

China Price Monitor HDPE Pricing
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Comparison of Domestic vs Import Prices as CNY/tonne										
	Transaction Prices for Domestic Resin including VAT (from pg 4)					Transaction Prices for Imported Resin CFR or CIF CMP including VAT & import duty (from pg 7, converted to CNY)				
	This Week		Next Week Forecast		Change	This Week		Next Week Forecast		Change
	Low	High	Low	High		Low	High	Low	High	
HDPE BM	10800	11730	*	*	*	11327	11489	*	*	*
HDPE Film	10500	11960	*	*	*	11165	11651	*	*	*
HDPE Injection	10670	12600	*	*	*	11084	11327	*	*	*
HDPE Yarn	11300	11430	*	*	*	0	0	*	*	*

Excludes delivery. Payment terms are T/T for domestic resin and LC at site for imported resin.

This week's executive summary

- The China PE market prices mixed this week. LDPE and LLDPE market prices dropped because of scarce deals and lower crude values. On the other hand, tight supply and weak demand were reported in China HDPE market and prices were corrected.
- Ample supply and sporadic deals were reported in domestic LLDPE market because of low-value materials from futures market and a weak buying interest of end-users caused by a sharp dive of crude values.
- As for PE import market, offers from oversea suppliers were much higher, which were far from the intention price of buyers, so the transaction was sluggish. Price in second-tier market was lowered by sellers to boost deals impacted by the tight fund flow.
- Traders were uncertain about the market trend in future, there is an antagonize between higher domestic producers' EXWH(ex-warehouse) prices and weak downstream demand in China PE market, the prices were expected with a correction next week.

PE China Shutdown Schedule - expected number of shut down days																		
Majority Owners	Plant	City	Province	Line	Annual Capacity KT	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan, 2011	Feb, 2011	Mar 2011	Apr I 2011	May 2011	Comments
Sinopec	Yanshan PC	Beijing	Beijing	LDPE	380		5		1	8	1		2	1				
				HDPE	140		1	4										
Sinopec	TUCC	Tianjin	Tianjin	LLDPE	120			16				3						
Sinopec	Qilu PC	Zibo	Shandong	LDPE	140													
				LLDPE	140													
				HDPE	140				12						1			
Sinopec	Yangzi PC	Nanjing	Jiangsu	LLDPE	*	*	*	*	*	*								
				HDPE	*	*	*	*	*	*								
Sinopec	Shanghai PC	Shanghai	Shanghai	LDPE	*	*	*	*	*	*								
				HDPE	*	*	*	*	*	*								
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Total					10500	108	108											

Note: Only top ten resin suppliers included, all suppliers shutdown list is available in the full China Price Monitor

Production News & Shutdowns

- Yanshan PC shut down its 200kt/yr new LDPE unit on 28 February for one-day turnaround.
- Guangzhou PC shut down its 200kt/yr LLDPE unit on 20 February for maintenance, planning to restart it on 5 April.
- Lanzhou PC shut down its 200kt/yr LDPE unit on April 20 for regular maintenance, and plan to restart on May 5.
- Maoming PC shut down its 200kt/yr FDPE unit unexpectedly on 11 February due to a technical problem, and resumed production on 12 February.
- Jilin PC shut down its 300kt/yr HDPE unit during 8-14 March for week-long turnarounds.
- Fujian united shut down its 400kt/yr HDPE unit during 14-18 March due to a technical problem.
- Zhongsha PC shut down its 300kt/yr HDPE unit on 17 March for maintenance, and planned to recovery production on 19 March.
- Jilin PC shut down its 300kt/yr HDPE unit during 8-15 March for turnarounds.
- Qilu shutdown its 70kt/yr Line B of HDPE on 25 March for regular maintenance, has not yet decided the restarted time.
- Daqing PC shut down its 80kt/yr Line C of HDPE unit on May 3 for regular maintenance, restart May10.
- Zhongyuan ethylene shutdown its 200kt/yr units on May 5 for regular maintenance, will restart at the end of June.
- Zhongsha PC shut down its 300kt/yr HDPE unit on 11May for maintenance, restart on May 21.
- Jinfei PC shut down its 135kt/yr on 3 May for maintenance, restart on May 8.

Note: * replaced the actual data which are only provided to CBI CPM subscribers.

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