



Aluminum in April 2026

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Al - Chemical symbol and abbreviation for aluminum.

TRADE DATA

Trade data is sourced from the U.S. Census Bureau (<https://usatrade.census.gov/>). "HTS" indicates the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States code. "Schedule B" indicates the Schedule B of the United States number.

Imports refers to "imports for consumption." Import valuation is customs value, free-alongside-ship basis.

Exports refers to "domestic exports." Export valuation is on a free-alongside-ship basis.

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Table 1. Components of aluminum supply.
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Period	Primary production	Secondary recovery ¹			Imports for consumption			Total new supply ²	Stocks, end of period ³
		New	Old	Total	Metals and alloys, crude	Semi-fabricated products	Total		
2025									
Total	664	2,080	1,610	3,690	3,010	1,210	4,220	8,570	NA
April	55	178	135	313	238	102	340	708	1,840
May	58	171	138	309	227	94	321	688	1,850
June	54	174	137	311	277	99	376	741	1,800
July	56	170	134	304	160	95	255	614	1,810
August	54	183	136	319	211	89	300	670	1,850
September	53	181	135	316	194	84	278	647	1,800
October	56	178	135	313	208	104	313	681	1,810
November	55	171	137	308	208	106	314	676	1,850
December	58	171	140	311	219	105	324	692	1,840
Year-to-date	221	684	520	1,200	1,310	428	1,740	3,160	NA
2026									
January	58	180	139	318	267	124	391	767	1,910
February	52	169	137	306	232	132	364	723	1,930
March	57	188	141	328	323	166	489	875	2,000
April	55	191	147	338	230	156	385	778	2,070
Year-to-date	222	727	563	1,290	1,050	578	1,630	3,140	NA

¹Metallic recovery from purchased, tolled, or imported scrap, expanded for full coverage of industry.

²Primary production, secondary recovery, and imports for consumption.

³Inventory levels reflect total for U.S. and Canadian producers; data from the Aluminum Association Inc.

Table 2. Estimated full coverage consumption of and metallic recovery from purchased new and old aluminum scrap.
[Data are in thousand metric tons.]

Period	Secondary smelters		Independent mill fabricators		Foundries		Other consumers		Total	
	Consumption	Metal recovery	Consumption	Metal recovery	Consumption	Metal recovery	Consumption	Metal recovery	Consumption	Metal recovery
2025										
Total	2,560	1,920	1,830	1,680	101	93	2	2	4,500	3,690
April	216	163	155	142	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	380	313
May	218	163	152	138	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	379	309
June	211	159	158	144	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	377	311
July	211	158	150	137	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	370	304
August	213	160	165	151	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	386	319
September	215	160	161	148	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	385	316
October	219	165	153	140	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	381	313
November	217	161	153	139	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	378	308
December	218	163	154	140	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	380	311
Year-to-date	840	635	589	538	34	31	1	1	1,460	1,200
2026										
January	214	163	162	148	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	384	318
February	213	161	151	137	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	372	306
March	223	167	168	153	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	400	328
April	233	176	169	154	8	8	<0.5	<0.5	410	338
Year-to-date	883	667	649	592	34	31	1	1	1,570	1,290

Table 3. Consumption of and recovery from purchased new and old aluminum scrap in April 2026.

[Data are in metric tons.]

Aluminum scrap	Consumption		Calculated metallic recovery	
	Tabulated reports	Estimated full coverage	Tabulated reports	Estimated full coverage
Secondary smelters	194,000	233,000	147,000	176,000
Independent mill fabricators	152,000	169,000	139,000	154,000
Foundries	7,040	8,450	6,440	7,730
Other consumers	108	130	108	130
Total	354,000	410,000	293,000	338,000

Table 4. Purchased and toll-treated aluminum-base scrap in April 2026.

[Data are in metric tons.]

Aluminum-base scrap	April			Year-to-date		
	Stocks, opening	Net receipts ¹	Melted or consumed	Stocks, closing	Net receipts ¹	Melted or consumed
New scrap						
Extrusions	27,600	59,200	59,200	27,600	216,000	216,000
Can stock clippings	18,600	35,800	35,800	18,600	146,000	145,000
Other wrought sheet/clippings	11,900	45,400	45,100	12,100	169,000	169,000
Castings	3,790	5,980	5,980	3,790	24,700	24,700
Borings and turnings	5,250	13,100	13,100	5,250	52,400	51,900
Dross and skimmings ²	20,300	50,700	50,700	20,300	197,000	193,000
Total new scrap	87,400	210,000	210,000	87,700	806,000	800,000
Old scrap						
Used castings	13,400	30,400	30,400	13,400	116,000	115,000
Used extrusions	8,300	13,600	13,600	8,300	54,500	54,300
Used cans (shredded, loose, baled)	14,100	56,900	56,900	14,100	213,000	212,000
Other wrought products	24,100	29,900	29,900	24,100	120,000	119,000
Fragmentized shredder (auto shredder)	3,980	13,100	13,100	3,980	51,700	51,700
Total old scrap	63,900	144,000	144,000	63,900	555,000	552,000
All classes						
Grand total	151,000	354,000	354,000	152,000	1,360,000	1,350,000

¹Includes data on imported aluminum-base scrap.²Gross volume of dross and skimmings. Recoverable aluminum content ranges from 15% to 50% of gross weight.

Table 5. Aluminum alloys produced at secondary smelters in the United States in April 2026.
[Excludes integrated aluminum companies. Data are in metric tons.]

Aluminum alloys	April			Year-to-date		
	Stocks, opening	Production	Net shipments	Stocks, closing	Production	Net shipments
Die-cast alloys						
13% Si, 360, etc. (0.6% Cu, max.)	3,160	2,750	2,750	3,160	11,000	12,200
380 and variations	6,830	17,900	17,900	6,830	71,700	72,400
Sand and permanent mold						
95/5 Al-Si, 356, etc. (0.6% Cu, max.)	1,940	2,110	2,110	1,940	8,450	8,450
No. 319 and variations	1,200	1,380	1,380	1,200	5,500	5,500
F-132 alloy and variations	89	231	231	89	925	925
Al-Zn alloys	339	70	70	339	281	281
Al-Si alloys (0.6% to 2.0% Cu)	230	193	193	230	772	772
Al-Cu alloys (1.5% Si, max.)	139	718	718	139	2,870	2,870
Other ¹	4,490	27,500	27,500	4,520	102,000	102,000
Other						
Wrought alloys, extrusion billets	19,500	61,500	61,500	19,500	246,000	246,000
Total all alloys	37,900	114,000	114,000	37,900	449,000	451,000
Less						
Primary aluminum consumed	—	38,100	—	—	144,000	—
Primary silicon consumed	—	1,700	—	—	6,850	—
Other alloying ingredients consumed	—	899	—	—	3,480	—
Other						
Net metallic recovery from aluminum scrap consumed in production of secondary aluminum ingot ²	—	73,800	—	—	295,000	—

²Includes alloys No. 12, Al-Mg, Al-Zn, Al-Cu, Al-Si-Cu-Ni, aluminum-base hardeners, variations of these alloys, plus other aluminum alloys.

³No allowance made for melt-loss of primary aluminum and alloying ingredients.

Table 6. Average price of aluminum in the United States and on the London Metal Exchange.
[Data are in cents per pound. Source: S&P Global Platts Metals Week.]

Period	Midwest U.S. market price	LME cash price Grade A
2025		
April	146.813	107.996
May	148.913	110.766
June	172.131	114.129
July	186.109	118.106
August	189.075	117.643
September	194.398	120.335
October	208.141	126.367
November	215.813	128.029
December	220.202	130.414
January–December	178.187	119.284

Table 7. Average buying prices for aluminum scrap.
[Data are in cents per pound. Source: Fastmarkets–AMM.]

Period	Used beverage cans	Mixed low copper clips	Old sheet	Old cast	Turnings (clean and dry)
2025					
April	104.00	84.25	84.88	82.00	87.75
May	100.80	78.70	80.90	79.10	85.80
June	98.63	78.13	80.38	80.13	87.88
July	97.80	81.70	78.80	79.00	86.40
August	96.00	83.00	78.50	79.50	85.50
September	96.25	83.00	80.00	81.00	84.75
October	91.60	83.30	79.70	81.40	85.70
November	93.13	82.75	81.25	82.50	86.00
December	101.20	84.60	81.90	83.00	85.00
January–December	101.81	82.58	82.18	81.55	86.37

Table 8. U.S. imports for consumption of aluminum in April 2026.

[Data are in metric tons.]

Country or locality	Metals and alloys, crude		Semi-fabricated products ¹		Scrap		Total	
	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date
Argentina	6,560	47,000	8	8	0	0	6,560	47,000
Australia	9,980	36,300	8	62	330	1,570	10,300	37,900
Austria	0	2	3,670	12,500	0	<0.5	3,670	12,500
Azerbaijan	0	0	1,230	3,670	0	0	1,230	3,670
Bahrain	5,230	31,100	772	1,950	0	0	6,000	33,100
Belgium	0	19	4,440	18,100	0	0	4,440	18,100
Brazil	0	200	8,500	34,000	161	260	8,660	34,400
Canada	151,000	637,000	12,000	42,300	66,400	232,000	229,000	912,000
China ²	2	30	24,300	94,100	21	164	24,300	94,200
Colombia	0	0	243	770	2,440	7,490	2,680	8,260
Ecuador	0	0	1,080	4,300	112	255	1,190	4,560
France	449	2,490	3,440	12,300	3	16	3,900	14,800
Germany	22	112	10,000	37,900	198	795	10,300	38,800
Greece	0	0	4,270	15,100	2	3	4,270	15,100
Guatemala	0	0	0	74	270	1,550	270	1,630
Honduras	0	0	943	2,810	185	1,380	1,130	4,190
India	13,700	65,500	2,480	6,850	63	103	16,200	72,400
Indonesia	0	2,650	1,470	6,320	0	0	1,470	8,970
Italy	0	1	838	3,970	27	103	866	4,070
Japan	1	2	1,480	4,740	20	59	1,510	4,800
Korea, Republic of	1,130	4,320	37,500	133,000	2,550	7,250	41,200	144,000
Malaysia	4	23	698	2,990	18	38	720	3,050
Mexico	120	758	2,650	10,900	24,000	105,000	26,700	117,000
New Zealand	712	1,560	<0.5	<0.5	25	146	738	1,700
Norway	0	19	497	1,670	0	0	497	1,690
Oman	3,680	7,800	217	6,990	0	0	3,890	14,800
Panama	0	0	0	0	364	1,540	364	1,540
Poland	0	0	241	776	0	0	241	776
Qatar	1,340	11,400	1	31	0	0	1,340	11,400
Romania	0	0	88	1,080	0	0	88	1,080
Saudi Arabia	0	0	3,650	14,800	1,020	2,140	4,670	16,900
South Africa	1,750	6,320	4,170	15,000	0	0	5,930	21,300
Spain	70	317	1,730	5,210	22	115	1,820	5,640
Sweden	0	0	1,670	6,310	0	0	1,670	6,310
Switzerland	0	0	5,430	24,500	0	0	5,430	24,500
Thailand	129	522	5,210	18,100	397	1,230	5,740	19,900
Turkey	0	164	2,000	7,640	955	2,170	2,960	9,980
United Arab Emirates	33,300	193,000	337	1,090	919	4,080	34,500	198,000
United Kingdom	592	2,900	1,920	6,140	1,740	5,520	4,250	14,600
Vietnam	0	0	2,820	9,860	0	0	2,820	9,860
Other	298	532	3,660	10,900	3,750	11,800	7,710	23,200
Total	230,000	1,050,000	156,000	578,000	106,000	387,000	491,000	2,020,000

¹Includes bars, castings, forgings, pipes, plates, profiles, rods, sheets, strip, and tubes.²Includes Hong Kong.

Table 9. U.S. exports of aluminum in April 2026.

[Data are in metric tons.]

Country or locality	Metals and alloys, crude		Semi-fabricated products ¹		Scrap		Total	
	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date	April	Year-to-date
Australia	14	107	98	570	0	0	112	676
Belgium	2,160	7,970	125	517	2,170	7,370	4,450	15,900
Brazil	<0.5	5	139	701	138	632	277	1,340
Canada	2,750	12,400	15,200	48,700	12,700	43,800	30,700	105,000
China ²	34	515	969	3,200	26,100	121,000	27,100	125,000
Colombia	526	909	35	300	0	0	561	1,210
Costa Rica	0	0	8	33	12	27	20	60
Czechia	0	0	19	62	0	0	19	62
Denmark	0	4	9	34	375	1,490	384	1,530
Finland	0	0	21	99	0	0	21	99
France	769	2,500	518	1,970	140	491	1,430	4,960
Germany	111	297	418	1,910	620	2,410	1,150	4,620
Greece	0	<0.5	1	7	166	500	167	507
India	5	200	337	1,360	40,200	144,000	40,600	145,000
Indonesia	1	187	2	13	9,010	18,800	9,010	19,000
Israel	0	1	72	577	0	0	72	578
Italy	20	44	120	416	874	1,940	1,010	2,400
Japan	75	301	1,090	3,850	7,270	23,800	8,430	27,900
Korea, Republic of	724	856	1,530	5,730	25,200	87,600	27,500	94,200
Malaysia	869	1,190	364	1,650	23,000	90,900	24,200	93,800
Mexico	15,500	53,100	24,800	92,400	9,250	35,800	49,500	181,000
Netherlands	<0.5	1	28	108	1,290	2,750	1,310	2,860
New Zealand	0	0	109	217	0	0	109	217
Pakistan	0	0	0	<0.5	1,410	6,040	1,410	6,040
Philippines	0	18	22	72	20	201	42	291
Poland	0	0	131	450	0	0	131	450
Romania	0	<0.5	196	496	0	0	196	496
Saudi Arabia	0	0	12	68	0	0	12	68
Singapore	11	255	250	747	624	2,670	886	3,670
Spain	<0.5	2	134	806	295	1,710	430	2,520
Switzerland	0	6,560	21	62	0	0	21	6,620
Taiwan	33	72	392	1,420	1,900	7,550	2,330	9,050
Thailand	1	48	113	570	43,100	177,000	43,200	178,000
Turkey	<0.5	33	304	1,100	122	595	427	1,730
United Arab Emirates	0	11	53	503	0	776	53	1,290
United Kingdom	22	2,710	606	2,300	0	0	627	5,010
Vietnam	0	1	495	1,140	2,440	12,100	2,930	13,200
Other	24	82	262	1,150	582	1,380	868	2,620
Total	23,600	90,300	49,100	175,000	209,000	793,000	282,000	1,060,000

¹Includes bars, castings, forgings, pipes, plates, profiles, rods, sheets, strip, and tubes.²Includes Hong Kong.