



## I-6 Consumption of Phenolic Resin

### I-6-1 Consumption Pattern of Phenolic Resin in China

The consumption of phenolic resin in China has been increasing greatly in the recent years.

Table I-6-1.01 Apparent consumption of phenolic resin in recent years (Unit: 10,000MTs)

Year	Production	Import	Export	Apparent consumption
1996	3.8	3.7	1.0	6.5
1997	4.5	4.7	1.1	8.1
1998	5.2	5.1	1.1	9.2
1999	6.8	6.4	1.4	11.8
2000	9.4	8.0	1.9	15.5

Before 1989, phenolic resin was only used as the raw material for the production of phenolic molding compound. Its consumption in other fields was very little. However, with the development of the national economy and the improvement of the application technologies of phenolic resin, it began to be consumed in other areas, such as wood processing, coating, friction materials, refractory materials, insulating materials, drilling, casting materials and so on.

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Table I-6-1.02 Consumption pattern of phenolic resin in 2002 in China

Consumption field	Consumption ratio (%)
Friction material	
Drilling	
Casting material	
Others	
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>