



**Ad Hoc Expert Meeting on Trade in
Sustainable Fisheries**

Session 2: Trade in fish: How sustainable is it?

Non-Tariff Measures and Fish Trade

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Outline

- **Non-Tariff Measures (NTMs) what do we mean by that?**
- **How important are they for trade?**
- **Who has data for this?**
- **Preliminary findings: NTMs in Fisheries Trade**



What are NTMs?

- **Non-tariff measures (NTMs) are policy measures, other than ordinary customs tariffs, that can potentially have an economic effect on international trade in goods, changing quantities traded, or prices or both**
- **NTMs can increase or decrease trade**
- **No judgment over legitimacy or lawfulness**



Examples of NTMs

These are official NTMs ...

- Minimum import price
- Import prohibitions
- Product-specific quotas
- Sanitary and phytosanitary requirements
- Technical barriers to trade (e.g. quality conditions)
- Import licenses
- Foreign exchange market controls
- Voluntary Export Restraints
- Export subsidies
- Export restrictions

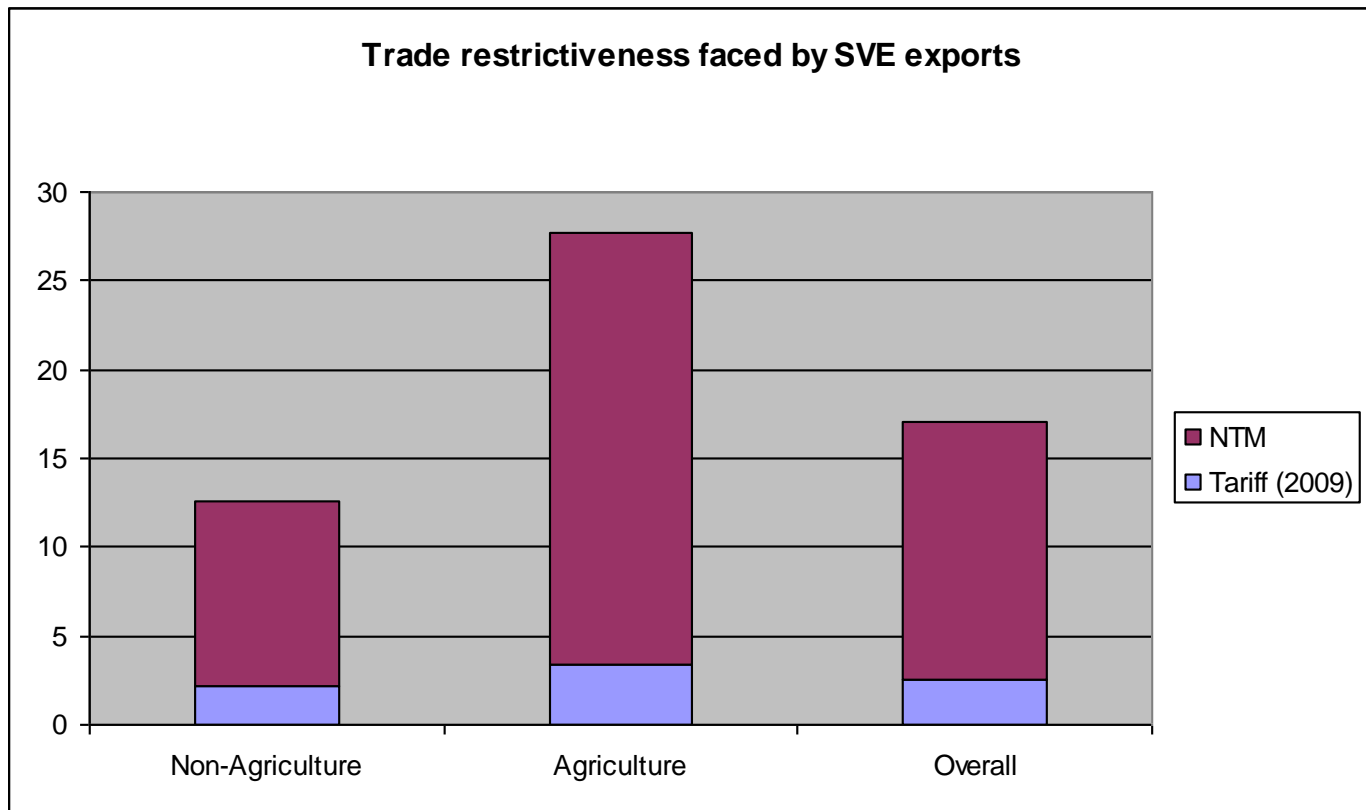
... and these are not

- Procedural obstacles
- Private standards
- Production standards
- Inadequate infrastructure



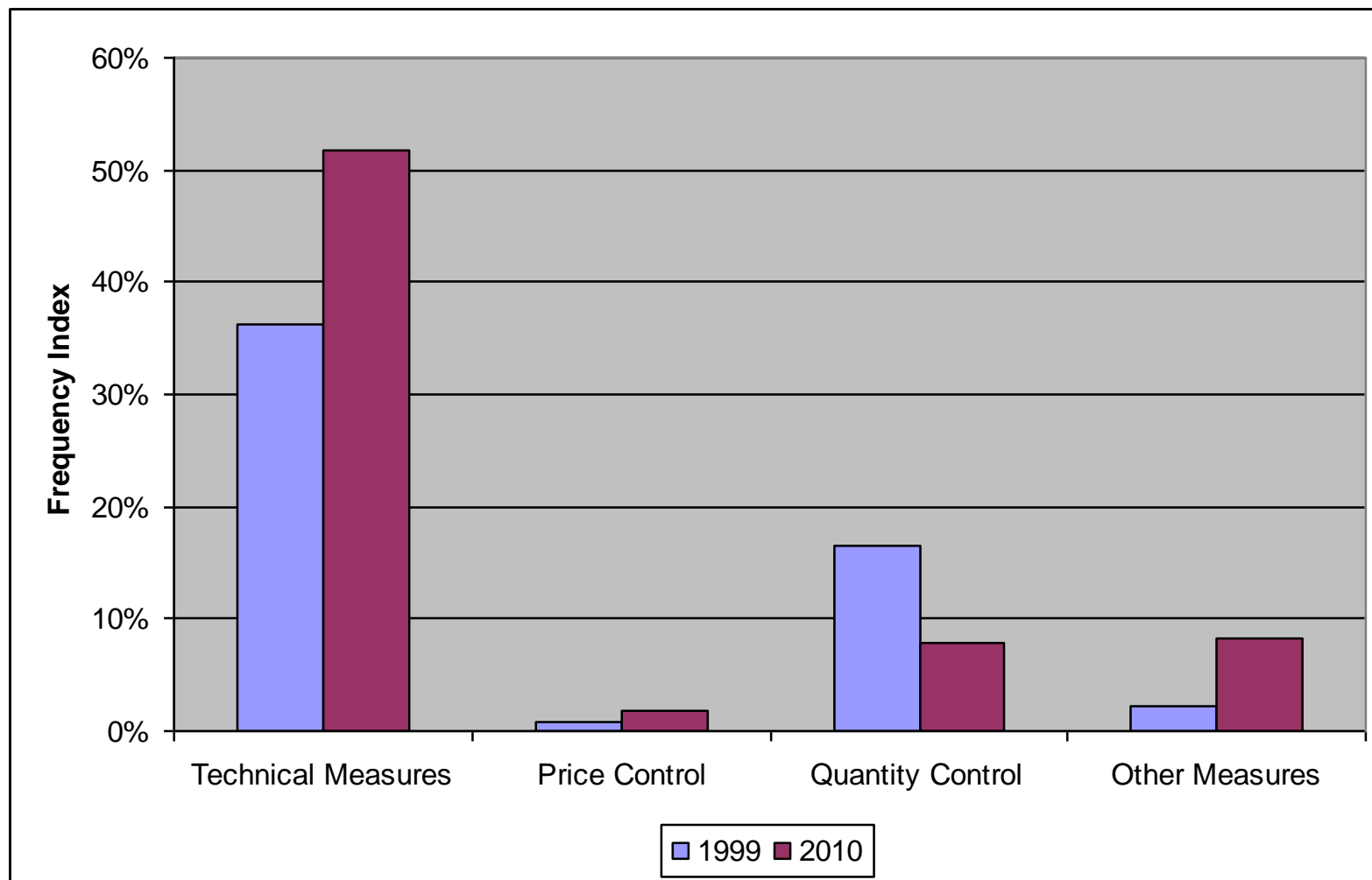
How important are NTMs?

Tariffs and non-tariff measures faced by SVEs

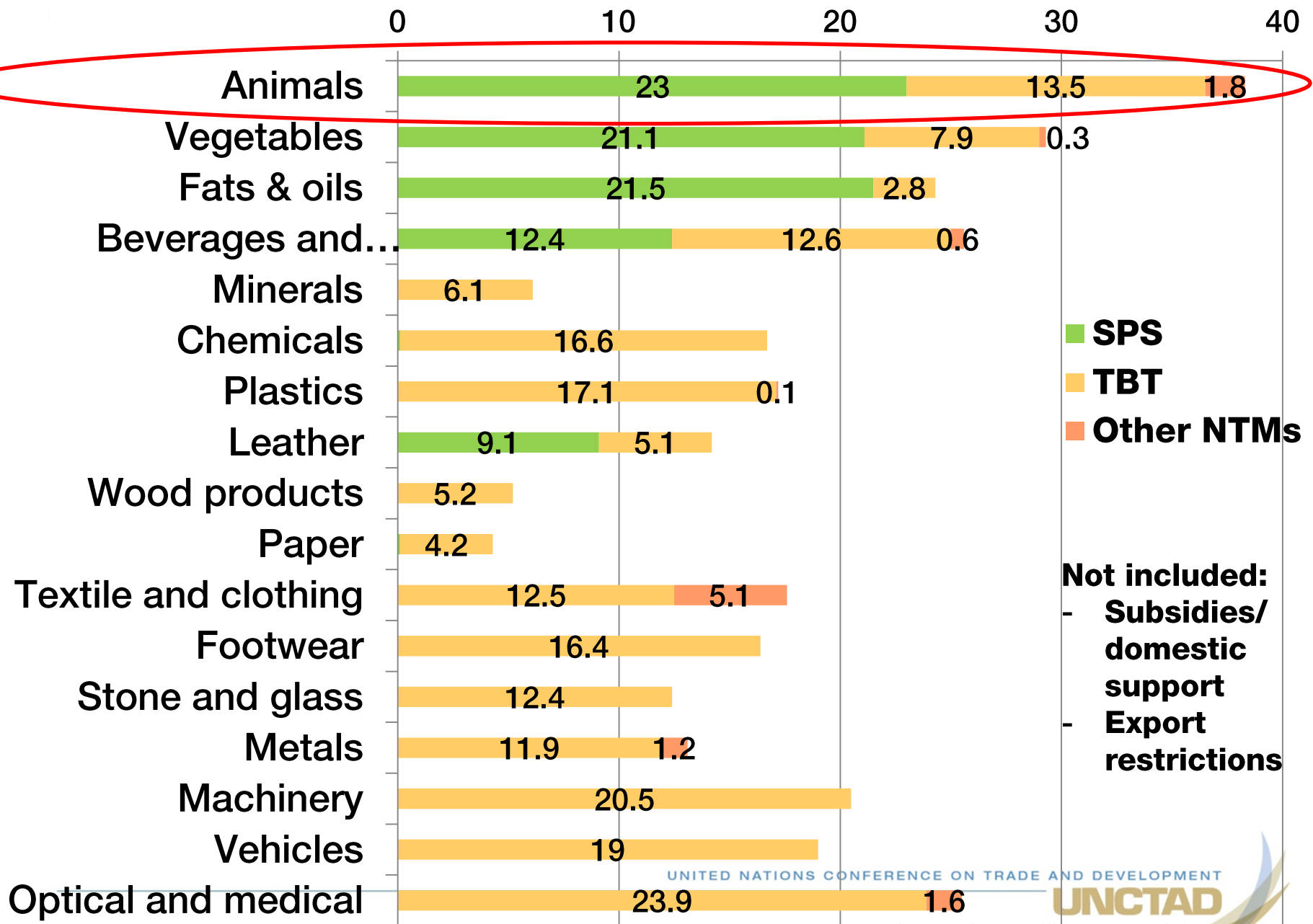


	NTM	Tariff (2009)
Non-Agriculture	10.4	2.2
Agriculture	24.3	3.4
Overall	14.5	2.5

"New" trade policy - simple count



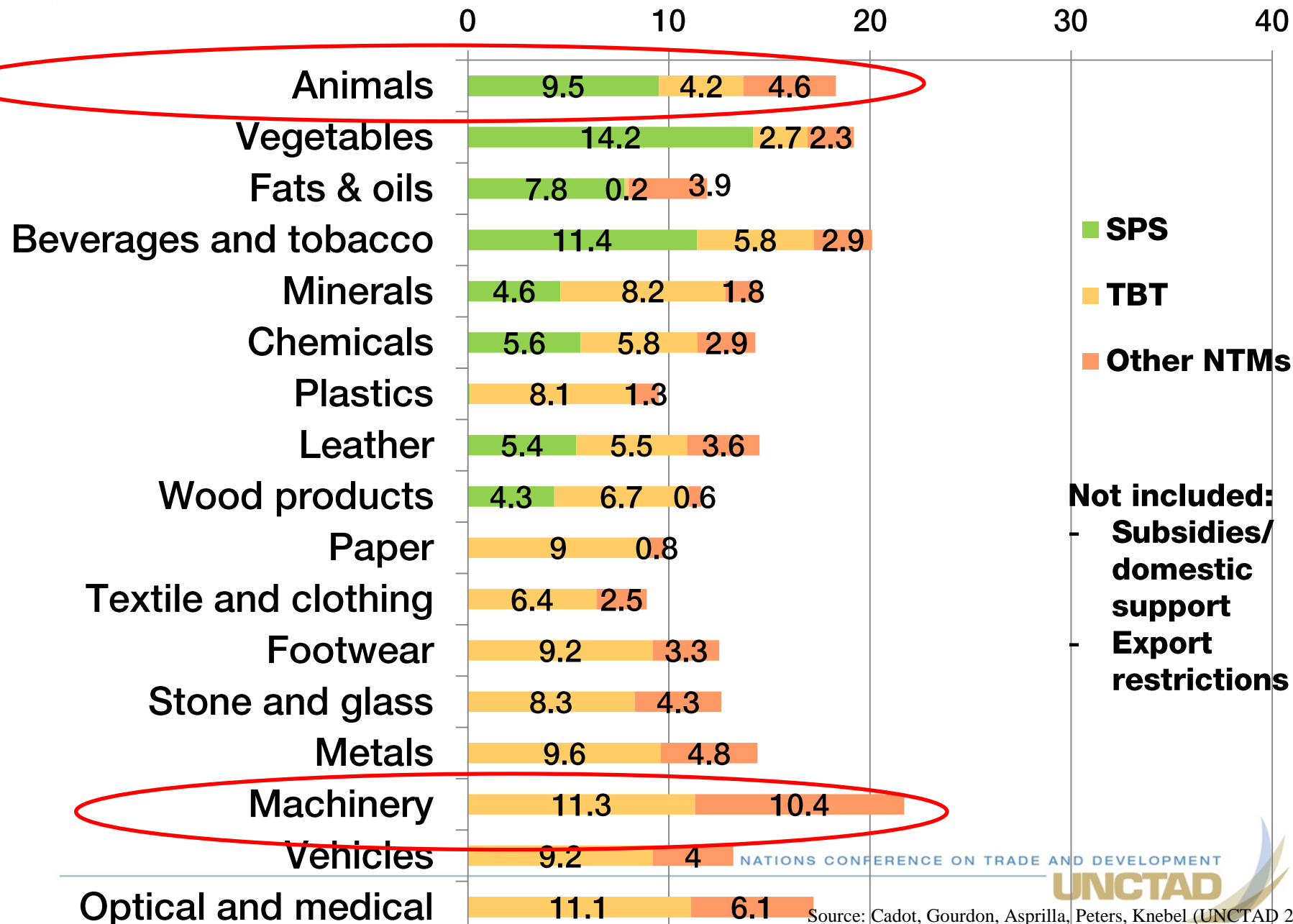
EU import-related NTMs



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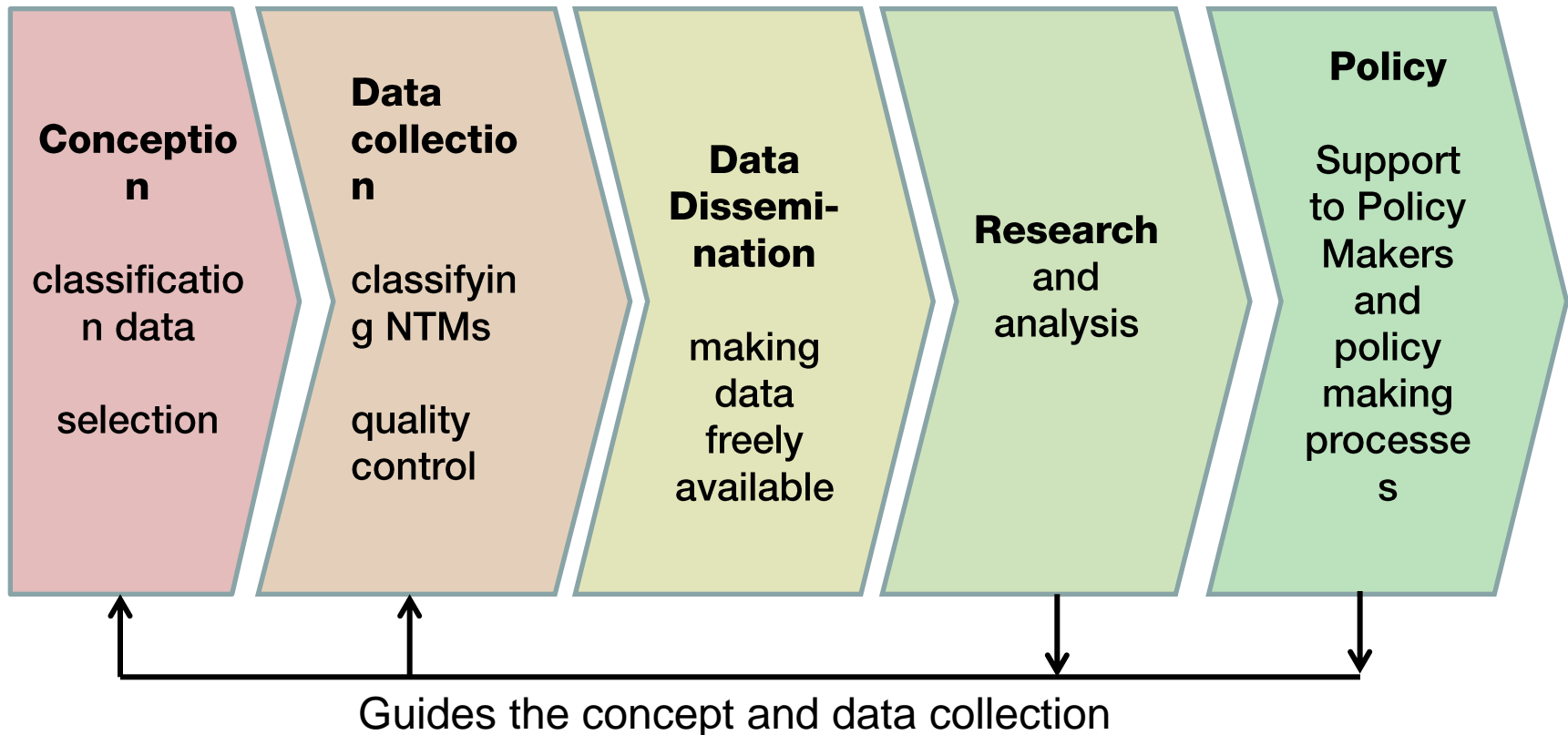
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African imports



UNCTAD Non-Tariff Measure Programme

- Working along the entire chain



International Classification of NTMs: The common language

- Initiated by UNCTAD,
- Multi Agency Support Team (FAO, IMF, ITC, OECD, UNCTAD, UNIDO, World Bank, WTO) developed an NTM classification
- Revised UNCTAD / WTO



CLASSIFICATION
OF NON-TARIFF MEASURES
FEBRUARY 2012 VERSION



Imports	Technical measures	<p>A SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES</p> <p>B TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE</p> <p>C PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION AND OTHER FORMALITIES</p>
	Non technical measures	<p>D CONTINGENT TRADE-PROTECTIVE MEASURES</p> <p>E NON-AUTOMATIC LICENSING, QUOTAS, PROHIBITIONS AND QUANTITY-CONTROL MEASURES OTHER THAN FOR SPS OR TBT REASONS</p> <p>F PRICE-CONTROL MEASURES, INCLUDING ADDITIONAL TAXES AND CHARGES</p> <p>G FINANCE MEASURES</p> <p>H MEASURES AFFECTING COMPETITION</p> <p>I TRADE-RELATED INVESTMENT MEASURES</p> <p>J DISTRIBUTION RESTRICTIONS</p> <p>K RESTRICTIONS ON POST-SALES SERVICES</p> <p>L SUBSIDIES (EXCLUDING EXPORT SUBSIDIES UNDER P7)</p> <p>M GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT RESTRICTIONS</p> <p>N INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY</p> <p>O RULES OF ORIGIN</p>
	Exports	<p>P EXPORT-RELATED MEASURES</p>

International NTM Classification

Tree structure – Example

- A SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES
 - A1 Prohibitions/restrictions of imports for SPS reasons
 - A2 Tolerance limits for residues and restricted use of substances (...)
 - A8 Conformity Assessment related to SPS
 - A81 Product registration requirement
 - A82 Testing requirement
 - A83 Certification requirement
 - A84 Inspection requirement
 - A85 Traceability requirement
 - A851 Origin of materials and parts
 - A852 Processing history
 - A853 Distribution and location of products after delivery
 - A859 Traceability requirements n.e.s.
 - A86 Quarantine requirement
 - A89 Conformity assessments related to SPS n.e.s
 - A9 SPS Measures n.e.s.
- B TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE
- C PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION AND OTHER FORMALITIES
- D CONTINGENT TRADE PROTECTIVE MEASURES
- E NON-AUTOMATIC LICENSING, QUOTAS, PROHIBITIONS ...
- F PRICECONTROL MEASURES INCLUDING ADDIT. TAXES ...
- G FINANCE MEASURES
- H MEASURES AFFECTING COMPETITION
- I TRADE-RELATED INVESTMENT MEASURES

At this level of coding: 122 measures in the classification

Official NTM data collection

● From here...

...to here

The Gazette of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka EXTRAORDINARY

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PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL Government Notifications

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FOOD ACT, No. 26 OF 1980

REGULATIONS made by the Minister of Health in consultation with the Food Advisory Committee under No. 26 of 1980.

Colombo.
17th January, 2005.

Regulations

01. These Regulations may be cited as " Food (Labelling and Advertising) Regulations 2005. "

02. No person shall sell, offer for sale, expose or keep for sale, transport or advertise for sale, any food in a container unless such package or container is labelled in accordance with these regulations.

Provided however that, these regulations shall not apply to any package of food if the food is of the name or brand requested by the purchaser and is weighed, counted or measured in the presence of the purchaser.

NIMAL SIR
Minister of Health
Uva Weillas

Consumer Affairs Authority Act

Measures
Enter the list of non-tariff measures you found in the official trade regulations you collected. These must be linked to

Document Title	Regulation Title Short	NTM Code	Measure Implementation Date	Measure Repealed Date	Measure Description	Affected Products Description	Affected Countries
Food Act	Food (Control of import, labelling, and sale of genetically modified foods) Regulation 2006	B14	01/01/2007		Needs to get approval of the Chief Food Authority in order to import	Food products	All countries
Food Act	Food (Control of import, labelling, and sale of genetically modified foods) Regulation 2006	B31	01/01/2007		Labelling Requirements	Food products	All countries
Food Act	Food (Irradiation) Regulations 2005	A31	01/05/2006		Labelling Requirements	Food products that had been treated with irradiation	All countries
Food Act	Food (Irradiation) Regulations 2005	A83	01/05/2006		Certification by the competent authorities of the country of origin that the food has been inspected	Food products that had been treated with irradiation	All countries
Food Act	Food (Irradiation) Regulations 2005	A89	01/05/2006		Documentation that the Food Irradiation Facility concerned is approved, licensed, authorised by the competent national authority of food irradiation	Food products that had been treated with irradiation	All countries
Food Act	Food (Irradiation) Regulations 2005	P62	01/05/2006		Certification by the competent authorities of the country of origin that the food has been inspected	Food products that had been treated with irradiation	All countries
Food Act	Food (Melamine in Milk and Milk Products) Regulations 2010	A22	01/01/2011		Specifying permitted ppm levels of melamine in milk and milk products	Milk and Milk Products	All countries
Food Act	Food (Melamine in Milk and Milk Products) Regulations 2010	A83	01/01/2011		A health certificate required from the National Food Safety Authority of the country of origin that the products conform to the levels of melamine specified	Milk and Milk Products	All countries
Food Act	Food (Packaging materials and articles) Regulation 2010	A32	01/06/2011		Marking requirements - need to print the words "FOR FOOD USE" or any other relevant words or symbols as indicated in the regulation	Food packaging material	All countries
Food Act	Food (Packaging materials and articles) Regulation 2010	A83	01/06/2011		Certification by the manufacturer that the material meets required quality standards	Food packaging material	All countries
Food Act	Food (Packaging materials and articles) Regulation 2010	A22	01/06/2011		Restricted use of certain substances in food packaging material	Food packaging material	All countries
Food Act	Food (Preservations) Regulations	A19	01/01/1991		Prohibited to import, manufacture, sell or distribute food preservatives other than those specified in the regulation & food which has in or upon it any preservative that is permitted by the regulation	Food preservatives	All countries

Data Availability

Latin America and the Caribbean	North America	Europe and Central Asia	Middle East and North Africa	Sub-Saharan Africa	South Asia	East-Asia and the Pacific
Argentina	US	E.U.	Egypt	Burkina Faso	Afghanistan	China
Bolivia	Canada	Kazakhstan	Lebanon	Cote d'Ivoire	India	Japan
Brazil		Russia	Morocco	Guinea	Nepal	Hong Kong, C
Chile		Tajikistan	Tunisia	Madagascar	Pakistan	Australia
Colombia		Belarus	Algeria	Mauritius	Sri Lanka	New Zealand
Costa Rica			Jordan	Namibia		All ASEAN
Cuba			Palestine	Senegal		Korea
Ecuador				Tanzania		
Guatemala				Kenya		
Mexico				Malawi		
Paraguay				Rwanda		
Peru				Nigeria		
Uruguay				Benin		
Venezuela				Cape Verde	Liberia	
El Salvador				Gambia	Mali	
Honduras				Ghana	All TRIPARTITE	
Nicaragua				Guinea Bissau		

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Trade Summary

Import (US\$ Mil)	197,787
Export (US\$ Mil)	225,949
Weighted Average Tariff (%)	...
Trade (% of GDP)	94.16
GDP (current US\$ Mil)	631,000

Export Partners

Germany United States Italy France United Kingdom

Exports by Product Groups

Consumer goods Intermediate goods Capital goods Raw materials

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Top Importers 2012

	Trade (US\$ Mil)	Share %
United States	2,028,202	11.83
China	1,391,648	8.12
Germany	1,061,773	6.19
Japan	664,999	3.88

Top Exporters 2012

	Trade (US\$ Mil)	Share %
China	2,280,298	12.90
United States	1,438,335	8.21
Germany	1,298,071	7.41
Japan	867,318	4.95
France	550,992	3.15

Exports by Product Groups 2012

Consumer goods Capital goods Intermediate goods Raw materials

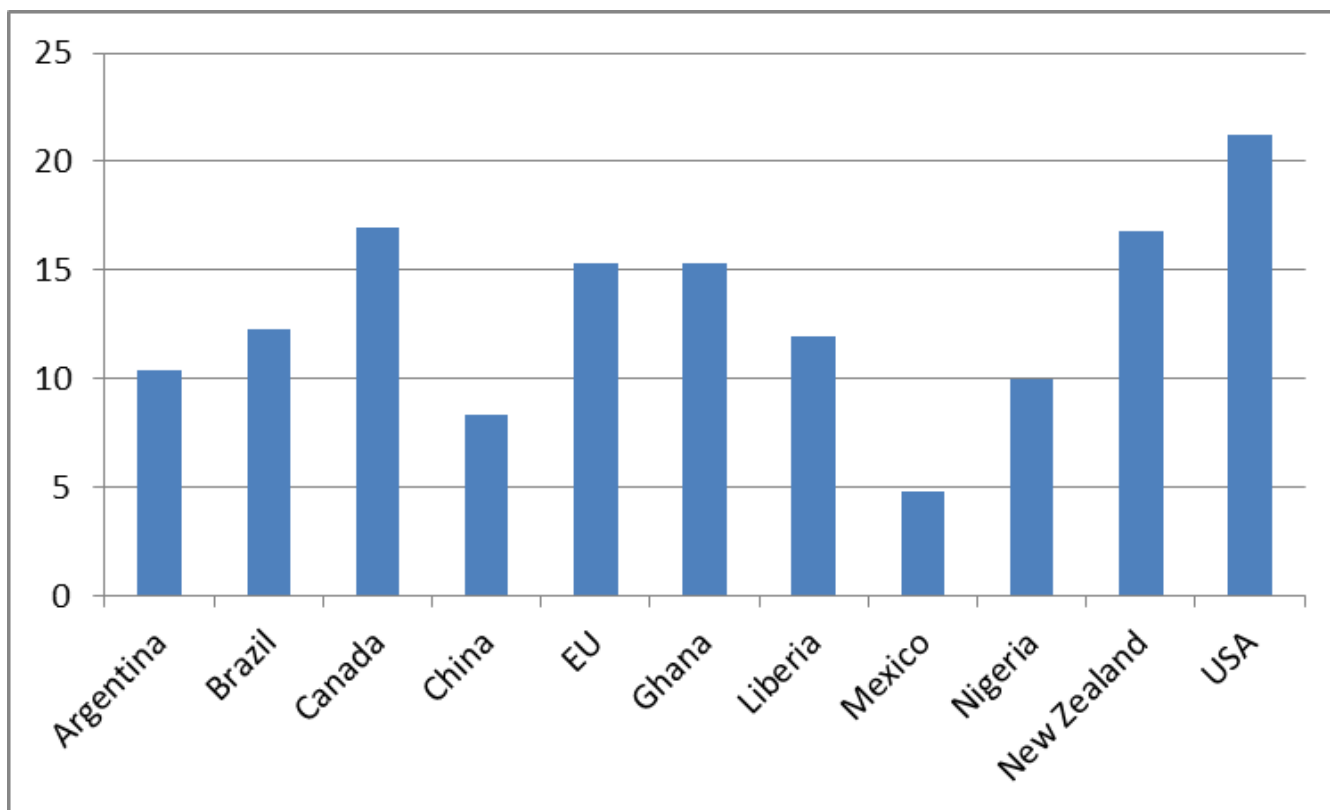
RELATED LINKS

- Transparency in Trade
- United Nations - Conference on Trade and Development - TRAINS
- World Bank - Temporary Trade Barriers Database
- World Bank Trade Post (Trade Blogs)
- United Nations - Statistics Division - Comtrade

Soon also here:
www.i-tip.org

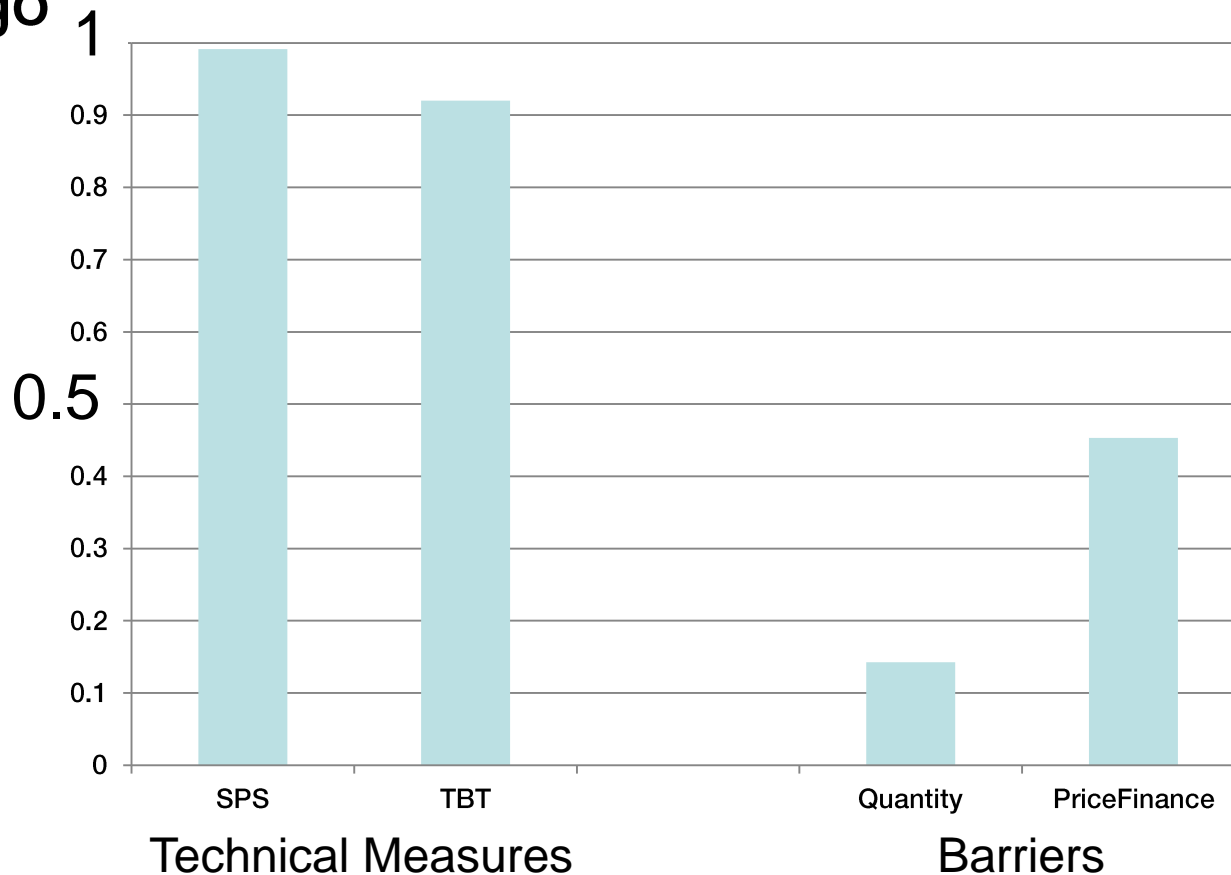
Number of NTMs per product varies

Average number of distinct NTMs for each fish product by country



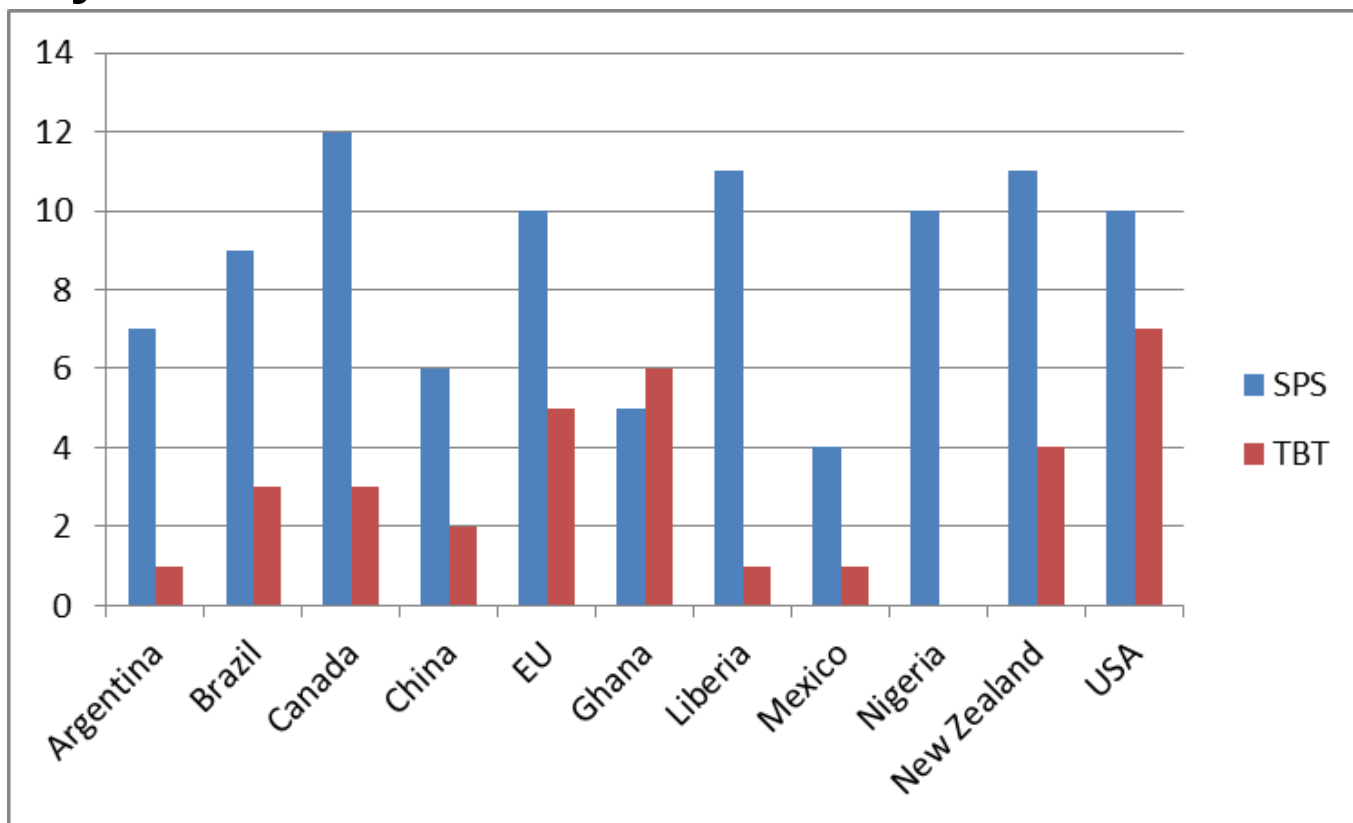
All fish products face technical measures, some face barriers

Share of fish products facing one or more NTM, by category



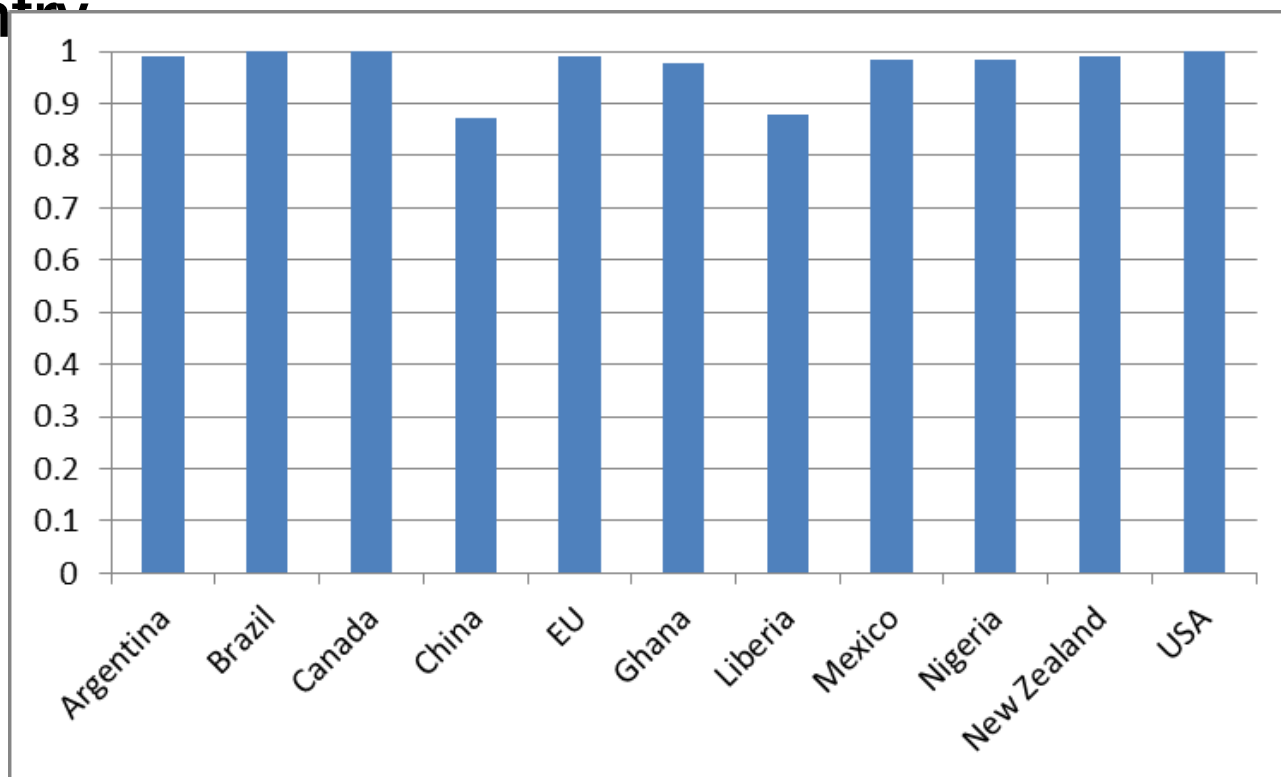
Many distinct SPS measures on fish products

Average number of distinct SPS and TBT measures by country



Some have import prohibitions, many discretionary measures

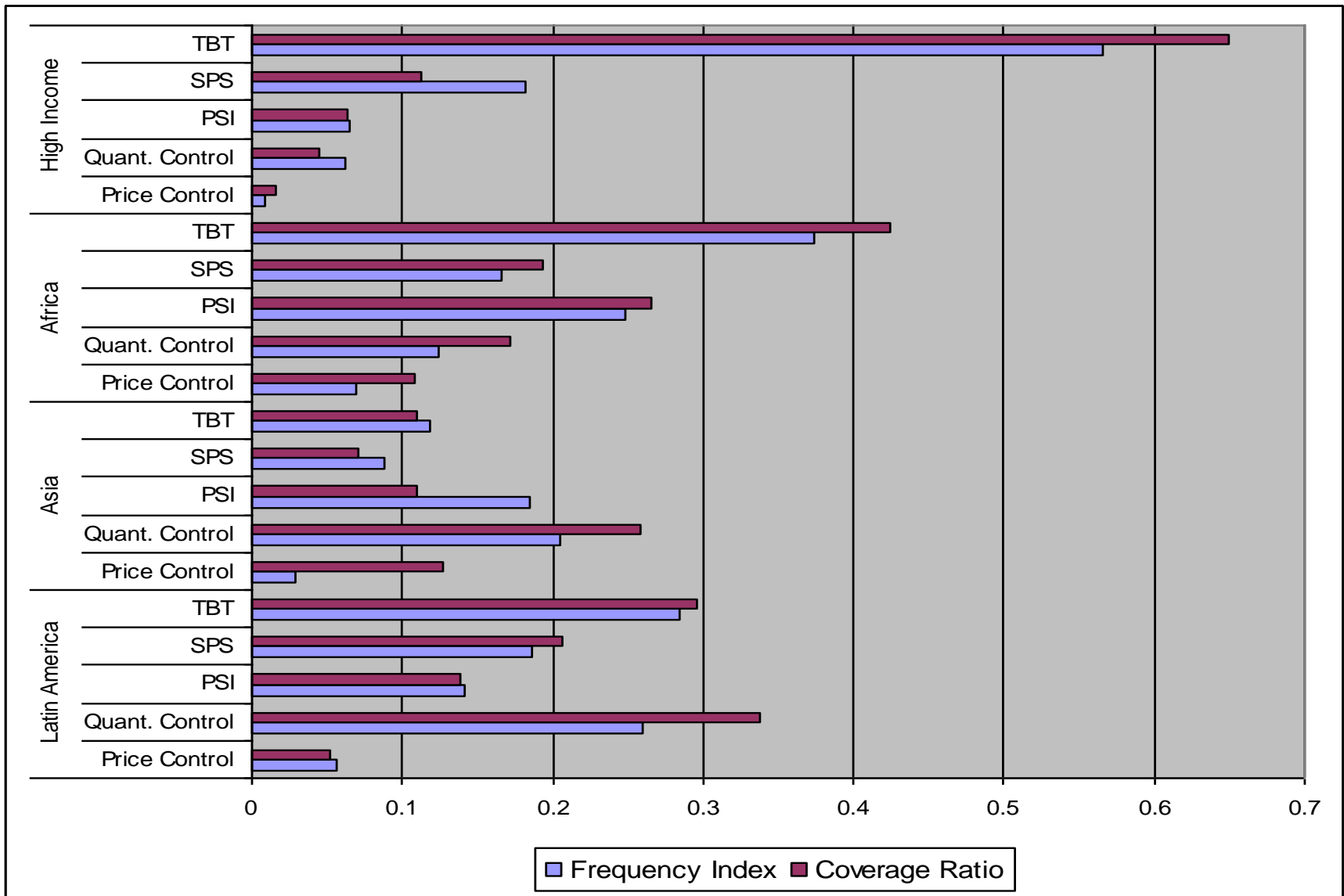
Share of discretionary measures on fish imports, by country



Discretionary measures include special import authorizations and registration requirements. Often require extensive paper work, delays and a case-by-case decision by authorities.



Which type of NTM is more used?



The other side: Direct linkages of NTMs to SDGs

Sustainable Development Goal	Example of corresponding NTM
<p>2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition; promote sustainable agriculture</p>	<p>NTMs in the shape of SPS and TBT are directly linked to several pillars of food security. SPS measures protect health of humans, animals and plants, including protection of agricultural production from pests and diseases.</p>
<p>14: Conserve and sustainably use oceans, seas and marine resources</p>	<p>NTMs comprise restrictions on trade with hazardous substances or pollutants harming aquatic or terrestrial ecosystems.</p> <p>Countries restrict trade of endangered flora/fauna through TBT, often following the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species.</p> <p>SPS measures protect ecosystems and biodiversity from pests and invasive species.</p>
<p>15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification; halt and reverse land degradation; halt biodiversity loss</p>	

Conclusion and Policy Recommendation

- NTMs have a significant impact on trade in fish products
- Trade barrier effect much higher than tariffs
- Fish products highly regulated compared to non-agricultural products
- Most measures are technical measures
 - These measures are on the rise
 - They also protect health and the environment
Important for SDGs
- Technical cooperation to enable low income countries to meet requirements
- Regulatory convergence is paramount

NTMs
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