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GYPSUM IN THE SECOND QUARTER 2025

Producers mined 5.05 million metric tons (Mt) of gypsum during the second quarter of 2025, slightly more than the 4.97 Mt (revised) in the first quarter of 2025. For the second quarter of 2024, 5.00 Mt (revised) was mined. Synthetic gypsum utilized was estimated to be 3.85 Mt in the second quarter of 2025, which was unchanged from that in the first quarter of 2025 and the second quarter of 2024. During the second quarter of 2025, synthetic gypsum accounted for approximately 37% of the 10.5 Mt total supply of gypsum in the United States (table 1). Both mined and synthetic gypsum are used as raw material for wallboard. The wallboard industry is the leading domestic consumer of gypsum.

Calcined gypsum production during the second quarter of 2025 was 4.54 Mt, which was 5% more than that in the first quarter of 2025 and 8% less from that in the second quarter of 2024 (table 1). Sales of board products were 3.65 Mt, equivalent to approximately 621 million square meters (6.69 billion square feet), 3% more than those in the first quarter of 2025 and 11% less than those in the second quarter of 2024 (table 2).

Sales of uncalcined gypsum in the second quarter of 2025, primarily for portland cement and agricultural uses, were estimated to be 4.70 Mt, unchanged from those in the first quarter of 2025 as well as those in the second quarter of 2024 (table 2).

The occurrence of quarterly fluctuations is not unusual in the production and consumption of gypsum, synthetic gypsum, and calcined gypsum. These variances are often the result of differences in weather conditions, which can impede or encourage construction activities, coupled with market demands that are often driven by residential and commercial building activity.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, imports of crude gypsum in the second quarter of 2025 were 1.61 Mt, 5% less than those in the first quarter of 2025 and 15% less than those in the second quarter of 2024. Spain was the leading source with 38% of total crude imports, followed by Canada and Mexico with 30% each (table 3).

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, gypsum wallboard imports from 14 countries or localities in the second quarter of 2025 were 198,000 metric tons (t), equivalent to about 22.0 million square meters (238 million square feet). These imports were 3% more than those in the first quarter of 2025 and slightly less than those in the second quarter of 2024. Mexico was the source of 97% of wallboard imports, followed by Canada with 2%.

Wallboard exports to 39 countries or localities in the second quarter of 2025 were 205,000 t, equivalent to 22.7 million square meters (245 million square feet). These were 8% less than those in the first quarter of 2025 and 39% more than those in the second quarter of 2024. Most wallboard exports were shipped to Canada, which accounted for 96% of the total.

Changes in wallboard import and export data are frequently amplified as a result of relatively small quantities of traded material.

All percentages in this report were calculated based on unrounded data.

A worksheet has been added to the excel table files that includes a macro to remove text from data cells. This will allow users to only have numbers in data cells. Please see the worksheet titled "RemoveTextButton" within the October 2024 Mineral Industry Survey for instructions on how to use the tool. Note: you must download the excel file to use the tool.

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Table 1. Gypsum supply.

[Includes data from the gypsum association. Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; may not add to totals shown. Data are in metric tons. Revised data are marked with a superscript “r”.]

Gypsum supply	2024				2025		
	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter	1st quarter	2d quarter	1st quarter– 2d quarter
Crude							
Mined ¹	5,000,000 ^r	5,030,000	4,870,000 ^r	19,900,000	4,970,000 ^r	5,050,000	10,000,000
Imported ²	1,900,000	1,980,000	1,570,000	7,160,000 ^r	1,700,000	1,610,000	3,310,000
Synthetic gypsum ³	3,850,000	3,850,000	3,850,000	15,400,000	3,850,000	3,850,000	7,700,000
Total supply	10,800,000	10,900,000	10,300,000	42,500,000 ^r	10,500,000	10,500,000	21,000,000
Crude, exported ²	10,400 ^r	16,100 ^r	13,500 ^r	51,100 ^r	12,700 ^r	14,400	27,100
Consumption	10,700,000	10,800,000	10,300,000	42,400,000	10,500,000	10,500,000	21,000,000
Calcined							
Produced	4,910,000	4,560,000	4,420,000	18,600,000	4,340,000	4,530,000	8,870,000
Imported ⁴	15,400	14,000	8,940	53,300	10,800	9,400	20,200
Total supply	4,920,000	4,570,000	4,430,000	18,700,000	4,350,000	4,540,000	8,890,000
Exported ⁴	20,100 ^r	29,200	26,000 ^r	87,400 ^r	21,300 ^r	22,700	44,000
Consumption	4,900,000	4,550,000	4,410,000	18,600,000	4,330,000	4,520,000	8,850,000

¹Includes estimated data.

²Import and export data are for “Gypsum; anhydrite,” Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) code 2520.10.0000.

³Estimated, based on American Coal Ash Association data for FGD gypsum used.

⁴Import and export data are for “Plaster,” HTS code 2520.20.0000.

Table 2. Gypsum sold or used by producers, by use.

[Includes data from the gypsum association. Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; metric tons, unless otherwise specified. Estimated data are marked with a superscript "e".]

2024				
Sold or used by producers, by use	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter
Uncalcined^e				
Portland and masonry cement	1,100,000	1,100,000	1,100,000	4,400,000
Agriculture and other ¹	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	14,400,000
Total	4,700,000	4,700,000	4,700,000	18,800,000
Calcined				
Board products ²	4,100,000	3,800,000	3,780,000	15,600,000
Plaster	18,300	18,000	17,200	71,000
Total	4,110,000	3,810,000	3,800,000	15,700,000
Board products (thousand square feet)³				
Regular board	3,930,000	3,690,000	3,660,000	14,900,000
Type X board	2,270,000	2,040,000	2,020,000	8,540,000
Other	944,000	906,000	930,000	3,720,000
Total supply	7,150,000	6,640,000	6,610,000	27,200,000

¹Includes gypsum used for infrastructure purposes, unspecified uses, and estimated under-reported amounts.

²Includes weight of paper and other materials.

³One square meter equals 10.78 square feet.

Table 3. Crude gypsum imported for consumption.

[Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; may not add to totals shown. May include revisions to previously published data. Data are in metric tons. Revised data are marked with a superscript "r". Source: U.S. Census Bureau (<https://usatrade.census.gov/>).]

Country or locality	2024				2025		
	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter	1st quarter	2d quarter	1st quarter– 2d quarter
Canada	587,000 ^r	511,000	447,000	2,020,000 ^r	526,000	486,000	1,010,000
China	58	26	33	169	7	49	56
Dominican Republic	0	0	308	308	0	0	0
Germany	0	1	5	6	0	25	25
Mexico	571,000 ^r	579,000	352,000	2,010,000 ^r	428,000	480,000	908,000
Morocco	30,500	57,100	32,700	122,000	2,690	29,800	32,500
Netherlands	59	76	96	319	64	120	184
Spain	707,000	780,000	734,000	2,910,000	684,000	608,000	1,290,000
Thailand	0	130	180	310	0	10	10
Turkey	3,490	47,000	0	99,200	50,000	5,000	55,000
United Kingdom	71	0	1	92	1	11	12
Other	30	1,110	958	2,100	7,550	2	7,550
Total	1,900,000	1,980,000	1,570,000	7,160,000^r	1,700,000	1,610,000	3,310,000

Table 4. Crude gypsum in the United States.

[Excludes synthetic gypsum. Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; may not add to totals shown. Data are in metric tons. Revised data are marked with a superscript "r".]

Period	Consumption ¹	Production ²	Imports ³	Exports ³
2024				
2d quarter	6,890	5,000 ^r	1,900	10
3d quarter	6,990	5,030	1,980	16 ^r
4th quarter	6,430	4,870 ^r	1,570	14 ^r
1st quarter–4th quarter	27,000	19,900	7,160^r	51^r
2025				
1st quarter	6,660 ^r	4,970 ^r	1,700	13 ^r
2d quarter	6,650	5,050	1,610	14
1st quarter–2d quarter	13,300	10,000	3,310	27

¹Consumption calculated by adding production and imports and subtracting exports. Quarterly inventory changes are not included.

²Production data derived from semiannual gypsum canvasses of non-wallboard producers, annual canvass of all producers, and quarterly data provided by the Gypsum Association.

³Data from U.S. Census Bureau.

Table 5. Sales of gypsum board products, by sales regions in 2025.

[Data are rounded to no more than three significant digits; may not add to totals shown. Data are in thousand square feet, one square meter equals 10.78 square feet. Source: Gypsum Association.]

[Sales region equivalent to U.S. Census Bureau Geographic Division as follows: New England (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT); Middle Atlantic (NJ, NY, PA); East North Central (IL, IN, MI, OH, WI); West North Central (IA, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD); South Atlantic (DC, DE, FL, GA, MD, NC, SC, VA, WV); East South Central (AL, KY, MS, TN); West South Central (AR, LA, OK, TX); Mountain (AZ, CO, ID, MT, NM, NV, UT, WY); Pacific (AK, CA, HI, OR, WA).]

Gypsum board products	New England	Middle Atlantic	E. North Central	W. North Central	South Atlantic	E. South Central	W. South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Exports	Total
2d quarter											
Veneer base	45,900	1,540	10,400	197	3,460	26	0	121	885	0	62,500
Sheathing	3,550	9,780	10,300	5,270	18,300	4,320	17,200	8,740	21,400	20,600	119,000
Regular gypsum board	64,000	256,000	554,000	225,000	983,000	285,000	512,000	355,000	446,000	93,700	3,770,000
Type X gypsum board	67,500	208,000	280,000	132,000	340,000	80,900	186,000	218,000	449,000	45,400	2,010,000
Liner panel	1,770	8,840	5,690	1,670	34,600	3,670	6,540	6,470	4,840	632	74,800
Predecorated board	458	1,710	1,910	761	3,130	882	2,140	1,200	1,240	423	13,800
5/16 Mobile home board	0	1,850	4,600	0	425	6,100	208	0	0	0	13,200
Water/moisture resistant board	27,500	122,000	78,500	29,200	146,000	29,500	57,200	41,200	72,000	22,300	625,000
Total	211,000	610,000	946,000	394,000	1,530,000	411,000	781,000	631,000	995,000	183,000	6,690,000
1st quarter–2d quarter											
Veneer base	89,800	2,860	19,500	431	7,340	29	2	291	1,820	0	122,000
Sheathing	7,270	19,400	16,500	10,500	36,700	7,910	34,700	16,400	40,500	37,000	227,000
Regular gypsum board	127,000	502,000	903,000	425,000	2,020,000	570,000	1,070,000	677,000	724,000	183,000	7,200,000
Type X gypsum board	134,000	414,000	489,000	254,000	706,000	160,000	405,000	459,000	777,000	94,700	3,890,000
Liner panel	3,160	17,500	9,720	3,140	65,200	6,890	12,400	15,300	7,550	1,440	142,000
Predecorated board	1,110	3,030	4,080	1,460	6,090	2,070	3,970	2,100	2,510	760	27,200
5/16 Mobile home board	0	3,780	9,160	0	1,300	12,900	1,150	0	0	31	28,400
Water/moisture resistant board	56,200	248,000	136,000	55,600	301,000	61,100	122,000	78,900	130,000	41,300	1,230,000
Total	419,000	1,210,000	1,590,000	750,000	3,140,000	822,000	1,650,000	1,250,000	1,680,000	358,000	12,900,000