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Below are articles and summaries of **magnesium** related stories. Members are asked to distribute the update to their employees – if their employees wish to receive the IMA Weekly Update, please send their email addresses to the IMA Head Office. We appreciate your company press releases and announcements for inclusion in the Weekly Update.

INDUSTRY CALENDAR

July 8 – 12, 2012

9th International Conference on Magnesium Alloys and their Applications
Vancouver, Canada

www.magnesium2012vancouver.com/welcome.html

August 21 – 22, 2012

Global Automotive Lightweight Materials
Detroit, Michigan, USA

<http://www.global-automotive-lightweight-materials-detroit.com/>

September 27– 29, 2012

Calcium and Magnesium in Groundwater -
Distribution and Significance International Seminar
Katowice, Poland

<http://camgseminar.pgi.gov.pl>

September 30 – October 3, 2012

COM 2012
Niagra Falls, Ontario, Canada

<http://www.cim.org/com2012/>

May 19 – 22, 2013

70th Annual IMA World Magnesium Conference
(more details coming soon!)
Xi'an, China

www.IMAworldconference.org

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ASSOCIATION NEWS

IMA Member Survey – Your Input Makes a Difference

All IMA members have the opportunity to provide their feedback about IMA membership. Your input makes a difference! Thank you in advance for your candid feedback.

Click on this link to start the Survey → http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012_IMA_Member_Survey

Within this survey is also information about a possible partnership with CM Group that would provide IMA membership with Global Mg Industry analysis at a discount. Members who attended the 69th Annual World Magnesium Conference in San Francisco and subsequently participated in the post-conference survey, have already learned of this opportunity and do not need to complete this additional survey.

Please Join Us for the 70th Annual World Magnesium Conference in Xi'an, China

The World Magnesium Conference is scheduled for May 19-22, 2013. This event is the premier international **magnesium** industry conference that highlights the latest technological advances, innovative applications, and emerging developments in the global marketplace. The conference combines informative technical sessions, exhibits, networking and social opportunities for a well-rounded industry experience.

- Industry Updates
- Technical Program, provide a wealth of information for **magnesium** industry professionals and address topics ranging from an overview of the current state of the **magnesium** industry to **magnesium** process breakthroughs, applications, and business management issues.
- Social Program
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- Awards of Excellence, IMA's competition recognizing outstanding **magnesium** products and innovative manufacturing technologies
- International Environmental Responsibility Awards
- IMA Annual Membership Meeting
- Exhibit Showcase
- Spouse Program
- Tours

Xi'an today sits in the fertile Wei River valley, one of the epicenters of early Chinese civilization. The area was home to the capitals of several major dynasties (historians can count 11), stretching all the way back to the Zhou in the 11th century BC. The remnants of this ancient world are everywhere – from the First Emperor's Terracotta Army to the Muslim influence that still characterizes the city. Many of the city's attractions are unique not only to the city itself, but to all of China.

Click [here](#) for the 2013 IMA Annual World Magnesium Conference flyer.

INDUSTRY NEWS

China: Eight More Magnesium Producers Meet MIIT's "Magnesium Industry Access Conditions"

www.metal-pages.com (27-Jun-2012)

China's Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) announced on June 26 that eight **magnesium** producers qualified for the 'Magnesium Industry Access Conditions', following the three who were approved in January.

JiLin Dongfeng Non-ferrous Metals, Ningxia Taifeng Magnesium and Ningxia Hui-ye Magnesium were the first group approved by MIIT in January.

The eight **magnesium** producers who qualified in June are: Shaanxi Weinan Xinqin Magnesium, Fugu Tianyu Magnesium, Fugu Yufeng Magnesium, Yulin Tianlong Magnesium, Fugu Xintian Magnesium, Shanxi Yinguang Huasheng Magnesium, Shanxi Jinyang Group, and Shanxi Hengtian Magnesium.

The conditions for industry access were implemented on March 7, 2011 by MIIT. They lay out the rules that producers should follow. Other producers not on the approved list are still under inspection.

The conditions of access are intended to standardise the **magnesium** industry and accelerate its development. They are also meant to strengthen environmental protection.

However, the conditions have had little impact on **magnesium** production. Those who have not qualified are still operating because government enforcement is weak.

In the long run the conditions could cause production cuts because the policy will be enforced strictly, industry sources said.

U.S. Magnesium Edges Lower as Demand Weakens

www.metal-pages.com (27-Jun-2012)

The price of pure **magnesium** in the US has succumbed to downside pressure as demand continues to wane and offsets languishing inventory levels, according to trade sources.

Business activity has dried to a trickle as consumers live off contracted deliveries and volumes decline as some companies prepare for maintenance shutdowns during the traditionally quieter summer months.

The slowdown has slightly offset an underlying tightness in the market and led US spot pure **magnesium** min 99.9% to dip to a range of \$1.98-2.18/lb delivered from a previous level of \$2.00-2.20/lb delivered.

"I would say prices have drifted slightly lower. It's on a lack of interest in the spot market. We're definitely now in the summer doldrums," said one trade source.

"Some guys are going to close down for maintenance. There is perhaps a bit less though this year. But this isn't manifesting in the phone ringing for orders."

Secondary 90/10 **magnesium** material remains in a range of \$1.75-1.85/lb delivered.

Prices for **magnesium** have received support in the past couple of months as the availability of imported material that developed earlier in the year, predominately from Malaysia-based CVM Minerals, has slowed.

"I have heard that the Malaysians may have actually slowed production because costs are pretty high and it's hard to get rid of metal right now," said the trade source.

Despite a lack of new orders, consumers are reportedly still taking full deliveries under contracts amid strong automotive demand, which has boosted the die-casting and extruding industries.

Trade sources maintain that the market could see renewed spot buying after the summer as some companies are understood to have under bought on annual contracts.

But the ongoing slowdown in Europe remains a concern as metal destined for countries in the Euro zone could find its way into the US, they note.

Meanwhile, The Commerce Department's International Trade Administration (ITA) announced earlier this month that it had determined that the revocation of anti-dumping duties on pure **magnesium** in granular form from China would likely lead to material injury.

This has led the ITA to issue a weighted-average margin of 24.67% for China Minmetals Precious & Rare Minerals Import & Export Corp and 305.56% for all other Chinese producers and exporters. The petitioner was US Magnesium LLC.

CHINA'S LATEST

China's Top Ten Magnesium Exporters www.metal-pages.com (18-Jun-2012)

China exported 14,816 tonnes of unwrought **magnesium**, mostly in the form of metal ingots, 11,213 tonnes of wrought **magnesium**, mostly in the form of **magnesium** alloy, and 7,673 tonnes of **magnesium** powder in April, according to official customs data.

The top ten unwrought **magnesium** exporters are as follows,

Order	Company	Quantity (Kg)
1	Xiamen Qirun Industry Co., Ltd.	1,107,917
2	Oocl Logistics Warehousing and Transportation (Tianjin) Co., Ltd.	1,101,324
3	Fuyuan Tenghui Economic and Trading Co., Ltd.	924,994
4	Shanxi Credit Magnesium Industry Co., Ltd.	846,277
5	Dongning Zhida Trade Co., Ltd.	729,190
6	Shanxi International Import and Export Co., Ltd.	559,323
7	Shenzhen Jiandatong Trade Co., Ltd.	484,540
8	Shenzhen Boyi Import and Export Co., Ltd.	452,867
9	Minhou Jinyu Import and Export Co., Ltd.	320,088
10	Fuyuan Lianfeng Economic and Trading Co., Ltd.	302,031

The top ten unwrought **magnesium** exporters are as follows,

Order	Company	Quantity (Kg)
1	Xi'an Magnotec Magnesium Co., Ltd.	2,053,692
2	Nanjing Yunhai Metal Trade Co., Ltd.	1,580,620
3	Jinduicheng Molybdenum Co., Ltd.	1,093,072
4	Shanxi International Import and Export Co., Ltd.	848,291
5	Fuyuan Lianfeng Economic and Trading Co., Ltd.	808,474
6	Shijiazhuang Kaiqin Import and Export Co., Ltd.	473,087
7	Shenyang Jinanda Trade Co., Ltd.	467,000
8	Shanghai Regal Magnesium Industry Co., Ltd.	466,000
9	Fuzhou Minyijie Import and Export Co., Ltd.	454,370
10	Dongning Zhida Trade Co., Ltd.	304,000

The top ten **magnesium** powder exporters are as follows,

Order	Company	Quantity (Kg)
1	Jiangsu Wuzhong Haili International Trade Co., Ltd.	1,114,400
2	Henan Yashun Trade Co., Ltd.	728,000
3	Almament Tianjin Magnesium Industry Co., Ltd.	638,000
4	Hebi Victory Metal Co., Ltd.	582,000
5	Zhejiang Mg Yuan's Technology Co., Ltd.	404,800
6	Shanxi Xinghua Cun International Trade Co., Ltd.	400,000
7	Dajin international (group) Co., Ltd	400,000
8	Jiangsu Wuzhong I&E Co., Ltd.	356,800
9	Hebi Qibin Zhanxiang Metal Co., Ltd.	268,000
10	Nanyang Fusen Magnesium Powder Co., Ltd.	254,000

China: Magnesium Alloy Production Will Rapidly Increase to 2015 Says New Report
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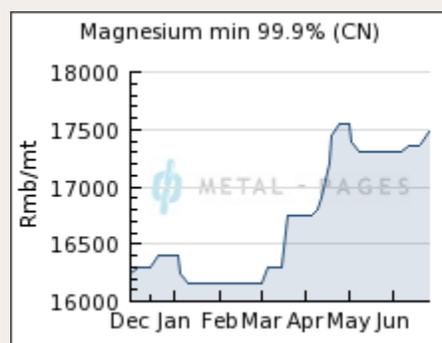
China will increase production capacity to 150,000 tonnes of high-strength **magnesium** alloy die-casting and profiles & plates by 2015. These proposals are very favourable to domestic key **magnesium** and **magnesium** alloy producers.

Among the players in Chinese **magnesium** industry, Nanjing Yunhai Special Metals is the professional **magnesium** alloy producer, while others including Taiyuan Tongxiang Magnesium, Yinguang Magnesium Industry Group, Ningxia Hui-ye Magnesium and Taiyuan Yiwei Magnesium Industry (Group) all focus on the production of primary **magnesium** and also produce downstream **magnesium** products such as **magnesium** alloy, **magnesium** powder and **magnesium** extrusions.

Taiyuan Tongxiang Magnesium is the largest primary **magnesium** manufacturer in China, with the capacity recording 150,000 tons and output rising 5.38% YoY to 73,400 tons in 2010, both ranking the industrial top.

Chinese Magnesium Output Cut in Hot Weather, Prices Rising
www.metal-pages.com (26-Jun-2012)

Magnesium min 99.9% price for 21 Jun 2012



Market 
Price 17,150.00 - 17,600.00
Previous 17,100.00 - 17,600.00
Change  +0.14%

Chinese **magnesium** prices are rising after the Dragon Boat Festival from June 22-24 because supply cannot meet demand, industry sources told Metal-Pages on Tuesday.

Prices of **magnesium** ingot 99.9%min have picked up RMB100/tonne to RMB17,250-17,700/tonne.

“Temperatures are soaring, and it has impacted the efficiency of equipment,” a source from a Shaanxi-based producer said, adding that output had to be cut to 300 tonnes from 450 tonnes in previous months.

Another producer source from Shaanxi said that spot supply was tight and there were only moderate stocks in warehouses.

“We have to turn down large orders because we do not have enough material on hand,” the source said.

The source added that it was hard to recruit workers during the hot summer season, and they had to pay more for workers. “Labour costs have increased, which will translate into higher **magnesium** prices,” he said.

A trader from Shanxi told Metal-Pages that he could not buy the material at below RMB17,500/tonne as he had done a week ago. “Producers have raised prices to RMB17,600-17,700/tonne.”

The Chinese **magnesium** ingot market has entered its period of seasonal slowdown which will last to the end of August, coinciding with hot weather in China and summer vacation in many other countries. At this time, producers opt to reduce output to avoid oversupply.



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