

U.S. Mineral Materials Ranked by Net Import Reliance - 2011



Commodity	Percent	Major Sources (2007-10) ¹
Arsenic (trioxide)	100	Morocco, China, Belgium
Asbestos	100	Canada, Zimbabwe
Bauxite and Alumina	100	Jamaica, Brazil, Guinea, Australia
Cesium	100	Canada
Fluorspar	100	Mexico, China, South Africa, Mongolia
Graphite (natural)	100	China, Mexico, Canada, Brazil
Indium	100	China, Canada, Japan, Belgium
Manganese	100	South Africa, Gabon, China, Australia
Mica, sheet (natural)	100	China, Brazil, Belgium, India
Niobium (columbium)	100	Brazil, Canada, Germany, Russia
Quartz Crystal (Industrial)	100	China, Japan, Russia
Rare Earths	100	China, France, Estonia, Japan
Rubidium	100	Canada
Scandium	100	China
Strontium	100	Mexico, Germany
Tantalum	100	China, Germany, Kazakhstan, Australia
Thallium	100	Russia, Germany, Kazakhstan
Thorium	100	France, India, Canada, United Kingdom,
Yttrium	100	China, Japan, France, United Kingdom,
Gallium	99	Germany, Canada, United Kingdom, China
Iodine	99	Chile, Japan
Gemstones	98	Israel, India, Belgium, South Africa
Germanium	90	China, Belgium, Russia, Germany
Bismuth	89	China, Belgium, United Kingdom
Diamond (dust, grit and powder)	89	China, Ireland, Rep. of Korea, Russia
Platinum	88	Germany, South Africa, United Kingdom, Canada
Antimony	87	China, Mexico, Belgium
Rhenium	87	Chile, Netherlands, Germany
Stone (dimension)	85	Brazil, China, Italy, Turkey
Potash	83	Canada, Belarus, Russia
Lithium	80	Chile, Argentina, China
Vanadium	80	Rep. of Korea, Canada, Austria, Czech Republic
Barite	78	China, India
Silicon Carbide	76	China, Brazil, Vietnam, Norway
Tin	76	Peru, Bolivia, Indonesia, China
Cobalt	75	China, Norway, Russia, Canada
Silver	75	Mexico, Canada, Peru, Chile
Zinc	73	Canada, Peru, Mexico, Ireland
Titanium (sponge)	69	Kazakhstan, Japan, China, Russia
Titanium Mineral Concentrates	68	South Africa, Australia, Canada, Mozambique
Peat	63	Canada
Chromium	60	South Africa, Kazakhstan, Russia, China
Palladium	56	Russia, South Africa, United Kingdom, Norway
Magnesium Compounds	53	China, Canada, Brazil, Austria,
Nickel	47	Canada, Russia, Australia, Norway
Silicon (ferrosilicon)	42	China, Russia, Venezuela, Canada
Nitrogen (fixed), Ammonia	41	Trinidad and Tobago, Russia, Canada, Ukraine
Garnet (industrial)	39	India, Australia, China, Canada
Gold	36	Mexico, Canada, Colombia, Peru
Tungsten	36	China, Bolivia, Canada, Germany
Copper	35	Chile, Canada, Peru, Mexico
Magnesium Metal	35	Israel, Canada, China
Perlite	27	Greece
Sulfur	24	Canada, Mexico, Venezuela
Salt	22	Canada, Chile, Mexico, The Bahamas
Beryllium	21	Russia, Kazakhstan, Japan, Russia
Mica, scrap and flake (natural)	20	Canada, China, India
Vermiculite	20	China, South Africa, Australia, Brazil
Aluminum	13	Canada, Russia, China, Mexico
Gypsum	13	Canada, Mexico, Spain
Phosphate Rock	13	Morocco, Peru
Iron and Steel	9	Canada, European Union, China, Mexico
Iron and Steel Slag	8	Japan, Canada, South Africa, Italy
Cement	6	Canada, China, Republic of Korea, Mexico
Pumice	5	Greece, Turkey, Iceland, Mexico
Diamond (natural industrial stone)	3	Botswana, South Africa, Namibia
Lime	1	Canada, Mexico
Stone (crushed)	1	Canada, Mexico, The Bahamas

Note: Excludes mineral fuels.

¹ In descending order of import share.

SOURCE: USGS, *Mineral Commodity Summaries, 2012*

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