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1. Introduction

Objectives of this research are to present an in-depth and comprehensive view of Chinese glycine market. CCM's goal of this research is to determine the current status of Chinese glycine industry and assess its growth potential from 2022 to 2026.

Having accumulated profound understanding on industrial chains of glyphosate, the most important downstream industry of glycine, CCM will present an insight into glycine market and future trends, together with its industry structure, including upstream products, applications, etc. A review of glycine's competitiveness is also provided in the report.

All of the four grades of glycine, including tech-grade, food-grade, pharmaceutical-grade and feed-grade, will be investigated in this research.

This report will present industry insights from the following aspects.

- Supply (capacity, output, inventory)
- Key players (active producers, potential producers)
- Technology
- Raw materials
- Export
- Demand by volume
- Trade
- Price



2. Approach for this report

The report is based on data sourced by diverse methods, which are listed as follows:

- Telephone Interviews

The interviewees include:

- Producers
- Traders
- Researchers
- Raw material suppliers
- End users
- Data processing and presentation

The data collected and compiled were sourced from:

- Published articles from Chinese periodicals, magazines, journals, and third-party databases
- Government statistics & Customs statistics
- · Telephone interviews with Chinese producers, traders, end users, etc.
- Comments from industrial experts
- CCM's database
- Professional database from other sources
- Information from the Internet

The data from various channels have been combined to make this report as precise and scientific as possible. Throughout the process, a series of internal discussions were held in order to analyse the data and draw conclusions from it.

- Information sources

Sources of desk research are various, including published magazines, journals, government statistics, industry statistics, customs statistics, association seminars as well as information on the internet. A lot of work has been done to compile and analyse the information obtained. When necessary, checks were made with Chinese market players regarding market information such as production, demand, consumption, competition, etc.

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3. Executive summary

China is one of the major production countries of glycine in the world, and four grades of

glycine are produced here, namely tech-grade, food-grade, feed-grade and pharmaceutical-

grade.

Currently, almost all Chinese glycine producers adopt chloroacetic acid ammonolysis process,

but Guang'an Chengxin (formerly Guang'an Chengyang) adopts the Hydantion process,

whose glycine production lines were built up in Nov. 2015.

Both the capacity and output of glycine in China kept increasing during 2014–2021, along with

steady development of glyphosate (glycine's key end use segment) in China. Output of the

tech-, feed- and food-grade glycine increased in this period in general.

National capacity of tech-grade glycine increased from XXX t/a in 2014 to XXX t/a in 2021,

and its output increased from less than XXX tonnes to XXX tonnes in this period. However,

China's glycine industry has often witnessed overcapacity in the past few years, and this

situation will not change much in the coming few years.

China's glycine production is highly concentrated, while its upstream industries including both

chloroacetic acid and urotropine are not. Hebei Donghua is the top glycine producer in China

and even in Asia. In 2021, its tech-grade capacity accounted for nearly XXX% of the national

total.

Some glyphosate producers have built up glycine production lines for their glyphosate

technical production.

- Hubei Trisun's XXX t/a glycine: firstly supplied to itself, and the rest sold to others

- Fuhua Tongda's XXX t/a glycine: mainly consumed by itself

- Inner Mongolia Xingfa's XXX t/a glycine: consumed by itself

- Henan HDF's XXX t/a glycine: mainly consumed by itself

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The price of glycine is closely linked with that of glyphosate (high positive correlation),

because of glycine's limited consumption fields and simple production technology. In 2021,

glycine was in short supply due to a number of factors, including COVID-19, domestic power

rationing, soaring raw material cost, and reduced glyphosate supply overseas under hurricane

attack. At the end of 2021, the price of glycine hit a ten-year record high at USDXXX /t.

However, the price fell rapidly in H1 2022, going down to USDXXX /t by June.

China's total export volume of glycine increased on the whole in 2014-2021, rising from XXX

tonnes in 2014 to an estimated XXX tonnes in 2021. Food-grade glycine is the main product

in China's glycine export, with its export volume accounting for XXX%-XXX% of the total

glycine export volume during 2019–2021. China started to export tech-grade glycine in 2018,

with XXX tonnes, accounting for XXX% of total export volume that year. In 2021, the export

volume of tech-grade glycine is expected to be XXX tonnes, XXX% to the whole.

Quite different from the overseas consumption structure, the largest end-use segment of

glycine in China is glyphosate. The output of glycine route glyphosate reached XXX tonnes in

2021, consuming about XXX tonnes of glycine in total, which means around XXX% of tech-

grade glycine was applied in the domestic glyphosate industry.

The consumption of food-, feed- and pharmaceutical-grade glycine all increased from 2014 to

2021, with their CAGR in this period at XXX%, XXX% and XXX% respectively.

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1 Overview of glycine in China

1.1 Introduction of glycine in China

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Table 1.1-1 Supply and demand of glycine in China, 2014–2021

Vasa	Capacity,	t/a	Output, t	onne	Export,	Apparent consumption, tonne		
Year	Tech-grade	Others	Tech-grade	Others	tonne	Tech-grade	Others	
2014	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2015	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2016	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2017	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2018	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2019	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	
2020	XXX	XXX	XXX XXX		XXX	xxx	XXX	
2021	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	

Note: 1. The year-end inventory of tech-grade glycine is taken into account, while that of others is not.

Source: China Customs & CCM

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^{2.} Others include feed-grade, food-grade and pharmaceutical-grade glycine.



2 Market situation of glycine in China

2.1 Supply of glycine in China

2.1.1 Capacity and output of glycine in China

Table 2.1.1-1 Capacity and output of glycine in China, 2014–2021

Year	Capacity	/, t/a	Output, tonne						
rear	Tech-grade	Others	Tech-grade	Food-grade	Feed-grade	Pharmaceutical-grade			
2014	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2015	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2016	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2017	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2018	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2019	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2020	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			
2021	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			

Note: "Others" includes food-grade, feed-grade and pharmaceutical-grade glycine.

Source: CCM

2.1.2 Key glycine producers in China

Table 2.1.2-1 Production for various grades of glycine in China by producers, H1 2022

No	Producer	Status,	Production situation					
No.	Producer	H1 2022	Tech-grade	Food-grade	Feed-grade	Pharmaceutical-grade		
1	Hebei Donghua Chemical Group	Active	√	√	√	√		
2	XXX	Active	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		
3	XXX	Active	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		
4	XXX	Active	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		

Note: √: produce, X: not produce Source: CCM

Table 2.1.2-2 Capacity of glycine by producers in China, 2017–2021, t/a

No.	Producer	2021		2020		2019		2018		2017	
NO.		Tech-grade	Others								
1	Hebei Donghua	XXX	XXX								
2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
5	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
		XXX	XXX								

Note: "Others" includes food-grade, feed-grade and pharmaceutical-grade glycine.

Source: CCM

- Distribution and market share of glycine producers in China

Figure 2.1.2-1 Distribution of major glycine producers by capacity of tech-grade glycine in China, 2021



Source: CCM

Table 2.1.2-3 Industrial concentration of tech-grade glycine in terms of output in China, 2017–2021

ltem	Value										
tem	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017						
Top one concentration ratio	xxx	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx						
Top three concentration ratio	xxx	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx						
Top five concentration ratio	xxx	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX						
ННІ	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX						

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- Output of glycine by producer in China

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Table 2.1.2-4 Output of glycine in China by producer, 2017–2021, tonne

No.	Producer	2021		2020		2019		2018		2017	
NO.		Tech-grade	Others								
1	Hebei Donghua	XXX	XXX								
2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
5	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
		XXX	XXX								

Note: "Others" includes food-grade, feed-grade and pharmaceutical-grade glycine.

Source: CCM

2.1.3 Potential production lines of glycine in China

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Table 2.1.3-1 Potential projects of glycine in China, as of June 2022

Classification	Company	Designed capacity, t/a	Planned commissioning date (estimated)	Details
Expansion	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	2 nd phase: XXX t/a glycine	XXX	xxx
	XXX	2 nd phase: XXX tech-grade, XXX food-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
New	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	XXX tech-grade	XXX	XXX
	XXX	XXX food-grade	XXX	XXX

Note: Projects with * have not seen progress for a long time and may have been shelved.

Source: CCM

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2.2 Price of glycine in China

2.2.1 Price of glycine in China, Jan. 2014-June 2022

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Source: CCM

2.5 Export of glycine in China, 2013-2019

- Export volume of glycine in China

Figure 2.5-1 China's export volume of various grades glycine, 2013–2019



Source: China Customs & CCM

- Export destination of glycine in China

Table 2.5-1 China's exports of glycine by destinations, 2019

	Country/region	Tech-g	Tech-grade		Food-grade		Feed-grade		Pharmaceutical-grade	
No.		Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	
1	The Netherlands	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
5	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
	Others	XXX	xxx	XXX	XXX	XXX	xxx	XXX	XXX	
	Total	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	

Note: The data has been rounded. Source: China Customs & CCM

- Exporter of glycine in China

Table 2.5-2 China's exports of glycine by exporter, 2019

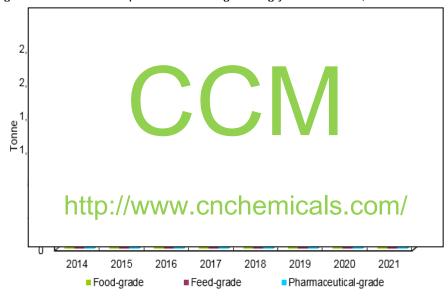
	Exporter	Tech-g	Tech-grade		Food-grade		rade	Pharmaceutical-grade	
No.		Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t	Volume, tonne	Price, USD/t
1	XXX *	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
2	XXX *	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	XXX *	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	XXX *	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
	XXX *	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
	Others	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
	Total	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

Note: 1.* Glycine producers or their related companies
2. The data has been rounded.
Source: China Customs & CCM

2.6 Demand for glycine in China

2.6.1 Consumption of glycine in China

Figure 2.6.1-2 Consumption of various grades glycine in China, 2014–2021



Source: CCM

2.6.2 Major application segments of glycine in China

2.6.2.1 Glyphosate

Figure 2.6.2.1-1 Capacity and output of glyphosate technical in China, 2014–2021



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