Production Data of Sorbitol in China

Table Production of sorbitol in China, 2009 ~ 2011

At present, there are two types of sorbitol in China, syrup sorbitol (70%) and crystalline sorbitol. According to CCM International’s survey, ten manufacturers produce syrup sorbitol and crystalline sorbitol; eight manufacturers only produce syrup sorbitol; five manufacturers only produce crystalline sorbitol. For falling profit of sorbitol product, Jiangxi E&C Alcohol Co., Ltd. and Jilin Changchun Dacheng Industrial Group Co., Ltd. choose to suspend production of sorbitol in 2010. North China Pharmaceutical Sinowin Co., Ltd. stopped its sorbitol production in 2009 and put its focus on drug products.

The capacity of sorbitol in China is 1,089,000t/a in both 2009 and 2010; the output of sorbitol is 597,500 tonnes in 2009 and 641,950 tonnes in 2010, with average operating rate of 55% and 59% respectively. Despite the increased operating rate, overcapacity of sorbitol still exists in 2010.