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Importers say you can expect prices to increase by up to 25 percent on some sought-after specialty food items at the worst possible time, the holidays. Tariffs imposed by the President went into effect Oct. 18.
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"We're seeing a lot more fast-casual restaurants as opposed to a sit-down full service," restaurant owner and CRA Fresno Chapter President Chuck Van Fleet says. "Fast-casual restaurants are a little bit easier to open, they don't require as much labor, a little bit easier to take on the overhead."

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Source: National Restaurant Association, May 9, 2019

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