AUSTRALIA:
INCREASING TRANSPARENCY AND ADDRESSING NON-TARIFF BARRIERS (NTBs) AUSTRALIA’S EXPERIENCE

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WHAT IS A NON-TARIFF BARRIER?

Tariffs

Non-Tariff Measures

Non-Tariff Barriers
WHAT WE’VE HEARD

Taking action is more important than who takes action.

INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS

• Prefer reporting through direct relationships rather than formal processes/channels

• Also report through forums, committees and formal reports.

BUSINESS

• Larger businesses rely on departmental and ministerial relationships.

• SMEs see trade barriers as their own responsibility and business as usual. Can be unclear who to report to.

INSIGHTS

• Step-by-step process to report issues can be inconsistent

• Interest in stronger feedback required between government business and industry on progress

NON-TARIFF BARRIER ACTION PLAN
NON-TARIFF BARRIERS LAUNCH

MAKING IT EASIER FOR AUSTRALIAN BUSINESSES TO REPORT A BARRIER

ADDRESSING TRADE BARRIERS
Non-tariff barriers can be any kind of ‘nontax’ or trade rule that unjustifiably restrict the flow of goods and services.

The Government is taking action to remove these kinds of trade barriers for Australian businesses in overseas markets. We are rolling out an action plan to make it easier for businesses to access the help they need, improve collaboration between government and industry, and increase transparency of processes and information.

PARTICIPATE
Learn more about Australia’s action plan and share your experiences.

REPORT A BARRIER
To lodge a barrier that is holding you back, report it here.

CHECK FTA PORTAL
To check how you can benefit from our growing number of FTAs, visit our portal.
**Vision:** A government and business partnership to remove unjustifiable trade restrictions

**ACCESS**
- Build the capability of frontline expertise in industry and government
- Make it easier to report trade barriers

**COLLABORATION**
- Coordinate and track barriers through dedicated systems and resources
- Support industry to analyse and prioritise barriers and develop solutions
- Agree collective action through a joint advisory group

**TRANSPARENCY**
- Set clear expectations for information sharing
- Be upfront about processes, constraints and limitations
- Report back regularly on progress and outcomes
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MAKING IT EASIER TO REPORT TRADE BARRIERS

tradebarriers.dfat.gov.au
Industry and government reps met last week for the first Non-Tariff Barriers Advisory Group of 2019 to progress action to help businesses overcome overseas barriers hampering exports. To take part and learn more visit: tradebarriers.dfat.gov.au

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NON-TARIFF BARRIERS EXPLAINED

NON-TARIFF MEASURES AND TRADE BARRIERS
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