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Synthetic mullite and other high alumina refractories were tested for reheat and hot load properties in a furnace equipped to test two bricks simultaneously. This assured identical heating times, temperatures, and heating rates. Rapid expansion of the mullite brick, which was caused by mullite growth at grain boundaries did not occur until after the brick became thermoplastic.⁷

Uncalcined kyanite was one of the principal ingredients in a patented castable refractory for alkali-resistant blast furnace linings.⁸ The durability of conventional steel furnace linings was improved by a patented coating material containing 55 percent sillimanite and smaller amounts of magnesia, alumina, and fluorspar.⁹

Results of a study were published giving information on the minor elements present and the optical properties of a number of kyanites from various geological settings, mostly in Minas Gerais, Brazil. One comparison sample was from a magnesite deposit in Bahia. There was no correlation between optical and chemical data or between optical data and mode of occurrence.¹⁰

Revised data were submitted for high pressure-high temperature experiments on andalusite, sillimanite, kyanite, and 1:1 alumina-silica gel. Pressure-temperature data for kyanite and the gel were nearly identical, but were considerably different from the sillimanite and andalusite data.¹¹

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⁸ Harblson-Walker Refractories Co. British Pat. 946,905, Jan. 15, 1964.

⁹ Dortmund-Hörder Huttenunion A. G. British Pat. 962,205, July 1, 1964.

¹⁰ Herz, Norman, and C. V. Dutra. Geochemistry of Some Kyanites From Brazil. *Am. Mineral.*, v. 49, Nos. 9 and 10, September-October 1964, pp. 1290-1306.

¹¹ DeVries, R. C. The System Al_2SiO_5 at High Temperatures and Pressures. *J. Am. Ceram. Soc.*, v. 47, No. 5, May 1964, pp. 230-237.

Lead

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PRODUCTION and consumption of lead in the domestic lead industry continued to rise in 1964. Consumption of ores and metal declined, refined and antimonial lead at both primary and secondary plants were reduced. Mine production increased 13 percent to 286,000 tons, a total of 458,000 tons. Recovery of lead from secondary and primary plants increased 10 percent to 458,000 tons. Consumption of lead as reported increased over 1.2 million tons with gasoline antiknock the major portion of the increase, while storage declined from the high level of 1963. Government of lead from the stockpile in August and completed the 50,000 tons authorized under the 1963 program.

The price of common lead in New York City was 16 cents per pound quoted at the end of 1963 to 1964; three subsequent increases of 1 cent each brought the price to 19 cents per pound on December 1, 1964. Exchange price ranged from a low of 9.6 cents to a high of 19.2 cents, U.S. equivalent, in 1964. The price for the year was 13.6 cents per pound, 1964, on the London Metal Exchange.

LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENT

The small mines stabilization program was enacted in October 1961, applied to eligible mines in 1964. Qualifications for participation were amended by enactment of Public Law 88-75.

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ment of the program rules and regulations. As of December 31, 1964, those mines certified under the amended program totaled 61. Payment of \$144,902 was made on sales of 6,144 tons of eligible lead during the year to 48 small mining concerns. The New York price of lead exceeded the 14.5 cents per pound, below which payment is authorized, in October.

The Government did not acquire lead for the stockpile during the year. Disposal of 50,000 tons of lead to meet indicated commercial shortage was authorized under Public Law 88-373 enacted in July. During August approximately 41,000 tons was sold by General Services Administration and the remaining 9,000 tons was sold in November. Sale was restricted to domestic use and allocated to domestic producers of primary and secondary refined lead, qualified importers of refined lead, and consumers qualifying as small business concerns. Shipment of lead by the Government as a result of the sale reduced the Government stockpile inventory to 1,338,130 tons of lead at yearend, all of which has been determined by the Office of Emergency Planning to be surplus to stockpile requirements for conventional war.

Government participation in exploration projects for lead and zinc, under the program of the Office of Minerals Exploration, was withdrawn at the end of June 1962. Of the four projects for lead and zinc approved prior to this action and active in 1964, one was certified as a discovery and the remaining projects terminated during the year.

Import quotas on lead ores and metal, established October 1, 1958, continued in effect. The quotas subdivided into quarterly quotas for specified countries were essentially filled for lead metal in all of the quarters, while receipts of lead in ores and bullion were less than the quota limitation in each quarter and represented only 90 percent of that allowable for the year. The President, on March 2, 1964, requested the U.S. Tariff Commission to advise him in determining whether or not to relax or terminate the import quotas pursuant to the provisions of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962. This investigation was still in progress at yearend.

Legislation was reintroduced in Congress in February to establish flexible quotas on lead and zinc ores and metal and also on specified manufactured lead and zinc products. This legislation was still pending in Congress at yearend.

The International Lead and Zinc Study Group held its eighth session in Madrid, Spain, from October 26 to October 30. Representatives of 24 of the participating countries attended the sessions. The Group reviewed statistics on free world production and consumption of lead and zinc, as well as trade with countries with centrally planned economies. The Group concluded that free world consumption in 1963-64 had exceeded production and resulted in a drastic reduction of producer stocks and increased prices for lead and zinc, and while a significant increase in production was indicated in 1965-67, the imbalance in supply-demand would be likely to persist in 1965. Discussions of the Group stressed the importance of trade liberalization in lead and zinc and the study of intergovernmental agreements designed to achieve greater stability in lead and zinc. Measures to continue study in these two areas and also in medium-range aspects of supply and demand were approved.

LEAD

TABLE 1.—Salient lead

	1955-59 (average)	1960
United States:		
Production:		
Domestic ores, recoverable lead content..... short tons.....	310,406	246,600
Value..... thousands.....	\$86,920	\$67,722
Primary lead (refined):		
From domestic ores and base bullion..... short tons.....	302,409	228,809
From foreign ores and base bullion..... short tons.....	170,748	163,637
Antimonial lead (primary lead content)..... short tons.....	15,392	2,388
Secondary lead (lead content)..... short tons.....	470,242	469,000
Imports, general:		
Lead in ores and matte..... do.....	182,568	145,090
Lead in base bullion..... do.....	131	29
Lead in pigs, bars, and old..... short tons.....	300,666	213,671
Exports of refined pig lead..... do.....	2,697	1,966
Stocks December 31 (lead content):		
At primary smelters and refineries..... short tons.....	147,164	260,140
At consumer plants..... do.....	124,032	97,200
Consumption of metal, primary and secondary..... short tons.....	1,127,602	1,021,170
Price: New York, common lead, average, cents per pound.....	14.03	11.9
World:		
Production:		
Mine.....	2,655,000	2,620,000
Smelter.....	2,416,000	2,560,000
Price: London, common lead, average, cents per pound.....	11.35	9.0

* Revised.

DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

MINE PRODUCTION

Domestic mine production was essentially stable in 1964. The output of 286,000 tons of lead was a 13-percent increase in relation to the 1963 output, affected by the strike closure of the southern mines out the first quarter of 1963. The production was stable, ranging from 22,800 tons in the second quarter to a top of 25,000 tons in December. Mississippi was the lead-producing State with an output of 105,000 tons in 1957, followed by Idaho, 71,300 tons, Colorado, 20,600 tons. These four States accounted for 88 percent of the U.S. total; the remainder was the output of 15 States. Of the 19 States producing lead in 1964 the output increased in 10 of the States and decreased in 9 in comparison to that of 1963. The 10 mines contributed 264,300 tons or 92 percent of the total output. Production from the 4 largest mines accounted for 105,000 tons or 37 percent of the total and from the 10 leading mines 264,300 tons or 92 percent.

The continuing demand for lead, especially in the automotive and aircraft industries, has augmented diminishing receipts and stocks of lead. Smelting provided an incentive for exploration of lead deposits as well as for reopening of old production.

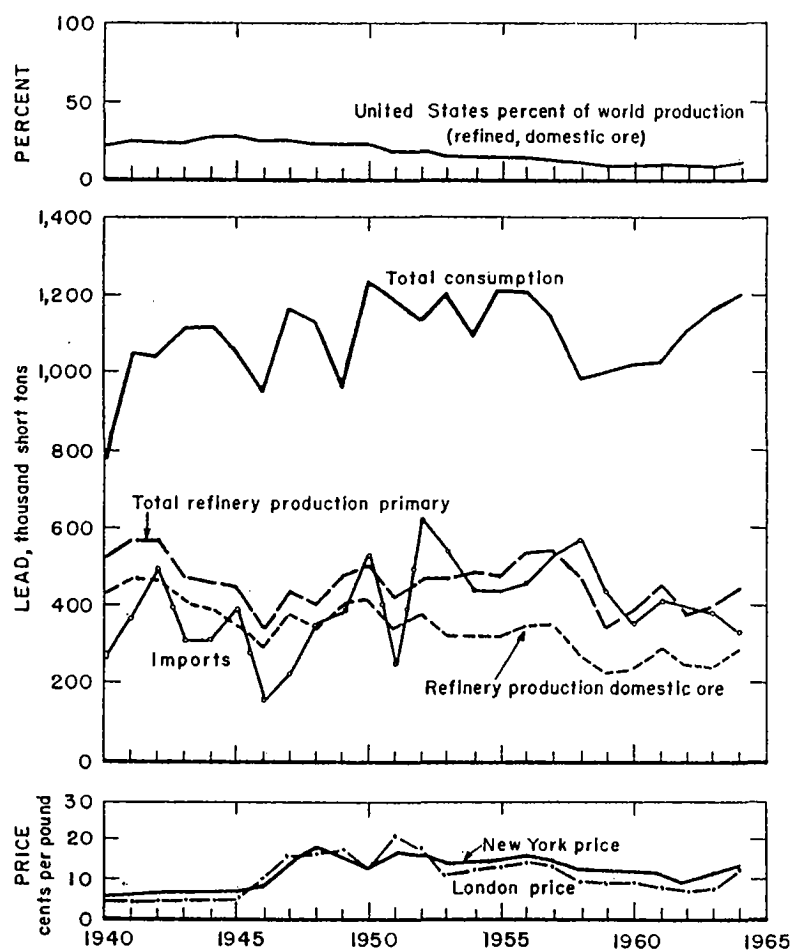


FIGURE 1.—Trends in the lead industry in the United States. Consumption includes primary refined, antimonial, and secondary lead and lead in pigments made directly from ore. Imports are factored to include 95 percent of lead content or ores, mattes, and concentrates and 100 percent of pigs, bars, base bullion, and scrap.

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TABLE 2.—Mine production of recoverable lead
(Short tons)

State	1955-59 (average)	1960
Arizona.....	11,220	8,495
Arkansas.....	8	
California.....	4,277	440
Colorado.....	18,737	18,080
Idaho.....	63,224	42,907
Illinois.....	3,105	3,000
Kansas.....	3,834	781
Kentucky.....	318	558
Missouri.....	118,765	111,948
Montana.....	13,015	4,879
Nevada.....	4,232	987
New Mexico.....	3,316	1,990
New York.....	1,074	775
North Carolina.....	4	424
Oklahoma.....	7,500	936
Utah.....	44,292	39,398
Virginia.....	2,978	2,152
Washington.....	10,812	7,725
Wisconsin.....	1,605	1,105
Other States.....	7	23
Total.....	310,408	248,669

Developments of major significance continued in the southeast Missouri lead industry. The Viburnum lead mine, created a new division to operate its mine in Reynolds County. This project, also known as the Viburnum mine, was expected to produce 100,000 tons of lead annually, and the mine was being expanded accordingly.

Montana Phosphate Products Co., a subsidiary of the American Metal Climax Co. of Canada, Ltd., announced development of facilities at the Magmont property near Butte, Mont., to produce 50,000 tons of lead annually, and so in 1967 or early 1968.

American Metal Climax, Inc., announced plans for joint development of lead properties near Buck, Mo., with a capacity to produce 100,000 tons of lead annually. Shaft sinking, mine development, and smelter construction were expected to be completed by late 1967. The company also announced plans for a smelter-refinery to produce 100,000 tons of lead annually to smelt lead from the Viburnum mine and those produced by the COM.

National Lead Co. and The Bunker Hill Co. signed an agreement for development of National Lead's Higdon property near Fredericktown, Mo. Exploration and development was in progress, but construction schedules and production tonnages were not announced. Ozark Mining Co., a subsidiary of Kennecott Copper Corp., was actively exploring its lead ore property in the Blair Creek, Mo., area. Several other companies continued exploration of leased areas in the new lead belt which occupies an area some 30 miles long by 10 miles wide.

Production of lead in Idaho declined from 75,800 tons in 1963 to 71,300 tons in 1964. The Bunker Hill Co. lead smelter was closed for 2 weeks in August for annual overhaul and again closed for 2 weeks in mid-October due to fire damage to the Cottrell plant and baghouse. Construction of a new sinter handling and storage system was initiated in September. The company also began handling custom milling of ore from small mine operators in the area. The incentive of improved prices for lead and silver resulted in major development programs, and reactivation of lead-silver mines in Idaho by many small operators as well as the larger producing companies. Day Mines, Inc., reactivated the Dayrock mill north of Wallace to treat ore from the reopened Monitor mine. Federal Resources Corp.'s new 300-ton-per-day mill at Bellevue started operations in April and will process ores from the company's mines as well as from custom shippers in the area. At yearend, approximately 1,200 feet remains to be driven to complete the 17,000-foot crosscut to connect the Bunker Hill and Crescent mines at an elevation 400 feet below sea level.

Utah mine output decreased from 45,000 tons in 1963 to 40,200 tons in 1964. The following mines were significant producers in 1964: United States and Lark (United States Smelting, Refining, and Mining Co. (USSR & M Co.)), United Park City (United Park City Mines Co.), Mayflower (Hecla Mining Co.), and Ophir (USSR & M Co.). New Park Mining Co. conducted exploration work on the 2,400-foot level of the Mammoth mine about 50 miles south of Salt Lake City.

Production of lead in Colorado was essentially the same as that of 1963. The revival of small mining operations continued, assisted in part by the reopening of the Bachelor mill north of the Ouray Badger Flats mill west of Colorado Springs. Nine properties operated by the following companies produced 98 percent of the State total: Idarado Mining Co., New Jersey Zinc Co., Standard Metals Corp., Camp Bird Colorado, Inc., Emperius Mining Co., McFarland and Hullinger, Humphreys Engineering Co., Wellington Mines Assoc., and Rico Argentine Mining Co.

Washington output increased to 5,700 tons, compared with 5,400 tons in 1963. The Pend Oreille mine, operated by Pend Oreille Mines and Metals Co., and the Van Stone mine, operated by American Smelting and Refining Co., were the principal producers. The Tri-Nite Mining Co. was preparing to reopen the Schumaker mine in Stevens County and install a concentrating plant. An open-pit mining operation by the Triton Mining Co. was underway at the old Castell mine.

Arizona output increased to 6,100 tons, of Shattuck Denn Mining Corp. the principal producer. The company completed remodeling and produced a copper-lead concentrate from the Ruby mine near Ruby. E. W. McFarland operated the Cruz County and was proceeding with the January mines which were last operated by McFarland and Refining Co. in 1949.

Montana production decreased to 4,500 tons, a decline in production by The Anaconda Co. mine near Salt Lake was being unwatered by after being flooded since 1918. Exploration of the Cumberland mine near Lennep and at the Spokane National Mines, Inc., of the mine near Dillon.

Reopening of the Hanover mine and 1963, along with the Dearney mine produced output to 1,600 tons from the 1,000 tons reactivated mines include the Lynchburg and the Princess mine in Grant County.

California output, 1,500 tons, was also produced. The Santa Rosa, Defense, Jubilee, and I County were the principal producers.

Production from the Kansas-Oklahoma district, processed principally at the Con Eagle-Picher Co., decreased to 4,000 tons. Wisconsin area output also declined to about 1,000 tons.

Nevada output declined to 800 tons from 1,000 tons. The Silver King Mines, Inc., operated its White Pine County, and 300-ton-per-day Ely to produce both lead and zinc concentrate. The Fad shaft at Eureka was completed and is now being operated by the Ruby Hill Mining Co.

Lead production, as a byproduct of primary production in New York, North Carolina, and Virginia, was approximately the same as in 1963. Expanded production of Virginia did, however, registered in the other States.

SMELTER AND REFINERY PRODUCTION

The domestic production of commercial lead and as antimonial (hard lead) was derived from domestic mine production, imported bullion, and scrap materials of domestic origin. The following companies—American Smelting Co., The Bunker Hill Co., St. Joseph Co., International Smelting & Refining Co., Smelting Lead Refinery, Inc.—process primary bullion, and small amounts of scrap. Secondary process only lead-base and tin-base scrap lead predominantly in the form of antimonial lead-base alloys and refined lead.

operating secondary plants and reporting to the Bureau of Mines were listed in the Minerals Yearbook, 1963. Secondary plants in 1964 produced a record 397,800 tons of refined lead and lead in antimonial lead and 121,900 tons of lead in other alloys.

Refined Lead, Primary and Secondary.—Refined lead produced in the United States from all sources—primary and secondary, plus remelt—totalled 598,600 tons, a 13-percent increase in relation to the 529,300 tons produced in 1963. Primary plants produced 19,400 tons from primary materials, of which 65 percent was supplied by domestic mines. An additional 8,500 tons of refined lead was produced by primary plants from scrap, in comparison with 3,700 tons in 1963 and the 2,900-ton average for the period 1955-62. Secondary plants produced a record 140,700 tons of refined lead from scrap, approximately 23 percent of the total. Remelt lead from all secondary materials amounted to 28,200 tons.

Antimonial Lead, Primary and Secondary.—The lead content of antimonial lead produced in the United States totalled 279,100 tons compared with the revised total of 254,100 tons in 1963. Secondary plant output was 257,100 tons, a record amount and 92 percent of the total. Primary plant output was 22,000 tons, of which 20 percent represented lead in domestic ore; 19 percent, foreign ore; and 61 percent, lead from scrap materials.

Raw Material Source.—Primary lead materials smelted and refined in primary plants provided 449,400 tons of refined lead and 8,600 tons of lead in antimonial lead. Domestic ores contributed 65 percent of the total, compared with 60 percent in 1963. Foreign ores and bullion consumed by primary smelters provided 159,300 tons, compared with 159,800 tons in 1963.

Secondary lead recovered from scrap amounted to 541,600 tons, the largest yearly recovery ever recorded by the Bureau of Mines. Of this, 149,200 tons was recovered as refined and remelt soft lead, 270,500 tons in antimonial lead, and 121,900 tons in the form of other alloys including copper-base and tin-base. Scrap consumed to obtain the lead amounted to 705,200 tons, gross weight, and an average recover-

TABLE 6.—Refined lead produced at primary refineries in the United States, by source material

	(Short tons)					
	1955-60 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Refined lead:						
From primary sources:						
Domestic ores and base bullion.....	302,460	228,890	288,078	245,045	239,660	294,254
Foreign ores and base bullion.....	170,748	153,537	161,487	130,418	165,072	165,175
Total.....	473,217	382,436	449,565	375,063	404,732	449,420
From secondary sources.....	2,089	4,770	1,500	1,842	3,741	8,505
Grand total.....	475,306	387,212	451,134	377,905	408,473	457,934
Average sales price per pound.....	\$0.136	\$0.117	\$0.103	\$0.093	\$0.108	\$0.131
Unrelated value of primary refined lead (thousands) ^a	\$128,716	\$89,490	\$92,610	\$69,948	\$85,262	\$117,750

^a Excludes value of refined lead produced from scrap at primary refineries.

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able lead content of slightly less than 74 percent represented 87 percent of the total and storage battery 74 percent of the old scrap. Secondary lead represented \$142 million in comparison with \$107 million in

TABLE 7.—Antimonial lead produced at primary lead States

Year	Production (short tons)	Antimony content		Lead From domestic ores
		Short tons	Percent	
1955-60 (average).....	57,278	2,930	5.1	7.30
1960.....	30,230	1,575	5.2	1.21
1961.....	35,080	1,894	5.4	12.98
1962.....	33,228	2,249	6.7	14.83
1963.....	18,518	1,890	10.0	4.61
1964.....	24,023	1,995	8.3	4.63

^a Revised.

TABLE 8.—Stocks and consumption of new and old States in 1964

(Short tons, gross weight)

Class of consumers and type of scrap	Stocks Jan. 1	Receipts	New scrap
Smelters and refiners:			
Soft lead.....	2,968	59,957	-----
Hard lead.....	1,132	14,416	-----
Cable lead.....	1,339	30,857	-----
Battery-lead plates.....	25,256	458,570	-----
Mixed common babbitt.....	383	2,922	-----
Solder and tinny lead.....	402	11,079	-----
Type metals.....	1,587	25,301	91.3
Drosses and residues.....	22,484	93,143	-----
Total.....	65,551	696,245	91.3
Foundries and other manufacturers:			
Soft lead.....	130	56	-----
Hard lead.....	207	73	-----
Cable lead.....	21	48	-----
Battery-lead plates.....	13	-----	-----
Mixed common babbitt.....	114	13,939	-----
Solder and tinny lead.....	-----	14	-----
Type metals.....	-----	2	-----
Drosses and residues.....	201	-----	-----
Total.....	740	14,132	-----
All consumers:			
Soft lead.....	3,098	60,013	-----
Hard lead.....	1,399	14,489	-----
Cable lead.....	1,360	30,905	-----
Battery-lead plates.....	35,269	458,570	-----
Mixed common babbitt.....	497	10,861	-----
Solder and tinny lead.....	402	11,093	-----
Type metals.....	1,587	25,301	91.3
Drosses and residues.....	22,685	93,145	-----
Grand total.....	66,297	710,377	91.3

^a Revised.

TABLE 9.—Secondary metal recovered¹ from lead and tin scrap in the United States in 1964, by type of products
(Short tons, gross weight)

	Lead	Tin	Antimony	Other	Total
Refined pig lead.....	121,028				121,028
Remelt lead.....	28,179				28,179
Total.....	149,207				149,207
Refined pig tin.....		3,355			3,355
Remelt tin.....		379			379
Total.....		3,734			3,734
Lead and tin alloys:					
Antimonial lead.....	270,522	307	16,109	234	287,322
Common babbitt.....	10,566	926	1,787	79	22,328
Genuine babbitt.....	67	283	30	12	392
Solder.....	30,178	6,188	498	25	36,879
Type metals.....	29,150	1,710	3,589	12	34,461
Cable lead.....	19,740	6	228		19,978
Miscellaneous alloys.....	1,678	686	40	39	2,443
Total.....	370,797	10,066	22,339	401	403,603
Tin content of chemical products.....		1,085			1,085
Grand total.....	520,004	14,885	22,339	401	557,629

¹ Most of the figures herein represent actual reported recovery of metal from scrap.

TABLE 10.—Secondary lead recovered in the United States
(Short tons)

	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
As metal:						
At primary plants.....	2,989	4,776	1,569	1,842	3,741	8,505
At other plants.....	122,955	143,443	139,100	110,626	130,788	140,702
Total.....	125,944	148,219	140,669	118,468	134,529	149,207
In antimonial lead:						
At primary plants.....	38,947	20,270	8,220	3,693	7,672	13,421
At other plants.....	186,600	179,217	197,349	226,699	237,125	257,101
Total.....	225,547	205,487	205,569	229,392	244,797	270,522
In other alloys.....	118,761	110,107	106,554	96,342	114,145	121,853
Grand total:						
Quantity.....	470,242	409,903	452,792	444,202	493,471	541,582
Value (thousands).....	\$129,298	\$109,957	\$93,275	\$82,622	\$106,590	\$141,894

TABLE 11.—Lead recovered from scrap processed in the United States, by kind of scrap and form of recovery
(Short tons)

Kind of scrap	1963	1964	Form of recovery	1963	1964
As scrap:			As soft lead:		
Lead-base.....	59,577	64,876	At primary plants.....	3,741	8,505
Copper-base.....	6,094	6,490	At other plants.....	130,788	140,702
Tin-base.....	611	655	Total.....	134,529	149,207
Total.....	66,282	71,921	In antimonial lead:		
Battery-lead plates.....	272,412	304,523	In other lead alloys.....	244,797	270,522
All other lead-base.....	135,844	144,900	In copper-base alloys.....	92,203	99,168
Copper-base.....	18,928	20,233	In tin-base alloys.....	21,878	22,618
Tin-base.....	5	5	Total.....	358,878	392,308
Total.....	427,189	469,661	Grand total.....	493,471	541,582
Grand total.....	493,471	541,582			

¹ Includes 7,672 tons of lead recovered in antimonial lead from secondary sources at primary plants in 1963 and 13,421 tons in 1964.

CONSUMPTION AND

Consumption of lead in the United States in successive years and the gain in 1964 was the largest since January was the largest month in 1963. The monthly average for the year 1964 was 7,402 tons. Soft lead consumed amounted to 7,402 tons in 1963 and represents an increase. The lead in antimonial lead consumed, slightly below the 314,400 tons in 1963, was consumed, lead in copper-base scrap, and lead in other scrap to other fabricated products increased while lead used in zinc oxide and other products decreased.

The use pattern reflected increased requirements for essentially unchanged requirements for hard lead, decreased slightly and other metal and cable covering also declined, while a gain. Gasoline additives requiring soft lead increased, about 16 percent, a record amount of end products of soft lead, such as pigment and also registered gains.

Storage battery requirements totaled 42,000 tons less than in 1963. The Association of Battery Manufacturers, Inc., reported shipments of 29.3 million batteries and total battery shipments of 33.1 million exports, compared with shipments of 41.1 million in 1963.

Industrial consumption of lead was 13.4 million tons in the United States. Thirteen States accounted for 100 percent—New Jersey, Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan.

New applications of lead in the ceramic industry, developed by research sponsored by the U.S. Army, while not individually of major importance, have been added to the lead consumption tonnage. Control applications have assumed greater importance through availability of thin sheets, 0.5 to 0.001 inch thick, which can be continuously cast and reinforced with lead compound composed of lead pellets in an rubber has found application. Solder glass, 10 percent lead oxide is of importance in semiconductor industry is using lead compound in enamels; a porcelain enamel for aluminum is a high-quality product for architectural and decorative use. A lead-silica compound forms a high-temperature resistant material. 375 tons of lead shot provides the test load for the III missile system, and other applications of lead to incorporate the high dimensional weight of

TABLE 12.—Lead consumption in the United States, by products
(Short tons)

Product	1963	1964	Product	1963	1964
Air products:			Pigments—Continued		
Ammunition.....	49,804	56,493	Pigment colors.....	11,767	11,021
Bearing metals.....	21,713	22,754	Other.....	7,813	8,111
Brass and bronze.....	21,943	23,328	Total.....	99,075	103,636
Cable covering.....	57,707	56,225	Chemicals:		
Calking lead.....	70,308	73,628	Gasoline antiknock		
Casting metals.....	7,856	6,961	additives.....	192,811	223,466
Collapsible tubes.....	14,832	14,904	Miscellaneous chemicals.....	632	451
Foil.....	3,952	3,976	Total.....	193,443	223,917
Pipes, traps, and bends.....	20,100	20,480	Miscellaneous uses:		
Sheet lead.....	26,495	29,606	Blanking.....	4,847	5,060
Solder.....	67,945	71,186	Gas welding.....	1,631	1,592
Storage batteries:			Lead plating.....	220	179
Battery grids, posts,			Weights and ballast.....	12,207	12,760
etc.....	222,286	221,594	Total.....	18,905	20,230
Battery oxides.....	216,795	207,754	Other, unclassified uses.....	10,057	18,464
Terne metal.....	1,083	1,009	Grand total.....	1,163,368	1,202,138
Type metal.....	20,009	25,374			
Total.....	835,878	835,871			
Paints:					
White lead.....	8,846	8,802			
Red, lead and lithargo.....	70,049	74,802			

Includes lead which went directly from scrap to fabricated products.

TABLE 13.—Lead consumption in the United States, by months
(Short tons)

Month	1963	1964	Month	1963	1964
January	100,780	107,603	August	93,833	99,670
February	96,023	94,426	September	94,587	101,795
March	92,000	92,844	October	111,149	105,571
April	92,340	98,981	November	101,723	101,985
May	98,264	98,798	December	99,372	106,616
June	94,024	102,448			
July	85,648	91,438	Total	1,163,368	1,202,138

¹ Includes lead content of loaded zinc oxide and other pigments and lead which went directly from scrap fabricated products.

TABLE 14.—Lead consumption in the United States in 1964, by class of products and types of material

Product	Soft	Lead in antimonial lead	Lead in alloys	Lead in copper-base scrap	Total
Total products.....	208, 440	88, 061	49, 694	17, 867	303, 952
Storage batteries.....	215, 394	214, 604	-----	-----	429, 998
Aliments.....	99, 713	233	-----	-----	99, 946
Chemicals.....	223, 915	2	-----	-----	223, 917
Miscellaneous.....	10, 517	8, 868	10	-----	19, 385
Unclassified.....	15, 787	2, 257	643	-----	18, 687
Total.....	773, 766	313, 915	50, 247	17, 867	1, 155, 785

¹ Excludes 42,003 tons of lead which went directly from scrap to fabricated products and 3,090 tons of lead contained in leaded zinc oxide and other nonspecified pigments.

TABLE 15.—Lead consumption in
(Short tons)

State	Refined soft lead	Lead antimony lead
California.....	74, 700	25,
Colorado.....	2, 661	2,
Connecticut.....	13, 663	11,
District of Columbia.....	123	-----
Florida.....	6, 341	4,
Georgia.....	33, 743	10,
Illinois.....	86, 274	40,
Indiana.....	6, 217	40,
Kansas.....	8, 213	0,
Kentucky.....	3, 134	4,
Maryland.....	6, 294	16,
Massachusetts.....	6, 145	3,
Michigan.....	17, 042	19,
Missouri.....	21, 963	4,
Nebraska.....	4, 048	-----
New Jersey.....	133, 401	19,
New York.....	35, 250	8,
Ohio.....	12, 607	6,
Pennsylvania.....	60, 206	30,
Rhode Island.....	1, 370	-----
Tennessee.....	2, 191	7,
Virginia.....	2, 717	1,
Washington.....	8, 204	2,
West Virginia.....	16, 912	0,
Wisconsin.....	1, 973	3,
Alabama and Mississippi.....	679	1,
Arkansas and Oklahoma.....	3, 390	2,
Hawaii and Oregon.....	450	2,
Iowa and Minnesota.....	2, 050	8,
Louisiana and Texas.....	135, 167	14,
Montana and Idaho.....	10, 152	-----
New Hampshire, Maine, Delaware.....	6, 101	3,
North and South Carolina.....	412	8,
Utah, Nevada, Arizona.....	123	-----
Total.....	773, 766	313,

¹ Excludes 42,603 tons of lead which went directly from scrap to contained in loaded zinc oxide and other nonspecified pigments.

LEAD PIGMENTS

The lead content of pigments produced amounted to 300,900 tons, a slight increase from 290,000 tons produced in 1963. Refined pig lead (the small amount used in leaded zinc oxides) represented 57 percent of the lead produced, about 31 percent. Production of basic lead carbonate and lead silicate, a derivative of litharge, is

Consumption and Uses, White Lead.—both as dry and in oil, declined, although producers continued at approximately the same level. Requirements for paint continued to decline, but for ceramics and other uses, including chemicals and stabilizers, was significantly higher.

Red Lead.—Production and shipments increased. Requirements of the paint industry were well above the amount required in lubricants, petroleum, rubber, and miscellaneous and remained approximately 50 per

Litharge.—Production of litharge increased about 6 percent and slightly exceeded shipments, in contrast to the large stock drawdown in 1963. Ceramics, the largest individual use, required 21 percent of the total. To avoid disclosing company confidential data, about 65 percent of the litharge shipped is incorporated into the classification "Other." Production of high lead oxide used by battery manufacturers and known as "black oxide" declined about 3 percent from the 1963 output.

Prices.—Prices of lead pigments and oxides advanced in accordance with the advance in the price of lead. The quoted price of white lead in carload lots, freight allowed, advanced from the 17.75 cents per pound established on September 9, 1963, to 19 cents on February 3 and to 20.5 cents on November 2. The average value per ton at plant was \$383 dry and \$519 in oil. Red lead, quoted at 16.75 cents per pound, f.o.b. works, in less than carload lots, at the beginning of the year, advanced to 17.75 cents on September 7, to 18.75 cents on October 19, and to 19.75 cents on December 28. The average value per ton at plant was \$327. Litharge price held at 16.25 cents per pound, f.o.b. works, in less than carload lots, until October 19, when a 1-cent increase became effective followed by additional 1-cent increases on October 26 and December 28 and a year-end price of 19.25 cents per pound. The average value per ton at plant was \$308. Total value of shipments of white lead, red lead, and litharge was \$46.4 million in comparison with \$38.2 million in 1963.

Foreign Trade.—Litharge imports constituted 81 percent of the total lead pigments and compounds, and receipts were about 2,700 tons less than in 1963. Increased tonnages of white lead and red lead were received and the total imports of lead pigments and compounds was about 8 percent less than those received in 1963. Exports amounted to 2,600 tons in the form of pigments and lead arsenate. The value of imports was \$5.2 million; exports were valued at \$0.9 million.

TABLE 16.—Production and shipments of lead pigments¹ and oxides in the United States

Pigment	1963				1964			
	Production (short tons)	Shipments			Production (short tons)	Shipments		
		Short tons	Value *			Short tons	Value *	
			Total	Average per ton †			Total	Average per ton
White lead:								
Dry.....	10,239	10,075	\$3,688,456	\$366	9,298	10,432	\$3,097,056	\$383
In oil †.....	3,768	5,327	2,485,387	407	3,298	5,014	2,600,233	519
Total.....	13,997	15,402	6,173,823	401	12,596	15,446	6,597,289	427
Red lead.....	26,780	26,245	7,391,928	282	27,812	28,090	9,172,654	327
Litharge.....	93,958	103,834	24,672,270	238	100,230	99,393	30,653,873	308
Black oxide.....	182,934				178,038			

¹ Except for basic lead sulfate, figures withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

² At plant, exclusive of container.

³ Corrected figures.

⁴ Weight of white lead only, but value of paste.

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TABLE 17.—Lead content of lead and zinc pigments by domestic manufacturers, (Short tons)

Pigment	1963			Total lead in pigments
	Lead in pigments produced from—		Pig lead	
	Ore			
	Domestic	Foreign		
White lead.....			11, 198	11, 198
Red lead.....			23, 370	23, 370
Litharge.....			87, 381	87, 381
Black oxide.....			175, 005	175, 005
Lead zinc oxide...	1, 555	869		2, 424
Total.....	1, 555	869	296, 954	290, 378

¹ Excludes lead in basic lead sulfate; figures withheld to avoid disclosing data.

TABLE 18.—Distribution of white lead (dry and in oil) (Short tons)

Industry	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961
Paints.....	17,960	14,145	12,459
Ceramics.....	459	219	219
Other.....	4,067	3,578	3,578
Total.....	22,486	17,942	16,256

¹ Excludes basic lead sulfate; figures withheld to avoid disclosing data.

TABLE 19.—Distribution of red lead (dry and in oil) (Short tons)

Industry	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961
Paints.....	14,091	12,903	12,903
Storage batteries.....	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
Ceramics.....	(¹)	328	328
Other.....	11,537	9,400	9,400
Total.....	25,628	22,631	22,631

¹ Included with "Other."

TABLE 20.—Distribution of litharge (dry and in oil) (Short tons)

Industry	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961
Ceramics.....	(¹)	15,753	14,145
Chrome pigments.....	4,390	(¹)	(¹)
Floor covering.....	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
Insecticides.....	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
Oil refining.....	3,286	2,371	2,371
Rubber.....	1,713	1,373	1,373
Storage batteries.....	(¹)	(¹)	(¹)
Varnish.....	3,990	3,471	3,471
Other.....	103,621	75,672	75,672
Total.....	117,000	98,640	98,640

¹ Included with "Other."

TABLE 21.—U.S. imports for consumption of lead pigments and compounds

Kind	1963		1964	
	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)
White lead.....	2,434	\$549	2,674	\$748
Red lead.....	1,171	198	1,013	351
Litharge.....	22,440	3,592	19,763	4,001
Other lead pigments.....	12	9	5	13
Other lead compounds.....	238	52	195	51
Total.....	26,295	4,400	24,250	5,174

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 22.—U.S. exports of lead pigments and compounds

Kind	1963		1964	
	Short tons	Value	Short tons	Value
Lead pigments ¹	1,845	\$620	1,680	\$608
Lead arsenate.....	401	135	936	278
Total.....	2,246	755	2,616	886

¹ Includes white lead, red lead, and litharge.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

STOCKS

The high level of demand for lead and the shortage of foreign and domestic concentrates for smelting resulted in a continued decline in stocks at primary plants. Stocks of refined lead amounted to 48,800 tons at the beginning of the year and decreased to 34,100 tons at yearend. Lead in antimonial lead decreased from 7,900 tons to 4,000 tons. Total yearend stocks representing physical inventories at primary plants regardless of ownership, but not including material in process or in transit, were 84,400 tons, a decline of 36,400 tons. The most recent comparable low for stocks was in 1955 when yearend stocks totaled 89,400 tons.

Stocks reported by the American Bureau of Metal Statistics indicate an additional 21,600 tons of lead in base bullion in process or in transit to primary plants and about 30,900 tons of lead in ores and matte in process. Total stocks of lead in metal and primary materials was thus 141,900 tons in comparison to 166,900 tons at the end of 1963.

Consumer and secondary smelter stocks of lead declined from 119,900 tons to 113,400 tons at yearend. About 61 percent of the stocks was refined lead and 31 percent was antimonial lead, a slightly higher percentage of refined lead than held in recent years.

As of December 31, 1964, the total lead inventory in all Government stockpiles was 1,338,130 tons, indicating a delivery of 40,270 tons of lead pursuant to the sale in August under Public Law 88-373.

TABLE 23.—Stocks of lead at primary smelter States, Dec. 31 (Short tons)

Stocks	1955-59 (average)	1960
Refined pig lead.....	82,017	148,415
Lead in antimonial lead.....	10,815	10,483
Lead in base bullion.....	11,581	20,025
Lead in ore and matte.....	42,741	65,219
Total.....	147,154	250,142

* Revised.

TABLE 24.—Consumer stocks of lead in the United States, Dec. 31 (Short tons, lead content)

Year	Refined soft lead	Antimonial lead
1960.....	49,725	39,000
1961.....	55,951	33,000
1962.....	51,121	34,000
1963.....	71,558	40,000
1964.....	69,361	35,000

PRICES

The year opened with the quoted price of lead at 13 cents per pound at New York. The price advanced to 13 cents and held until January 2, to 13 cents and held until January 13 to 14 cents existed until firmed at 14 cents. On October 14 an increase to 15 cents was announced. A range of 15 to 16 cents existed until firmed at 16 cents on the following day. The price of 16 cents held through the year. The average New York price for the year was 15.5 cents.

TABLE 25.—Average monthly and yearly quoted prices of lead, New York, and London (Cents per pound)

Month	1963		
	St. Louis	New York	London
January.....	10.12	10.32	
February.....	10.30	10.50	
March.....	10.30	10.50	
April.....	10.30	10.50	
May.....	10.30	10.50	
June.....	10.62	10.72	
July.....	10.88	11.08	
August.....	11.16	11.36	
September.....	11.44	11.64	
October.....	11.72	11.92	
November.....	11.98	12.18	
December.....	12.30	12.50	
Average.....	10.94	11.14	

¹ St. Louis: Metal Statistics, 1965, p. 447. New York: Metal and Mineral Markets.² Based on monthly rates of exchange by Federal Reserve Board.

Quotation on the London Metal Exchange gradually climbed from a low of £76.88 per long ton in January (equivalent to 9.6 cents per pound, U.S. currency, computed on the average monthly rate of exchange) to a high of £154 (19.2 cents) on December 15 and closed the year at £122 (15.2 cents). The average for the year was 12.6 cents per pound (U.S. equivalent).

FOREIGN TRADE

Receipts of lead materials as general imports amounted to 341,000 tons, a 12-percent decrease, and continued the decline in imports initiated in 1962. Primary materials for domestic smelting and refining totaled 128,100 tons, 16-percent less than had been received in 1963. Imports of metal amounted to 207,800 tons, an 8-percent decrease; scrap receipts also decreased. Imports for consumption of materials for domestic processing totaled 135,100 tons and imports of metal amounted to 211,140 tons. The primary raw materials entered under the quota amounted to 90 percent of the allowable limitation for the year, while the quota for lead metal was essentially filled in each quarter. Imports for consumption of scrap decreased as did semifabricated products such as sheet, pipe, and shot.

The major suppliers of ore in descending order of importance were Peru, Republic of South Africa, Canada, Australia, Bolivia, and Mexico. Mexico supplied 34 percent of the metal, followed by Australia, Canada, Yugoslavia, and Peru.

TABLE 26.—U.S. imports¹ of lead, by countries

(Short tons)

Country	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Ore, flue dust, and matte (lead content):						
North America:						
Canada.....	28,094	26,473	34,361	27,728	23,634	27,951
Guatemala.....	5,260	1,809	9,817	2,135	305	5
Honduras.....	3,180	4,006	5,812	4,065	6,809	6,375
Mexico.....	2,435	1,249	1,106	1,180	1,071	1,069
Other.....	1,128					
Total.....	40,687	34,437	50,856	36,008	31,819	35,400
South America:						
Bolivia.....	15,049	9,021	11,370	8,242	9,791	6,073
Chile.....	208	1,283	610			
Colombia.....	682	705	722	439	0	
Peru.....	52,537	36,300	28,970	32,999	43,960	28,243
Other.....	308	103				
Total.....	68,784	47,412	41,672	41,680	53,750	34,310
Europe:	161	222	300	290		
Asia:						
Philippines.....	1,424	228	238	67	23	68
Other.....	202	604		181	244	117
Total.....	1,626	732	238	238	267	176
Africa:						
South Africa, Republic of.....	41,359	39,352	34,089	33,881	34,273	34,080
Other.....	5	5,238				
Total.....	41,364	44,590	34,089	33,881	34,273	34,080
Oceania: Australia.....	29,956	18,209	20,031	20,544	27,633	19,280
Total ore, flue dust, and matte.....	182,668	146,692	147,186	138,631	147,742	123,267

See footnotes at end of table.

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TABLE 26.—U.S. imports¹ of lead, by (Short tons)

Country	1955-59 (average)	1960
Base bullion (lead content):		
North America.....	15	284
South America.....	116	39
Europe.....	(²)	
Asia.....		
Oceania.....		
Total base bullion.....	131	293
Pigs and bars (lead content):		
North America:		
Canada.....	32,348	26,088
Mexico.....	96,621	69,930
Other.....	65	9
Total.....	129,034	96,027
South America:		
Peru.....	32,906	25,197
Other.....	350	
Total.....	33,316	25,197
Europe:		
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	2,133	610
Denmark.....	2,473	
Germany, West.....	1,845	551
Spain.....	8,820	4,115
United Kingdom.....	2,630	7
Yugoslavia.....	36,808	30,027
Other.....	349	1,388
Total.....	64,818	36,698
Asia.....	11	
Africa.....	7,633	1,328
Oceania: Australia.....	71,778	46,783
Total pigs and bars.....	206,500	206,033
Reclaimed, scrap, etc. (lead content):		
North America:		
Canada.....	4,043	4,069
Mexico.....	4,327	1,054
Other.....	849	160
Total.....	9,219	5,273
South America:		
Peru.....	103	
Venezuela.....	877	
Other.....	35	
Total.....	515	
Europe:		
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	140	
Denmark.....	273	
Germany, West.....	104	1
Netherlands.....	64	
Other.....	155	4
Total.....	726	5
Asia.....	14	5
Oceania: Australia.....	2,602	2,355
Total reclaimed, scrap, etc.....	13,070	7,638
Grand total.....	402,365	359,656

¹Data are general imports; that is, they include lead imports entering the country under bond.

²Less than 1/2 unit.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 27.—U.S. imports for consumption¹ of lead, by countries
(Short tons)

Country	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Ore, flue dust, and matte (lead content):						
North America:						
Canada.....	31,045	27,944	31,430	29,523	30,937	27,973
Guatemala.....	5,152	1,519	5,527	4,691	387	5
Honduras.....	3,410	4,457	4,803	5,959	8,602	6,489
Mexico.....	2,964	948	1,060	1,899	1,850	458
Other.....	1,063					
Total.....	44,234	34,863	42,829	42,072	41,895	34,925
South America:						
Bolivia.....	15,420	10,581	10,470	7,479	10,055	8,373
Chile.....	2,114	27	401	3		
Colombia.....	690	628	514	480	95	
Peru.....	56,410	33,571	32,318	32,327	32,140	32,314
Other.....	294	103		3		
Total.....	74,934	44,910	43,703	40,292	42,290	40,687
Europe.....	30	(?)		220		
Asia:						
Philippines.....	1,428	187	380	111	31	80
Other.....	106	427			223	121
Total.....	1,534	614	380	111	254	207
Africa:						
South Africa, Republic of.....	30,120	30,784	29,736	29,750	29,740	29,700
Other.....	371	5,238		2		
Total.....	39,500	36,022	29,736	29,752	29,740	29,700
Oceania:						
Australia.....	30,977	20,894	20,132	20,027	21,295	22,488
Other.....	32					
Total.....	31,009	20,894	20,132	20,027	21,295	22,488
Total ore, flue dust, and matte.....	191,301	137,303	136,780	133,080	135,445	128,067
Base bullion (lead content):						
North America.....	15	254	134	5	904	3,094
South America.....	86	39	102	2,078	854	603
Europe.....			(?)		3	560
Oceania.....					1,937	2,788
Total base bullion.....	101	293	236	2,083	3,768	7,043
Pigs and bars (lead content):						
North America:						
Canada.....	32,337	28,154	54,902	56,807	29,674	30,777
Mexico.....	93,893	73,748	71,289	69,147	78,254	72,078
Other.....	52	29	6			45
Total.....	126,282	99,931	126,197	124,954	107,928	102,900
South America:						
Peru.....	32,955	25,197	26,195	22,103	22,224	23,114
Other.....	349				35	
Total.....	33,304	25,197	26,195	22,103	22,259	23,114
Europe:						
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	1,892	1,733	41	1,085	4,300	4,375
Denmark.....	1,448	88				700
Germany, West.....	1,607	654	911	614	577	3,092
Spain.....	8,240	0,050	8,775	3,958	7,713	847
United Kingdom.....	2,484	133	16		1,462	1,697

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 27.—U.S. imports for consumption¹ of lead, by countries
(Short tons)

Country	1955-59 (average)	1960
Pigs and bars (lead content)—Continued		
Europe—Continued		
Yugoslavia.....	36,797	30,159
Other.....	997	1,877
Total.....	53,434	40,700
Asia.....	11	
Africa:		
Morocco.....	7,408	1,243
Other.....	458	460
Total.....	7,864	1,703
Oceania: Australia.....	71,561	45,816
Total pigs and bars.....	292,458	213,347
Reclaimed, scrap, etc. (lead content):		
North America:		
Canada.....	4,044	4,053
Mexico.....	4,802	1,189
Other.....	880	220
Total.....	9,732	5,462
South America:		
Peru.....	149	
Venezuela.....	377	
Other.....	41	
Total.....	567	
Europe:		
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	140	
Denmark.....	272	
Germany, West.....	160	1
Netherlands.....	54	
Other.....	190	15
Total.....	817	16
Asia.....	13	5
Oceania:		
Australia.....	1,580	115
Other.....	11	
Total.....	1,571	115
Total reclaimed, scrap, etc.....	12,700	5,598
Sheets, pipe, and shot:		
North America:		
Canada.....	253	213
Canal Zone.....	4	
Mexico.....	2,690	
Total.....	2,947	213
Europe.....	1,423	2,641
Asia.....	(?)	1
Total sheets, pipe and shot.....	4,370	2,855
Grand total.....	500,928	359,390

¹ Revised.
² Excludes imports for manufacture in bond and export, classified by Bureau of the Census.
³ Less than 1/2 unit.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 28.—U.S. imports for consumption of lead, by classes¹

Year	Lead in ore, fine dust or fume, and minates, n.s.p.f. (lead content)		Lead in base bullion (lead content)		Pigs and bars (lead content)		Reclaimed, scrap, etc. (lead content)		Sheets, pipe, and shot		Not otherwise specified value (thousands)	Total value (thousands)
	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)		
1955-59 (average).....	191,301	\$45,771	101	\$35	292,456	\$72,393	12,700	\$2,717	4,370	\$1,075	\$348	\$122,339
1960.....	137,303	27,816	293	62	213,347	45,065	5,598	1,034	2,855	998	710	75,383
1961.....	130,780	24,332	236	51	247,427	45,881	3,894	592	2,845	641	807	72,304
1962.....	133,080	21,003	2,083	710	257,865	41,570	2,078	289	2,276	474	978	65,004
1963.....	135,445	21,534	3,768	1,792	220,398	40,126	15,405	2,009	2,429	513	792	66,766
1964.....	128,067	21,789	7,043	2,058	211,140	45,790	1,907	350	1,523	369	713	71,069

¹ Revised.² Excludes imports for consumption in bond and export, classified as "Imports for consumption" by the Bureau of the Census.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 29.—U.S. imports for consumption of miscellaneous products containing lead

Year	Babbitt metal, solder, white metal, and other combinations containing lead			Type metal and antimonial lead		
	Gross weight (short tons)	Lead content (short tons)	Value (thousands)	Gross weight (short tons)	Lead content (short tons)	Value (thousands)
1955-59 (average).....	5,195	2,342	\$5,967	8,036	7,223	\$2,212
1960.....	9,274	1,512	16,024	4,500	3,915	970
1961.....	7,930	1,409	14,207	6,430	5,705	1,340
1962.....	2,438	1,030	3,443	8,576	7,512	1,363
1963.....	2,535	1,246	3,207	3,747	3,196	621
1964.....	3,425	1,610	8,785	NA	NA	NA

NA Not available.

¹ Due to changes in classification, effective Sept. 1, 1963, data no longer separately classified. January-August data tabulated.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 30.—U.S. exports of lead (Short tons)

Destination	1955-59 (average)
Ore, matte, base bullion (lead content):	
North America:	
Canada.....	15
Mexico.....	843
Other.....	
Total.....	858
South America.....	6
Europe.....	37
Asia.....	
Total, ore, matte, base bullion.....	906
Pigs, bars, anodes:	
North America:	
Canada.....	69
Cuba.....	42
Mexico.....	14
Other.....	90
Total.....	215
South America.....	171
Europe.....	542
Asia:	
Japan.....	697
Philippines.....	325
Taiwan.....	542
Other.....	233
Total.....	1,767
Africa.....	2
Oceania.....	
Total pigs, bars, anodes.....	2,697
Scrap:	
North America.....	5
South America.....	(¹)
Europe:	
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	155
Germany, West.....	333
Italy.....	19
Netherlands.....	371
United Kingdom.....	491
Other.....	96
Total.....	1,455
Asia:	
Japan.....	162
Other.....	(¹)
Total.....	162
Total scrap.....	1,632
Grand total.....	5,235

¹ In addition foreign lead was reexported as follows: Ore, matte 1960-64 none. Pigs, bars, anodes, 1955-59 (average) 91 tons; 1960 4,367 tons. Scrap, 1955-59 (average) 2 tons; 1960-64, none.² Less than 1/2 unit.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

WORLD REVIEW

World mine production of lead in 1964 declined to less than 2.7 million tons; decreases were indicated for South America, Europe, and, especially, Africa. Smelter production increased for all areas except Africa and Australia. Lead consumption, according to the American Bureau of Metal Statistics, continued to increase substantially with the 1964 free world above 2.3 million tons, a gain of some 374,000 tons or 19 percent since 1959.

Demand for lead metal and, especially, for lead in concentrates continued strong throughout the year and the average monthly London Metal Exchange price for lead increased each month to a high of £139.2 in December. New York price likewise increased from 12.5 cents at the close of 1963 to 16 cents per pound at the close of 1964. World producer stocks, as published by the International Lead and Zinc Study Group, declined from 228,000 tons to 185,000 tons. Of this Europe held 50,000 tons; the United States, 50,000; and other countries, 85,000.

The strong demand and price of lead, along with improvement in market for associated metals, induced a substantial increase in exploration, development, and planned expansion of old mines and construction of new plants throughout the world. Some additional lead from these projects will be forthcoming in 1965, but the major increases will not become available until after mid-1966.

TABLE 31.—World mine production of lead (content of ore) recoverable where indicated, by countries^{1,2}

(Short tons)						
Country	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964 ³
North America:						
Canada.....	180,205	205,650	182,557	211,321	108,988	200,369
Cuba.....	73					
Greenland.....	8,627	7,635	10,104	891		
Guatemala ⁴	8,351	0,432	9,458	1,067	825	220
Honduras.....	3,042	5,913	0,702	0,522	10,913	500
Mexico.....	224,409	210,177	199,877	213,074	209,425	187,345
United States ⁵	310,400	246,609	261,921	236,956	253,369	286,010
Total.....	744,203	685,476	670,679	609,831	673,620	680,434
South America:						
Argentina.....	30,754	29,432	31,306	32,606	28,901	28,204
Bolivia (exports).....	23,680	23,610	22,403	20,504	22,225	19,401
Brazil.....	6,200	12,200	15,400	16,800	19,200	10,200
Chile.....	3,317	2,694	2,252	1,603	967	1,230
Colombia (U.S. imports).....	681	705	722	1,430	9	
Ecuador.....	118	119	122	137	179	153
Peru ⁶	139,851	145,097	150,353	141,290	163,468	164,508
Total.....	204,510	213,857	222,558	213,379	235,030	232,846
Europe:						
Austria ⁷	5,691	5,758	6,051	5,855	5,504	5,727
Bulgaria.....	70,618	92,341	88,229	104,058	97,905	100,641

See footnotes at end of table.

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TABLE 31.—World mine production of lead (content of ore) recoverable where indicated, by countries^{1,2}

(Short tons)		
Country	1955-59 (average)	1960
Europe—Continued		
Czechoslovakia ⁸	6,500	7,200
Finland.....	1,028	1,775
France.....	13,289	20,465
Germany:		
East.....	7,300	7,700
West.....	70,316	54,911
Greece.....	8,731	10,141
Ireland.....	1,808	1,481
Italy.....	58,118	54,521
Norway.....	1,409	2,781
Poland.....	37,010	43,211
Portugal.....	1,106	1,301
Rumania ⁹	13,000	13,200
Spain.....	72,327	60,351
Sweden.....	42,334	60,981
U.S.S.R. ¹⁰	310,000	350,000
United Kingdom.....	6,697	1,541
Yugoslavia.....	90,101	100,551
Total.....	827,300	908,900
Asia:		
Burma.....	10,031	19,071
China.....	49,600	58,000
India.....	3,890	4,991
Iran ¹¹	18,500	16,500
Japan.....	36,290	43,571
Korea:		
North.....	41,000	55,000
South.....	993	1,011
Philippines.....	1,623	131
Thailand.....	3,223	2,021
Turkey.....	2,215	1,831
Total.....	176,300	232,100
Africa:		
Algeria.....	11,602	11,521
Congo, Republic of (Brazzaville).....	3,509	4,741
Morocco.....	100,048	104,441
Nigeria.....	309	221
South Africa, Republic of.....	581	131
South-West Africa ¹²	87,983	71,541
Tanzania (exports).....	5,320	0,821
Tunisia.....	25,306	19,981
Uganda (exports).....	110	81
United Arab Republic (Egypt) ¹³	331	51
Zambia ¹⁴	16,505	16,161
Total.....	251,704	235,771
Oceania: Australia.....	352,208	345,141
World total¹⁵.....	2,555,600	2,620,000

¹ Estimate. ² Preliminary.

³ Data derived in part from United Nations Statistical Yearbook, London, and annual issues of the Statistical Summary, London, and Metal Statistics (Metallgesellschaft), Frankfurt.

⁴ This table incorporates some revisions. Data do not add where estimated figures are included in the detail.

⁵ Recoverable.

⁶ Data for 1961, 1962, 1963, and 1964 not strictly comparable.

⁷ Average annual production 1956-59.

⁸ Exports.

⁹ 1963 data.

¹⁰ Smelter production.

¹¹ Year ended March 31 of year following that stated.

¹² Includes lead content of lead-vanadium concentrates.

CONSUMPTION OF SLAB ZINC, BY GEOGRAPHIC AREAS

Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Illinois accounted for 59 percent of the slab zinc used in galvanizing. The iron and steel industry used to galvanize steel sheets, wire, tube, pipe, cable, chain, bolts, way-signal equipment, building and pole-line hardware, and other products. Connecticut again ranked first in consuming slab zinc in brass making, followed by Illinois and Michigan. Michigan led in the consumption of slab zinc in making zinc-base alloys. Other large consuming States were Illinois, Ohio, New York, and Indiana.

TABLE 19.—Reported slab zinc consumption in the United States in 1964, by industries and States (Short tons)

State	Galvanizers	Brass mills ¹	Die casters ²	Other ³	Total
Alabama	36,246	W	W	W	36,228
Alaska	W	W	W	W	W
Arizona	28,635	1,715	10,988	697	42,015
Arkansas	W	W	W	W	W
California	2,340	43,480	W	W	49,709
Colorado	W	W	W	W	W
Connecticut	W	W	W	W	2,912
Delaware	W	W	W	W	W
District of Columbia	W	W	W	W	W
Florida	45,913	18,199	75,463	21,403	160,968
Georgia	60,039	W	38,683	W	122,476
Idaho	W	W	W	W	1,846
Illinois	W	W	W	W	W
Indiana	W	W	W	W	1,696
Iowa	W	W	W	W	33,719
Kansas	W	W	W	W	8,198
Louisiana	3,809	2,326	W	W	164,071
Maine	W	14,668	133,172	W	2,301
Marshall Islands	2,301	W	W	W	14,803
Massachusetts	5,379	W	8,208	W	1,889
Michigan	W	W	W	W	W
Minnesota	W	W	W	W	28,977
Mississippi	3,026	0,050	W	W	78,008
Missouri	5,686	W	55,483	W	W
Montana	91,971	W	76,109	W	170,078
Nebraska	2,915	W	W	W	5,727
Nevada	W	W	W	W	134,056
New Hampshire	70,664	W	23,040	W	702
New Jersey	W	W	W	W	2,138
New Mexico	W	W	W	W	47,340
New York	14,423	W	W	W	W
North Carolina	180	W	W	W	1,120
North Dakota	W	W	W	W	1,444
Ohio	11,607	W	W	W	12,176
Oklahoma	2,064	W	7,215	W	16,745
Oregon	65,927	45,028	95,223	68,070	60,763
Pennsylvania	453,631	132,378	623,162	90,770	1,199,831
Rhode Island	W	W	W	W	W
South Carolina	W	W	W	W	W
South Dakota	W	W	W	W	W
Tennessee	W	W	W	W	W
Texas	W	W	W	W	W
Utah	W	W	W	W	W
Vermont	W	W	W	W	W
Virginia	W	W	W	W	W
Washington	W	W	W	W	W
West Virginia	W	W	W	W	W
Wisconsin	W	W	W	W	W
Wyoming	W	W	W	W	W
Unallocated	W	W	W	W	W
Total ⁴	453,631	132,378	623,162	90,770	1,199,831

Withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data; included with "Undistributed."
¹ Includes brass mills, brass ingot makers, and brass foundries.
² Includes producers of zinc-base alloy for diecastings, stamping dies, and rods.
³ Includes slab zinc used in rolled zinc products and in zinc oxide.
⁴ Includes remelt zinc.

ZINC PIGMENTS AND COMPOUNDS

Production.—Output of zinc pigments and compounds, including lithopone, increased to the highest level since 1959. The increase was accounted for by the highest output of leaded zinc oxide since 1955 and a record production of zinc sulfate. Zinc chloride rose 3 percent, while leaded zinc oxide declined, continuing a downward trend during the past 17 years.

TABLE 20.—Production and shipments of zinc pigments and compounds in the United States

Pigment or compound	1963					Production (short tons)	Shipments (short tons)
	Production (short tons)	Shipments			Value ¹		
		Short tons	Value ¹				
			Total	Average per ton			
Zinc oxide ²	157,371	162,271	\$37,747,269		\$233	163,305	174,305
Leaded zinc oxide ³	15,060	15,478	3,508,621		227	12,237	13,600
Zinc chloride, 50° B ⁴	48,728	50,922	W		W	50,977	49,600
Zinc sulfate	40,109	40,111	5,450,019		136	46,314	46,600

W Withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.
¹ Excludes lithopone; figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.
² Value at plant, exclusive of container.
³ Zinc oxide containing 5 percent or more lead is classed as leaded zinc oxide.
⁴ Includes zinc chloride equivalent of zinc ammonium chloride and chromated zinc chloride.

Pigments and compounds were made from various materials, including ore, slab zinc, scrap, and residue. The production of zinc pigments and compounds numbered 16 for zinc sulfate, 8 for zinc chloride, and 1 for lithopone.

TABLE 21.—Zinc content of zinc pigments¹ and compounds produced by manufacturers, by sources (Short tons)

Pigment or compound	1963					Total zinc in pigments and compounds	Zinc in pigments and compounds produced from—	
	Ore			Slab zinc	Secondary material		Ore	
	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic				Foreign	
Zinc oxide.....	65,245	16,250	16,037	28,026	125,558	70,728	13,487	
Leaded zinc oxide.....	5,105	4,087	W	9,252	4,714	2,780	W	
Total pigments.....	70,410	20,337	16,037	28,026	134,810	75,442	16,267	
Zinc chloride ²	W	W	W	11,130	11,130	W	W	
Zinc sulfate.....	W	W	W	13,372	13,372	W	W	

W Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.
¹ Excludes zinc sulfide and lithopone; figures withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.
² Includes zinc content of zinc ammonium chloride and chromated zinc chloride.

Lead-free zinc oxide was made by several processes; 66 percent was made from ores and residues by the American process, 19 percent from metal made by the French process, and 15 percent from scrap residues and secondary materials by other processes. Leaded zinc oxide was made from ores, zinc chloride was made from slab zinc and secondary zinc materials, and zinc sulfate was made from ores and secondary materials.

Four grades of leaded zinc oxide, classified according to lead content, were produced. The more than 5 to 35 percent grade constituted most of the production. Relatively small quantities of the 5 percent or less, the more than 35 to 50 percent, and over 50 percent grades were produced.

Lithopone, a coprecipitate of zinc sulfide and barium sulfate, was produced, but figures are withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

Consumption and Uses.—Shipments of lead-free zinc oxide were 174,300 tons, 7 percent greater than in 1963. The quantity received by the rubber, paint, and ceramic industries accounted for 77 percent of the total shipped.

The paint industry received 96 percent of the 13,600 tons of leaded zinc oxide shipped.

Lithopone was used in paint, varnish and lacquer, coated fabrics and textiles, rubber, and floor covering.

The principal uses of zinc chloride were for battery making, galvanizing, vulcanizing fiber, preserving wood, and refining oil, as well as for fungicides, solder and timing fluxes.

The chief uses of zinc sulfate were in rayon and agriculture. Other uses were in glue manufacture, flotation reagents, rubber, and medicine.

Prices.—Prices for lead-free zinc oxides advanced 0.50 cent in May and 0.75 cent in October. Year-end quotations in cents per pound in carlots, freight allowed, was 14.75 cents for American-process zinc oxide, and quotations for Green-seal and White-seal French-process zinc

TABLE 22.—Distribution of zinc oxide and leaded zinc oxide shipments, by industries (Short tons)

Industry	1955-59 (average)	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Zinc oxide:						
Rubber.....	79,313	76,120	71,634	80,247	82,776	93,668
Paints.....	33,213	31,610	30,406	31,381	34,382	31,176
Ceramics.....	9,763	9,840	10,058	11,092	9,381	9,447
Coated fabrics and textiles ¹	5,657	1,331	1,185	202	(²)	(²)
Floor coverings.....	1,429	1,316	1,174	457	(²)	438
Other.....	23,723	25,661	30,852	31,470	35,732	39,674
Total.....	162,968	144,778	145,208	164,849	162,271	174,303
Leaded zinc oxide:						
Paints.....	25,335	17,618	16,533	14,059	14,899	13,124
Rubber.....	653	1,602	1,474	735	674	489
Other.....						
Total.....	26,088	19,220	18,007	14,794	15,573	13,613

¹ Figures for zinc oxide used for rayon are withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

² Included with "Other."

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oxide were 16.50 and 16.75 cents, respectively. Lead the 5 to 35 percent grade advanced 0.325 and 1.125 cent, quotation of 15.75 cents.

Zinc chloride (50° Baumé) was quoted at 5.25 cents September when it increased to 5.55 cents, where it remained the balance of the year. Zinc sulfate (Monohydrate, 36° Baumé) was quoted at 9.50 cents per pound throughout the year.

Foreign Trade.—A substantial reduction in imports resulted in a 25-percent decline for all zinc pigments

TABLE 23.—Distribution of zinc sulfate shipments, by (Short tons)

Year	Rayon		Agriculture		Other	
	Gross weight	Dry basis	Gross weight	Dry basis	Gross weight	Dry basis
1955-59 (average).....	19,615	17,460	8,309	7,231	4,934	3,909
1960.....	15,727	14,097	4,320	3,848	8,749	7,800
1961.....	12,284	11,007	5,673	5,086	10,934	9,900
1962.....	W	W	8,544	7,313	22,087	20,300
1963.....	W	W	10,785	9,407	29,326	23,000
1964.....	18,006	16,103	11,248	9,807	17,292	11,200

W Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

TABLE 24.—U.S. imports for consumption of zinc pigments

Kind	1963	
	Short tons	Value (thousands)
Zinc oxide.....	13,957	\$2,532
Zinc sulfide.....	423	133
Lithopone.....	150	22
Zinc arsenate.....	(¹)	(¹)
Zinc chloride.....	936	140
Zinc sulfate.....	885	84
Zinc cyanide.....	27	20
Zinc compounds, n.s.p.f.....	115	23
Total.....	16,502	2,964

¹ Revised.

² Less than 1/4 unit.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

TABLE 25.—U.S. exports of zinc pigments

Kind	1963	
	Short tons	Value (thousands)
Zinc oxide.....	2,062	\$227
Lithopone.....	830	139
Total.....	3,892	366

Source: Bureau of the Census.

Canada and Mexico supplied 39 and 38 percent, respectively, of the zinc oxide imports.

Exports of zinc oxide declined 18 percent, with shipments to 40 countries. Lithopone exports increased by 41 percent, with Viet-Nam receiving 65 percent of the total.

STOCKS

Stocks of slab zinc at producer plants were 47,900 tons at the beginning of the year; they declined to a low of 26,000 tons at the end of July and then increased to 31,200 tons by December 31, the lowest yearend stocks recorded since 1951.

TABLE 26.—Stocks of zinc at zinc-reduction plants in the United States, Dec. 31 (Short tons)

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
At primary reduction plants.....	178,200	143,494	142,059	48,374	30,680
At secondary distilling plants.....	7,673	3,393	2,687	1,636	498
Total.....	185,882	146,887	144,746	47,910	31,178

Stocks of slab zinc at consumer plants of 97,500 tons at the start of the year were drawn down about 8,000 tons by the end of August, followed by a generally upward trend resulting in yearend stocks of 107,500 tons.

TABLE 27.—Consumer stocks of slab zinc at plants, Dec. 31, by industries (Short tons)

Date	Galvanizers	Brass mills ¹	Zinc diecasters ²	Zinc rolling mills	Oxide plants	Other	Total
Dec. 31, 1963.....	56,898	9,639	23,227	4,849	234	3,328	97,475
Dec. 31, 1964.....	53,870	11,981	34,802	3,535	282	3,008	107,478

¹ Revised.

² Includes brass mills, brass ingot makers, and foundries.

³ Includes producers of zinc-base alloy for diecastings, stamping dies, and rods.

⁴ Stocks on Dec. 31, 1963, and Dec. 31, 1964, include 300 and 381 tons, respectively, of remelt spelter.

PRICES

The quoted price of Prime Western grade zinc, advanced one-half cent in April and 1 cent yearend price of 14.50 cents per pound.

About midyear, major producers outside the U.S. published a "producers' price" in reaction to a combination of high prices on the London Metal Exchange and high prices on the London Metal Exchange adversely affect zinc consumption. During 1964, L.M.E. and "producers' price" were well equivalent.

TABLE 28.—Average monthly quoted prices of 60-percent zinc in Joplin, and common zinc (prompt delivery or spot) in London¹

Month	60-percent zinc contracts in the Joplin region (per ton)	1963	
		East St. Louis	London ²
January.....	\$98.00	11.80	8.46
February.....	88.00	11.50	8.09
March.....	88.00	11.50	8.96
April.....	88.00	11.50	9.27
May.....	88.00	11.50	9.50
June.....	88.00	11.57	9.49
July.....	88.00	12.06	9.29
August.....	72.46	12.50	9.55
September.....	76.00	12.50	9.58
October.....	76.00	12.50	10.02
November.....	76.00	12.50	10.51
December.....	79.68	12.98	11.84
Average for year.....	72.01	12.01	9.60

¹ Joplin: Metal Statistics, 1965, p. 503. East St. Louis: Metal Statistics, Metal and Mineral Markets.

² Conversion of English quotations into U.S. money based on average Federal Reserve Board.

³ Average of daily mean of bid and asked quotations at morning session.

TABLE 29.—Average price received by producers (Cents per pound)

Grade	1960	1961
Special High Grade.....	13.68	11.58
High Grade.....	13.19	11.42
Intermediate.....	13.34	12.12
Brass Special.....	12.89	11.52
Select.....	12.64	11.00
Prime Western.....	12.15	11.32
All grades.....	12.85	11.45
Prime Western; spot quotation at St. Louis ¹	12.96	11.68

¹ Metal Statistics, 1966, p. 501.