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U.S. AND CANADIAN SHIPMENTS OF ALUMINUM SHEET AND PLATE

Report for December 2009

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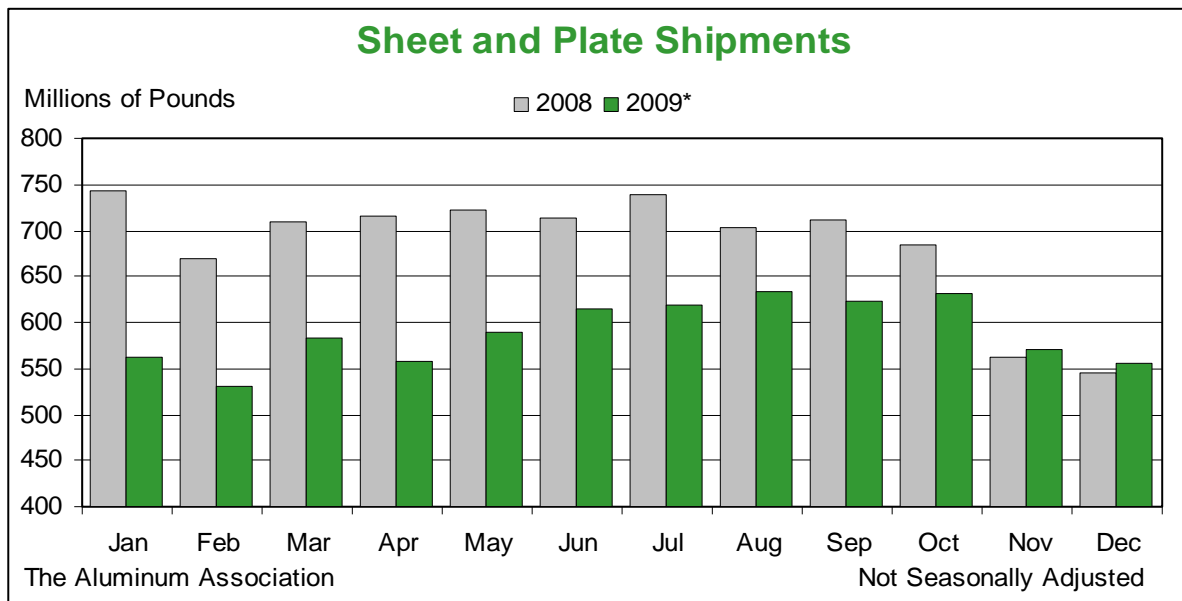
Based on Aluminum Association surveys, estimated net shipments of *Aluminum Sheet and Plate by U.S. and Canadian producers* totaled 556.7 million pounds during December 2009, a rise of 1.9 percent over the December 2008 total of 546.1 million pounds. Compared to the previous month, shipments declined 2.3 percent from the November 2009 revised total of 569.6 million pounds. Preliminary shipments for 2009 totaled 7,069.2 million pounds, off 14.0 percent from the 2008 total of 8,220.7 million pounds.

Shipments of *Can Stock* totaled 354.7 million pounds during December 2009, down eight-tenths of one percent from December 2008, while shipments of *Non-heat Treatable Sheet* (excluding Can Stock) increased 13.6 percent to 156.7 million pounds and *All Other Sheet and Plate* decreased 10.2 percent to 45.3 million pounds.

Participating U.S. and Canadian companies account for approximately 99 percent of the industry total.

Producer Net Shipments (Millions of Pounds)	Dec.		% Chng Dec/Dec	Nov.		Year-to-Date		% Chng 09/08
	2009*	2008		2009*	Dec/Nov	2009*	2008	
Can Stock	354.7	354.7	-	339.1	4.6	4,686.8	4,675.7	-5.1
Non-heat Treatable Sheet	156.7	136.0	13.6	183.1	4.3	2,081.0	2,812.8	-26.0
All Other Sheet and Plate ¹	45.3	55.4	-19.2	47.4	4.8	550.5	732.3	-24.8
Total Sheet & Plate	556.7	546.1	1.9	569.6	-2.3	7,069.2	8,220.7	-14.0

¹ "All Other" Sheet and Plate includes Heat Treatable Sheet, Non-Heat Treatable Plate, and Heat Treatable Plate.
 (*) Preliminary



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The Association estimates total industry shipments based on reports by its members of their shipments for the latest month. The Association expands these data to total industry utilizing expansion ratio that attempts to reflect the relationship of reporters to the total industry. While the Association believes that its statistical procedures and methods are reliable, it does not warrant the accuracy or completeness of the data. All data contained herein are subject to revision. © The Aluminum Association, Inc.

REPORTING COMPANIES

<u>Report Received (Date)</u>	<u>Participating Companies</u>
January 19, 2010	Alcan Rolled Products
January 14, 2010	Alcoa Inc.
January 15, 2010	Aleris International Inc.
January 11, 2010	ARCO Aluminum, Inc.
January 14, 2010	Golden Aluminum
January 12, 2010	Jupiter Aluminum Corporation
January 13, 2010	JW Aluminum
January 5, 2010	Kaiser Aluminum
January 6, 2010	Nichols Aluminum
January 8, 2010	Norandal U.S.A.
January 7, 2010	Novelis Inc.
January 12, 2010	United Aluminum Corporation
January 13, 2010	Wise Metals LLC

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U.S. and Canadian Aluminum Sheet and Plate, Shipments and Receipts

(Figures in Thousands of Pounds)

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	<i>Total Gross Shipment</i>		<i>Total Receipts</i>		<i>Industry⁽¹⁾</i>
	<i>Industry⁽¹⁾</i>	<i>Association</i>	<i>Industry⁽²⁾</i>	<i>Association</i>	<i>Net Shipments</i>
2008					
January	757,633	754,217	14,067	12,396	743,566
February	689,001	685,886	18,759	16,084	670,242
March	<u>722,602</u>	<u>719,408</u>	<u>12,611</u>	<u>20,451</u>	<u>709,991</u>
QTR Total	2,169,236	2,159,511	45,437	48,931	2,123,799
April	728,177	724,861	13,398	23,863	714,779
May	733,293	729,924	11,626	D	721,667
June	<u>722,834</u>	<u>719,587</u>	<u>8,629</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>714,205</u>
QTR Total	2,184,304	2,174,372	33,653	D	2,150,651
July	748,841	745,414	10,822	D	738,019
August	721,064	717,802	17,308	D	703,756
September	<u>726,515</u>	<u>723,195</u>	<u>15,726</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>710,789</u>
QTR Total	2,196,420	2,186,411	43,856	D	2,152,564
October	698,481	695,294	13,639	D	684,842
November	569,109	566,555	6,384	D	562,725
December	<u>551,854</u>	<u>549,311</u>	<u>5,728</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>546,126</u>
QTR Total	1,819,444	1,811,160	25,751	D	1,793,693
Total Year	8,559,404	8,501,454	118,697	D	8,220,707
2009					
January	565,585	563,117	3,606	D	561,979
February	534,221	531,828	4,014	D	530,237
March	<u>585,724</u>	<u>583,091</u>	<u>3,308</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>582,416</u>
QTR Total	1,685,560	1,677,956	10,928	D	1,674,632
April	561,782	559,241	4,473	D	557,309
May	594,732	592,002	4,487	D	590,245
June	<u>618,395</u>	<u>615,528</u>	<u>2,910</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>615,485</u>
QTR Total	1,774,909	1,766,771	11,870	D	1,763,039
July	622,355	619,491	4,248	D	618,107
August	637,279	634,343	3,888	D	633,391
September	<u>627,236</u>	<u>624,360</u>	<u>4,622</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>622,614</u>
QTR Total	1,886,870	1,878,194	12,758	D	1,874,112
October	637,504	634,587	6,425	D	631,079
November	574,664	572,057	5,054	D	569,610
December	<u>561,711</u>	<u>559,157</u>	<u>4,974</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>556,737</u>
QTR Total	1,773,879	1,765,801	16,453	D	1,757,426
Total Year	7,121,218	7,088,722	52,009	D	7,069,209

(1) Estimated by the Aluminum Association based on survey results.

(2) Excludes import receipts.

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U.S. and Canadian Gross Shipments of Aluminum Sheet and Plate

(Figures in Thousands of Pounds)

	<i>Industry</i> ⁽¹⁾			<i>Association</i> ⁽²⁾			
	<i>Total</i> <i>Sheet and</i> <i>Plate</i>	<i>Total</i>		<i>Total</i> <i>Sheet and</i> <i>Plate</i>	<i>Non-Heat</i> <i>Treatable Sheet</i>		<i>All Other</i> ⁽³⁾ <i>Sheet and</i> <i>Plate</i>
		<i>Non-Heat</i> <i>Treatable</i> <i>Sheet</i>	<i>All Other</i> ⁽³⁾ <i>Sheet and</i> <i>Plate</i>		<i>All</i> ⁽⁴⁾ <i>Other</i>	<i>Can</i> ⁽⁵⁾ <i>Stock</i>	
2008							
January	757,633	686,317	71,316	754,217	278,176	404,725	71,316
February	689,001	623,574	65,427	685,886	248,176	372,283	65,427
March	<u>722,602</u>	<u>661,671</u>	<u>60,931</u>	<u>719,408</u>	<u>251,992</u>	<u>406,485</u>	<u>60,931</u>
QTR Total	2,169,236	1,971,562	197,674	2,159,511	778,344	1,183,493	197,674
April	728,177	666,380	61,797	724,861	258,957	404,107	61,797
May	733,293	675,229	58,064	729,924	262,537	409,323	58,064
June	<u>722,834</u>	<u>662,316</u>	<u>60,518</u>	<u>719,587</u>	<u>250,345</u>	<u>408,724</u>	<u>60,518</u>
QTR Total	2,184,304	2,003,925	180,379	2,174,372	771,839	1,222,154	180,379
July	748,841	686,102	62,739	745,414	255,140	427,535	62,739
August	721,064	657,910	63,154	717,802	268,203	386,445	63,154
September	<u>726,515</u>	<u>667,170</u>	<u>59,345</u>	<u>723,195</u>	<u>274,324</u>	<u>389,526</u>	<u>59,345</u>
QTR Total	2,196,420	2,011,182	185,238	2,186,411	797,667	1,203,506	185,238
October	698,481	638,930	59,551	695,294	253,210	382,533	59,551
November	569,109	510,087	59,022	566,555	181,235	326,298	59,022
December	<u>551,854</u>	<u>501,464</u>	<u>50,390</u>	<u>549,311</u>	<u>141,206</u>	<u>357,715</u>	<u>50,390</u>
QTR Total	1,819,444	1,650,481	168,963	1,811,160	575,651	1,066,546	168,963
Total Year	8,369,404	7,637,150	732,254	8,351,454	2,921,501	4,675,699	732,254
2009							
January	565,585	515,269	50,316	563,037	156,403	356,318	50,316
February	534,251	489,925	44,326	531,828	144,068	343,434	44,326
March	<u>585,724</u>	<u>532,313</u>	<u>53,411</u>	<u>583,091</u>	<u>148,651</u>	<u>381,029</u>	<u>53,411</u>
QTR Total	1,685,560	1,537,507	148,053	1,677,956	449,122	1,080,781	148,053
April	561,782	513,761	48,021	559,241	153,476	357,744	48,021
May	594,732	551,927	42,805	592,002	163,434	385,763	42,805
June	<u>618,395</u>	<u>579,743</u>	<u>38,652</u>	<u>615,528</u>	<u>184,232</u>	<u>392,644</u>	<u>38,652</u>
QTR Total	1,774,909	1,645,431	129,478	1,766,771	501,142	1,136,151	129,478
July	622,355	579,174	43,181	619,491	193,229	383,081	43,181
August	637,279	593,739	43,540	634,343	195,702	395,101	43,540
September	<u>627,236</u>	<u>581,611</u>	<u>45,625</u>	<u>624,360</u>	<u>202,596</u>	<u>376,139</u>	<u>45,625</u>
QTR Total	1,886,870	1,754,524	132,346	1,878,194	591,527	1,154,321	132,346
October	637,504	589,730	47,774	634,587	215,072	371,741	47,774
November	574,664	527,107	47,557	572,057	185,429	339,071	47,557
December	<u>561,711</u>	<u>516,448</u>	<u>45,263</u>	<u>559,157</u>	<u>159,157</u>	<u>354,737</u>	<u>45,263</u>
QTR Total	1,773,879	1,633,285	140,594	1,765,801	559,658	1,065,549	140,594
Total Year	7,121,218	6,570,747	550,471	7,088,722	2,101,449	4,436,802	550,471

Sample

(1) Estimated by The Aluminum Association based on aggregated survey results.

(2) Figures reflect aggregated results of Aluminum Association surveys.

(3) "All Other" includes Heat Treatable Sheet, Non-heat Treatable Plate, and Heat Treatable Plate. Assumed 100 percent coverage

(4) "All Other" Non-heat Treatable Sheet excludes Can Stock Shipments. See footnote 5.

(5) Can Stock: Sheet Shipments to Metal Beverage Cans, Non-Beverage Cans and Composite Cans. Assumed 100 percent coverage.

U.S. and Canadian Shipments of Aluminum Sheet and Plate
Apparent Demand and Domestic Consumption
(Figures in Thousands of Pounds)

	<i>Producer</i> ⁽¹⁾ <i>Net Shipments</i>	<i>Imports</i> ⁽²⁾	<i>Apparent Demand</i> ⁽³⁾	<i>Exports</i> ⁽²⁾	<i>Domestic Markets</i>			<i>Import % Share of Domestic Markets</i>	<i>Export % Share of Producer Shipments</i>
					<i>Total</i> ⁽⁴⁾	<i>Can Stock</i>	<i>Total excluding Can Stock</i>		
2008									
January	743,566	68,977	812,543	71,618	740,925	339,436	401,489	17.2	9.6
February	670,242	57,751	727,993	77,024	650,969	315,561	335,408	17.2	11.5
March	<u>709,991</u>	<u>64,836</u>	<u>774,827</u>	<u>67,438</u>	<u>707,389</u>	<u>334,263</u>	<u>373,126</u>	17.4	9.5
QTR Total	2,123,799	191,564	2,315,363	216,080	2,099,283	989,260	1,110,023	17.3	10.2
April	714,779	62,870	777,649	72,845	704,804	338,384	366,420	17.2	10.2
May	721,667	67,522	789,189	85,975	703,214	341,417	361,797	18.7	11.9
June	<u>714,205</u>	<u>71,728</u>	<u>785,933</u>	<u>80,298</u>	<u>705,635</u>	<u>341,375</u>	<u>364,260</u>	19.7	11.2
QTR Total	2,150,651	202,120	2,352,771	239,118	2,113,653	1,021,176	1,092,477	18.5	11.1
July	738,019	74,916	812,935	96,552	716,383	351,853	364,530	20.6	13.1
August	703,756	74,321	778,077	80,397	697,680	319,732	377,948	19.7	11.4
September	<u>710,789</u>	<u>73,095</u>	<u>783,884</u>	<u>76,954</u>	<u>706,930</u>	<u>319,801</u>	<u>387,129</u>	18.9	10.8
QTR Total	2,152,564	222,332	2,374,896	253,903	2,120,993	991,386	1,129,607	19.7	11.8
October	684,842	75,834	760,676	78,912	681,764	316,412	365,352	20.8	11.5
November	562,725	66,800	629,525	70,377	559,148	266,641	292,507	22.4	12.5
December	<u>546,126</u>	<u>79,771</u>	<u>625,897</u>	<u>86,598</u>	<u>539,299</u>	<u>299,837</u>	<u>242,962</u>	32.6	15.9
QTR Total	1,793,693	221,905	2,015,631	255,887	1,759,744	877,890	956,854	24.5	13.2
YTD Total	<u>7,674,581</u>	<u>750,683</u>	<u>8,425,264</u>	<u>58,390</u>	<u>7,366,874</u>	<u>3,573,875</u>	<u>3,995,999</u>	19.0	11.2
Total Year	8,220,707	837,958	9,058,665	344,988	8,713,677	3,877,712	4,835,965	19.8	11.5
2009									
January	561,979	79,496	641,475	55,490	585,985	312,967	273,018	29.1	9.9
February	530,237	39,312	569,549	60,964	508,585	297,812	210,773	18.7	11.5
March	<u>582,416</u>	<u>47,475</u>	<u>629,891</u>	<u>70,634</u>	<u>559,257</u>	<u>335,553</u>	<u>223,704</u>	21.2	12.1
QTR Total	1,674,632	166,283	1,840,915	187,088	1,653,827	946,332	707,495	23.5	11.2
April	557,309	52,479	609,788	56,377	553,411	317,870	235,541	22.3	10.1
May	590,245	68,135	658,380	66,397	591,983	333,587	258,396	26.4	11.2
June	<u>615,485</u>	<u>36,172</u>	<u>651,657</u>	<u>64,059</u>	<u>587,598</u>	<u>341,404</u>	<u>246,194</u>	14.7	10.4
QTR Total	1,763,039	156,786	1,919,825	186,833	1,732,992	992,861	740,131	21.2	10.6
July	618,107	43,404	661,511	72,622	588,889	330,895	257,994	16.8	11.7
August	633,391	45,464	678,855	75,245	603,610	332,696	270,914	16.8	11.9
September	<u>622,614</u>	<u>51,392</u>	<u>674,006</u>	<u>73,069</u>	<u>600,937</u>	<u>315,311</u>	<u>285,626</u>	18.0	11.7
QTR Total	1,874,112	140,260	2,014,372	220,936	1,793,436	978,902	814,534	17.2	11.8
October	631,079	55,080	686,159	81,599	604,560	308,746	295,814	18.6	12.9
November	569,610	54,455	624,065	75,658	548,407	291,801	256,606	21.2	13.3
December									
YTD Total	6,512,472	572,864	7,085,336	752,114	6,333,222	3,518,642	2,814,580	20.4	11.5

(1) U.S. and Canadian producer net shipments of aluminum sheet and plate estimated to 100% coverage.

(2) Based on published government statistics derived from Customs documentation. Figures contain estimated adjustments to account for apparent misclassifications. Statistics net of U.S./Canada cross-border trade

(3) Producer shipments less exports.

(4) Apparent demand less exports.

U.S. and Canadian New Orders of Aluminum Sheet and Plate

Index: 2007 = 100

<u>Month</u>		<u>Domestic Can Stock</u>	<u>Other Sheet & Plate</u>
January	2008	94.76	120.14
February		98.01	109.09
March		99.52	101.56
April		107.24	105.64
May		102.15	110.92
June		104.49	99.99
July		102.81	99.16
August		99.64	94.89
September		95.98	90.31
October		89.53	89.98
November		83.76	72.51
December		93.66	65.23
Total Year		97.63	96.62

January	2009	94.11	71.41
February		93.5	61.57
March		99.21	61.5
April		93.11	61.03
May		95.59	70.04
June		100.19	69.92
July		97.55	81.00
August		97.06	80.84
September		106.85	76.34
October		90.76	84.67
November		94.18	68.75
December		93.16	70.56
Total Year		95.95	72.31

Percent Change			
Curr Mo/Prev Mo		-1.1%	2.6%
Curr Mo/Prev Yr		-0.5%	8.2%
Curr YTD/Prev YTD		-1.7%	-25.2%

Based on responses received from participating companies.
Export orders of can stock are included in "Other Sheet and Plate."