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## GENERAL

The year 2008 is an eventful year for China's paper industry. China's national economy slows down due to the financial crisis worldwide. In the fourth quarter, the growth tempo for China's paper production drops from 11% in the first 9 months to 8.8%.

## PROFILE

Total number of paper mills:	3,494
State-owned:	101, down 0.8%
Foreign and joint-venture:	409, up 0.6%
Private:	2,984, up 0.14%
Consumption per capita per year:	60 kg (based on population 132,800,000)
Employees:	752,000
Total revenues:	RMB397,000,000,000, 19.9%
Production/sales:	97.09%, down 1.23%
Inventory (finished products):	RMB29,700,000,000, up 53%
Profit and tax:	RMB36,400,000,000, up 13.6%
Profit:	RMB22,800,000,000, up 16.8%
Total capital and property:	RMB469,700,000,000, up 17.5%
Mills in debt:	680, up 1.13%
Total industrial value:	RMB457,100,000,000, up 21%

## CHAPTER I PAPER AND PAPERBOARD

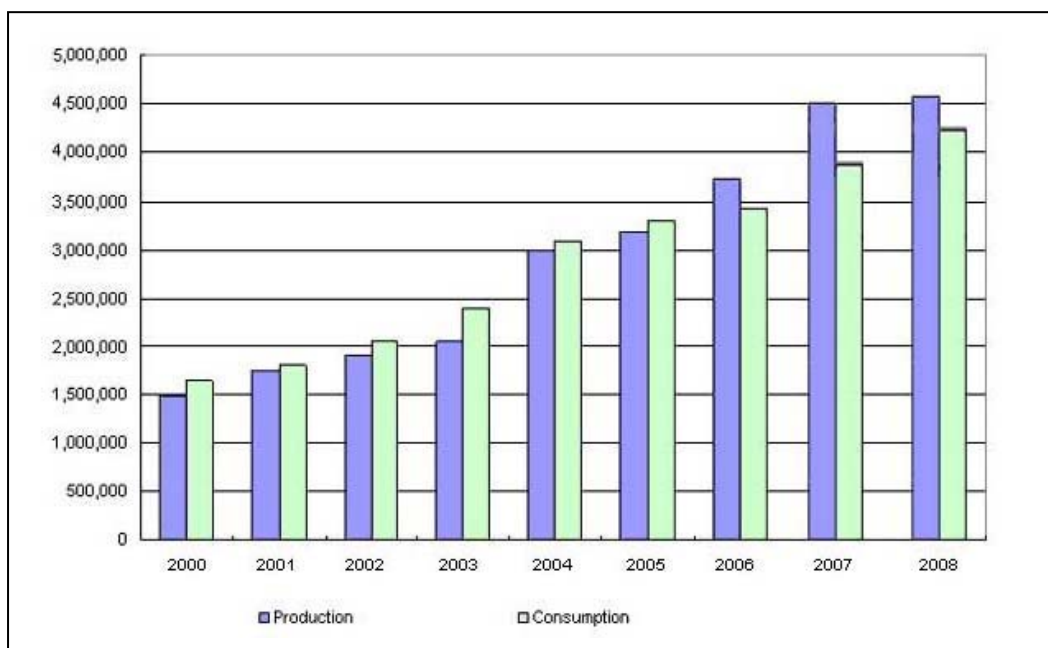
### 3 Variation in production and consumption for major grades 2000-2008

#### (1) Newsprint

Production in 2008: 4,600,000 tons, up 2.2%; average annual growth rate since 2000: 15.5%

Consumption in 2008: 4,260,000 tons, up 8.4%; average annual growth rate since 2000: 12.59%

Chart-02.Variation in production and consumption for newsprint 2000 – 2008



## CHAPTER II PULP

### 1. Pulp production and consumption

According to China Paper Association (CPA), pulp production in China in 2008 reaches 64,150,000 tons, up 8.9%, but the growth tempo slows down. Pulp consumption hits 73,600,000 tons, up 8.73%. See Table-03 for more details.

Table-03 Pulp consumption in China in 2008 (Unit: ton)

Pulp	2007	Percentage(%)	2008	Percentage(%)	Up/down(%)
Total consumption	67,690,000	100	73,600,000	100	8.7
wood pulp ☆	14,500,000	22	16,240,000	22	12
Recycled pulp ☆☆☆	40,170,000	59	44,390,000	60	10.5
Non-wood pulp	13,020,000	19	12,970,000	18	-0.38

Note:

- ☆ It contains 9,520,000 tons of imported wood pulp, up 12%. The figure accounts for 13% of the total pulp consumption.
- ☆☆ It contains 19,360,000 tons of imported wastepaper pulp, up 7.26%. The figure accounts for 26% of the total pulp consumption.

### 1 Imports of pulp, wastepaper, paper products and paperboard

In 2008, China imports 3,580,000 tons of paper and paperboard, down 10.7%. A comparison of paper import from 2007 – 2008 is showed in Table-04.

Table-04 Import of major paper grades in China in 2008 and comparison 2007 - 2008 (Unit: ton)

Grades	2007	2008	Up/down (%)
Pulp	8,450,000	9,520,000	12.66
Waste Paper	22,560,000	24,210,000	7.31
Paper and Paper board	4,010,000	3,580,000	-10.72
1 . Newsprint	20,000	20,000	0.00
2 . Uncoated writing	450,000	390,000	-13.33
☆ 3 . Coated printing	560,000	540,000	-3.57
4 . Packaging paper	100,000	120,000	20.00
5 . Container board	1,030,000	880,000	-14.56
☆☆ 6 . White board	700,000	640,000	-8.57
7 . Household grades	40,000	50,000	25.00
8 . Corrugated base	530,000	450,000	-15.09
9 . Specialty paper	430,000	380,000	-11.63
10 . Others	150,000	110,000	-26.67
Paper Products	190,000	180,000	-5.26
Total	35,210,000	37,490,000	6.48

- Note: ☆ In this sector, art paper accounts for 380,000 tons in 2008, down 5%.  
☆☆ In this sector, coated whiteboard accounts for 640,000 tons, down 8.5%,