



Soda Ash in May 2026

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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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TRADE DATA

Trade data are sourced from the U.S. Census Bureau (<https://usatrade.census.gov/>). "HTS" refers to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, and "Schedule B" refers to the Schedule B export classification system used by the United States.

Only the leading trade partners are listed individually in the table. Data for all countries are provided in the data release file at Mineral Industry Surveys Data Release (Provisional) - ScienceBase-Catalog.

Imports refers to "imports for consumption." The import valuation is the U.S. customs value, as appraised by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and generally defined as the price actually paid or payable for merchandise when sold for exportation to the United States, excluding U.S. import duties, freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in bringing the merchandise to the United States. 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. Salient statistics for the U. S. soda ash industry.
[Data are in thousand metric tons.]

Soda ash			
Period	Production¹	Stocks, end of period	Wyoming trona production
2025²			
January–May	4,890	283	8,120
May	1,010	283	1,610
June	1,060	437	1,580
July	963	408	1,560
August	979	412	1,550
September	832	352	1,450
October	920	411	1,530
November	859	445	1,490
December	838	369	1,370
January–December	11,300	369	18,700
2026			
January	870	316	1,560
February	886	388	1,410
March	887	267	1,640
April	860	345	1,710
May	920	586	1,570
Year-to-date	4,420	586	7,880

¹Production data include soda ash equivalent from soda liquors only. Soda ash equivalent from mine water is not included. Soda liquors are withheld to avoid disclosing company proprietary data.

²May include revisions to previously published data.

Table 2. U.S. exports of soda ash by country or locality in 2026.

[Data are in metric tons unless otherwise specified.]

Country or locality ¹	January	February	March	April	May			Year-to-date		
					Quantity	Value ² (thousand dollars)	Unit value (dollars per metric ton)	Quantity	Percent of total quantity	Value ² (thousand dollars)
Argentina	17,700	31,800	10,100	16,000	0	0	0	75,500	3	17,300
Australia	7,500	22,500	34,400	0	80	14	180	64,400	3	11,100
Brazil	46,100	92,600	78,700	15,300	19,100	3,050	160	252,000	10	41,300
Canada	12,300	16,600	17,400	12,300	15,500	3,750	242	74,100	3	19,000
Chile	16,500	80,000	44,900	56,400	77,800	17,300	223	276,000	11	56,700
China	50,000	0	0	108	24,500	3,880	158	74,600	3	13,300
Colombia	6,400	8,000	8,000	18,300	0	0	0	40,700	2	7,740
France	7,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,000	0	1,120
Germany	5,020	8	0	8,020	9	3	300	13,000	1	1,790
Guatemala	12,600	0	300	36	15,200	2,670	176	28,100	1	4,950
India	69	0	0	90,300	55,000	7,560	137	145,000	6	21,100
Indonesia	45,800	51,700	54,900	21,700	73,700	10,100	136	248,000	10	39,000
Japan	41,500	0	21,500	1,520	25,000	4,040	161	89,500	4	17,300
Korea, Republic of	39,700	11,800	36,400	3,570	16,400	2,890	176	108,000	4	19,000
Mexico	97,200	102,000	97,000	96,500	94,800	24,400	257	487,000	19	123,000
Netherlands	0	51,400	10	0	34	10	300	51,400	2	9,010
Taiwan	14,100	0	7,500	9,250	8,050	1,330	165	38,900	2	6,270
Thailand	33,500	9,860	11,800	2,110	17,400	3,040	174	74,700	3	14,600
Vietnam	40,900	29,000	30,500	10,700	42,000	6,680	159	153,000	6	23,800
Other ³	3,600	38,400	58,900	63,100	47,700	6,160	129	212,000	8	35,400
Total	497,000	545,000	512,000	425,000	532,000	96,800	182	2,510,000	100	483,000

¹Includes all countries materials exported from U.S. ports, HTS code 2836200000.²Free alongside ship values at U.S. ports.³All countries and (or) localities receiving less than 1,000 metric tons of exports from the United States in 2026 included in "Other."

Table 3. U.S. imports of soda ash by country or locality in 2026.

[Data are in metric tons unless otherwise specified.]

Country or locality	January	February	March	April	May			Year-to-date		
					Quantity	Value ¹ (thousand dollars)	Unit value (dollars per metric ton)	Quantity	Percent of total quantity	Value ¹ (thousand dollars)
Belgium	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	16	1	11
Canada	196	142	170	131	190	17	91	828	26	90
China	79	3	14	22	92	74	807	210	7	151
Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	18	11	630	18	1	11
France	18	92	36	56	0	0	0	202	6	219
Germany	2	21	3	21	92	152	1,640	139	4	333
India	0	22	25	2	0	0	0	49	2	36
Italy	178	40	81	100	20	18	882	419	13	414
Japan	2	1	19	0	19	21	1,130	41	1	125
Korea, Republic of	0	4	4	0	6	10	1,610	14	0	22
Mexico	19	40	470	274	256	145	567	1,060	33	572
Norway	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	7
Sweden	88	20	34	1	34	57	1,680	176	6	267
Switzerland	0	0	<0.5	0	0	0	0	<0.5	<0.5	2
Total	584	384	873	606	727	506	695	3,170	100	2,260

¹Cost, insurance, freight values, and free alongside ship values at U.S. ports at U.S.

Table 4. U.S. apparent consumption of soda ash.

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Period	Production	Exports	Imports	Net stock		Apparent consumption ¹
				Increase	Decrease	
2025 ²						
January–December	11,300,000	6,790,000	35,000	123,000	0	4,460,000
January–May	4,890,000	3,020,000	30,600	38,000	0	1,860,000
May	1,010,000	586,000	750	79,700	0	345,000
June	1,060,000	510,000	363	154,000	0	400,000
July	963,000	579,000	489	0	28,900	413,000
August	979,000	571,000	892	3,940	0	405,000
September	832,000	609,000	876	0	59,700	284,000
October	920,000	443,000	711	59,100	0	419,000
November	859,000	476,000	600	33,400	0	350,000
December	838,000	585,000	452	0	76,000	330,000
2026						
Year-to-date	4,420,000	2,510,000	3,170	217,000	0	1,700,000
January	870,000	497,000	584	0	53,000	427,000
February	886,000	545,000	384	72,700	0	269,000
March	887,000	512,000	873	0	121,000	497,000
April	860,000	425,000	606	78,200	0	357,000
May	920,000	532,000	727	241,000	0	147,000

¹Production plus imports minus exports plus or minus stock changes.²May include revisions to previously published data.