



Customs Act 1901 – Part XVB

Ceiling steel framing members

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China

Findings in relation to a subsidisation investigation

Public notice under section 269TJ(1) and (2) of the Customs Act 1901

Anti-Dumping Notice (ADN) 2026/009

The Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) has completed the investigation into the alleged subsidisation of ceiling steel framing members exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China).

The goods the subject of the investigation (the goods) are:

Ceiling steel framing members, metallic coated, whether or not containing alloys, with a height of up to and including 45 millimetres, a width (face) up to and including 60mm, of a base metal thickness of up to and including 0.65 millimetres of varying steel grades.

Further information on the goods:

A ceiling steel framing member is a horizontal structural member used to support ceiling linings or other internal ceiling systems. Further worked from either zinc coated (galvanised) steel or aluminium zinc coated steel as the raw material (including all variants thereof, for example whether or not containing magnesium or other alloys), ceiling steel framing members are installed perpendicular to the ceiling joists or rafters and are fixed into place using screws or other fasteners. Ceiling steel framing members come in various sizes and profiles depending on the specific requirements of the ceiling system and the load it needs to support. The goods provide a framework onto which ceiling materials such as plasterboard, gypsum board, or metal panels can be attached. Trade or common/generic names and terminology often used to describe the subject goods include, but are not limited to:

- *steel ceiling battens;*
- *steel furring channels; and*
- *steel top hats.*

Exclusions

Excluded from the application are the direct fix clips used to install ceiling steel framing members. Excluded also are ceiling steel framing members made from stainless steel.

The goods are generally, but not exclusively, classified to the following tariff classifications in Schedule 3 of the *Customs Tariff Act 1995*:

Tariff code	Statistical code
7216.61.00	57
7216.69.00	58
7216.91.00	59
7308.90.00	52, 53, 55, 56

These tariff classifications and statistical codes may include goods that are both subject and not subject to this investigation. The listing of these tariff classifications and statistical codes are for convenience or reference only and do not form part of the goods description.

The Commissioner reported his findings and recommendations to me in *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No 653* (REP 653), in which he outlines the investigations carried out by the Commissioner and recommends the publication of a countervailing duty notice in respect of the goods.

I have considered REP 653 and accepted the Commissioner's recommendations and reasons for the recommendations, including all material findings of fact and law on which the Commissioner's recommendations were based, and particulars of the evidence relied on to support the findings. The report is available at www.adcommission.gov.au.

Particulars of the level of subsidisation established are set out in the following table:

Exporter	Interim countervailing duty rate
Non-cooperative and all other exporters	4.5%

The names and details of the countervailable subsidy programs are contained in REP 653.

I, TIM AYRES, the Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science, have considered and accepted the recommendations of the Commissioner, the reasons for the recommendations, the material findings of fact on which the recommendations are based and the evidence relied on to support those findings in REP 653.

I am satisfied, as to the goods that have been exported to Australia, that countervailable subsidies have been received in respect of the goods and because of that, material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods might have been caused if security had not been taken. Therefore under section 269TJ(1) and section 45 of the *Customs Act 1901* (the Act), I DECLARE that section 10 of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (the Dumping Duty Act) applies to:

- (i) the goods; and

- (ii) like goods that were exported to Australia after 26 November 2025 (when the Commissioner made a Preliminary Affirmative Determination under section 269TD of the Act in respect of the goods) but before the publication of this notice.

I am also satisfied that a countervailable subsidy has been received in respect of the goods that have already been exported to Australia, and that a countervailable subsidy may be received in respect of like goods that may be exported to Australia in the future; and because of that, material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods has been caused. Therefore under section 269TJ(2) of the Act, I DECLARE that section 10 of the Dumping Duty Act applies to like goods that are exported to Australia after the date of publication of this notice.

This declaration applies in relation to all exporters of the goods and like goods from China.

The considerations relevant to my determination of material injury to the Australian industry caused by subsidisation are the effect of subsidised imports on prices in the Australian market in the form of price undercutting and the consequent impact on the Australian industry including declining market share, price depression, price suppression and reduced profits and profitability.

In making my determination, I have considered whether any injury to the Australian industry is being caused or threatened by a factor other than the exportation of subsidised goods, and have not attributed injury caused by other factors to the exportation of those subsidised goods.

Interested parties may seek a review of this decision by lodging an application with the Anti-Dumping Review Panel, in accordance with the requirements in Division 9 of Part XVB of the Act, within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

Particulars of the non-injurious prices of the goods (as ascertained in the confidential tables to this notice) will not be published as they may reveal confidential information.

Clarification about how measures and securities are applied to 'goods on the water' is available in ACDN 2012/34, available at www.adcommission.gov.au.

REP 653 and other documents included in the public record may be examined at the Commission office by contacting the case manager on the details provided below. Alternatively, the public record is available at www.adcommission.gov.au.

Enquiries about this notice may be directed to investigations3@adcommission.gov.au.

Dated this 25th day of January 2026



TIM AYRES

Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science