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[World tariff profiles](#) is the publication that the World Trade Organization (WTO) makes in collaboration with ITC and UNCTAD to give an overview of the tariffs and non-tariff measures imposed by various countries and customs territories in the world (170 in total).

In analyzing data referred to Africa, it is interesting to note how the Most-Favored Nation (MFN) average tariffs vary widely among its nations. MFN tariffs are the tariff rates that a country applies to imports from all its trading partners which are not part of a preferential trade agreement (such as a free trade area or customs union). In practice, MFN rates are the highest (most restrictive) tariffs that a country can charge on imports (see the table below). The WTO data shows that in Africa, the higher tariffs are applied by Sudan (21.6%), Tunisia (19.5%) and Algeria (18.9%). To be noted that the first and the last country (Sudan and Algeria) are non-WTO members. On the other hand, the lowest tariffs are applied by Mauritius (0.8%) and Seychelles (2.5%). In terms of Regional Economic Communities (RECs), the ones with the lower MFN tariff rates are SACU (7.6%) and ECOWAS (12%), while the one with the highest is CEMAC (18%). A mystery, instead, remains the huge difference in MFN tariffs between EAC member States, that as a customs union should apply a common tariff towards non-EAC members.

Country		Simple average MFN tariff applied (all products)	Country		Simple average MFN tariff applied (all products)
1	Algeria	18.9	28	Liberia	12.0
2	Angola	11.0	29	Libya	4.5
3	Benin	12.0	30	Madagascar	11.8
4	Botswana	7.6	31	Malawi	12.2
5	Burkina Faso	12.0	32	Mali	12.0
6	Burundi	13.6	33	Mauritania	12.0
7	Cabo Verde	11.9	34	Mauritius	0.8
8	Cameroun	18.1	35	Morocco	14.0
9	Central Africa Republic	18.1	36	Mozambique	10.3
10	Chad	18.1	37	Namibia	7.6
11	Comoros	15.1	38	Niger	12.0
12	Congo	18.1	39	Nigeria	12.0
13	Côte d'Ivoire	12.1	40	Rwanda	13.2
14	D.R. Congo	N/D	41	São Tomé and Príncipe	N.D.
15	Djibouti	N.D.	42	Senegal	12.0
16	Egypt	N.D.	43	Seychelles	2.5
17	Equatorial Guinea	N.D.	44	Sierra Leone	12.0
18	Eritrea	N.D.	45	Somalia	15.6
19	Eswatini	7.6	46	South Africa	7.6
20	Ethiopia	17.0	47	South Sudan	10.2
21	Gabon	N.D.	48	Sudan	21.6
22	The Gambia	12.0	49	Tanzania	13.9
23	Ghana	12.0	50	Togo	12.0
24	Guinea	12.0	51	Tunisia	19.5
25	Guinea-Bissau	12.1	52	Uganda	18.4
26	Kenya	14.3	53	Zambia	14.6
27	Lesotho	7.5	54	Zimbabwe	18

Source: WTO World tariff profiles, 2023