Potash

Fertilizers

Potassium salts, mostly potassium chloride, mined from ancient seabed deposits and spread as fertilizer.

Key facts

World production, 2025
49 million tonnes

Top producer
Canada, 31%

Top exporter, potassic fertilizers (HS 3104), 2024
Canada, 33% of export value

Benchmark price, September 2026
$367.5/t
Potassium chloride, standard grade, FOB Vancouver; +4% over 12 months

HS code
3104 Mineral or chemical fertilizers, potassic

USGS MCS item
Mine production Mine production (K2O equivalent)

Also called
potassium chloride, muriate of potash, MOP, KCl, potassium fertilizer

Top producers, 2025

Country	Tonnes	Share
Canada	15 million	31%
Russia	10 million	20%
China	6.3 million	13%

Country	Tonnes	Share
Belarus	6 million	12%
Germany	3 million	6.1%

USGS Mineral Commodity Summaries, MCS 2026.

Top exporters, 2024

Country	Export value	Share
Canada	6.6 billion USD	33%
Russia	4.7 billion USD	24%
Germany	1.5 billion USD	7.3%
Belarus	1.1 billion USD	5.3%
Israel	991.4 million USD	5%

CEPII BACI international trade database (HS22, V202601).

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