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## GYPSUM IN THE FOURTH QUARTER 2025

Producers mined 5.01 million metric tons (Mt) of gypsum in the fourth quarter of 2025, which was 6% less than that in the third quarter of 2025 and less than the 5.05 Mt reported in the fourth quarter of 2024. The total production of mined gypsum in 2025 was 20.9 Mt, 1% more than the 20.6 Mt reported in 2024. Synthetic gypsum used was estimated to be 4.6 Mt in the fourth quarter of 2025, which was unchanged from that in the third quarter of 2025, and unchanged from that in the fourth quarter of 2024. During the fourth quarter of 2025, synthetic gypsum accounted for approximately 41% of the 11.3-Mt total supply of gypsum in the United States. Total synthetic gypsum used in 2025 was estimated to be 18.4 Mt, which was 2% more than that in 2024 (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 fourth quarter of 2025 was 3.82 Mt, which was 16% less than that in the third quarter of 2025 and 14% less than that in the fourth quarter of 2024. The total supply of calcined gypsum in 2025 was 17.3 Mt compared with 18.7 Mt total annual supply of calcined gypsum in 2024 (table 1). Sales of board products were 3.48 Mt, equivalent to approximately 563 million square meters (6.06 billion square feet), which was 5% less than the 3.67 Mt in the third quarter of 2025 and 8% less than those in the fourth quarter of 2024 (table 2).

Sales of uncalcined gypsum in the fourth quarter of 2025, primarily for portland cement and agricultural uses, were estimated to be 4.88 Mt, unchanged from those in the third quarter of 2025 and unchanged from the fourth quarter of 2024. Total estimated sales of uncalcined gypsum in 2025 were 19.5 Mt, which were unchanged from those in 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 fourth quarter of 2025 were 1.67 Mt, unchanged from the amount reported in the third quarter of 2025 and 6% more than those in the fourth quarter of 2024. Spain was the leading source with 43% of total crude imports, followed by Canada with 37% and Mexico with 18%. Total crude gypsum imports in 2025 were 6.65 Mt, 7% less than those in 2024 (table 3).

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, gypsum wallboard imports from 11 countries or localities in the fourth quarter of 2025 were 137,000 t, equivalent to about 15.3 million square meters (164 million square feet). These imports were 23% less than those in the third quarter of 2025 and 27% less than those in the fourth quarter of 2024. Mexico was the source of 95% of wallboard imports, with most of the remaining imported from Canada. Total wallboard imports in 2025 were 706,000 t, 8% less than those in 2024.

Wallboard exports to 33 countries or localities in the fourth quarter of 2025 were 185,000 t, equivalent to 20.6 million square meters (221 million square feet). These were 6% more than those in the third quarter of 2025 and 25% more than those in the fourth quarter of 2024. Most wallboard exports were shipped to Canada, which accounted for 95% of the total. Wallboard exports in 2025 were 788,000 t, 25% more than those in 2024. 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				
	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter	1st quarter	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter
<b>Crude</b>							
Mined <sup>1</sup>	5,050,000	20,600,000	5,210,000 <sup>r</sup>	5,320,000 <sup>r</sup>	5,320,000 <sup>r</sup>	5,010,000	20,900,000
Imported <sup>2</sup>	1,570,000	7,160,000	1,700,000	1,610,000	1,670,000	1,670,000	6,650,000
Synthetic gypsum <sup>3</sup>	4,530,000	18,100,000	4,600,000 <sup>r</sup>	4,600,000 <sup>r</sup>	4,600,000 <sup>r</sup>	4,600,000	18,400,000
<b>Total supply</b>	11,100,000	45,900,000	11,500,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,500,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,600,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,300,000	45,900,000
Crude, exported <sup>2</sup>	13,500	51,100	12,700	14,400	9,010	11,600	47,600
Consumption	11,100,000	45,800,000	11,500,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,500,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,600,000 <sup>r</sup>	11,300,000	45,900,000
<b>Calcined</b>							
Produced	4,420,000	18,600,000	4,340,000	4,530,000	4,540,000	3,820,000	17,200,000
Imported <sup>4</sup>	8,940	53,300	10,800	9,400	8,920	6,920	36,000
<b>Total supply</b>	4,430,000	18,700,000	4,350,000	4,540,000	4,550,000	3,830,000	17,300,000
Exported <sup>4</sup>	26,000	87,400	21,300	22,700	24,500	24,100	92,600
Consumption	4,410,000	18,600,000	4,330,000	4,520,000	4,520,000	3,810,000	17,200,000

<sup>1</sup>Includes estimated data.

<sup>2</sup>Import and export data are for "Gypsum; anhydrite," Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) code 2520.10.0000.

<sup>3</sup>Estimated, based on American Coal Ash Association data for FGD gypsum used.

<sup>4</sup>Import 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; may not add to totals shown. Data are in metric tons, unless otherwise specified. Estimated data are marked with a superscript "e".]

Sold or used by producers, by use	2024			2025			
	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter	1st quarter	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter
<b>Uncalcined<sup>e</sup></b>							
Portland and masonry cement	1,280,000	5,100,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	1,280,000	5,100,000
Agriculture and other <sup>1</sup>	3,600,000	14,400,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	14,400,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,880,000</b>	<b>19,500,000</b>	<b>4,880,000</b>	<b>4,880,000</b>	<b>4,880,000</b>	<b>4,880,000</b>	<b>19,500,000</b>
<b>Calcined</b>							
Board products <sup>2</sup>	3,780,000	15,600,000	3,540,000	3,810,000	3,670,000	3,480,000	14,500,000
Plaster	17,200	71,000	16,400	17,300	16,200	16,100	66,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,800,000</b>	<b>15,700,000</b>	<b>3,550,000</b>	<b>3,830,000</b>	<b>3,680,000</b>	<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>14,600,000</b>
<b>Board products (thousand square feet)<sup>3</sup></b>							
Regular board	3,660,000	14,900,000	3,430,000	3,770,000	3,600,000	3,300,000	14,100,000
Type X board	2,020,000	8,540,000	1,890,000	2,010,000	1,930,000	1,880,000	7,710,000
Other	930,000	3,720,000	868,000	909,000	893,000	873,000	3,540,000
<b>Total supply</b>	<b>6,610,000</b>	<b>27,200,000</b>	<b>6,190,000</b>	<b>6,690,000</b>	<b>6,430,000</b>	<b>6,060,000</b>	<b>25,400,000</b>

<sup>1</sup>Includes gypsum used for infrastructure purposes, unspecified uses, and estimated under-reported amount.

<sup>2</sup>Includes weight of paper and other materials.

<sup>3</sup>One 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. Source: U.S. Census Bureau (<https://usatrade.census.gov/>).]

Country or locality	2024		2025				
	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter	1st quarter	2d quarter	3d quarter	4th quarter	1st quarter– 4th quarter
Canada	447,000	2,020,000	526,000	486,000	397,000	619,000	2,030,000
China	33	169	7	49	49	40	145
Czechia	0	0	0	0	0	97	97
Dominican Republic	308	308	0	0	0	0	0
Egypt	0	1,080	7,530	0	440	0	7,970
Italy	945	945	0	0	0	0	0
Mexico	352,000	2,010,000	428,000	480,000	405,000	305,000	1,620,000
Morocco	32,700	122,000	2,690	29,800	31,600	29,800	93,900
Netherlands	96	319	64	120	72	48	304
Spain	734,000	2,910,000	684,000	608,000	833,000	710,000	2,840,000
Thailand	180	310	0	10	91	70	171
Turkey	0	99,200	50,000	5,000	4,000	4,000	63,000
Other	19	171	13	38	10	92	153
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,570,000</b>	<b>7,160,000</b>	<b>1,700,000</b>	<b>1,610,000</b>	<b>1,670,000</b>	<b>1,670,000</b>	<b>6,650,000</b>

**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".]

<b>Period</b>	<b>Consumption<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Production<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Imports<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Exports<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>2024</b>				
4th quarter	6,610	5,050	1,570	14
<b>1st quarter–4th quarter</b>	<b>27,700</b>	<b>20,600</b>	<b>7,160</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>2025</b>				
1st quarter	6,900 <sup>r</sup>	5,210 <sup>r</sup>	1,700	13
2d quarter	6,920 <sup>r</sup>	5,320 <sup>r</sup>	1,610	14
3d quarter	6,980 <sup>r</sup>	5,320 <sup>r</sup>	1,670	9
4th quarter	6,670	5,010	1,670	12
<b>1st quarter–4th quarter</b>	<b>27,500</b>	<b>20,900</b>	<b>6,650</b>	<b>48</b>

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

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

<sup>3</sup>Data 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
<b>4th quarter</b>											
Veneer base	40,700	1,170	10,800	183	3,320	10	5	154	956	0	57,400
Sheathing	3,060	11,000	9,350	7,820	19,800	4,830	18,300	7,410	18,000	13,500	113,000
Regular gypsum board	59,900	246,000	366,000	221,000	1,020,000	298,000	524,000	270,000	242,000	60,400	3,300,000
Type X gypsum board	65,000	201,000	237,000	141,000	375,000	79,800	233,000	221,000	297,000	32,500	1,880,000
Liner panel	1,740	7,210	5,520	2,060	27,400	3,470	5,960	7,490	2,390	610	63,900
Predecorated board	406	1,600	1,650	636	3,430	783	1,700	806	1,270	374	12,700
5/16 Mobile home board	0	1,490	2,830	0	666	4,450	0	0	0	0	9,430
Water/moisture resistant board	29,200	112,000	62,200	30,300	160,000	32,100	78,100	40,000	54,400	18,100	616,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>200,000</b>	<b>581,000</b>	<b>695,000</b>	<b>403,000</b>	<b>1,610,000</b>	<b>424,000</b>	<b>861,000</b>	<b>547,000</b>	<b>615,000</b>	<b>125,000</b>	<b>6,060,000</b>
<b>1st quarter–4th quarter</b>											
Veneer base	172,000	5,010	41,500	798	14,200	48	11	476	3,430	0	237,000
Sheathing	14,000	41,600	36,400	24,100	76,300	17,300	76,100	31,700	76,600	69,300	463,000
Regular gypsum board	249,000	995,000	1,660,000	868,000	4,110,000	1,190,000	2,200,000	1,270,000	1,260,000	315,000	14,100,000
Type X gypsum board	261,000	816,000	961,000	531,000	1,450,000	324,000	885,000	914,000	1,410,000	160,000	7,710,000
Liner panel	6,510	33,000	20,700	7,210	126,000	14,300	24,300	31,000	12,800	2,600	278,000
Predecorated board	1,960	6,060	7,860	2,900	13,100	3,950	7,850	3,810	5,230	1,540	54,200
5/16 Mobile home board	0	7,460	16,100	0	2,780	22,700	1,150	0	0	31	50,200
Water/moisture resistant board	115,000	477,000	261,000	114,000	618,000	126,000	272,000	154,000	246,000	77,700	2,460,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>820,000</b>	<b>2,380,000</b>	<b>3,000,000</b>	<b>1,550,000</b>	<b>6,410,000</b>	<b>1,690,000</b>	<b>3,460,000</b>	<b>2,400,000</b>	<b>3,010,000</b>	<b>626,000</b>	<b>25,400,000</b>