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#### **OBJECTIVES**

The objective of the project is to assist clients in understanding the value chain and pricing mechanism of China aluminum casting alloys, and to provide professional expertise on feedstock structure and cost of alloy producer and to analyze the detailed value chain of target end users.

#### PROCESS

- Methodology
  - Analyze the value chain and pricing mechanism within dismantler, traders, casting alloy producers and end users
  - Conduct cost analysis for ADC12 of target alloy producers
  - Determine the close loop strategy and feasibility study regarding target aluminum accessories
- Sample Size
  - Dismantler (20), traders (21), alloy producer (5)
- Project Time
  - 6 weeks

#### DELIVERABLES

- China aluminum value chain mapping
  - Industry concentration
  - Profit margin
- Pricing mechanism analysis
  - Benchmark: A00, ADC12
  - Platform: LME, SMM, SHFE
  - Period: weekly, monthly etc.,
- Target company benchmark
  - Basic info: company name, shareholder
  - Feedstock info: scrap volume, origin, type, pricing
  - Product info: process technology, cost breakdown, key customer and application

# China Aluminum Value Chain (2022)



### China Aluminum Production Layout (2021)



- China's bauxite supply is highly concentrated, mainly in Shandong, Guangxi, Henan, and Guizhou provinces, with a total resource reserve and output exceeding xx%.
- Most of the mineral resources are in the hands of state-owned enterprises. Among private enterprises, Guangzhou Aluminum takes the lead in bauxite resources
- In 2021, the total domestic alumina production capacity will be about xx million tons, the output will be xx million tons, and the operating rate will be about xx%
- Judging from the alumina supply and demand of leading enterprises and groups, large aluminum group companies can basically be self-sufficient in alumina



#### Casting alloys

21%

Constrained by the large power consumption of electrolytic aluminum, Yunnan, which is rich in hydropower resources in the future, is expected to become a new point of production growth

 Secondary alloy enterprises are mainly distributed in East China, accounting for about x% of the output in 2021, followed by South China, accounting for about x%, Southwest China accounting for about x%, and North China accounting for about x%

Unit: 0,000 mt								
Bauxite	>2000	>500	1-500	0				
Alumina	>2000	>1000	50-1000	<50				
Aluminum	>800	500-800	100-500	<100				
Casting alloy	/	>100	50-100	<50				
CR5, %								

# China Key Casting Alloys Grade

Market share	Key alloy grade	Key alloy grade Scrap added ratio (%)		Properties	
	ADC12	7xx%-10xx%	Japan JISH2118:2000	High strength, good pressure resistance, low thermal brittleness	
59/	A380	xx%	USA ASTM B85-96	Good heat conduction, strong mobility, pressure bearing, and high temperature split resistance	
	AlSi9Cu3	xx%	Germany DIN EN 1706:2013-12	/	
	A360	xx%	USA ASTM B85-96	High hardness, strong heat resistance	
	AlSi10Mg	xx%	Germany DIN EN 1706:2013-12	Strong corrosion resistance, high thermal conductivity	
ADC12	AlSi12	xx%	Germany DIN EN 1706:2013-12	Good casting performance, high fluidity, small linear shrinkage, high air tightness, high thermal conductivity, good heat resistance	
A380	AlSi7Mg	xx%	Germany DIN EN 1706:2013-12	Light weight, good ductility, high strength and corrosion resistance	
AlSi9Cu3	ADC10	xx%	Japan JISH2118:2000	Good pressure resistance, suitable for manufacturing large die castings	
Other	ENAC46000	xx%	Japan JISH2118:2000	/	

### China Aluminum Scrap Value Chain



## Aluminum Value Chain Pricing Mechanism

	Aluminum	Semis-processing	End users	Share	Pros and cons
Long-term	SMM monthly price + annual premium and discount	annual SMM monthly price +Monthly premium + processing fee SMM monthly Fee		5xx%	To reduce transaction costs, it is mostly used in the settlement between production enterprises
	SHFE futures price+ SMMA00 premium	SHFE futures price+ SMMA00 premium + processing fee	SHFE futures price+processing fee	5%	Use futures to earn extra income, mostly used for long-term contract signing between traders and entity enterprises
Short- term	SMM daily price+spot premium	SMM weekly price + processing fee	SMM daily price+ processing fee	3xx%	Large price fluctuations, suitable for supplements in the production process
	SHFE futures price+SMMA00 premium	SHFE futures price+ SMMA00 premium + processing fee	SHFE futures price + premium	5%	High risk, not suitable for terminal production enterprises

Note: The blue part is the price of SMM A00 aluminum, the processing fee mainly refers to labor, energy consumption, depreciation, management and other expenses.

	Dismantle	er scrap	Trade	er scrap A Platform: SMM, Chang jiang,	lloy proo	Alloy	Fabricator	parts En	d user
Scra	р			Bao tai		Bao tai, Nanhai lingtong		tai	
prici	ng	Pricing: bidding		Category: A00、ADC12		Category: A00、ADC12		Category: A00、ADC12	
		Settlement: cash only	cash only Period: daily, weekly			Period: daily, weekly, monthly		Period: monthly or more	
				Account period: 2 week-1 month		Account period: 2 week-1 month		Account period: 1-3 month	

### **Pricing Period and Category Choosing**



**Pricing Platform Choosing** 

**Platform Price Amplitude Spread** SMM-Baotai ADC12 Price Amplitude Spread (Monthly, 2021-2022E) (Monthly, 2021-2022E) 65 SMM-Baotai(ADC12) SMM-Changjiang(A00) 60 55 50 45 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 5 0 6月-21 7月-21 8月-21 9月-21 10月-21 11月-21 12月-21 1月-22 2月-22 3月-22 4月-22 5月-22 6月-22 -5 J

### **ADC12 Feedstock Cost Comparison by Key Company**

Unit: RMB/mt



### Alloy Producer-Strategy Comparison



### **Alloy Producer-Financial Status**



#### Rating

#### Description

- Xx and xx's total asset turnover is at a relatively low level, reflecting the company's weak asset operation capabilities. xx's total asset turnover is at a high level, indicating that the company's sales capability is strong
- xx and xx's asset-liability ratios are at a relatively low level, and their business operations are stable. xx's asset-liability ratio is at a high level and showing an upward trend
- xx: Return on net assets and return on total assets will be at a low level in 2020, with weak profitability
- xx: The company achieved profitability in both 19th and 20th, and has a large space. The profit indicators such as net profit margin, return on net assets, and return on total assets are relatively high, and its profitability is strong
- xx: The company was established in 19 years, compared with 21 years, the revenue has increased by 105%, and the growth ability is strong
- xx: In 2020, the main business income, total profit, and asset scale will all increase compared with 2019. Overall, the company has strong growth potential

Target Company A								
Establishment	2017.12	Capacity (2021)	xx mt		10	CAG 89.5	R %	F 6.0%
Address	xx	Scrap/Primary (2021)	xx/xx mt		9 - 8 -			- 5.0% - 4.0%
Shareholder	xx	Scrap origin	Traders - xx%, Downstream Factory- xx%, Ningbo Port- xx%	Revenue & Margin	7 - 6 - 5 -			- 3.0% - 2.0% Revenue
worker No.	xx	Scrap form	Broken - xx%, Block - xx%, Mechanical - xx%	(Unit: 100 million)	4 - 3 -			- 1.0% ——Margin - 0.0%
Registered capital	xx	Scrap type	Cooked xx%, Raw xx%		2 - 1 -			1.0% 2.0%
Scrap Purchasing Mode	The type of scrap purchase xx-xx% for wheel hub, xx-etc.). settlement, no contr	ed is relatively fixed (xx-x xx% for pop can, xx-xx% act		0	2020	2021	-3.0%	
Pricing Platform	The prices of Changjiang a refer to the weekly averag set prices according to the		4.5 4 - 3.5 -			- 120.0% - 100.0%		
Primary source	The proportion of scrap alu primary aluminum liquid is	Production &Operating rate	3 - 2.5 - 2 -			80.0% Production		
Port	The imported aluminum in low risk of return. The imp northern ports.	(Unit: 0,000 mt)	1.5 - 1 - 0.5 -			- 40.0% - 20.0%		
Dismantling	The dismantling plant will tons will be sold		0	2020	2021	- 0.0%		

#### **Alloy Producer-Product Layout & Key Customers**

#### 2021xx cast aluminum alloy grades divided by automotive parts and applications (Unit: 0,000mt, %) 30% • xx follows the development of the market ALSi10Mn ADC6 situation, with the double-chamber furnace suitable for crushed materials as the main equipment, supplemented by high and low furnaces to reduce production loss and improve efficiency 70% XX • xx is the patent number of xx. After investigation, it was found that the performance of this product is relatively ordinary



## End Users-Cross Level Management



## End Users-Pricing Mechanism

