



## North American Printing & Writing Paper Statistics - Flash Report

000s tonnes	December			12 months		
	2008	2007	% change	2008	2007	% change
<b>UNCOATED MECHANICAL</b>						
Production	423	504	-16.1%	5,898	6,077	-2.9%
Operating Rate (ship-to-cap.)	74%	94%		92%	91%	
Shipments - Total	414	518	-20.2%	5,914	6,020	-1.8%
To North America	385	487	-21.0%	5,486	5,652	-2.9%
Overseas	29	31	-6.8%	428	368	16.4%
Imports from Overseas	24	34	-28.5%	513	586	-12.4%
Total Demand	409	521	-21.5%	5,999	6,237	-3.8%
<b>UNCOATED WOODFREE</b>						
Production	755	961	-21.4%	10,693	11,597	-7.8%
Operating Rate (ship-to-cap.)	78%	84%		91%	92%	
Shipments - Total	787	906	-13.2%	10,810	11,687	-7.5%
To North America	747	872	-14.3%	10,320	11,221	-8.0%
Overseas	39	34	15.1%	491	466	5.4%
Imports from Overseas	43	45	-2.6%	514	544	-5.5%
Total Demand	791	917	-13.7%	10,834	11,765	-7.9%
<b>COATED WOODFREE</b>						
Production	314	372	-15.6%	4,285	4,600	-6.8%
Operating Rate (ship-to-cap.)	68%	91%		92%	92%	
Shipments - Total	268	376	-28.7%	4,268	4,722	-9.6%
To North America	263	365	-28.0%	4,154	4,575	-9.2%
Overseas	6	11	-51.6%	114	147	-22.8%
Imports from Overseas	87	95	-8.6%	1,009	1,250	-19.3%
Total Demand	350	460	-24.0%	5,163	5,826	-11.4%
<b>COATED MECHANICAL</b>						
Production	266	419	-36.5%	4,458	5,054	-11.8%
Operating Rate (ship-to-cap.)	69%	99%		85%	97%	
Shipments - Total	291	420	-30.9%	4,331	5,171	-16.2%
To North America	280	410	-31.9%	4,178	4,992	-16.3%
Overseas	11	10	9.0%	153	180	-14.8%
Imports from Overseas	58	81	-28.1%	818	921	-11.2%
Total Demand	338	491	-31.3%	4,996	5,913	-15.5%
<b>PRINTING &amp; WRITING</b>						
Production	1,758	2,256	-22.1%	25,335	27,327	-7.3%
Operating Rate (ship-to-cap.)	74%	90%		90%	93%	
Shipments - Total	1,759	2,222	-20.8%	25,323	27,600	-8.2%
To North America	1,675	2,135	-21.6%	24,138	26,440	-8.7%
Overseas	85	87	-2.2%	1,185	1,160	2.2%
Imports from Overseas	213	254	-16.4%	2,853	3,301	-13.6%
Total Demand	1,887	2,389	-21.0%	26,991	29,741	-9.2%
<b>TOTAL INVENTORIES</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>Change from</b>	
<b>000s tonnes</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>month ago</b>	<b>year ago</b>
Uncoated Mechanical	264	255	257	280	9	(16)
Uncoated Woodfree	1,106	1,138	1,133	1,223	(32)	(117)
Coated Woodfree	407	376	351	412	31	(5)
Coated Mechanical	268	293	285	141	(24)	127
Printing & Writing	2,045	2,062	2,025	2,056	(16)	(11)

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