

With a single tool, exporters and importers can identify the market shares, preferential tariffs, TRQs, rules of origin, and SPS and other standards related to any specific product.

- ➤ Step by Step Export Information
- ➤ Rules of Origin Tools
- >TRQ Fill Rates
- >SPS Regulations, Border Rejections, Requirements



Step-by-Step Export Information

You only <u>need</u>:

- Where are you?
- Where do you export?
- What is your product?



Export Information Step by Step

You get:

- Trade Market Share
- MFN Tariffs
- Preferential Tariffs
- Tariff Rate Quotas
- Rules of Origin





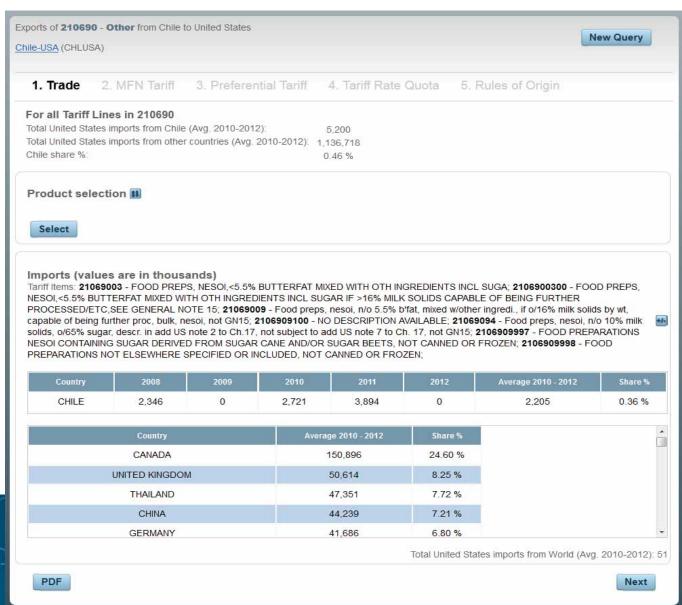
Strategic Market Analysis





Tariff-Line Level Indicators

- ➤ Market share
- Export History
- Competitor
 Countries



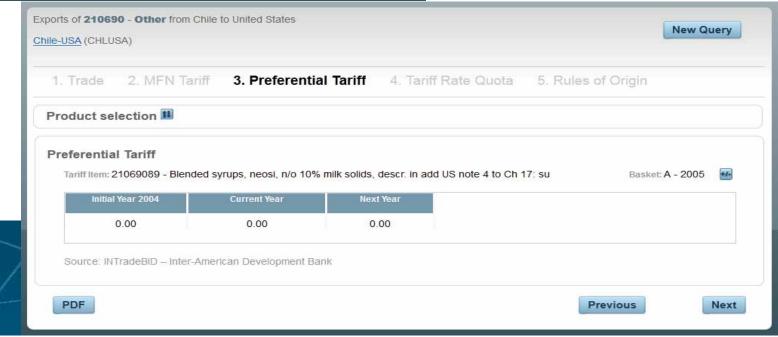
MFN Tariffs and Preferential Access



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Identifies the applied tariff, without preferences, for recent years

Identifies the preferential tariff available under FTA, and its future evolution



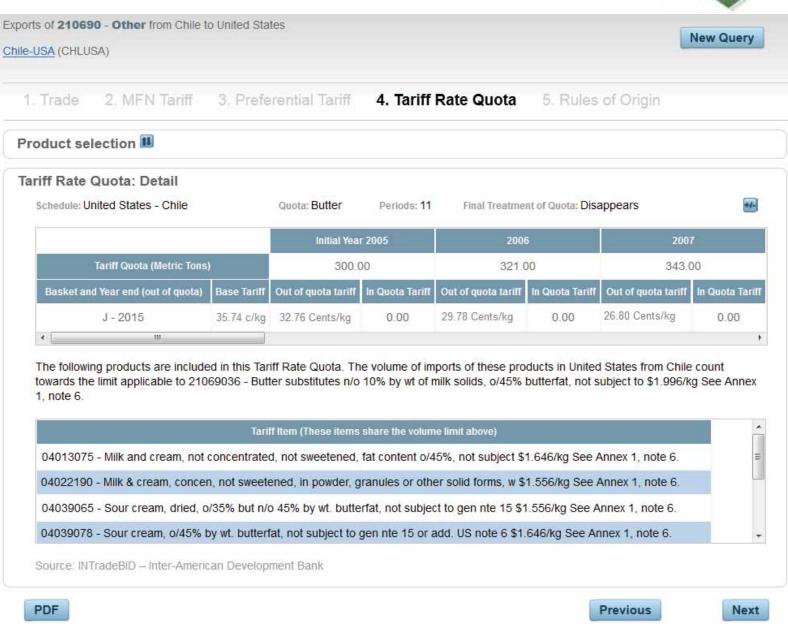
Tariff Rate Quotas

In some cases preferential access is limited to a fixed quantity of imports. INTrade presents this information in a simple summary table.



Annual evolution of the TRQs

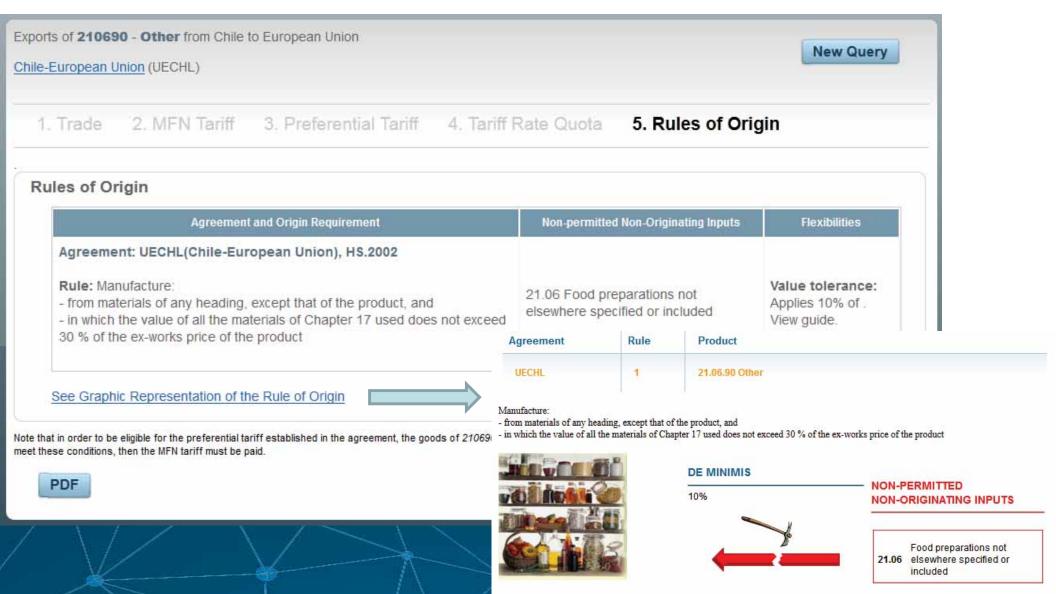
- > TRQ Quantity
- In-Quota rate
- Out-of-Quota rate
- Other products in the TRQ



Origin Criteria Explained in Detail



Text of the rule and interpretations that identify sourcing constraints, processing requirements, and flexibilities.



Sophisticated Rules of Origin Tools



- Rule of Origin Query provides official text and detailed interpretation of sourcing restrictions and processing requirements
- Origin Calculator Interactive tool that allows the user to enter detailed sourcing information and returns an evaluation of compliance with RoO requirements

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Data and Tools for Negotiators

Government officials can research the treatment of specific products across different trade regimes.

Specific tools for the preparation of negotiation texts and allow interpretation of the rules of origin:

- ➤ Trade Agreement Profiles and Documents
- ➤ Indexed FTA Texts and Proposal Preparation
- ➤ Detailed Market Access Data
- ➤ Sanitary and Phytosanitary Provisions in FTAs
- ➤ Double Taxation Agreements



Preparation of Negotiating Text Proposals





Based on indexed texts of over 30 FTAs, for 22 chapters.

Copy, paste, combine, edit, and export texts to assemble proposals.

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Article 3.3: Tariff Elimination

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Obligation not to change or increase tariffs 2. OBLIGATION NOT TO CHANGE OR INCREASE TARIFFS NAFTA: Article 302 Paragraph 1: Article 304 and Annex 304.2

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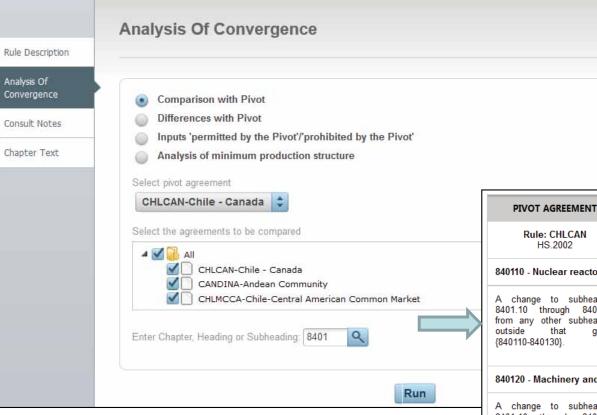
Article 304: Waiver of Customs Duties

- 1. Except as set out in Annex 304.1, no Party may adopt any new waiver of customs duties, or expand with respect to existing recipients or extend to any new recipient the application of an existing waiver of customs duties, where the waiver is conditioned, explicitly or implicitly, on the fulfillment of a performance requirement.
- 2. Except as set out in Annex 304.2, no Party may, explicitly or implicitly, condition on the fulfillment of a performance requirement the continuation of any existing waiver of customs duties.
- 3. If a waiver or a combination of waivers of customs duties granted by a Party with respect to goods for commercial use by a designated person can be shown

Obligation not to change or increase tariffs

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Analysis of Rules of Origin





Rule: CHLMCCA

HS.1996

Compare specific rules across agreements

AGREEMENTS TO BE COMPARED

Rule: CHLCAN

HS.2002

Rule: CANDINA

HS.2002

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Rule: CHLCAN

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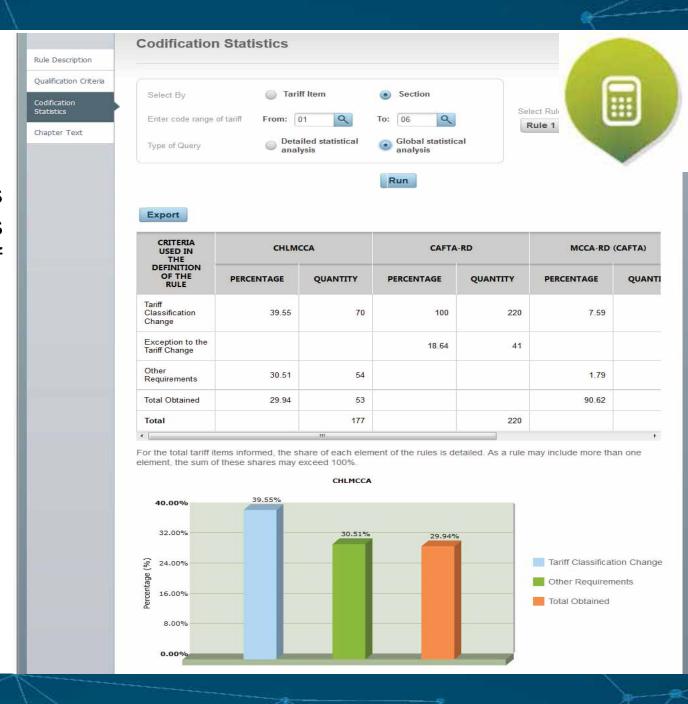
Rules of Origin Statistics

In addition to simple queries of RoO, INTrade includes tools for detailed analysis of origin qualification criteria:

Analysis of RoO for specific sectors or ad hoc groups of products

Global Analysis by:

- > Tariff Shift
- > Exceptions
- > Value content criteria
- > Processing requirements



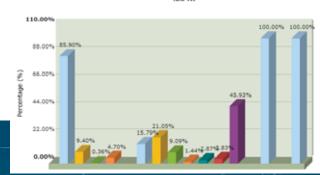
Rules of Origin Statistics

Detailed analysis by:

- > Tariff Shift Level
 - Chapter, Heading, Subheading, Tariff Line
- Specific Exceptions
- Value content criteria
 - Calculation method and % threshold
- Specific Processing requirements

CRITERIA LICED IN THE DEFINITION OF THE RIVE	NAFTA			
CRITERIA USED IN THE DEFINITION OF THE RULE	PERCENTAGE	QUANTITY		
Change of heading	85.74	475		
Change of subheading	9.39	52		
Change from specific items	0.36	2		
Exception of one heading	5.96	33		
Exception of multiple headings	7.94	44		
Exception of one subheading	3.43	19		
Exception of multiple subheadings	0.54	3		
Exception of one item	1.08	6		
Exception of multiple items	1.44	8		
Exception of multiple tariff openings	17.33	96		
Regional Value Content as a share of the Adjusted Value of the good not less than [*%*]	1.99	11		
Input requirement	0.18	1		
Total of Rules in Rule '1', that use the criteria	100	554		

For the total tariff items informed, the share of each element of the rules is detailed. As a rule may include more than one element, the sum of these shares may exceed 100%.

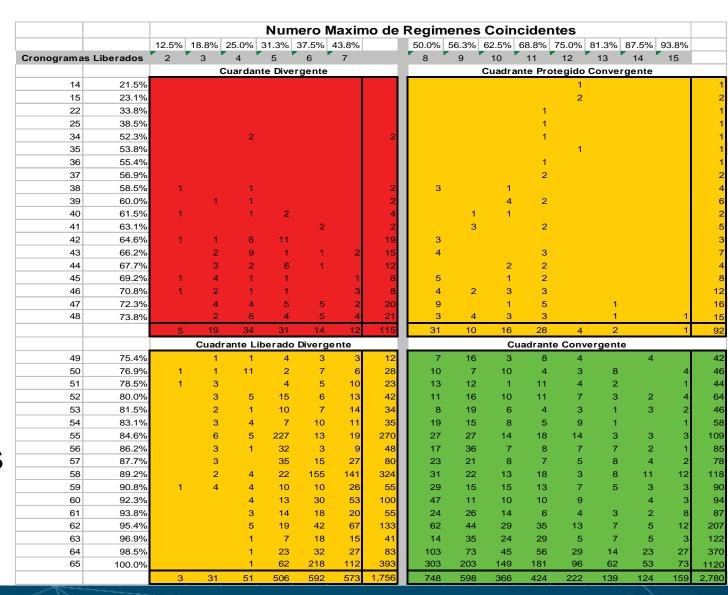


Other Activities

- Support to ad hoc groups analyzing convergence
 - Support to ARCO
 - Cross-analysis of TES and RoO
 - Identify low hanging fruit and difficult sectors
 - Canadian FTA Partners
- Capacity Building
 - Online Course on Fundamentals
 - Advanced Course (under development)

Support for "ARCO del Pacífico"

- 2009 analysis of existing RoO and preferences to identify existing convergence
- √ 11 Countries
- √ 65 tariff scheds.
- √ 15 RoO Regimes
- ✓ 5,200 HS SubHds



Support for "ARCO del Pacífico"

Distribution of the Subheadings by HS Sector and degree of convergence

However, the ARCO was not successful.

	Seccion	Porcentaje de Subpartidas**				
Numero	Descripcion	Convergente	Liberado Divergente	Protegido Convergente	Divergente	
1	Animales Vivos/Productos	50.9%	10.5%	4.1%	21.8%	
2	Productos Vegetales	72.1%	7.8%	9.3%	0.0%	
3	Grasas Animales/Vegetales	21.7%	19.6%	28.3%	17.4%	
4	Alimentos Procesados/Tabaco	36.1%	30.4%	6.7%	15.5%	
5	Productos Minerales	89.5%	2.0%	0.7%	0.0%	
6	Prod. Químicos/Industriales	53.8%	32.2%	0.4%	0.1%	
7	Plástico/Caucho	73.1%	11.3%	3.8%	0.0%	
8	Pieles/Peletería	17.6%	29.7%	5.4%	0.0%	
9	Madera/Artículos de Madera	56.0%	13.1%	1.2%	0.0%	
10	Papel/ Materia Celulosa	42.0%	12.0%	0.0%	2.0%	
11	Textiles	6.1%	88.1%	0.0%	0.6%	
12	Calzado/Artículos Misc.	52.7%	47.3%	0.0%	0.0%	
13	Piedra/Cerámicos/Vidrios	85.7%	10.7%	2.1%	0.0%	
14	Materias Preciosas/Semiprec.	92.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
15	Metales Comunes	77.7%	16.4%	0.9%	0.0%	
16	Maquinaria y Aparatos	59.4%	37.4%	0.0%	0.6%	
17	Vehículos de Transporte	67.2%	17.2%	2.2%	10.4%	
18	Instrumentos de Precisión	89.1%	5.9%	0.8%	0.4%	
19	Armas/Municiones	61.9%	0.0%	9.5%	0.0%	
20	Productos Manuf. Diversos	36.9%	59.2%	0.0%	0.0%	
21	Arte/Antiguedades	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
	Total	53.2%	33.6%	1.8%	2.2%	
*Porcentaje	calculado sobre 5,224 subpartidas del	SA 2002.				

Canada-Colombia-Peru

 Recent FTAs signed by Canada with partners in the Americas include a cumulation clause:

Article 306: Cumulation

- 3. Subject to paragraph 4, where each Party has a trade agreement that, as contemplated by the WTO Agreement, concerns the establishment of a free trade area with the same non-Party, the territory of that non-Party shall be deemed to form part of the territory of the free trade area established by this Agreement, for purposes of determining whether a good is an originating good under this Agreement.
- 4. A Party shall apply paragraph 3 only once provisions with effect equivalent to those of paragraph 3 are in force between each Party and the non-Party with which each Party has separately concluded a free trade agreement. Where such provisions in force between a Party and the non-Party apply to only certain goods or under certain conditions, the other Party may limit the application of paragraph 3 to those goods and under those conditions and as otherwise set out in this Agreement.

Extended Cumulation

- This idea of extended cumulation can, in theory, greatly reduce the burdens of RoO compliance and promote greater use of the FTAs, but this particular text leaves many details to be defined.
- The IDB is consulting with the countries to explore ways to solve these issues.

Capacity Building

- Fundamentals Course
 - 6 modules, 9 weeks, online, tutored
 - 400+ trained in the past 3 years
 - Purpose of RoO and WO; Change of Classification;
 RVC; General Criteria; Certification and Verification;
 Future Issues (e.g. convergence and extended cumulation)
- Advanced Course (under development)
 - Change of Classification and extra requirements (Textiles and Apparel); RVC Accounting; Verification Procedures

