THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENT: ALUMINUM IN U.S. MANUFACTURING

A 2013 study confirms the growing importance of the domestic aluminum industry to the U.S. economy. Durable, lightweight and infinitely recyclable, aluminum is a material uniquely suited to the 21st century. To see how the aluminum industry helps your state, visit www.aluminum.org/economy.

Today, the U.S. Aluminum Industry Accounts for:

- **672,000** Direct and Indirect Jobs
- **$152 Billion** Direct and Indirect Economic Output
- **17,000+** Facilities Nationwide
- **0.9%** U.S. GDP Economic Footprint

In 2013, the aluminum industry directly employed **155,000** vs **106,000** directly employed by the aluminum industry in 2009.

Employment Impact

- **$77,000** Average Industry Wage vs **$43,000** Average National Wage
- **$40.9 Billion** Paid in Direct and Indirect Payroll
- **$16 Billion** Generated in Federal, State and Local Taxes

As the U.S. economy recovers from the recession, demand for aluminum is bouncing back **30%** since 2009.

Aluminum demand in the U.S. and Canada is trending back to pre-recession levels, led by improvements in the transportation and construction markets. Infinitely recyclable, lightweight and strong, aluminum is the metal for modern life.

Notes:
- The study was completed by economic research firm John Dusham & Associates and is based on data provided by Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., the federal government and the Aluminum Association.
- The new study uses an improved methodology, based on company-specific micro data, in order to more fully and accurately capture the industry’s footprint.
- The analysis uses the Minnesota IMPLAN Model to quantify the economic impact of the aluminum industry on the overall U.S. economy.

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