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The following Global Agricultural Information Network (GAIN) reports were released on Monday, April 26, 2021.

### [Netherlands: Dutch Wood Pellet Imports Reach New High](#)

In 2020, Dutch wood pellet imports reached a new high, totaling \$511 million. The United States was the leading non-European Union (EU) supplier to the Netherlands. Wood pellet-generated energy is estimated to have accounted for approximately ten percent of total Dutch renewable energy use last year. In the future, the Dutch government will place more emphasis on the use of biomass for higher value applications. Currently the government is in the process of implementing the EU's second Renewable Energy Directive (REDII) in Dutch Law, and is planning to add socio-economic criteria to the sustainability criteria of the REDII.

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