

Why Trade Matters for U.S. Aluminum



North America is one of the best places in the world to make aluminum, as demand is growing.

Since 2020, U.S. aluminum exports have risen by

1.2B
pounds.

China's aluminum sector received **\$60B+ in government subsidies in recent years**, which drives global oversupply and devastates American manufacturing.

We also need vital trading partners like Canada, which **provides 2/3 of the primary aluminum we need to meet demand while taking in \$2B of U.S. aluminum exports.**

America needs strong but targeted trade enforcement to fight back.

When American aluminum makers compete on a level playing field, we win.

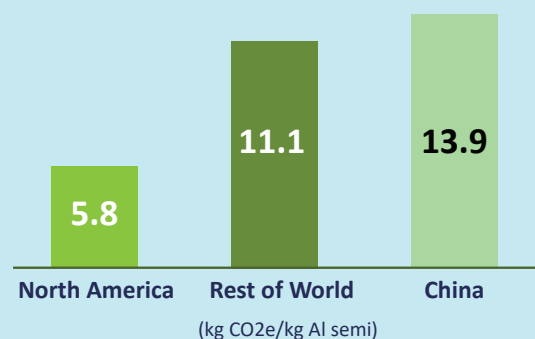
China's Aluminum Capacity Continues to Grow



The North American Aluminum Difference

North American aluminum is about ½ as carbon and energy intensive as aluminum made in the rest of the world.

CO₂ per unit shipped





Defend

Keep North American Aluminum Competitive

- ◆ Maintain tariff-free access to Canadian aluminum imports.
- ◆ Harmonize tariffs in North America to secure regional borders from unfairly traded metal.
- ◆ Monitor trade flows within North America to combat unfair trade.
- ◆ Reform Section 232 exclusion process to rationalize program and reduce compliance burdens.
- ◆ A robust and fair mandatory review of the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) in 2026.



Enforce

Strong Trade Enforcement

- ◆ Continue to use and expand tariffs targeted at subsidized, unfairly traded Chinese imports.
- ◆ Use antidumping/countervailing duty laws to combat unfair trade in targeted markets.
- ◆ Fund and maintain Aluminum Import Monitoring (AIM) system.



Maintain

Keep Critical Materials at Home

- ◆ Set a national standard for producing and maintaining access to critical materials like aluminum and its alloying elements.
- ◆ Modernize how aluminum scrap is categorized for imports/exports.
- ◆ Invest in new technologies to collect, sort and re-melt critical materials like aluminum.

