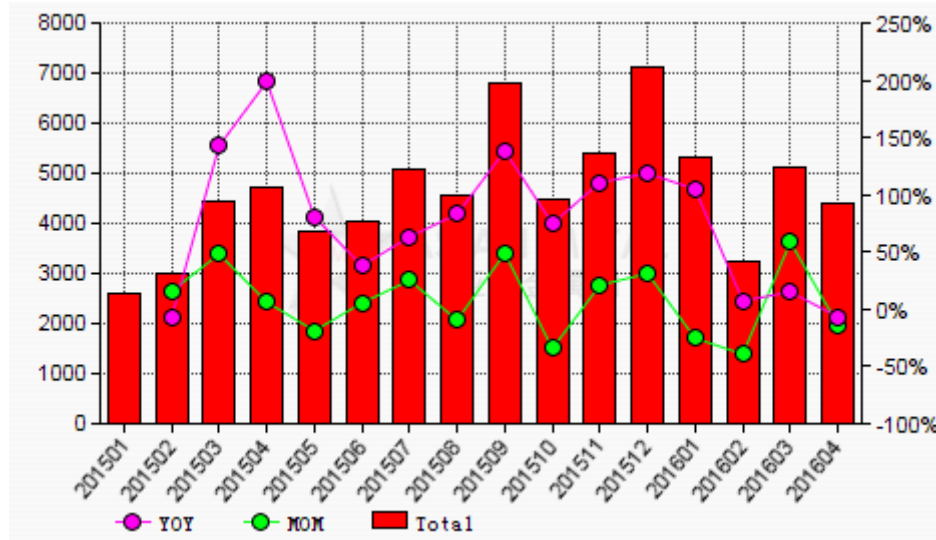


## Chinese bauxite imports down by 13.8% MOM in April

BEIJING (Asian Metal) 25 May 16 - According to China Customs, China imported around 4.4 million tonnes of bauxite in April 2016, down by around 13.8% MOM. The total imports from January to April were around 18 million tonnes, up by 22.91% YOY.

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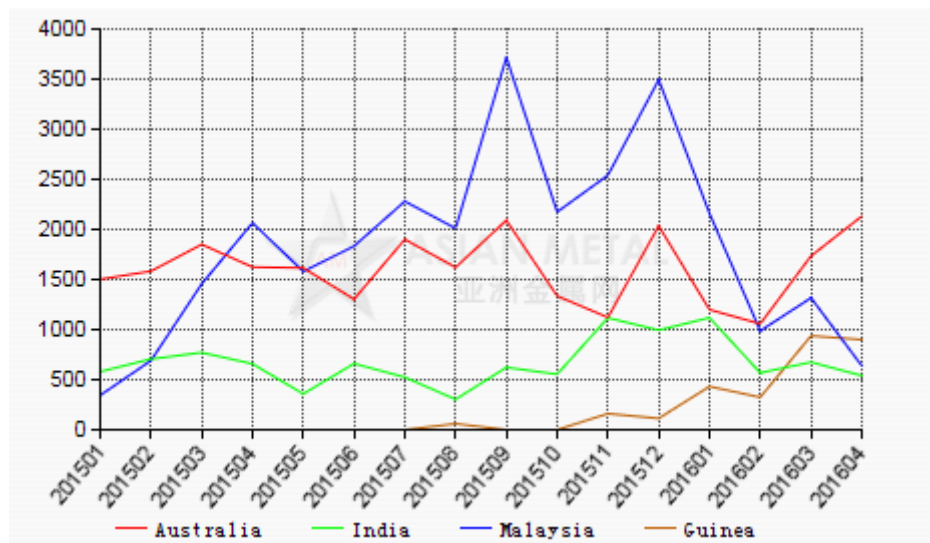
Chinese bauxite imports by month

In April, Chinese bauxite imports from most countries decreased except for Australia, who exported around 2.1 million tonnes of bauxite to China in the month, up by 22.9% MOM. However, the imports from Malaysia and India moved down by 32% and 20% MOM respectively to around 638,000t and 540,000t.

From late April, Chinese bauxite imports from Malaysia stopped as stocks inside Kuantan port were cleared. From late May, deals will recover gradually. However, imports from India may have no improvement in the following few months, as Chinese buyers have stopped signing new contracts with Indian suppliers.

Chinese bauxite imports from Guinea continued to keep above 900,000t in April, and demand for bauxite from Brazil and Ghana remained strong. From January to April, China imported around 2.59 million tonnes of bauxite from Guinea, up by 160.53% YOY.

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Chinese bauxite imports by major countries by month

## Chinese bauxite imports in April

|           | April     | YOY%   | USD/t | Jan-Apr    | YOY%   |
|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|------------|--------|
| Bauxite   | 4,406,589 | -5.93  | 49.45 | 18,040,372 | 22.91  |
| Origins   |           |        |       |            |        |
| Australia | 2,130,957 | 31.22  | 46.83 | 6,121,173  | -6.69  |
| Guinea    | 900,031   | -      | 54.74 | 2,592,977  | 160.53 |
| Malaysia  | 637,670   | -68.8  | 39.23 | 5,100,581  | 13.44  |
| India     | 540,062   | -17.12 | 55.65 | 2,900,977  | 7.7    |
| Ghana     | 141,462   | 146.82 | 79.54 | 366,351    | 33.08  |
| Brazil    | 56,407    | -75.55 | 44.58 | 620,099    | 59.47  |
| Turkey    | -         | -      | -     | 53,823     | -      |
| Guyana    | -         | -100   | -     | 23         | -99.94 |
| Dominica  | -         | -      | -     | 284,368    | -      |