

# World Thermal Black

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## HISTORICAL TRENDS & FORECASTS

Demand	Markets
Suppliers	Pricing
Market Share	Manufacturing
Capacity	Restructuring

**Overview:** *World Thermal Black* provides a detailed analysis of the global market for thermal black, a type of large particle, non-reinforcing carbon black manufactured from natural gas feedstocks. Thermal black is used primarily in the rubber industry, where it improves resilience and elasticity in components such as seals, gaskets, o-rings, diaphragms, belts and hoses. Other markets include wire and cable jacketing, refractories, metallurgy, and high temperature insulation.

After several challenging years that saw one major supplier (Sevalco/Columbian Chemicals) exit the market, conditions in the thermal black industry improved in 2006-2007 as volume demand rose and natural gas prices moderated from extreme highs in late 2005. Utilization rates improved with Sevalco's exit, such that one leading producer is now considering adding more capacity. Future growth in thermal black depends on greater penetration of the Asian market, particularly as rubber compounders in the region strive to raise quality to meet global standards.

**Coverage:** *World Thermal Black* provides data on thermal black demand in tonnes and US dollars for all years from 2003 through 2007, with forecasts for 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2015. Data include both fine (N880) and medium (N990) thermal black. This 64-page report includes 19 tables and figures. The purchase price includes a separate Excel spreadsheet containing the report's statistical data.

**Price:** \$1,500 for either the hard copy or the electronic (PDF) version, or \$2,000 for both.

**Related Reports:** Notch Consulting also publishes the *Carbon Black World Data Book*, an annual review of the global carbon black industry. The most recent edition was published in August 2007.

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