Customs Act 1901 (Cth) - Part XVB

Light gauge steel stud and track

Exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China

Findings in Relation to a Dumping Investigation

Public notice under sections 269TG(1) and (2) of the Customs Act 1901

Anti-Dumping Notice No 2026/119

The Commissioner of the Anti-Dumping Commission (the Commissioner) has completed the investigation into the alleged dumping of light gauge steel stud and track (LGST), exported to Australia from the People's Republic of China (China).

The goods, being the subject of the application (the goods) are:

Light gauge steel stud and track, metallic coated, whether or not containing alloys, with a profile of up to and including 170 millimetres in width by 170 millimetres in height, and with a base metal thickness of up to and including 0.69 millimetres.

Further information

LGST are framing components used to support internal non-load-bearing building walls and partitions. LGST are cold-formed products, 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). LGST comprise both the vertical (stud) and horizontal (track) components.

Steel framing components are categorised by gauge (thickness) and usage, being either:

- LGST, as non-structural light gauge products (common in 'drywall' applications), or
- structural (medium and heavy gauge) LGST (common in high-rise buildings and exterior walling).

This application covers LGST, of varying steel grades, and whether or not including service holes. The applicant considers that the Australian manufactured like goods are fully substitutable with all types of imported LGST.

Exclusions

Medium and heavy gauge steel stud and track, noggings, and 'flexible' track components are excluded from this application.

The goods are generally, but not exclusively, classified to the following tariff classifications in Schedule 3 to 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

Table 1 Summary of tariff subheadings

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 set out above. Please refer to the goods description for authoritative detail regarding the particulars of the goods, the subject of this investigation.

The Commissioner reported his findings and recommendations to me in *Anti-Dumping Commission Report No 679* (REP 679), 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 exported by uncooperative and all other exporters from China.

I have considered REP 679 and accepted the Commissioner's recommendations and reasons for the recommendations, including all material findings of fact or 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 interim dumping duty are set out in the following table:

Country	Exporter	Interim Dumping Duty (%)[1]	Duty method
China	Wenan Kaize Building Material Co., Ltd	37.8%	*Ad valorem*
China	Uncooperative and all other exporters	33.3%	*Ad valorem*

Table 2 Summary of interim dumping duty

I, TIM AYRES, the Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science (the Minister), 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 679.

I am satisfied, as to the goods that have been exported to Australia, that the amount of the export price of the goods is less than the normal value of those goods and because of that, material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods might have been caused if the security had not been taken. Therefore under section 269TG(1) and section 45 of the

[1] As outlined in REP 679, this removes double count from a subsidy program and also reflects the lesser duty rule.

Customs Act 1901 (the Act), I DECLARE that section 8 of the *Customs Tariff (Anti-Dumping) Act 1975* (the Dumping Duty Act) applies to:

(i) like goods exported to Australia by all exporters from China; and

(ii) like goods that were exported to Australia from China after the Commissioner made a PAD under section 269TD on 25 May 2026 but before publication of the notice.

I am also satisfied that the amount of the export price of like goods that have already been exported to Australia is less than the amount of the normal value of those goods, and the amount of the export price of like goods that may be exported to Australia in the future may be less than the normal value of the goods and because of that, material injury to the Australian industry producing like goods has been caused or is being caused. Therefore under section 269TG(2) of the Act, I DECLARE that section 8 of the Dumping Duty Act applies to like goods that are exported to Australia after the date of publication of this notice.

The considerations relevant to my determination of material injury to the Australian industry caused by dumping are the effect of dumped 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 dumped goods, and have not attributed injury caused by other factors to the exportation of those dumped 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 export prices, non-injurious prices, and normal values of the goods (as ascertained in the confidential tables to this notice) will not be published in this notice 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 679 and other documents included in the public record may be examined at the Anti-Dumping 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 investigations2@adcommission.gov.au.

Dated this 15th day of September 2026

TIM AYRES
Minister for Industry and Innovation and Minister for Science