

# China Polybutadiene Rubber (PBR) Annual Study







The **ICIS China PBR Annual Study** provides fully integrated data and expert analysis of current market trends, as well as insight into what to expect over the coming 12 months. Trade flows, capacities, and supply and demand data are all included for a comprehensive overview of the market situation. This study is an important tool for those assessing the emerging opportunities in China's domestic market, or for market participants formulating plans for production or investment in the country.

#### **Overview**

China's domestic PBR capacities reached 1.682m tonnes in September 2014, as the wave of capacity expansions that started in 2010 came to an end. In light of the rapid expansions, the average operating rates have fallen to around 60% in 2014; 80% of domestic demand is met by locally produced PBR, reflecting a high self-supply ratio.

The import market has been experiencing downward pressure throughout the year. From January to August 2014, import volumes totalled 132,000 tonnes, down by 17% year on year. South Korea remains the major supplier of cargoes into China, whilst there have been no SBR export activities as of yet.

Aside from the domestic economic situation and policies, the PBR market is strongly influenced by the market fundamentals, upstream BD, related products SBR and NR, and downstream demand. The China PBR Annual Study provides information on all of these factors, giving you a comprehensive insight into the market situation and outlook.

### Highlights of the report

- A comprehensive overview of the China PBR market in 2014
- Detailed domestic PBR production and supplier analysis
- China PBR downstream demand analysis and forecast
- In-depth China PBR import analysis between 2012-2014
- · Expert analysis of China PBR price trends and price driving elements

### Key topics covered

- The relevance of Chinese PBR to related products such as SBR and NR
- Capacity expansion of domestic PBR market and what this means for international players

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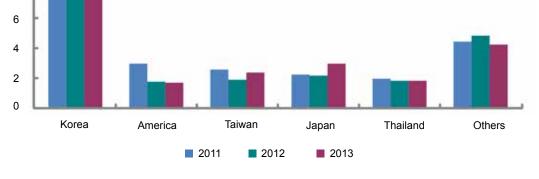
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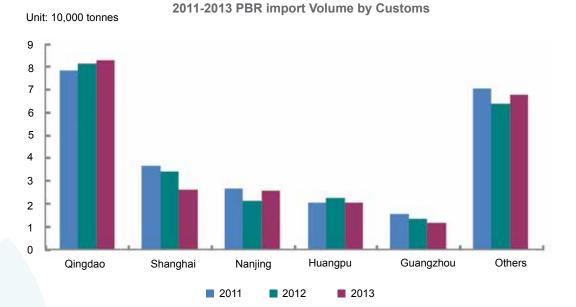
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