



# The Contact Patch

## A Quarterly Carbon Black Newsletter

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### Overview

*The Contact Patch* is a quarterly report on the carbon black industry. The most recent issue (2Q 2011) is 33 pages and includes 16 tables. The report is accompanied by an Excel spreadsheet that includes supplemental supply and demand data.

The Carbon Black Quarterly Newsletter includes two components:

**Pricing Report:** Provides current and historical prices for major grades of carbon black, including N234, N330, N339, and N550. Coverage includes quarterly and monthly contract prices for the United States, the European Union, and Brazil; and monthly spot prices for China.

**Supply & Demand Update:** Provides quarterly and annual carbon black supply and demand figures. Historical data cover all years from 2000 to 2010, with forecasts for 2011 and 2015. Data cover all major countries as well as regional and global totals, and include carbon black capacity, utilization, production, and apparent consumption. Each issue also includes demand by market (tires, non-tire rubber, specialty), capacity developments, status of pending projects, and industry news.

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