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Investment Casting Industry in Mainland China

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Processes

Castings

Category I

(Colloidal silica shell process)

High Value-added casting

General commercial castings

Category II

Low-cost casting (Sodium silicate shell process)

High value-added casting

Number of foundries: ~50

Main product:

Aerospace, military, energy industry, etc.

Main Materials:

Super-alloy, titanium alloy, aluminum alloy

Main Market: domestic

General Commercial Casting

Number of foundries: ~520

Main product:

Automobile, pump, valve, hardware, tool, sport goods, etc.

Main Materials:

Stainless steel, carbon steel

Main Market: oversea

Processes

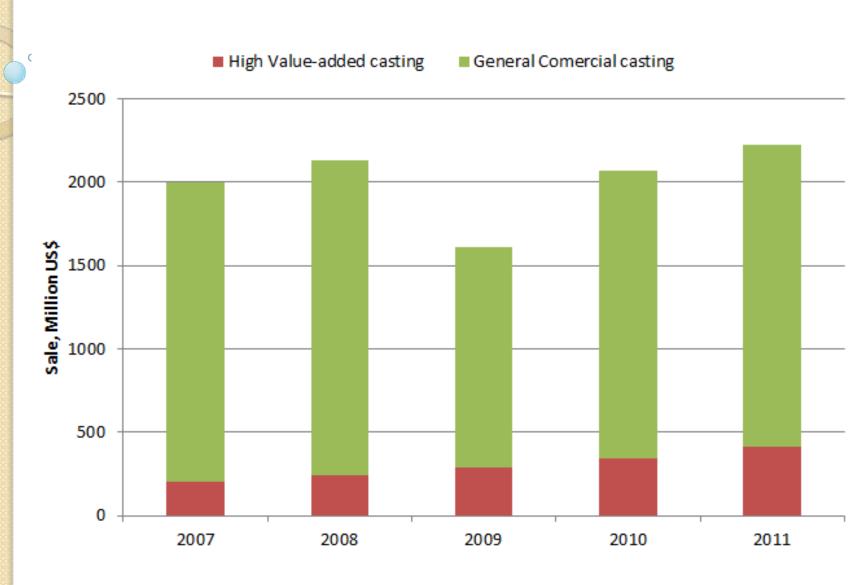
Castings

Turnover

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Category I { High Value-added casting General commercial castings } 2.2 billion US$ (2011)
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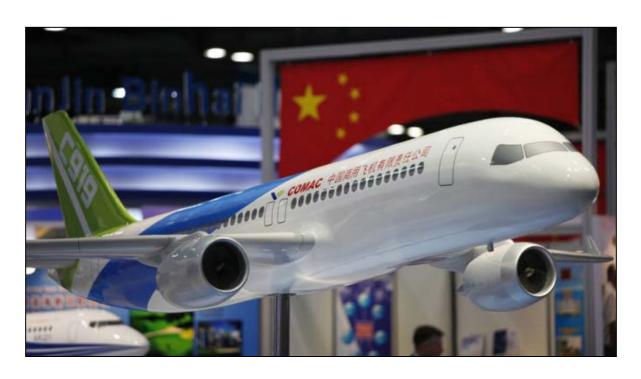
Category II - Low-cost casting

High Value-added casting + General commercial castings



High Value-added casting

Development opportunities: jumbo jet project



High Value-added casting

China's 12th five-year plan (2011-2015)

Industry will be making adjustments.

Heavy-polluting, high-energy consuming industries will face more limits.

The rapid development of high-tech equipment manufacturing encourages the demand of high-level castings.

General Commercial Casting

Negative factors

- ◆ World financial and economic crisis
- ◆ Appreciation of RMB
- Rising price of energy and raw materials
- ◆Increasing labor cost
- Growing pressure from environmental concerns

Labor shortage in foundry industry

General Commercial Casting

Countermeasure

- ◆Improving the management
- ◆ Replacement of the some materials
- Applying mechanized equipment in whole process
- ◆Using new energy-saving technology
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The End!