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India.—Production of kyanite in 1961 was 29,933 short tons, a 35-percent increase over that of 1960. Sillimanite production was 8,943 tons, 2 percent less than that of 1960.⁵

Korea, Republic of.—Production of andalusite in Korea was 270 short tons in 1960 and 562 tons in 1961.⁶

South Africa, Republic of.—Production of andalusite and sillimanite was 79,367 short tons, a decrease of 22 percent from that of 1961. Local sales totaled 5,864 tons valued at \$98,000, and exports were 50,989 tons valued at \$2.4 million.⁷

South-West Africa.—Kyanite production was 1,667 short tons, 44 percent less than that of 1961. Exports totaled 2,177 tons valued at \$62,600.⁸

TECHNOLOGY

The Pella corundum-sillimanite deposits in Namaqualand, Republic of South Africa, were described. Exploitation is difficult because of the extreme hardness and toughness of the ore, illustrated by the fact that in several tests the average penetration by diamond-drill bits was only 3 inches. Oxygen lancing was tried with some success, but percussion drilling with tungsten-carbide-tipped steel bits was found to be the most efficient method of preparing the material for blasting.⁹

Research on mullite-forming mixtures containing various quantities of the impurities, titanium dioxide, ferric oxide, and alkalis, and tests on sintered mullite shapes made from siliceous bauxite were reported. Satisfactory mullite was prepared from mixtures containing up to a total of 5 percent impurity oxides. Shapes made with mullite prepared from siliceous bauxite were equivalent to those made from imported kyanite.¹⁰

A monograph was published on the properties, structure, formation, and significance of mullite. Coverage of Russian research on mullite was included.¹¹

Research results were presented which indicated that there is a complete isomorphous series between sillimanite ($\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$) and 3/2 mullite ($3\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-2SiO}_2$).¹²

Significant revisions of the $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$ equilibrium diagram were made, based on 190 tests in sealed noble-metal containers at temperatures up to 1,850° C. Differences in equilibrium data obtained in past research may have resulted to a considerable extent from the conditions under which the experimental data were obtained, particularly with regard to the amount of evaporation of SiO_2 from the liquid phase.¹³

⁵ U.S. Embassy, New Delhi, India. State Department Dispatch 892, Apr. 27, 1962, p. 2.

⁶ U.S. Embassy, Seoul, Republic of Korea. State Department Dispatches 455, Apr. 4, 1961, encl. 1, p. 1 and 413, Apr. 27, 1962, encl. 1, p. 1.

⁷ U.S. Consulate, Johannesburg, Republic of South Africa. State Department Airgram A-362, Mar. 28, 1963, p. 1.

⁸ U.S. Consulate, Johannesburg, Republic of South Africa. State Department Airgram A-334, Mar. 13, 1963, p. 2.

⁹ Weldner, P. J. Pella Corundum-Sillimanite. *Mine & Quarry Eng.* (London), v. 28, No. 11, November 1962, pp. 494-498.

¹⁰ Tyrrell, M. E. Effects of Impurities on Sintered Mullite. *BuMines Rept. of Inv.* 5957, 1962, 15 pp.

¹¹ Grofcsik, Janos. Mullite, Its Structure, Formation, and Significance. *Akademi Kiado* (Publishing House of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences), 1961, 163 pp. *Abstr. in J. Am. Ceram. Soc.*, v. 45, No. 10, October 1962, p. 252.

¹² Durovic, Slavomir. Isomorphism Between Sillimanite and Mullite. *J. Am. Ceram. Soc.*, v. 45, No. 4, April 1962, pp. 157-161.

¹³ Aramaki, Shigeo, and Rustum Roy. Revised Phase Diagram for the System $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-SiO}_2$. *J. Am. Ceram. Soc.*, v. 45, No. 5, May 1962, pp. 229-242.

Lead

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MINE OUTPUT of recoverable lead in 1962, 237,000 tons, production of primary lead at primary refineries decreased 1 percent, production of secondary lead decreased 1 percent. Consumption of lead in battery uses increased 1 percent, antiknock additives decreased 1 percent, other classifications varied, most decreased slightly to moderately. Deliveries to the supplemental stockpile were 84,300 tons. Barter contracts negotiated by the (CCC) with two foreign producers. Supplemental stockpile were 84,300 tons. (New York market) declined on January 1 to 9.50 cents; on February 1 declined to 9.50 cents; and then on November 1 declined to 9.50 cents; and then on November 1 declined to 9.50 cents.

LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENT

Import quotas established in October 1962. U.S. Tariff Commission submitted October 25, in accordance with Executive Order, escape clause procedure, recommending that the domestic industry had not changed its position. protective import restrictions on lead investigation was required.

No barter contracts for lead for Government. Broken Hill Associated Smelter and Refining Co. to satisfy the remainder of 1961. No acquisitions for Government.

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³ Figures on imports and exports compiled by Mae Activities, Bureau of Mines, from records of the U.S. D.

Public Law 87-347, to subsidize small lead-zinc mines was implemented by approval of funds. Participation in the program, by eligible producers, was retroactive for production from January 1, 1962. Participation in the program was less than that expected; only \$654,140 was disbursed to producers from the \$4.5 million appropriated by Congress. The program was to continue 3 more years but at a diminishing scale.

The Office of Minerals Exploration (OME) continued its assistance for approved exploration projects for lead-zinc through June 30, at which time lead, zinc, and copper were removed from the list of minerals eligible under the OME program. Government participation by OME in these projects was limited to 50 percent of approved costs with \$250,000 the maximum for any one contract. Two applications for assistance were received, and one new contract was executed and two contracts were amended to increase contract amounts authorizing total new expenditures of \$220,230 of which Government participation was \$110,115. One contract from OME for lead and zinc was terminated.

The International Lead-Zinc Study Group met in Geneva, Switzerland in plenary session March 15 to 21 at which time it was suspended to reconvene May 28 to 31, and October 24 to 26. Efforts were continued to evaluate means of bringing lead and zinc production and consumption into better balance, and the working group adopted measures to improve the quality of Study Group World Statistics for lead and zinc.

TABLE 1.—Salient lead statistics

	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
United States:						
Production:						
Domestic ores, recoverable lead content... short tons..	339,426	267,377	255,586	240,660	261,921	236,956
Value..... thousands..	\$97,437	\$62,560	\$58,785	\$57,722	\$53,956	\$43,602
Primary lead (refined):						
From domestic ores and base bullion short tons..	333,655	269,082	225,270	228,809	288,078	245,645
From foreign ores and base bullion short tons..	168,265	201,074	115,061	153,537	161,487	130,418
Antimonial lead (primary lead content)... short tons..	16,399	16,446	12,402	2,385	24,966	27,383
Secondary lead (lead content) short tons..	493,139	401,787	451,387	460,903	452,792	444,202
Imports, general:						
Lead in ores and matte short tons..	178,914	201,599	138,834	145,692	147,186	138,900
Lead in base bullion... do... short tons..	205	460	80	293	422	4,599
Lead in pigs, bars, and old... short tons..	314,813	375,022	271,695	213,671	261,794	259,522
Exports of refined pig lead... do... short tons..	2,153	1,360	2,756	1,967	2,133	2,108
Stocks December 31 (lead content):						
At primary smelters and refineries... short tons..	120,834	234,200	171,079	250,142	262,192	190,661
At consumer plants... do... short tons..	121,833	122,900	126,496	97,268	99,140	93,496
Consumption of metal, primary and secondary... short tons..	1,171,390	986,387	1,091,149	1,021,172	1,027,216	1,109,635
Price: New York, common lead, average, cents per pound.....	14.67	12.11	12.21	11.95	10.87	9.63
World:						
Production:						
Mine..... short tons..	2,430,000	2,590,000	2,560,000	2,615,000	2,625,000	2,765,000
Smelter..... short tons..	2,295,000	2,495,000	2,410,000	2,560,000	2,665,000	2,665,000
Price: London, common lead, average, cents per pound.....	12.46	9.13	8.88	9.04	8.03	7.06

LEAD

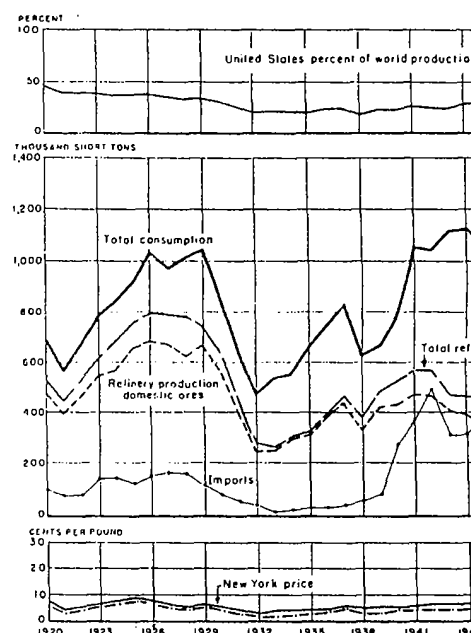


FIGURE 1.—Trends in the lead industry in the United States, 1920-1962. The figure includes primary refined, antimonial, pigments made directly from ore. Imports of the lead content of ores, mattes, and concentrates, bars, base bullion, and scrap.

DOMESTIC PRODUCTION MINE PRODUCTION

Mines in the United States produced 23,000 tons less than that produced in 1961; that produced in 1960; it was also the lowest. Production was normal for recent years except for the strike closed all Missouri mines. The strike of the St. Joseph Lead Co. lasted the remainder of 1963, resulting in zero output from that mine. Missouri had long been the primary producer but this prolonged strike caused it to drop out of production.

The four largest lead producing States are Missouri, 61,000 tons; Utah, 38,200 tons; Idaho, 33,000 tons; and Colorado, 28,000 tons. Mines from these four States produced 161,000 tons, the total U.S. output. The remaining 100,000 tons having a combined production of 36,300 tons.

TABLE 2.—Mine production of recoverable lead in the United States, by States

(Short tons)						
State	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Arizona.....	10,414	11,890	9,099	8,405	5,937	6,966
Arkansas.....	38	38	38	38	38	38
California.....	6,471	140	227	440	103	455
Colorado.....	19,248	14,112	12,907	18,080	17,755	17,411
Idaho.....	68,807	53,603	62,395	42,907	71,476	84,058
Illinois.....	3,594	1,610	2,570	3,000	3,430	3,610
Kansas.....	4,954	1,209	481	781	1,449	970
Kentucky.....	154	616	400	558	656	743
Missouri.....	125,337	113,123	105,165	111,948	98,785	60,982
Montana.....	16,748	8,434	7,672	4,879	2,643	6,121
Nevada.....	4,613	4,150	1,357	987	1,791	771
New Mexico.....	2,602	1,117	1,820	1,090	2,332	1,134
New York.....	1,387	679	481	775	879	1,063
North Carolina.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Oklahoma.....	11,433	3,692	601	936	980	2,710
Utah.....	46,194	40,355	36,630	39,398	40,894	38,199
Virginia.....	3,256	2,934	2,770	2,152	3,733	4,059
Washington.....	11,147	9,020	10,310	7,725	8,653	9,033
Wisconsin.....	1,957	800	745	1,165	680	1,394
Other States.....	15	3	23	27	27	58
Total.....	339,426	267,377	255,586	246,609	261,921	236,950

Major mines in these less productive States, with a combined total of 29,500 tons that represented 12 percent of the total output, were located in Washington, Arizona, Virginia, Illinois, Montana, and Oklahoma. Mines in New Mexico, New York, Wisconsin, Kansas, and Nevada produced 5,300 tons or 2 percent of the total, and 1 percent came from the 6 remaining States.

By area, the Western States supplied 68 percent of the total production, the West Central States 27 percent, and the States east of the Mississippi, 5 percent.

The 25 leading lead-producing mines accounted for 91 percent of total domestic mine output; the 10 leading mines yielded 74 percent, and the 4 largest mines 46 percent.

Southeast Missouri continued to be favored by more lead exploration activity than any other mineral area in the United States. Most of the major U.S. mining companies were actively engaged in leasing and exploring in Missouri. Exploration results were encouraging, but no plans for new Missouri mine production were announced. A unitized development contract was signed between the St. Joseph Lead Co. and the U.S. Department of the Interior for integrating mining development on 14,173 acres comprised of 6,000 acres of federally owned and 8,173 acres of privately owned land. Two Kennecott Copper Corp. subsidiaries started exercising their options on land containing a lead deposit in Reynolds and Shannon Counties in Missouri. No developments or production plans were announced.

Lead production from mines in Idaho was 18 percent higher than that in 1961. This higher production, uninterrupted by strikes, contrasted with the prolonged closure of mines in Missouri, enabled Idaho to become first in lead production. Most mines in the Coeur d'Alene district contributed to this record production, exceeded only once (in 1950) since 1942. Day Mines, Inc., closed the Dayrock lead-silver mine in September after 40 years of continuous operation.

TABLE 3.—Ores yielding lead and zinc in the United States in 1962
(Short tons)

State	Lead ore			Zinc ore			Lead-zinc ore			Copper-lead, copper-zinc, and copper-lead-zinc ores			All other sources ¹			Total		
	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc	Gross weight	Lead	Zinc
Arizona.....	2,281	119	14	19,435	49	2,515	280,733	6,756	18,997	174,666	41	11,071	24,558,740	1	291	25,043,855	6,966	32,888
Arkansas.....	210	78	1	8,000	1	211	1,770	369	78	427,734	9,286	12,228	39,483	10	243	8,463	171	321
California.....	2,093	42	13	2,093	712	1,915	43,255	8,913	31,113	31,113	31,113	31,113	871,082	17,413	451	871,082	17,413	451
Colorado.....	213,739	23,083	2,013	77,751	202	10,194	880,407	56,635	34,117	412,613	3,945	4,774	1,586,133	84,058	62,865	1,586,133	84,058	62,865
Idaho.....	213,739	23,083	2,013	31,751	174	2,107	288,407	796	1,836	399,742	2,773	10,347	970,900	3,610	27,413	970,900	3,610	27,413
Illinois.....	31,751	174	2,107	51,631	174	2,107	72,602	796	1,836	85,869	743	1,172	124,533	970	3,943	124,533	970	3,943
Kansas.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Kentucky.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Missouri.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Montana.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Nevada.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
New Mexico.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
New York.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
North Carolina.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Oklahoma.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
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Washington.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Wisconsin.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Other States.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172
Total.....	2,901,453	60,982	2,792	940,000	4,908	30,487	147	52	9	128,352	1,106	7,149	85,869	743	1,172	85,869	743	1,172

Smelter-refineries:

American Smelting and Refining Company
Selby, Calif.
Perth Amboy, New Jersey
The Bunker Hill Co., Kellogg, Idaho
St. Joseph Lead Co., Herculaneum, Mo.
The Eagle-Picher Co., Galena, Kansas

Refineries:

United States Smelting Lead Refinery, Inc., East Chicago, Ind.
American Smelting and Refining Company, Omaha, Nebr.
Schuylkill Products Co., Baton Rouge, La.

Refined Lead—Primary and Secondary.—Domestic primary lead smelters and refiners produced 377,900 tons of refined lead and 31,100 tons of lead in antimonial lead. The lead content of primary raw materials consumed for this production was 429,800 tons, and that of scrap material was 6,400 tons.

Domestic ores yielded 65 percent of the refined lead produced from primary sources compared with 64 percent in 1961. Foreign ores and bullion were the sources of the remainder.

Primary lead smelters also produced 1,842 tons of refined lead from scrap, but secondary smelters produced 91,600 tons. Refined lead, plus remelt lead produced from all sources, totaled 118,500 tons.

Antimonial Lead—Primary and Secondary.—Total antimonial lead production at both primary and secondary smelters was 273,100 tons with a lead content of 256,800 tons; 33,300 tons from primary smelters and 239,800 tons from secondary smelters. Scrap was the source of 11 percent of the primary smelter output; domestic ores furnished 49 percent and foreign ores, 40 percent. Battery scrap accounted for 65 percent of the total lead-base scrap melted. The major product from smelting scrap was antimonial lead.

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

	(Short tons)					
	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Refined lead:						
From primary sources:						
Domestic ores and base bullion	333,655	269,082	225,270	228,899	288,078	245,645
Foreign ores and base bullion	168,285	201,074	115,661	153,537	101,487	130,418
Total	501,920	470,156	340,931	382,436	449,565	376,063
From secondary sources:	4,138	2,338	1,194	4,776	1,569	1,842
Grand total	506,058	472,494	342,125	387,212	451,134	377,905
Average sales price per pound	\$0.143	\$0.117	\$0.115	\$0.117	\$0.103	\$0.093
Calculated value of primary refined lead (thousands) ¹	\$143,649	\$110,017	\$78,414	\$89,490	\$92,610	\$69,948

¹ Excludes value of refined lead produced from scrap at primary refineries.

Other Secondary Lead.—Lead-base, copper-base and tin-base scrap were source materials from which 444,200 tons of secondary lead was recovered. Secondary production decreased 2 percent. Secondary lead smelters recovered 92 percent of the total in 220 plants; primary smelters, 1 percent in 5 plants; and manufacturers, foundries, and secondary copper smelters, 7 percent.

LEAD**TABLE 7.—Antimonial lead produced at primary smelters in the United States**

Year	Production (short tons)	Antimony content	
		Short tons	Percent
1953-57 (average)	61,180	3,605	6.0
1958	60,246	2,803	6.0
1959	37,487	1,924	5.1
1960	39,230	1,875	5.0
1961	35,080	1,894	5.4
1962	33,325	2,249	6.7

TABLE 8.—Stocks and consumption of new antimonial lead in the United States in 1962

Class of consumers and type of scrap	States in 1962	
	Stocks Jan. 1 ¹	Receipts
Smelters and refiners:		
Soft lead	2,645	48,150
Hard lead	1,344	16,410
Cable lead	1,903	24,870
Battery-lead plates	16,118	384,580
Mixed common babbitt	375	3,100
Solder and tinny lead	230	8,440
Type metals	1,297	25,020
Drosses and residues	16,193	63,140
Total	40,105	673,780
Foundries and other manufacturers:		
Soft lead	100	320
Hard lead	203	170
Cable lead	102	160
Battery-lead plates	166	360
Mixed common babbitt	279	8,730
Solder and tinny lead	3	270
Type metals		
Drosses and residues	281	
Total	1,140	9,960
Grand total:		
Soft lead	2,751	48,510
Hard lead	1,547	16,580
Cable lead	2,005	24,870
Battery-lead plates	16,284	384,990
Mixed common babbitt	654	11,870
Solder and tinny lead	233	8,730
Type metals	1,297	25,020
Drosses and residues	16,474	63,140
Total	41,245	683,770

¹ Revised figures.

(Short tons, gross weight)

	Lead	Tin	Antimony	Other	Total
Refined pig lead.....	93,406				93,406
Remelt lead.....	25,082				25,082
Total.....	118,488				118,488
Refined pig tin.....		2,991			2,991
Remelt tin.....		343			343
Total.....		3,334			3,334
Lead and tin alloys:					
Antimonial lead.....	229,392	385	13,706	140	243,623
Common babbitt.....	17,074	905	1,620	74	19,673
Gasoline babbitt.....	80	293	26	10	409
Solder.....	23,508	5,336	314	18	29,176
Type metals.....	30,055	1,742	3,810	10	35,417
Cable lead.....	16,295	6	165	3	16,469
Miscellaneous alloys.....	1,479	704	21	93	2,297
Total.....	317,883	9,371	19,362	348	346,964
Composition foll.....					
Tin content of chemical products.....		972			972
Grand total.....	436,351	13,677	19,362	348	469,738

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

(Short tons)

	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
As refined metal:						
At primary plants.....	4,138	2,338	1,194	4,776	1,569	1,842
At other plants.....	122,835	113,719	124,185	143,443	136,100	116,626
Total.....	126,973	116,057	125,379	148,219	140,669	118,468
In antimonial lead:						
At primary plants.....	44,176	30,007	23,101	26,270	8,220	3,003
At other plants.....	198,900	161,956	181,185	179,217	197,349	225,690
Total.....	243,166	182,953	204,346	205,487	205,569	229,392
In other alloys.....	123,000	102,777	121,662	116,197	106,554	96,342
Grand total:						
Quantity.....	493,139	401,787	451,387	459,003	452,792	444,202
Value (thousands).....	141,690	\$94,018	\$103,819	\$109,957	\$93,275	\$82,622

(Short tons

Kind of scrap	1961	1962	
New scrap:			As
Lead-base.....	56,808	44,803	
Copper-base.....	4,981	5,586	
Tin-base.....	466	529	
Total.....	62,254	50,918	
Old scrap:			In
Battery-lead plates.....	240,896	252,593	In
All other lead-base.....	132,406	124,277	In
Copper-base.....	17,142	16,409	In
Tin-base.....	6	6	
Total.....	390,538	393,284	
Grand total.....	452,792	444,202	

¹ Includes 8,220 tons of lead recovered in antimonial lead and 3,603 tons in 1962.

CONSUMPTION

Lead metal production at primary plants was 113,000 tons, about 8,000 tons less than the same quarter in 1961, the second quarter dropped 17 per cent to 96,000 tons, and the fourth

Secondary lead production was at 1961 amounting to 444,200 tons. Primary production totaled 847,600 tons compared with 925,000 tons in 1961. Stocks decreased moderately in the first and fourth quarters these stocks dropped to 196,700 tons from the record high of 240,000 tons in 1961. Consumer stocks also decreased moderately. At yearend, producer stocks (refined, in antimonial and other alloys) totaled 303,400 tons on January 1, 1962, during 1962, reaching a low of 9.50 to 10.00 cents November 1 after continuing for several months. Consumption in 1962 by classifications of Bureau of Mines statistics increased in two of the three largest uses in red lead and litharge, 6 percent; gasoline antiknock additives.

Soft lead, primary and secondary, total consumed, 27 percent was lead was in alloys, 1.3 percent was in copper in scrap that went directly into an engine recovered from ore in producing lead elements. Consumption ranged from a low of 79,600 tons to a high of 105,100 tons in 1962. Consumption trend was downward for the past decade. It increased sharply and continued at that level of 1962 as battery and antiknock demand was more than for any year since 1955.

Of the lead consumed during 1962, 72 percent was used in metal products; the major item was storage batteries which accounted for 38 percent of all lead consumed. Gasoline antiknock additives, 98 percent of the general classification chemicals, accounted for 15 percent of the total lead consumption. Lead pigments used 9 percent of the total lead, and 74 percent of that was for the manufacture of red lead and litharge. Two items of consumption related to the automobile industry, batteries and gasoline antiknock additives, represented 53 percent of total lead consumption.

The Association of Battery Manufacturers, Inc., reported the shipment of 30.5 million replacement battery units and total battery shipments of 38.9 million units, an increase of 8 percent and 11 percent, respectively. Battery shipments were at a record high.

Nine States accounted for 73 percent of the total lead consumed (excluding scrap) as follows: New Jersey, 14 percent; Louisiana and Texas together, 12 percent; Illinois, 11 percent; California, 10 percent; Indiana, 10 percent; Pennsylvania, 7 percent; New York, 5 percent; and Missouri, 4 percent.

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

Product	1961	1962	Product	1961	1962
Metal products:			Pigments—Continued		
Ammunition.....	45,837	47,779	Pigment colors.....	11,273	11,660
Bearing metals.....	17,757	16,472	Other ¹	* 4,383	3,802
Brass and bronze.....	20,114	20,607	Total.....	* 95,293	102,968
Cable covering.....	57,458	56,676	Chemicals:		
Calking lead.....	67,379	72,648	Gasoline antiknock additives.....	109,802	168,028
Casting metals.....	6,873	7,355	Miscellaneous chemicals..	* 2,119	2,715
Collapsible tubes.....	11,220	11,972	Total.....	* 171,921	171,641
Foil.....	2,968	3,720	Miscellaneous uses:		
Pipes, traps, and bends..	19,038	19,819	Annealing.....	5,000	5,300
Sheet lead.....	28,102	28,540	Galvanizing.....	1,444	1,146
Solder.....	54,838	66,873	Lead plating.....	243	230
Storage batteries:			Weights and ballast.....	8,890	10,330
Antimonial lead.....	186,028	217,525	Total.....	15,643	17,018
Lead oxides.....	181,970	202,381	Other, unclassified uses.....	17,050	17,479
Terne metal.....	965	1,402	Grand total ².....	1,027,216	1,109,635
Type metal.....	26,693	20,760			
Total.....	727,300	800,520			
Pigments:					
White lead.....	7,615	11,091			
Red lead and litharge.....	72,022	70,325			

¹ Includes lead content of leaded zinc oxide and other pigments and chemicals.

² Revised figures.

³ Includes lead which went directly from scrap to fabricated products.

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

Month	1961	1962	Month	1961	1962
January.....	83,570	93,823	August.....	91,150	96,393
February.....	79,586	88,415	September.....	89,735	91,122
March.....	83,266	91,040	October.....	93,504	105,145
April.....	78,201	86,659	November.....	90,020	96,233
May.....	80,679	94,035	December.....	89,664	91,500
June.....	86,520	89,988	Total ¹.....	1,027,216	1,109,635
July.....	72,312	79,567			

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

TABLE 14.—Lead consumption in the United States, by products and types of lead
(Short tons)

Product	Soft lead
Metal products.....	211,315
Storage batteries.....	211,128
Pigments.....	90,184
Chemicals.....	171,641
Miscellaneous.....	9,931
Unclassified.....	11,890
Total.....	715,080

¹ Excludes 35,797 tons of lead that went directly from scrap to fabricated products and other pigments and chemicals.

TABLE 15.—Lead consumption in the United States, by State
(Short tons)

State	Refined soft lead
California.....	77,207
Colorado.....	1,676
Connecticut.....	12,928
District of Columbia.....	109
Florida.....	1,858
Illinois.....	72,488
Indiana.....	61,030
Kansas.....	8,368
Kentucky.....	42
Maryland.....	5,983
Massachusetts.....	5,802
Michigan.....	16,326
Missouri.....	39,134
Nebraska.....	4,927
New Jersey.....	119,271
New York.....	36,574
Ohio.....	13,496
Pennsylvania.....	45,500
Rhode Island.....	2,767
Tennessee.....	177
Virginia.....	2,387
Washington.....	7,804
West Virginia.....	16,333
Wisconsin.....	698
Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Arkansas and Oklahoma.....	33,296
Hawaii and Oregon.....	3,633
Iowa and Minnesota.....	68
Louisiana and Texas.....	1,716
Montana and Idaho.....	107,777
New Hampshire, Maine, Delaware, North and South Carolina.....	11,140
Utah, Nevada, Arizona.....	8,081
Undistributed.....	64
Total.....	715,080

¹ Excludes 35,797 tons of lead which went directly from scrap to fabricated products and other pigments and chemicals.

² These and following States are grouped to avoid duplication.

LEAD PIGMENTS¹

Production of lead pigments increased slightly. Activity of industries consuming the largest amount of lead pigments varied as follows: Automobile and truck manufacture increased 24 percent, the value of public and private construction increased 6 percent, paint sales increased 5 percent, use in the production of natural and synthetic rubber increased 11 percent, and lead battery production rose 14 percent.

Production.—Lead consumed by manufacturers to produce lead pigments was 287,000 tons, compared with 270,300 tons in 1961.

All the white lead, red lead, and litharge pigments, as well as 161,000 tons of black oxide (battery oxides) were made from refined lead and represented 99 percent of the lead used for pigment purposes. The remaining 1 percent was consumed as lead ore to produce leaded zinc oxide. Production data for basic lead sulfate is withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data. Lead silicate, a derivative of litharge, is included with litharge.

Consumption and Uses—White Lead.—Shipments of white lead decreased less than 1 percent. The paint industry used 74 percent of the white lead, and the ceramic industry used 1 percent. A substantial part of the remaining 25 percent also was used in the paint industry, and other uses for white lead included chemicals, greases, plasticizers, and stabilizers for plastics.

Basic Lead Sulfate.—Most lead sulfate was used in making leaded zinc oxide, but production figures were withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

Red Lead.—Fifty-four percent of the red lead was consumed by the paint industry compared with 56 percent in 1961. Other use categories were colors, lubricants, petroleum, rubber, and miscellaneous small uses.

Orange Mineral.—No consumption was reported.

Litharge.—To avoid disclosing company confidential data, a large percentage of litharge shipped to industry was included in the group classification "Other." Within other uses, battery makers were the largest consuming group; chemicals, chrome pigments, driers, floor covering, friction material, ink, insecticides, and miscellaneous uses accounted for the remainder. Battery makers produced 161,000 tons of leaded litharge, known to the battery trade as black oxide or grey suboxide; this material was the basic ingredient of the lead paste filling of lead-acid battery plates.

Prices.—The quoted price of white lead was 16.5 cents per pound (\$330 per ton) in carlots throughout 1962. The average value of shipments of dry white lead was \$400 per ton; white lead in oil averaged \$476 per ton. The quoted price of red lead ranged from 13.25 cents per pound to 14.00 cents, or \$265 per ton to \$280 per ton, in less than carlots; the average value of red lead shipments decreased \$7 to \$285 per ton. The quoted price of litharge ranged from 12.75 cents to 13.25 cents per pound, or \$255 to \$265 per ton, in less than carlots; averaged value of shipments decreased \$10 to \$231 per ton.

¹ Prepared by Richard N. Spencer, commodity specialist, and Esther B. Miller, statistical assistant, Division of Minerals.

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TABLE 16.—Production and shipments of lead pigments by States

Pigment	1961			
	Production (short tons)	Shipments		
		Short tons	Value ¹	
			Total	Average price per ton
White lead:				
Dry.....	10,354	10,523	\$4,407,280	\$417
In oil.....	5,892	5,700	2,679,785	
Total.....	16,246	16,223	7,087,065	
Red lead.....	22,708	22,856	6,675,990	292
Litharge.....	98,817	98,950	23,841,808	241
Black oxide.....	147,136			

¹ Except for basic lead sulfate, figures withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential data.

² At plant, exclusive of container.

³ Weight of white lead only, but value of paste.

TABLE 17.—Lead content of lead and zinc pigments by domestic manufacturers

Pigment	1961			
	Lead in pigments produced from—			Total lead in pigments (short tons)
	Ore		Pig lead	
	Domestic	Foreign		
White lead.....			12,997	12,997
Red lead.....			20,664	20,664
Litharge.....			91,900	91,900
Black oxide.....			140,973	140,973
Leaded zinc oxide.....	2,717	1,071		3,788
Total.....	2,717	1,071	265,534	270,322

¹ Excludes lead in basic lead sulfate; figures withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential data.

TABLE 18.—Distribution of white lead (dry and in oil) by industry

Industry	1961		
	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959
Paints.....	20,205	15,288	
Ceramics.....	611	288	
Other.....	4,451	2,804	
Total.....	25,277	18,380	

¹ Excludes basic lead sulfate; figures withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential data.

² Figures for plasticizers and stabilizers withheld to avoid disclosure of confidential data.

TABLE 19.—Distribution of red lead shipments, by industries
(Short tons)

Industry	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Paints.....	14,364	13,726	12,008	12,003	12,805	13,716
Storage batteries.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Ceramics.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	328	(1)	637
Other.....	14,194	8,266	9,807	9,400	9,961	11,104
Total.....	28,548	21,902	21,905	22,631	22,856	25,617

¹ Included with "Other."

TABLE 20.—Distribution of litharge shipments, by industries
(Short tons)

Industry	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Ceramics.....	20,018	(1)	15,340	15,753	14,303	17,762
Chrome pigments.....	5,339	3,731	4,082	(1)	(1)	(1)
Floor covering.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Insecticides.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Oil refining.....	3,771	2,598	3,006	2,371	2,147	2,494
Rubber.....	1,902	1,247	1,808	1,373	1,243	1,792
Storage batteries.....	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)
Varnish.....	4,016	3,223	4,725	3,471	3,394	4,083
Other.....	101,198	81,300	76,362	75,672	77,773	77,366
Total.....	136,244	92,165	106,013	98,640	98,950	103,397

¹ Included with "Other."

Foreign Trade.—Imports of lead pigments and salts decreased 13 percent in value but increased 5 percent in quantity over imports during 1961. White lead imports increased 26 percent, red lead imports increased 21 percent, litharge imports increased 1 percent, and imports of other lead compounds increased 1 percent.

Exports of lead pigments decreased 22 percent in value and 17 percent in quantity, and exports of lead arsenate increased 36 percent in value and 53 percent in quantity.

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

Kind	1961		1962	
	Short tons	Value (thousands)	Short tons	Value (thousands)
White lead.....	1,872	\$535	2,361	\$578
Red lead.....	457	88	555	83
Litharge.....	15,390	2,791	15,597	2,229
Other lead pigments.....	436	84	31	13
Other lead compounds.....	436	84	439	124
Total.....	18,155	3,498	18,986	3,027

Source: Bureau of the Census.

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

Kind	Short tons
Lead pigments ¹	(1)
Lead arsenate.....	(1)
Total.....	(1)

¹ Includes white lead, red lead, and litharge.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

STOCKS

Stocks of refined lead at primary smelters throughout 1962, but from August 1 to December 31, 1962, refined and antimonial lead decreased a total inventory of 142,500 tons. Total physical inventories at primary plants not including material in process or compared with 262,100 tons at the close of 1961.

Stocks reported by the American Bureau of Mines at the close of 1961, an additional 17,700 tons of bullion was refined, and about 18,600 tons of ore making a total of 233,000 tons of primary stocks at these plants, 75,100 tons less than at year end.

Consumer and secondary smelter stocks at January 1, 104,300 tons March 31, 106,000 tons May 31, 93,500 tons September 30, and 93,500 tons December 31, 1962, were 6 percent less than at the close of 1961.

On December 31 the total lead inventories were 1,386,000 tons, comprised of (strategic) stockpile, and 336,000 tons of secondary stocks. The Department of Defense (DPA), CCC, and Supplemental lead stockpile inventories on December 31, 1962, were over maximum stockpile objectives.

TABLE 23.—Stocks of lead at primary smelters, States, Dec. 31, 1962
(Short tons)

Stocks	1953-57 (average)	1962
Refined pig lead.....	54,053	176,008
Lead in antimonial lead.....	11,714	11,811
Lead in base bullion.....	12,812	9,485
Lead in ore and matte.....	42,255	36,896
Total.....	120,834	234,200

Sheets of glass, without scratches with high transparency, and free from distortions, were made by moulding the glass on molten tin.¹⁷

¹⁷ Tin and Its Uses. Molten Tin Is the Mould for Float Glass. No. 56, 1962, pp. 1-4.

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World production of 2.3 million tons of ilmenite was used chiefly for making titanium pigment by the United States and foreign countries, was high of 1961. World output of rutile rose 17% most of which was used in welding-rod coating titanium metal. New plants under construction for production of titanium pigment from rutile were expected to require about 100,000 tons operating at capacity.

Barter agreements for titanium sponge made by the Department of Agriculture, Commodity Credit Corporation and Japanese producers expired in January of 1960. Deliveries of sponge metal from Japan during the year 1959 were under the contracts. Deliveries under the contracts were by Toho Titanium Industry Co., Ltd. (Japan), 1,000 metric tons, the total and Nippon Soda Co., Ltd. (Japan), 1,000 metric tons.

¹ Commodity specialist, Division of Minerals.

TABLE 1.—Salient titanium statistics

	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
United States:						
Ilmenite concentrate: ¹						
Mine shipments, short tons..	627,125	565,164	637,263	* 789,237	782,629	809,037
Value.....thousands..	\$12,173	\$11,155	\$12,106	\$14,655	* \$13,312	\$13,974
Imports.....short tons..	346,927	348,144	371,087	205,615	* 207,151	166,434
Consumption.....do.....	762,672	731,424	917,747	808,080	920,147	944,707
Titanium slag: Consumption	117,641	117,581	143,329	120,402	130,184	138,205
Rutile concentrate:						
Mine shipments.....do.....	9,134	1,863	8,648	9,433	7,004	8,033
Value.....thousands..	\$1,107	\$210	\$377	\$879	\$778	\$933
Imports.....short tons..	* 30,866	36,563	23,228	29,235	27,407	35,066
Consumption.....do.....	33,968	21,077	23,741	24,229	20,648	31,740
Sponge metal:						
Production.....do.....	0,371	4,585	3,808	6,311	6,727	6,730
Imports for consumption						
do.....do.....	1,275	2,073	1,563	2,231	2,490	625
Consumption.....do.....	* 6,409	4,147	3,063	6,487	6,001	7,136
Price: Grade A-1, Dec. 31	\$3.60	\$1.82	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$1.60
per pound..						
World production:						
Ilmenite concentrate, short tons..	1,600,500	* 1,710,200	* 1,937,900	* 2,235,500	* 2,328,900	2,295,100
Rutile concentrate.....do.....	92,300	103,200	106,400	114,200	128,600	160,900
Sponge metal.....do.....	12,071	7,700	7,000	9,200	9,800	8,600

¹ Includes a mixed product containing rutile, leucosene, and altered ilmenite.

* Revised figure.

* Includes titanium slag.

* Excludes 36 tons rutile content of zirconium ore as reported to the Bureau of Mines by importers.

* 1954-57 only. Data for previous years not available.

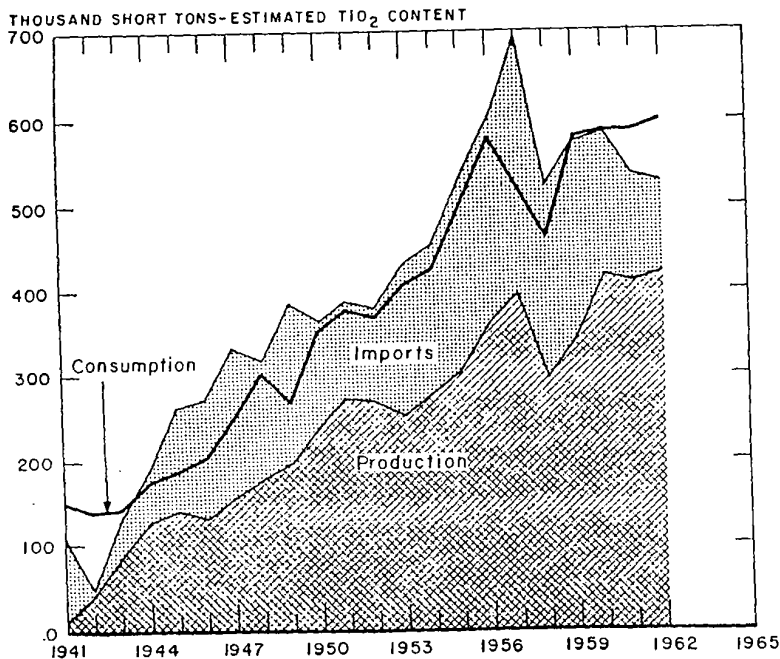


FIGURE 1.—Domestic production, imports, and consumption of ilmenite (includes titanium slags and mixed product), 1941-62.

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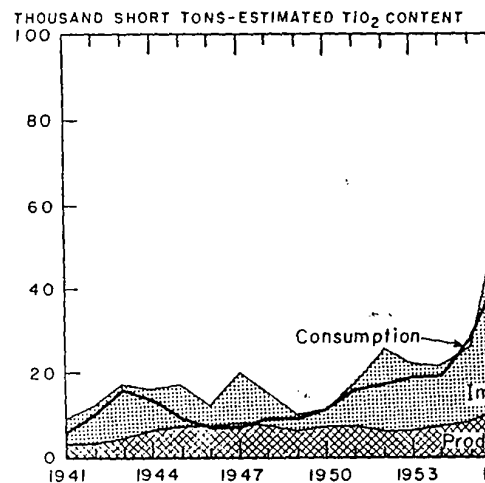


FIGURE 2.—Domestic production, imports, and consumption (1962) for making TiO_2 pigments)

DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

Concentrates.—A record 808,000 tons of ilmenite was produced in 1962 in New York, Florida, and Virginia. Rutile production in Virginia of 10,000 tons was the highest since 1941. In 1962, Virginia opened a new ilmenite mine at Lakehurst, N.J.

Ilmenite production was reported by 21 companies: The Florida Minerals Co., Piney River, Va.; E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Freeport, Va.; Lawley, Fla.; M & T Chemicals, Inc., Hancocks, Va.; Lead Co., Tahawus, N.Y.; The Glidden Company, Cleveland, Ohio; Titanium Alloy Manufacturing Division, National Distillers & Chemical Corp., Florida; and The Florida Minerals Co., Vero Beach, Fla.; and Porter Brothers Corp. shipped ilmenite from Boise and Lowman, Idaho.

Rutile producers were as follows: M & T Chemicals, Inc., Freeport, Va.; Titanium Alloy Manufacturing Co., Skinner, Fla.; and The Florida Minerals Co., Vero Beach, Fla.

Metal.—Production and consumption of titanium metal in 1962 were about the same as in 1961, but increased utilization of metal resulted in a high output of titanium in 1962.

National Distillers & Chemical Corp. became the largest producer of titanium metal in 1962, with production, melting, and fabricating at Ashtabula and Niles, Ohio. The steel mill at Ashtabula were under U.S. Industrial Commission supervision. The melting and fabricating plant at Niles was owned by the Department of Bridgeport Brass Co. (Reactive Metals Division of National Distillers). Bridgeport Brass Co. is spending a \$1.2 million modernization program for the

TABLE 2.—Production and mine shipments of titanium concentrates from domestic ores in the United States

Year	Production, short tons (gross weight)	Shipments		
		Short tons (gross weight)	Short tons TiO ₂ content	Value (thousands)
ILMENITE ¹				
1953-57 (average).....	617,317	627,125	324,080	\$12,173
1958.....	563,338	585,184	297,021	11,155
1959.....	634,886	637,263	342,746	12,106
1960.....	786,372	789,237	417,202	14,655
1961.....	782,412	782,629	410,191	13,312
1962.....	807,725	809,037	420,606	13,974
RUTILE				
1953-57 (average).....	9,090	9,134	8,571	1,197
1958.....	7,408	1,863	1,804	210
1959.....	9,466	8,648	8,148	877
1960.....	8,808	9,433	9,085	879
1961.....	9,045	7,064	7,261	778
1962.....	9,981	8,033	7,617	933

¹ Includes a mixed product containing rutile, leucocene, and altered ilmenite.² Revised figure.

Harvey Aluminum, Inc., expected to put into production a new titanium bar and rod rolling mill early in the year. The new mill was to be installed in a separate building at the main plant at Torrance, Calif., and was to be capable of turning out titanium rod $\frac{3}{8}$ inch to 6 inches in diameter and all intermediate sizes.

Titanium Metals Corp. of America (TMCA), completed a \$2 million expansion at its Toronto, Ohio, plant, enabling the company to produce seamless titanium tubing and welded and redrawn tubing in diameters up to 3 inches and lengths up to 30 feet. The company also began construction, at the same site, of a new \$14 million mill, that would produce titanium sheet and strip in widths up to 48 inches and thicknesses down to 0.01 inch on a continuous basis.

TMCA also reported development of a casting technique using permanent metal molds and indicated that up to 100 pours per mold could be made with good surfaces and section sizes as thin as $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. The process lent itself to the casting of complex shapes where disposable cores were not required.

Commercial producers of titanium sponge were as follows: E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Newport, Del.; USI, Ashtabula, Ohio; and TMCA, Henderson, Nev. Du Pont and TMCA used magnesium to reduce titanium tetrachloride to titanium; USI used sodium.

Titanium melters were Harvey Aluminum, Inc., Torrance, Calif.; Bridgeport Brass Co. (Reactive Metals Products), Niles, Ohio; Oregon Metallurgical Corp., Albany, Oreg.; Crucible Steel Company of America, Midland, Pa.; Republic Steel Corp., Massillon and Canton, Ohio; and TMCA, Henderson, Nev.

Oregon Metallurgical Corp. produced ingots and castings. The other companies produced and processed ingots into mill products

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TABLE 3.—Titanium-metal

	(Short tons)	
	1958	1959
Sponge metal:		
Production.....	4,585	3,800
Imports for consumption.....	2,078	1,660
Industry stocks.....	1,000	1,100
Government stocks (DFA inventories).....	22,463	22,470
Consumption.....	4,147	3,950
Scrap-metal consumption.....	1,336	1,690
Ingot:		
Production.....	5,408	6,010
Consumption.....	4,971	5,960
Mill shape production ¹	2,594	3,210

¹ Revised figure.² Includes alloy constituents.³ Bureau of the Census and Business and Defense Services Administration Series BPSA F-263 (33).⁴ Net shipments derived by subtracting the sum of producers' returns from gross shipments of that shape. Data not comparable with previous years.

such as sheet, strip, plate, forging billets, and castings. The Babcock & Wilcox Co., Beaver Falls, Pa., produced titanium castings in a variety of shapes. Ladish Co., Cudahy, Wis., produced titanium products.

The Babcock & Wilcox Co., Beaver Falls, Pa., produced titanium pipe, tubing, and extrusions.

Pigments.—On a gross-weight basis, production of titanium pigments increased 4 percent and shipments increased 1 percent over the levels of 1961. Data on domestic production and shipments in table 4 are based on TiO₂ content.

Titanium pigments were produced by the American Cyanamid Co., Piney River, Va.; The Glidden Co., Baltimore, Md.; E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Edge Moor, Del.; Baltimore, Md., and National Lead Co., St. Louis, Mo., and S. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., New Jersey Zinc Co., Gloucester City, N.J.

Cabot Corp., Boston, Mass., and Ruberoid Corp. formed a new titanium pigment company, Cabot Titania, of which two-thirds was owned by Ruberoid, planned to complete construction for producing 20,000 tons of titanium pigment annually at Ashtabula, Ohio, by mid-1963. Additional expansion was also planned. A chloride process for producing titanium pigment was to be used. Cabot reportedly reached an agreement with the Australian Mining Co. Pty., Ltd., and purchased facilities for producing titanium pigment at Ashtabula, Ohio, from National Lead Co.

Du Pont announced that construction had begun on a 100,000-ton-per-year titanium dioxide plant at Antioch, Ohio. The plant was expected in the fall of 1963. The plant was to be used. Du Pont had agreements with Ruberoid (Castle), Ltd., an Australian producer, for 50,000 tons of titanium dioxide per year.

TABLE 4.—Titanium pigment data (TiO₂ content)

Year	Production (short tons)	Shipments ¹	
		Quantity (short tons)	Value, f.o.b. (thousands)
1953-57 (average).....	407,525	303,819	\$195,481
1958.....	403,867	425,765	231,888
1959.....	506,334	481,930	269,944
1960.....	455,553	468,228	252,835
1961.....	502,879	491,122	262,265
1962.....	523,201	(²)	(²)

¹ Includes interplant transfers.² Data not available.

Sources: Facts for Industry and Current Industrial Reports series, M10A and M28A, Inorganic Chemicals, published jointly by the Bureau of the Census and Business and Defense Services Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Welding-Rod Coatings.—A total of 231,000 tons of welding rods, containing titaniferous materials in their coatings, was produced. Of the total output, 43 percent contained rutile; 17 percent, ilmenite; 15 percent, a mixture of rutile and manufactured titanium dioxide; 14 percent, manufactured titanium dioxide; 8 percent, slag; and 3 percent, miscellaneous mixtures.

CONSUMPTION AND USES

Concentrates.—Consumption of ilmenite, which is used principally for making titanium dioxide pigments, increased 2 percent to 945,000 tons. Titanium slag consumption, also used chiefly for pigment production, rose 6 percent above that of 1961. Rutile consumption, exclusive of that used for making pigment and other uses not reported in table 5, was 7 percent more than that in 1961.

Metal.—The consumption of 7,100 tons of titanium sponge metal was about the same as in 1961. However, increased use of titanium scrap resulted in production of a near-record 10,400 tons of titanium ingot. Use of titanium mill products, as gaged by shipments, was at the highest level in the 16-year history of the titanium metal industry.

As in past years, approximately 60 percent of the mill products went into manned military aircraft, according to one large producer. About 25 percent went into missiles and spacecraft, 10 percent went into commercial aircraft, and the remaining 5 percent was used in the chemical processing industry. The following estimated distribution of titanium mill product consumption in 1961 also was reported:²

Application	Consumption, Percent
Military jet engines.....	55
Military airframes.....	13
Missiles and spacecraft.....	10
Commercial aircraft.....	13
Chemical processing equipment.....	3
Total	100

² Finlay, Walter L. Titanium in American Ordnance. Weapons Technology, American Ordnance Association. October 1962, pp. 15-24.

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TABLE 5.—Consumption of titanium concentrates (Short tons)

Year and product	Ilmenite ¹		Titanium metal ²
	Gross weight	Estimated TiO ₂ content	
1953-57 (average).....	782,872	401,370	117,717
1958.....	731,424	379,765	117,717
1959.....	914,747	476,660	143,814
1960.....	868,080	454,614	120,000
1961:			
Pigments.....	928,241	495,745	129,000
Titanium metal.....	(³)	(³)	(³)
Welding-rod coatings.....	842	320	(³)
Alloys and carbide.....	2,302	1,410	(³)
Ceramics.....	59	37	(³)
Fiber glass.....	8	2	(³)
Miscellaneous ⁴	8	2	(³)
Total.....	929,147	497,514	130,000
1962:			
Pigments.....	941,984	499,471	137,000
Titanium metal.....	(³)	(³)	(³)
Welding-rod coatings.....	503	298	(³)
Alloys and carbide.....	2,282	1,391	(³)
Ceramics.....	60	31	(³)
Fiber glass.....	8	6	(³)
Miscellaneous ⁴	8	6	(³)
Total.....	944,797	501,196	138,000

¹ Includes a mixed product containing rutile, leucosene, and anatase metal.² Includes ilmenite that was upgraded to a product containing titanium pigments and the losses of ilmenite incurred in upgrading the ilmenite.³ Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company or product data.⁴ Included with "Pigments" to avoid disclosing individual company or product data.⁵ Included with "Miscellaneous" to avoid disclosing individual company or product data.⁶ Includes consumption for chemicals and experimental purposes.

The performance of the A3J Vigilant airplane, was reportedly increased by its use of titanium for directing air at 750° F over the use of titanium instead of stainless steel and was said to make construction simple. Elasticity of titanium permitted its use with aluminum substructure.

A new helicopter blade-retention system using titanium straps to achieve a compact, lightweight design.

Titanium alloys, on a strength-to-weight basis, are superior to steel or glass as potential materials for motor cases, according to a Defense Research study.⁴

An 8-foot-diameter, 24-foot-long titanium hydrogen was built as part of an Air Force test tested successfully with 7,000 gallons of pressure.⁵

⁴ Materials in Design Engineering. Titanium Series V. 56, No. 7, December 1962, pp. 132-133.

⁵ Achbach, W. P., and E. J. Runk. An Evaluation of Cases based on Minimum Weight Concepts. Battelle, 147, March 1962, 30 pp.

⁶ American Metal Market. Large Titanium Alloy T. Light. V. 60, No. 153, Aug. 9, 1962, p. 11.

The use of titanium in the chemical and electrochemical processing industries was reviewed.⁶ About 50 percent of the titanium tubing employed in the process industries was for cooling wet chlorine. Other uses included anodizing racks, chlorine dioxide mixers, and pulp and paper processing equipment. Titanium was used in solutions of sodium hypochlorite, chlorate, nitric acid, sulfuric acid, and brine. Total annual use of titanium in these industries was expected to grow from an estimated 200 tons in 1962 to 3,000 tons by 1973.

A total of 36 titanium heat exchangers (plate-type, 83 inches long by 18 inches wide) was used to heat solutions of sodium perchlorate and ammonium chloride in the production of ammonium perchlorate.⁷

A 120-foot-high titanium-lined stack exposed to fumes of hydrochloric acid and ferric and cupric chlorides at 180° to 1,000° F replaced an unlined stack that had failed in 8 months. The titanium-lined stack cost \$36,000 compared with \$17,000 for the unlined stack.⁸

Titanium wire plated with copper, nickel, solder, or gold became commercially available.⁹ It was said to be possible to manufacture fine thread screws from it by the economical method of thread rolling, because of the good drawing characteristics of the copper-plated wire.

Soviet engineers reportedly tested steam-turbine blades of titanium for use in a 1.5-million-kilowatt generator.¹⁰

TABLE 6.—Distribution of titanium-pigment shipments, by industries¹

(Percent)

Industry	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Distribution by gross weight:						
Paints, varnishes, and lacquers.....	65.4	65.8	64.8	65.1	63.4	61.0
Paper.....	10.2	11.5	11.7	11.3	12.5	13.0
Floor coverings (linoleum and felt base).....	4.4	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.5	4.7
Rubber.....	3.4	3.9	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.2
Coated fabrics and textiles (oilcloth, shade cloth, artificial leather, etc.).....	2.6	2.9	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.3
Printing ink.....	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.3	1.6	1.7
Other.....	12.7	9.4	9.6	10.7	10.6	11.2
Total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Distribution by titanium dioxide content:						
Paints, varnishes, and lacquers.....	57.7	59.1	58.2	58.5	57.0	55.3
Paper.....	13.9	15.2	15.1	14.6	15.7	16.2
Floor coverings (linoleum and felt base).....	5.1	6.4	6.3	6.2	5.6	5.8
Rubber.....	4.4	5.1	5.4	4.9	5.1	5.2
Coated fabrics and textiles (oilcloth, shade cloth, artificial leather, etc.).....	3.4	3.7	3.9	3.5	4.1	4.0
Printing ink.....	1.7	1.9	2.2	1.7	2.0	2.1
Other.....	13.8	8.6	8.9	10.6	10.6	11.4
Total.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

¹ Data based on figures supplied to the Bureau of Mines by producers.⁶ Chemical Week. Titanium. V. 91, No. 15, Oct. 13, 1962, pp. 123-130.⁷ Titanium Metals Corporation of America, Technical Service Department. Titanium Data for Chemical Process Industry: How Titanium Plate Heat Exchangers Succeed Where Other Metals Fail in Perchlorate Process. New York, 1962, 4 pp.⁸ Steel. Titanium Lining Extends Life of Steel Stack. V. 151, No. 16, Oct. 15, 1962, p. 98.⁹ American Metal Market. Orbit Electric Displays Plated Titanium Wire at Metal Show in New York. V. 89, No. 210, Oct. 31, 1962, p. 14.¹⁰ Metalworking News. Titanium Blade Soviet Turbine Undergoes Tests. V. 3, Whole No. 91, July 2, 1962, p. 16.

Pigments.—Consumption of titanium weight and using shipments as a gage, Consumption of pigments not separate use in plastic, roofing granules, welding ceramics.

STOCKS

Industry stocks of rutile decreased about 2.5 years' supply at the 1962 stocks of rutile on December 31 total tons was in the national (strategic) stockpile. Production Act (DPA) inventories; mental stockpile. Ilmenite stocks all inventories increased.

Yearend stocks of titanium sponge and semifabricators totaled 1,300 tons, compared with 1,100 tons at the end of 1961. In addition, there were 9,021 tons in DPA inventories and 9,021 tons in stockpile for a total of 31,477 tons.

Titanium metal scrap held by manufacturers yearend was 3,300 tons, the same as at the end of 1961.

TABLE 7.—Stocks of titanium concentrates (Short tons)

Year and stock	Ilmenite	
	Gross weight	TiO ₂ content, estimated
1961:		
Mine.....	130,483	14,881
Distributor.....	303	177
Consumer.....	675,052	1,377,046
Total.....	1,705,788	1,391,604
1962:		
Mine.....	29,121	14,387
Distributor.....	254	149
Consumer.....	572,071	313,504
Total.....	601,446	328,040

¹ Revised figure.**PRICES**

Concentrates.—The price quoted for Mineral Markets remained unchanged percent TiO₂, f.o.b. Atlantic seaboard).

The quoted price of rutile (94 percent TiO₂, f.o.b. Atlantic seaboard) increased from \$80 per short ton at the end of 1962.

Manufactured Titanium Dioxide.—The grades of manufactured titanium dioxide base titanium pigments were unchanged.

price was given to purchasers of large lots. The following prices were quoted in the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter at yearend:

	Price per pound
Anatase, chalk-resistant, regular and ceramic, carlots, delivered.....	\$0.255
Less than carlots, delivered.....	.265
Rutile, nonchalking, bags, carlots, delivered East.....	.275
Less than carlots, delivered East.....	.285
Titanium pigment, calcium-rutile base, 30 percent TiO ₂ , bags, carlots, delivered.....	.09375
Less than carlots, delivered.....	.09875

Metal.—Prices per pound for various grades of titanium sponge metal at the beginning of 1962 ranged from \$1.34 to \$1.85 and at the end of the year from \$1.32 to \$1.60.

Quoted prices of most titanium mill shapes declined during the year. Prices per pound of mill shapes (f.o.b. mill, commercially pure grades, in lots of 10,000 pounds) were quoted in January and December as follows:

	Jan. 1, 1962	Dec. 31, 1962
Sheet.....	\$7.25-\$8.00	\$4.90-\$5.10
Strip.....	6.75- 7.50	4.90- 5.10
Plate.....	5.25- 6.00	3.80- 4.00
Wire.....	5.55- 6.05	3.50- 3.80
Forging billets.....	3.00- 3.30	2.40- 2.55
Hot-rolled bars.....	3.15- 3.35	3.15- 3.35

¹ Revised figure.

Ferrotitanium.—Nominal prices at yearend for various grades of ferrotitanium were quoted in E&MJ Metal and Mineral Markets as follows:

Low-carbon:	Price
Titanium, 40 percent; carbon, 0.10 percent maximum.....	\$1.35
Titanium, 25 percent; carbon, 0.10 percent maximum.....	1.50
Medium-carbon:	
Titanium, 17 to 21 percent; carbon, 3 to 5 percent.....	375
High-carbon:	
Titanium, 15 to 19 percent; carbon, 6 to 8 percent.....	310

¹ Price per pound contained titanium in 1-ton lots or more, lump (½-inch, plus) packed; f.o.b. destination Northeastern United States.

² Price per short ton, carload lots, lump, packed; f.o.b. destination Northeastern United States.

FOREIGN TRADE ¹¹

Imports.—Imports of ilmenite and titanium slag decreased for the third successive year. Slag containing 70 percent titanium dioxide was imported from Canada. Rutile imports rose 31 percent.

Imports of titanium metal were only 925 tons, 63 percent below 1961, as a result of the cessation of barter contracts with Japanese producers. Titanium imports included 270 tons from Japan brought in free for the Government under the CCC barter agreements. About 11 tons of metal was imported from the United Kingdom and Canada and classified free under certain public laws. The remainder was dutiable.

During the first 6 months of the year, 5,979 tons, classified as "titanium potassium oxybate and all compounds and mixtures containing

¹¹ Figures on imports and exports compiled by Mae B. Price and Elsie D. Jackson, Division of Foreign Activities, Bureau of Mines, from records of the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

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titanium," was imported. Beginning pigments and compounds were classified "titanium pigments," and "titanium compounds" (classified). In the last 6 months of the classification totaled 10,678 tons of titanium and 143 tons of titanium compounds, n.e.c.

TABLE 8.—U.S. imports for consumption of titanium (Short tons)

Country	1962-67 (average)	1968	
Ilmenite:			
Australia.....	50	22,736	
Canada.....	165,567	112,874	
India.....	175,066	212,479	
Malaya, Federation of.....	6,229		
Other countries.....	18	55	
Total: Short tons.....	346,927	348,144	
Value.....	\$7,400,535	\$6,766,391	\$7
Rutile:			
Australia.....	36,835	36,507	
South Africa, Republic of.....			
Other countries.....	31	55	
Total: Short tons.....	36,866	36,563	
Value.....	\$4,818,046	\$4,512,937	\$2

¹ Classified as "ore" by the Bureau of the Census.

² Chiefly titanium slag averaging about 70 percent TiO₂.

³ Revised figure.

⁴ Bureau of the Census shows less than 1 pound, valued at \$1.00.

⁵ Data known to be not comparable with other years.

⁶ Excludes 38 tons rutile content of zirconium ore as reported in table 8, 1961 Minerals Yearbook should read excludes 67 tons.

⁷ Effective Jan. 1, 1962; formerly Union of South Africa.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

Finland, France, and Japan were the major suppliers of titanium materials. Other suppliers were Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium-Luxembourg, Switzerland, Spain, and Italy.

Exports.—Titanium dioxide and pigments were exported for the sixth successive year. Canada, as in previous years, received most of the pigments, receiving 12,800 tons in 1962, 1,000 tons or more were as follows: the Netherlands, 1,700; France, 1,200; the Netherlands, 1,700; France, 1,200; the Netherlands, 1,700; France, 1,200.

Exports of 1,224 tons of ores and concentrates were sent to Canada, 165 tons to Hong Kong, 115 tons to Iran. Small quantities were sent to China, the United Kingdom, Belgium-Luxembourg, and the Philippines.

Titanium sponge and scrap exports totaled 818 tons exported, 583 tons were sent to West Germany; 60 tons to France; 60 tons to Peru, Sweden, the Netherlands, Belgium-Luxembourg, Italy, and India.

TABLE 9.—U.S. exports of titanium products, by classes

Year	Ores and concentrates		Metal and alloys in crude form and scrap ¹		Primary forms n.e.c. ²		Ferroalloys		Dioxide and pigments	
	Short tons	Value	Short tons	Value	Short tons	Value	Short tons	Value	Short tons	Value
1953-57 (average).....	1,406	\$195,657	20	\$258,083	315	\$4,661,171	267	\$80,441	55,140	\$19,635,040
1958.....	1,246	172,481	97	172,285	336	5,227,932	323	138,431	37,016	11,346,051
1959.....	4,656	280,507	496	543,104	499	5,161,074	321	145,621	36,282	10,558,287
1960.....	1,200	166,685	879	868,846	426	3,237,949	245	157,419	33,655	10,000,884
1961.....	1,436	190,480	886	920,783	384	2,702,322	212	93,389	31,104	9,215,839
1962.....	1,224	166,987	818	925,495	561	4,102,113	130	96,265	26,095	8,636,350

¹ Beginning Jan. 1, 1956, classified as sponge and scrap.² Beginning Jan. 1, 1956, classified as intermediate mill shapes and mill products, n.e.c. (not elsewhere classified).

Source: Bureau of the Census.

Exports of primary forms of titanium metal products increased 46 percent to 561 tons. Of this total 441 tons went to Canada, 64 tons to France, and most of the remainder to Italy and West Germany. Of the 130 tons of ferroalloys exported Canada received 116 tons, Italy received 7 tons, and most of the remainder went to Belgium-Luxembourg, Australia, and Liberia.

WORLD REVIEW ¹²

The United States continued to be the free world's principal source and consumer of ilmenite, and the chief market for rutile. As in previous years, Australia was the leading rutile producer, accounting for 88 percent of the world total. In addition to the announcements of titanium dioxide pigment plants to be built in the United States (see Domestic Production), plans for expansion of capacity also were reported in Canada, Argentina, Italy, Norway, and Japan. New titanium dioxide plants began operating in the Netherlands and the Republic of South Africa.

NORTH AMERICA

Canada.—The Department of Mines and Technical Surveys published a review of the titanium industry in 1961.¹³ Data in table 11 on the 1959 consumption of titanium pigments were included in the report.

Quebec Iron & Titanium Corp. (QIT) continued to smelt ilmenite-hematite ore, but output of titanium slag decreased markedly owing to a strike which shut down the plant for 3 months in the latter half of the year.

Capacity of the Canadian Titanium Pigments, Ltd., titanium pigment plant was expanded from 16,000 to 25,000 tons per year in

¹³ Values in this section are U.S. dollars based on the average rate of exchange by the Federal Reserve Board unless otherwise specified.¹⁴ Schneider, V. B. Titanium. Canada. Dept. of Mines and Tech. Surveys, 1961, 9 pp.

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TABLE 10.—World production of titanium countries¹ (Short tons)

Country ¹	1953-57 (average)	1958
Ilmenite:		
Australia (shipments).....	17,121	78,349
Canada ²	186,100	161,312
Ceylon.....		
Finland.....	76,582	117,384
Gambia.....	4,128	31,855
India.....	299,792	346,286
Japan (titanium slag).....	5,913	3,933
Malagasy Republic (Madagascar).....		1,151
Malaya (exports).....	75,968	83,500
Mexico.....	4	18
Mozambique.....		
Norway.....	184,208	233,680
Portugal.....	648	501
Senegal.....	21,510	38,000
South Africa, Republic of.....	1,380	29,011
Spain.....	5,225	18,161
Thailand.....	1,200	921
United Arab Republic (Egypt).....	3,338	7,300
United States ³	617,317	563,339
World total ilmenite (estimate) ^{1,2}	1,500,500	1,710,200
Rutile:		
Australia.....	82,440	93,321
Brazil.....	181	26
Cameroon, Federal Republic of.....	76	
India.....	308	50
Norway.....	12	
Senegal.....	170	1,151
South Africa, Republic of.....	19,821	55
United Arab Republic (Egypt).....		
United States.....	9,000	7,400
World total rutile (estimate) ^{1,2}	92,300	103,200

¹ Titanium concentrates are produced in Brazil and the no estimates are included in the total.² This table incorporates some revisions. Data do not appear where estimated figures are included in the detail.³ Represents titanium slag containing approximately 70 percent ore.⁴ Average annual production 1954-57.⁵ Exports.⁶ Average annual production 1955-57.⁷ Estimate.⁸ Average annual production 1956-57.⁹ Includes a mixed product containing ilmenite, leucosenite.¹⁰ 1 year only, as 1957 was the first year of commercial production.

Compiled by Pearl J. Thompson, Division of Foreign Affairs.

TABLE 11.—Consumption of titanium dioxide pigments in Canada

Refined titanium dioxide (TiO ₂):	
Paints.....	
Polishes and dressings.....	
Pulp and paper.....	
Linoleum and oilcloth.....	
Rubber goods.....	
Miscellaneous nonmetallic minerals.....	
Total.....	
Extended titanium dioxide pigments: Paints.....	

¹ Estimated TiO₂ content 4,800 tons.

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South Africa, Republic of.—South African Titan Products (Pty.), Ltd., began producing titanium dioxide in its new 10,000-ton-per-year plant at Umbogintwini.²⁶

OCEANIA

Australia.—Associated Minerals Consolidated, Ltd., entered into an agreement with American Potash & Chemical Corp. (U.S.A.) for 110,000 tons of rutile and an option to purchase an additional 100,000 tons. Deliveries were planned over a 10-year period to begin in 1963.²⁶

Cable, Ltd. at Bunbury, Western Titanium, N.L. at Capel, and Western Oil, Ltd. at Yoganup produced ilmenite concentrate in West Australia. A fourth producer, Western Mineral Sands (Pty.) was scheduled to start production in 1964 from a mine at Capel. Estimated capacity of the four producers was expected to be 370,000 tons per year.²⁷

TABLE 14.—Australia: Exports of ilmenite concentrates by countries (Short tons)

Destination	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962 ¹
Belgium-Luxembourg.....	3,228	3	2,011	4,563	(1)
France.....	5,730	6,274	25,600	31,799	
Japan.....	10,848	9,969	698	12,533	
Netherlands.....	3,305	34	35,159	76,813	
United Kingdom.....	13,693	354	20,377	35,334	
United States.....	22,738	60,108	612	248	
Other countries.....	3,300	145			
Total.....	62,902	76,887	84,357	161,290	170,890

¹ January through June, inclusive.

² Countries of destination not available for 1962.

Compiled from Customs Returns of Australia by Virginia G. Huguley and Corra A. Barry, Division of Foreign Activities.

TABLE 15.—Australia: Exports of rutile concentrates by countries¹ (Short tons)

Destination	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962 ¹
Belgium.....	2,532	1,390	1,314	2,846	(2)
France.....	5,459	7,482	9,075	8,084	(3)
Germany, West.....	4,114	10,037	10,646	9,855	(4)
Italy.....	3,293	3,519	4,536	6,030	(5)
Japan.....	2,920	7,987	9,042	13,705	(6)
Netherlands.....	10,570	12,243	11,091	13,690	10,247
Sweden.....	3,087	2,824	3,771	4,013	(7)
United Kingdom.....	13,026	9,600	14,243	15,989	7,087
United States.....	29,365	25,241	29,360	26,357	9,687
Other countries.....	9,714	10,258	11,372	11,081	31,922
Total.....	84,689	90,681	104,950	111,610	* 88,943

¹ This table incorporates some revisions.

² January through June, inclusive.

³ Data not separately recorded.

Compiled from Customs Returns of Australia by Virginia G. Huguley and Corra A. Barry, Division of Foreign Activities.

²⁶ Sulphur. South Africa's First Titanium Dioxide Plant. No. 40, June 1962, p. 80.

²⁷ Steel and Coal (London). Australian Rutile for U.S. Company. V. 185, No. 4920, Nov. 2, 1962, p. 854.

²⁸ Chemical Trade Journal and Chemical Engineer (London). W. Australian Ilmenite. V. 151, No. 3940, Dec. 7, 1962, p. 1157.

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The formation and physiographic deposits in Queensland were described in the area were estimated as follows:

Rutile -----
Ilmenite -----
Zircon -----
Monazite -----

Over three-fourths of these resources are located in the North Stradbroke Island.

At the annual conference of the Australian Metallurgical Society, 15 papers on the technical aspects of the mineral sands industry in Eastern Australia were presented.

TECHNOLOGY

The development of a process for manufacturing titanium tetrachloride (TiCl₄) from titanium dioxide (TiO₂) has been described, but little information on the practical aspects of the process has been published. The method consisted of reacting titanium dioxide with carbon material (usually rutile) with carbon monoxide as a vapor with oxygen to yield titanium tetrachloride. The reaction is recycled in the reaction is recycled.

A patent was granted for a process for producing titanium tetrachloride and oxygen in a vertical reactor. The titanium dioxide was formed substantially on the surfaces.²¹

The Bureau of Mines investigated the use of titanium slags prepared from ilmenite concentrates in the County, Idaho; Trail Ridge, Fla.; and in the State of Alaska. A slag made from titaniferous magnetite was also evaluated. The tests were run in 4 inches and 36 inches in diameter. The results showed that a 40-millimeter bench-type unit. The results showed that 70 to 80 percent of the titanium in the slag was recovered as titanium tetrachloride. In a given chlorinator, the titanium tetrachloride was made from slags as from titanium concentrates. Wyoming slags, that contained titanium, niobium and calcium oxides, were not used in the chlorinators.²²

Finely divided titania (1 to 50 microns) was used in the chlorinators with 90 percent efficiency.²³ Dust losses of 0.1 to 0.2 percent were reported.

²¹ Mining Journal (London). The Beach Sand Deposits of Queensland. 6640, Nov. 23, 1962, pp. 488-489, 491.

²² Paterson, O. D. The Search for Deposits of Titanium in Eastern Australia—Paper No. 1, The Australian Metallurgical Society, 21 pp.

²³ Chemical Engineering. TiO₂ Technology Key to Titanium. July 23, 1962, pp. 62-64.

²⁴ Nelson, Earl W. (assigned to American Cyanamid Co.) Titanium Tetrachloride With Oxygen. U.S. Pat. 2,980,000, Nov. 19, 1961.

²⁵ Perkins, E. C., H. Dolezal, H. Leitch, and S. L. A Study of the Moving Bed Technique for the Production of Titanium Tetrachloride.

²⁶ Cole, S. S., and L. W. Rowe. Flash Chlorination of Titanium Dioxide. Trans. AIME (Met. Soc.) V. 224, No. 1, February 1962, pp. 1-10.

by conducting the reaction in a fluidized restraining bed of coarse-grained rutile.

A report described the method used at a West German titanium plant for recovering sulfuric acid and ferrous oxide from byproduct copperas ($\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$).³⁴ The copperas was converted to the monohydrate ($\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$) in a fluidized bed furnace at about 800° C. Dissociation of the monohydrate was conducted by burning sulfur at 1,000° to 1,100° C. and passing the resulting sulfur dioxide through the monohydrate in a hearth-type furnace. The sulfur dioxide produced by burning the sulfur and dissociating the monohydrate was then used conventionally to make sulfuric acid for the pigment plant. A fluidized bed furnace for carrying out the dissociation step at 1,100° to 1,200° C. was expected to be on stream in 1962.

M & T Chemicals, Inc. rutile and aplite mine in Hanover County, Va. was described.³⁵ Raw ore was crushed wet in a swing hammer mill, ground to 20 mesh in a closed-circuit rod mill, and deslimed in cyclones. Gravity separation was in three stages—two stages of spirals followed by tabling. The aplite was separated in the first-stage spirals and processed for use as a source of alumina in glass and other industrial products. Concentrate from the tables was dried and treated by hightension and magnetic separators, yielding a granular rutile of approximately 97 percent titanium dioxide and an ilmenite concentrate. Some of the rutile was sold in the granular form, but most of it was ground to approximately 325 mesh in a continuous dry ball mill for use in ceramics. Ilmenite produced at the plant was marketed principally for titanium-alloy production. Separation techniques and possible commercial applications for titanite, which also occurs in the deposit, were under development.

The equilibrium relationship between titanium dichlorides and sodium dissolved in molten sodium chloride was determined from measurements of the potential difference between a titanium electrode and a reference electrode in molten sodium chloride containing the lower chloride of titanium or sodium.³⁶

Dry chlorine gas will rapidly attack titanium; however, the presence of a trace of water (about 0.1 percent) is normally adequate to inhibit corrosion by stabilizing the resistant surface oxide film. In a preliminary investigation of the cause of unexpected corrosion of titanium in wet chlorine gas in a production installation, Crucible Steel Company of America concluded that titanium had a tendency to corrode in wet chlorine in deep crevices. Slow dehydration below the critical moisture level was believed to occur in stagnant crevices having a large metal-area to gas-volume ratio.³⁷

A two-stage process for reducing titanium tetrachloride with sodium was patented.³⁸ The process, developed by the Bureau of Mines,

involved a partial reduction of titanium tetrachloride to form lower valent chlorides which were separated in a separate compartment. Titanium with as low as 49 was produced by the process.

The titanium-iridium alloy system was studied at 2,400° C.³⁹ The phase diagram of 100 atomic percent titanium was constructed from two intermetallic compounds, Ti_3Ir and TiIr , intermediate solid solution centered about the composition. The alloys containing either 10 or 20 percent iridium were extremely brittle, but alloys containing 30 percent iridium were less brittle and some had low neutron cross section and melting point of interest for temperature applications.

The physical properties and homogeneity of titanium alloys in ingot and sheet form were evaluated. Variations in the melting and casting properties were studied. Electrode melting was used, arc current and frequency varied, and ingots were formed both by normal and water-cooled copper mold and by skull melting in a graphite mold. Alloying metal additions included (1) 8 percent manganese, (2) 6 percent niobium, (3) 6 percent vanadium, (4) 6 percent molybdenum and (5) 16 percent vanadium and 2.8 percent niobium.

Physical and mechanical properties of titanium nitride were evaluated.⁴¹ The magnetic properties, corrosion and abrasion resistance, and dendritic weld structure of titanium nitride were studied. Alloys indicated a possible use of wrought titanium nitride-base alloys in nonmagnetic applications as hard tools.

The Bureau of Mines described a procedure for determining 19 impurity elements in titanium oxides, and titanium halides.⁴² The procedure involved titanium dioxide before analysis. Determination of the concentration range of 0 to 100 percent for different determination limits were found. The procedure was quantitative for 18 elements and for beryllium.

³⁴ Croenl, J. G., C. E. Armantrout, and H. Kato. BuMines Rept. of Inv. 6079, 1962, 15 pp.

³⁵ Calvert, E. D., P. C. Magnusson, M. D. Carver, and J. W. Smith. Mechanical Properties of Selected Cold-Mold and Sheet Titanium. BuMines Rept. of Inv. 6014, 1962, 26 pp.

³⁶ Boozenny, Alex. $\text{Na}-\text{TiCl}_2-\text{TiCl}_3$ Equilibrium in NaCl Melts. Trans. AIME, Met. Soc., v. 224, No. 6, October 1962, pp. 950-956.

³⁷ Crucible Steel Company of America. Titanium Review. V. 10, No. 1, August 1962, pp. 1-5.

³⁸ Baker, Don H., Jr. and Vernon E. Homme (assigned to the U.S. Department of the Interior). Production of High Purity Titanium by Metallic Sodium Reduction of Titanic Halide. U.S. Pat. 3,069,255, Dec. 18, 1962.

³⁹ Sulphur. Sulphuric Acid From Ferrous Sulphate. No. 40, June 1962, pp. 27-28.

⁴⁰ Doud, D. B., and W. W. Coffeen. Unique Mining Operation Yields Rutile and Aplite. Min. Eng., v. 14, No. 10, October 1962, pp. 59-62.

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ZINC PIGMENTS AND SALTS

Production of zinc pigments and salts increased 3 percent over 1961 production. The output of natural and synthetic rubber, a major zinc-pigment-consuming product, increased 11 percent; paint, varnish, and lacquer industries, also using large quantities of zinc pigments, increased 5 percent in value of shipments.

Production.—Output of lead-free zinc oxide increased 8 percent, but production of leaded zinc oxide declined to 14,400 tons. Zinc chloride (50° Baumé) and zinc sulfate production increased 2 and 4 percent, respectively.

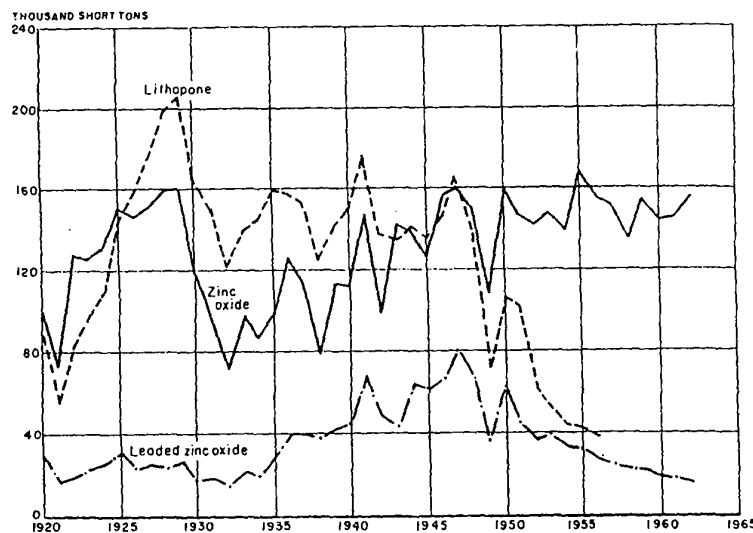


FIGURE 2.—Trends in shipments of zinc pigments, 1920-62.

Pigments and salts were made from various zinc-bearing materials, including ore, slab zinc, scrap, and residues. Zinc contained in pigments and salts made directly from ore, both domestic and foreign, exceeded 89,000 tons; zinc in zinc oxide and zinc chloride from slab zinc exceeded 18,000 tons; and the zinc derived from secondary materials in zinc pigments and salts exceeded 39,000 tons.

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 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. Only a very small quantity of 5 percent or less

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TABLE 20.—Production and shipments of zinc pigments and salts, United States

Pigment or salt	1961				Production (short tons)
	Production (short tons)	Shipments			
		Short tons	Value ¹		
			Total	Average per ton	
Zinc oxide ²	147,555	145,208	\$33,219,370	\$299	158,844
Leaded zinc oxide ³	20,335	18,007	4,204,068	233	14,377
Zinc chloride, 50° B ⁴	52,479	53,099	(⁵)	(⁵)	53,733
Zinc sulfate.....	29,289	28,891	(⁵)	(⁵)	30,639

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.
⁵ Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

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

TABLE 21.—Zinc content of zinc pigments and salts, by sources of materials, by sources of materials, by sources of materials (Short tons)

Pigment or salt	1961					Zinc in p	
	Zinc in pigments and salts produced from—			Total zinc in pigments and salts	Zinc in p		
	Ore		Slab zinc				Sec-ondary material
	Domes-tic	Foreign					
Zinc oxide.....	63,872	10,305	17,936	25,639	117,752	63,555	
Leaded zinc oxide.....	7,065	4,762			12,417	5,232	
Total pigments.....	71,637	15,067	17,936	25,639	130,109	68,797	
Zinc chloride.....	(1)	(1)	(2)	11,410	11,410	(2)	
Zinc sulfate.....	(1)	(1)		(1)	10,667	(2)	

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.
³ Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

Consumption and Uses.—Shipments of lead-free zinc oxide were 11 percent greater than in 1961. The quantity consumed in paint, and ceramic industries increased, and the quantity consumed in the rubber industry counted for 79 percent of the total 154,800 tons shipped. The paint industry accounted for 95 percent of the total shipped.

TABLE 22.—Distribution of zinc oxide shipments, by industries

(Short tons)						
Industry	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Rubber.....	79,675	68,176	79,505	75,120	71,534	80,247
Paints.....	32,420	33,335	33,708	31,610	30,405	31,381
Ceramics.....	9,418	9,095	10,480	9,840	10,058	11,002
Coated fabrics and textiles ¹	7,674	2,327	2,125	1,331	1,185	202
Floor coverings.....	1,790	971	1,207	1,316	1,174	457
Other.....	21,753	22,087	27,203	25,561	30,852	31,470
Total.....	152,735	135,991	154,234	144,778	145,208	154,840

¹ Includes the following tonnages for rayon: 1957—2,838; 1958—1,140. Figures for 1959, 1960, 1961, and 1962 withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data.

TABLE 23.—Distribution of leaded zinc oxide shipments, by industries

(Short tons)						
Industry	1953-57 (average)	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
Paints.....	31,174	23,021	20,748	17,616	16,533	14,959
Rubber.....	368	207	1,878	1,662	1,474	735
Other.....						
Total.....	31,542	23,288	22,626	19,278	18,007	15,694

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 tinning fluxes.

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

TABLE 24.—Distribution of zinc sulfate shipments, by industries

(Short tons)								
Year	Rayon		Agriculture		Other		Total	
	Gross weight	Dry basis	Gross weight	Dry basis	Gross weight	Dry basis	Gross weight	Dry basis
1953-57 (average).....	13,468	11,900	7,779	6,735	4,939	3,912	26,186	22,517
1958.....	19,796	17,747	11,525	9,919	2,416	2,191	33,737	29,767
1959.....	26,062	23,354	5,262	4,696	9,346	7,428	40,670	35,478
1960.....	15,727	14,077	4,320	3,848	8,749	7,882	28,796	25,827
1961.....	12,284	11,007	5,673	5,086	10,934	9,926	28,891	26,019
1962.....	(¹)	(¹)	8,544	7,313	22,687	20,350	31,231	27,672

¹ Figure withheld to avoid disclosing individual company confidential data, included with "Other."

Prices.—American-process zinc oxide was quoted at 13.00 cents per pound in carlots throughout 1962. Leaded zinc oxide of the 35 percent grade was quoted at 13.875 cents per pound for carlots throughout 1962.

Quotations for Red-seal, Green-seal, and White zinc oxide in carlots remained unchanged at 14.75 cents, and 15.00 cents, respectively.

Zinc chloride (50° Baumé) was quoted at 5.00 cents per pound throughout 1962. Zinc sulfate (Monohydrate, 36° Baumé) was quoted at 9.00 cents per pound but in May and remained at this level.

Foreign Trade.—Imports of zinc pigments and salts were 16 percent in quantity but only 16 percent in value over 1961. Imports of zinc oxide increased to 12,000 tons and to 12,000 tons of zinc chloride.

TABLE 25.—U.S. imports for consumption of zinc pigments

Kind	1961	
	Short tons	Value (thou.)
Zinc oxide.....	10,222	\$ 1,100
Zinc sulfide.....	853	100
Lithopone.....	74	10
Zinc arsenate.....	800	100
Zinc chloride.....	1,159	100
Zinc sulfate.....	1,159	100
Total.....	12,608	1,310

¹ Revised figure.

² Less than \$1,000.

Source: Bureau of the Census.

Exports of zinc oxide were 2,100 tons valued at \$68,000. Exports of lithopone were 350 tons valued at \$68,000.

TABLE 26.—U.S. exports of zinc pigments

Kind	1961	
	Short tons	Value (thou.)
Zinc oxide.....	2,183	\$ 2,100
Lithopone.....	608	100
Total.....	2,791	2,200

Source: Bureau of the Census.

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National Stockpile.—There was 1,257,000 tons of zinc oxide in the strategic stockpile and 324,000 tons in the supply stockpile at the end of the year; a total of 1,581,000 tons at year end.

Producer Stocks.—Smelter stocks of slab zinc were 139,000 tons at the beginning of 1962. By the end of March, inventory was 139,000 tons, but thereafter they gradually declined to 144,700 tons by the end of September. At the yearend 144,700 tons.