

U.S.-China trade disputes

COPPER PIPES

Nov 13: U.S. trade panel approves probe into whether China and Mexico are selling seamless refined copper pipe and tube in U.S. at unfairly low prices.

U.S. producers asking for anti-dumping duties of 60.5% on imports from China worth around \$446.3m in 2008

STEEL PIPES

Nov 6: U.S. Commerce Department imposes anti-dumping tariffs of up to 99% on imports of Chinese-made oil well pipe in biggest U.S. trade action against China.

Chinese Ministry of Commerce denounces move as protectionist and launches own investigation into imports of U.S.-made automobiles

RAW MATERIALS

Nov 4: U.S., EU and Mexico ask WTO to investigate Chinese curbs on exports of some raw materials used to make steel, aluminium and chemical products. **They say China's export policy drives up world prices for those materials**

POULTRY

Sep 15: China launches anti-dumping and anti-subsidy probe into imports of U.S. chicken meat and automotive parts in response to U.S. tyre duties

TYRES

Sep 14: White House imposes 35% duties on imports of Chinese-made tyres. **China requests consultations on duties – preliminary step towards WTO complaint**

DISTRIBUTION SERVICES

Aug 12: WTO finds in favour of U.S., which claimed that Chinese curbs on importing and distributing foreign publications and audiovisual products violated its WTO commitments. **China may appeal**

