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## 1.2. Lead Market Overview

World mine production of lead in 2011 was estimated to be 000 million metric tons of lead content (Mt), an 8.7% increase from 000 Mt in 2010.

**Table 1. World mine production of lead, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons of lead content**

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011

**Figure 1. Trend of world lead mine production, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons of lead content**

**Table 2. World mine production of lead, 2010-2011, thousand metric tons of lead content**

Country	2010	2011
Australia		
Bolivia		
Canada		
China		
India		
Ireland		
Mexico		
Peru		
Poland		
...		
Other countries		
<b>World total (rounded)</b>		

In 2011 China was the leading producer of lead in concentrate accounting for about 49% of the world total, followed by Australia, with 12%; the USA, 8%; Peru, 5%; and Mexico, 5%.

**Figure 2. Structure of mine production of lead, by country, 2011**



World production of refined lead (primary and secondary) increased by 5.4%, to 000 Mt in 2011 from 000 Mt in 2010.

**Table 3. World refinery production of lead, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Primary refinery						
Secondary refinery						
<b>Refinery total</b>						

Secondary (recycled) lead has accounted ....

**Figure 3. Trend of world refined lead production, 2006-2011, thousand metric tons**

China was the leading producer of refined lead, accounting for 45% of world production, followed by the USA, with 14%; Germany, 4%; India, 3%; and the UK 3%.

**Figure 4. Structure of production of refined lead, by country, 2011**



### 4.1.3. Italy

In 2011 mine production of lead in Italy was estimated to be 000 metric tons of lead content, no change from 2010.

Refinery production in 2011 totaled 000 thousand metric tons.

**Table 4. Lead production and consumption in Italy, 2006-2011, metric tons**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Production						
Mine						
Primary refinery						
Secondary refinery						
Consumption						

**Figure 5. Lead production and consumption trends in Italy, 2006-2011, metric tons**

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**Foreign Trade**

**Table 5. Export and import of Lead in Italy, 2006-2011**

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

**Figure 6. Export and import dynamics of Lead in Italy in 2006-2011, tons**

**Figure 7. Trade balance of Lead in Italy in 2006-2011, tons**

**Table 6. Structure of Lead export by country in Italy in 2010-2011**

Period / Italy - Partner	Trade value, \$	Net weight, kg	Average price, \$/kg	Country share,%
<b>2010</b> total including: Turkey Germany Indonesia France Sweden Hungary United Kingdom Croatia Poland Serbia				
<b>2011</b> total				



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**Table 7. Structure of Lead import by country in Italy in 2010-2011**

Period / Italy - Partner	Trade value, \$	Net weight, kg	Average price, \$/kg	Country share,%
<b>2010</b> total including: Germany Bulgaria United Kingdom Kazakhstan Greece Russian Federation Sweden Morocco Czech Rep. Estonia				
<b>2011</b> total including: Germany Bulgaria Kazakhstan Greece Morocco				



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Poland				
Sweden				
Belgium				
Estonia				
Spain				