# **Production and Market of Glucono-delta-lactone** in China

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#### 1. Introduction

The GDL report, updated in May 2019, focuses on GDL production and consumption in China. The data for 2016–2018 is based on CCM's database and various other sources mentioned in the section of methodology below.

Region scope: China

Time scope: primarily 2016 to 2018 unless otherwise stated

#### 2. Approach for this report

CCM adopts various approaches including desk research, extensive telephone interviews, data support from China Customs, etc. Information is also associated with CCM's database and a wide variety of publications and Internet websites worldwide.

#### Desk research

The sources of desk research include published magazines, journals, government statistics, industrial statistics, customs statistics, association seminars as well as information from the Internet. A lot of work went into compiling and analysing the information obtained. Some crosschecks have also been made with the Chinese suppliers regarding market information such as technology, production, pricing, etc.

#### > Tel interview & online communication

CCM had carried out telephone interviews & online communication with GDL producers, researchers, traders and its end users in Mainland China.

## > Data processing and presentation

The data from verified information, telephone interviews and the secondary data from all of the publications have been combined to make this report as precise and scientific as possible. Throughout the process, a series of internal discussions have been conducted to analyse the data and draw conclusions. Some industrial experts and active researchers have been consulted to verify the findings.



### 3. Executive summary

China is one of the important producers of glucono-delta-lactone (GDL) in the world. In 2018, the production capacity and output of GDL were about XXX t/a and 317,000 tonnes respectively. From 2016 to 2018, no new GDL capacity was put into production; however, thanks to growing demand from home and abroad, output of GDL has increased steadily with GDL operating rate of XXX%, XXX%, XXX%, respectively. As of Dec. 2018, there were XXX active GDL producers in China. Capacity of the top two producers accounted for XXX% of the national total. During 2016–2018, Shandong Hongsheng was the largest GDL producer by output in China.

Glucose, sodium gluconate (SG) and maltose are the three major raw materials used in industrialized production of GDL at present, in which glucose with sufficient supply is the most important raw material for China's GDL industry.

There are several production methods of GDL, and only fermentation method is adopted in China. Some producers take glucose as starting material to produce calcium gluconate or sodium gluconate first and then GDL, while some others directly take sodium gluconate as starting material to produce GDL. Dezhou Huiyang is the only one that takes maltose solution to coproduce trehalose and GDL.

In 2018, about XXX tonnes of GDL was consumed in China. Bean curd is the largest end use segment of GDL, taking up over two-thirds of total consumption, followed by raising agents and meat products. Thanks to the stable development of domestic food industry, as well as more applications being developed, the demand for GDL in China will increase stably in the future.

In the future, increasing demand from home and abroad will be the most important driving factor in GDL industry, though GDL producers still have to struggle for meeting strict environmental protection standards. Since demand for GDL will keep slightly increasing, reaching XXX tonnes in 2023 in expectation, it is estimated that output of GDL will increase accordingly, reaching about XXX tonnes in 2023, with a CAGR of about XXX% from 2019 to 2023.

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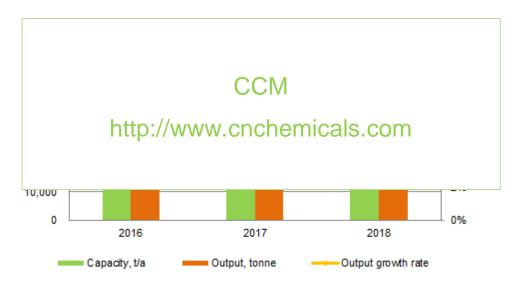
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- 1.2 Historical development in China

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## 2.1.1 Summary of production

Figure 2.1.1-1 Capacity and output of GDL in China, 2016–2018



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#### 2.1.2 Producer information in China

Table 2.1.2-2 Capacity and output of GDL producers in China, 2016–2018

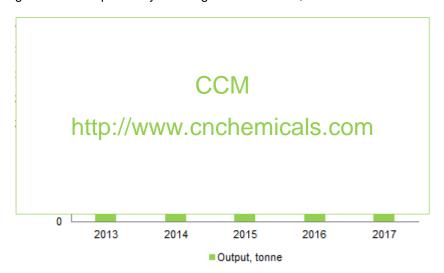
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No.	Producer	2018	2017	2016	2018	2017	2016
1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
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	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
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	Total	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	xxx	XXX

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## 2.2 Raw material supply

Figure 2.2-2 Output of crystalline glucose in China, 2013–2017



Source: China Starch Industry Association

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#### 2.3 Price

Figure 2.3-1 Average ex-works price of glucose monohydrate in China, 2013–2018

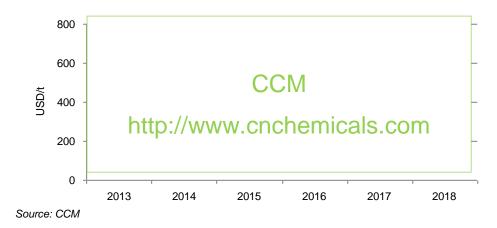


Figure 2.3-2 Average ex-works price of GDL in China, 2015–2018



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## 2.4 Consumption situation in China, 2016-2018

## 2.4.1 Consumption pattern of glucono-delta-lactone in China

Figure 2.4.1-1 Apparent consumption volume of GDL in China, 2016–2018



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Figure 2.4.1-2 Consumption pattern of GDL in China, 2018



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## 3 Production technology of glucono-delta-lactone

## 3.1 Different pathways/methods

Table 3.1-1 Production method of GDL by producer in China, 2019

No.	Producer	Technology	Raw material	Raw material source
1	XXX	XXX	SG	xxx
2	XXX	XXX	XXX	Capative
3	XXX	XXX	XXX	Outsourcing
	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx
	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx
	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx

Source: CCM

## 4 Forecast on development of glucono-delta-lactone in China

## 4.3 Forecast on output and demand in China, 2019-2023

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Figure 4.3-1 Forecast on GDL demand in China, 2019–2023



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