

# The Thriving Antibiotics Import of Indonesia: The Latest Updates of 2024

Antibiotics, the medicines that are manufactured to kill or stop the growth of bacteria, are widely traded in the international trade market because of their ability to treat infections caused by bacteria and viruses. [Indonesia Export Data](#) says, the country in Southeast Asia, bordered by Malaysia and Australia in the north and south directions, has solidified its footprint in the global trade market as a leading importer of antibiotics due to the limited local production capacity and the high cost of antibiotic fermentation plants. The lack of advanced biotechnological facilities and the limited availability of qualified R&D personnel in the chemical industry have also contributed to the import growth rate.

The dependency on the imported reagents and solvents for local drug production, along with the easier access to cheaper imported antibiotics from destinations like India and China, has maintained the continuity in the production of drugs in the healthcare facilities. The participation of Indonesia in the Asian Free Trade Agreement has resulted in an import trade value of antibiotics worth 2.12 billion US dollars in 2024. The rising middle-class population, along with the increased hospitalization and medical treatment rates, has driven the import of antibiotics. Subscribe to Import Globals, the leading Indonesia importexport trade provider, to stay updated with the latest information regarding the antibiotics import of the nation via the Indonesia trade data.

## **GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES SUPPORTING THE IMPORT OF ANTIBIOTICS IN INDONESIA IN 2024**

The new Technical Guidelines on Medicine Procurement Planning have improved the import of essential medicines with fewer stock cuts. The strengthened access to safe, effective, and essential medicines has enhanced the distribution and regulatory assurance. It has made the import of medicines easier and more trusted, specifically for antibiotics.

The Trade Ministry Regulation No. 8 has relaxed the import barriers for the raw materials. This initiative has supported the antibiotic import channels by attracting those from easier sourcing inputs. The formal recognition of the pharmaceutical industry has encouraged the international pharmaceutical companies and supply chains to support the import of antibiotics.

## **THE LEADING VARIANTS OF ANTIBIOTICS IMPORTED IN INDONESIA IN 2024**

The higher rate of antibiotic use in human and veterinary medicaments, along with the stable import logistics, has led to a diversification of the imported variants from foreign traders.

According to the [Indonesia Import Data](#), the top 10 leading variants of antibiotics imported in Indonesia in 2024 are,

1. Penicillin – The annual valuation of Penicillin imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 918 million US dollars
2. Cephalosporins – The annual valuation of Cephalosporins imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 854 million US dollars

3. Macrolides— The annual valuation of Macrolides imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 645 million US dollars
4. Tetracyclines— The annual valuation of Tetracyclines imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 534 million US dollars
5. Fluoroquinolones— The annual valuation of Fluoroquinolones imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 478 million US dollars
6. Aminoglycosides— The annual valuation of Aminoglycosides imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 392 million US dollars
7. Sulfonamides— The annual valuation of Sulfonamides imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 287 million US dollars
8. Glycopeptides— The annual valuation of Glycopeptides imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 225 million US dollars
9. Carbapenems— The annual valuation of Carbapenems imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 187 million US dollars
10. Lincosamides— The annual valuation of Lincosamides imported in Indonesia in 2024 – 156 million US dollars

## TOP 10 IMPORT TRADE PARTNERS OF INDONESIA IN 2024

The exchange rate of bulk imports and the availability of international financing have built up the trade relationship with the topmost suppliers. As per the **Indonesia Customs Data**, the top 10 import trade partners of the nation for antibiotics imported in 2024 are,

- China – The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from China in 2024 – 928 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Levofloxacin
- Moxifloxacin
- Norfloxacin
- Ofloxacin
- Delafloxacin
- Singapore – The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from Singapore in 2024 – 827 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Lincomycin

- Tetracyclines – Tetracycline
- Doxycycline
- Minocycline
- Tigecycline
- Japan– The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from Japan in 2024 – 718 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Kanamycin
- Netilmicin
- Macrolides – Erythromycin
- Clarithromycin
- Azithromycin
- India– The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from India in 2024 – 628 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Amikacin
- Gentamicin
- Tobramycin
- Streptomycin
- Neomycin
- Malaysia– The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from Malaysia in 2024 – 567 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Aztreonam
- Imipenem + Cilastatin
- Meropenem
- Ertapenem
- Doripenem

- United States— The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from the United States in 2024 – 489 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Ceftaroline
- Cefixime
- Cefdinir
- Cefpodoxime
- Cefpirome
- South Korea— The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from South Korea in 2024 – 367 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Cefuroxime
- Cefotaxime
- Ceftriaxone
- Ceftazidime
- Cefepime
- Philippines— The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from the Philippines in 2024 – 287 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Amoxicillin + Clavulanic acid
- Ampicillin + Sulbactam
- Cephalexin
- Cefazolin
- Cefaclor
- Taiwan— The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from Taiwan in 2024 – 182 million US dollars

Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Dicloxacillin

- Nafcillin
- Oxacillin
- Piperacillin
- Ticarcillin
- Vietnam – The total valuation of antibiotics imported in Indonesia from Vietnam in 2024 – 142 million US dollars

#### Top 5 variants of antibiotics imported

- Amoxicillin
- Ampicillin
- Benzylpenicillin (Penicillin G)
- Phenoxyethylpenicillin (Penicillin V)
- Cloxacillin