



Molybdenum in April 2026

This workbook includes 4 tables.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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FOOTNOTES AND TERMINOLOGY

Year-to-date indicates the sum of all months or quarters for the given year to the given period.

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Mo - Chemical symbol and abbreviation for molybdenum.

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. U.S. salient molybdenum concentrate statistics.

[Table includes annual or quarterly published data from Freeport-McMoran Inc. (2025–2026) that has been adjusted by the USGS to reflect estimated monthly data. Data are in metric tons, molybdenum content.]

Period	Production	Shipments^{1,2}
2025		
January	3,280	3,420
February	3,080	3,030
March	3,420	3,370
April	3,400	3,400
May	3,510	3,490
June	3,430	3,390
July	3,190	3,170
August	3,250	3,220
September	3,140	3,200
October	3,880	3,680
November	3,870	3,430
December	3,870	4,190
January–December	41,300	41,000
2026		
January	3,530	3,610
February	3,330	3,430
March	3,570	3,440
April	3,470	3,650
Year-to-date	13,900	14,100

¹As reported by producers.

²Shipments include sales to domestic customers, sales for export, and transfers to other company plants.

Table 2. U.S. exports of molybdenum ores and concentrates (including roasted and unroasted concentrates). By country or locality.
[Data are in kilograms, gross weight.]

Country or locality	2025			2026		
	January–December	April	Year-to-date	March	April	Year-to-date
Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	0	18,200
Belgium	2,050,000	303,000	915,000	214,000	228,000	1,000,000
Brazil	219,000	1,090	4,220	0	0	25,500
Canada	653,000	54,900	255,000	18,500	60,600	147,000
Chile	1,480,000	290,000	359,000	317,000	405,000	1,360,000
China	2,600,000	400,000	1,640,000	32,600	54,700	87,300
Ecuador	4,730	0	1,090	0	2,040	2,040
France ¹	13,300	0	2,690	0	0	0
India	872,000	86,900	322,000	42,700	69,100	185,000
Italy	41,300	0	30,500	0	0	20,400
Japan	3,060,000	391,000	835,000	151,000	375,000	1,080,000
Korea, Republic of	718,000	95,300	338,000	89,000	128,000	255,000
Malaysia	138,000	0	0	55,500	15,900	106,000
Mexico	1,800,000	117,000	193,000	312,000	159,000	728,000
Netherlands	15,300,000	1,650,000	5,640,000	1,130,000	978,000	5,360,000
Philippines	0	0	0	0	950	950
South Africa	0	0	0	0	9,630	9,630
Sweden	73,800	0	73,800	0	0	0
Taiwan	51,700	0	0	0	0	1,950
Thailand	678,000	20,400	153,000	13,500	0	195,000
United Arab Emirates	196	0	196	0	0	0
United Kingdom	6,380,000	250,000	1,970,000	454,000	701,000	1,420,000
Vietnam	541,000	44,100	125,000	0	64,500	223,000
Total	36,700,000	3,700,000	12,900,000	2,830,000	3,250,000	12,200,000

¹Includes Mayotte.

Table 3. U.S. exports of ferromolybdenum, by country or locality.
[Data are in kilograms, molybdenum content.]

Country or locality	2025			2026		
	January–December	April	Year-to-date	March	April	Year-to-date
Argentina	2,830	0	2,830	0	0	0
Canada	198,000	0	69,700	2,570	830	20,400
Israel	272	272	272	0	0	0
Mexico	586	0	315	826	0	1,140
Sweden	368	0	0	0	0	0
Total	202,000	272	73,100	3,390	830	21,500

Table 4. U.S. imports for consumption of molybdenum products.
[Data are in kilograms, unless otherwise specified.]

Material	2025			2026					
	January–December			April			Year-to-date		
	Gross weight	Molybdenum content	Value (thousand dollars)	Gross weight	Molybdenum content	Value (thousand dollars)	Gross weight	Molybdenum content	Value (thousand dollars)
Molybdenum chemicals									
Oxides and hydroxides	2,620,000	NA	\$88,600	355,000	NA	\$12,700	744,000	NA	\$26,600
Molybdates of ammonium	714,000	403,000	20,600	20,000	11,300	725	140,000	79,200	4,520
Molybdates (all others)	147,000	58,300	2,920	0	0	0	25,000	9,920	73
Molybdenum orange	224,000	NA	861	20,300	NA	83	102,000	NA	394
Other									
Ores and concentrates, roasted	4,290,000	2,660,000	131,000	186,000	112,000	6,680	954,000	576,000	33,800
Ores and concentrates, other	25,000,000	12,100,000	526,000	2,360,000	1,090,000	58,300	8,780,000	4,150,000	200,000
Ferromolybdenum	4,870,000	3,270,000	160,000	796,000	568,000	32,800	2,420,000	1,690,000	94,700
Molybdenum powders	11,000	10,700	782	6,670	5,180	657	10,400	8,780	1,060
Molybdenum unwrought, bars and rods	628,000	626,000	36,400	34,500	34,500	2,390	92,900	92,600	5,950
Molybdenum waste and scrap	1,560,000	1,360,000	84,100	183,000	172,000	11,600	642,000	582,000	38,400
Molybdenum wire	20,400	NA	2,780	2,420	NA	370	7,300	NA	1,230
Molybdenum, other	187,000	NA	28,000	14,100	NA	2,920	49,700	NA	9,510
Total	40,300,000	—	1,080,000	3,980,000	—	129,000	14,000,000	—	416,000