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1.2. Kaolin Market Overview

Kaolin production is

In 2011 kaolin production was estimated 000 thousand metric tons, a 0.6% increase from that of 2010.

Table 1. World mine production of Kaolin, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011

Figure 1. World mine production of Kaolin, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons

The leading producer of Kaolin is Uzbekistan with about 16.5% of world total.

Table 2. Kaolin: world mine production, by country, 2010-2011, thousand metric tons

Country	2010	2011
Bulgaria		
Brazil		
China		
Czech Republic		
Germany		
India		
Italy		
South Korea		
Spain		
Turkey		
Ukraine		
United Kingdom		



USA		
Uzbekistan		
Other countries		
World total (rounded)		

Figure 2. Kaolin: world mine production structure, by country, 2011



3. LATIN AMERICAN MARKET OF KAOLIN

3.1. Brazil

Brazil is a significant producer of kaolin

Production change in 2011 YoY: +1.7%

Consumption change in 2011 YoY: +11.8%

Table 3. Kaolin production and consumption in Brazil, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Production						
Consumption						

Figure 3. Kaolin supply and demand trends in Brazil, 2006-2011, metric tons

Producers

CADAM (a subsidiary of CVRD – Companhia Vale do Rio Doce)

Jari deposit, Jari River, Amazon basin

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Foreign Trade

Table 4. Export and import of Kaolin in Brazil, 2006-2011

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Export, thousand \$						
Export, tons						
Import, thousand \$						
Import, tons						
Trade balance, tons						

Figure 4. Export and import dynamics of Kaolin in Brazil in 2006-2011, metric tons

Figure 5. Trade balance of Kaolin in Brazil in 2006-2011, metric tons

Table 5. Structure of Kaolin export by Brazil in 2010-2011

Period / Brazil - Partner	Trade value, \$	Net weight, kg	Average price, \$/kg	Country share,%
2010				
total				
including:				
Belgium				
USA				
Canada				
Finland				
Japan				
Italy				
China				
Spain				
Sweden				
Rep. of Korea				
2011				



total				
including:				
Belgium				
USA				
Finland				
Canada				
China				
Italy				
Japan				
Sweden				
Spain				
Argentina				

Table 6. Structure of Kaolin import by Brazil in 2010-2011

Period / Brazil - Partner	Trade value, \$	Net weight, kg	Average price, \$/kg	Country share,%
2010				
total				
including:				
USA				
United Kingdom				
Italy				
France				
Japan				
China				
Argentina				
Spain				
Canada				
Germany				
2011				
total				
including:				
USA				
United Kingdom				
Barbados				
Italy				



Germany				
France				
Japan				
China				
Argentina				
Malta				