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**Table 5d. Economic and Physical Indicators for Basic Chemicals (NAICS 325), 1998, 2002, and 2006**

Indicators	MECS Survey Years		
	1998	2002	2006
<b>Production<sup>1</sup> (Million Short Tons)</b>			
Inorganic Chemicals	179	163	170
Bulk Petrochemical	69	73	80
Organic Intermediate	73	73	64
Plastic Resins	40	48	50
Synthetic Rubber	2	2	NA
Synthetic Fibers	5	5	4
<b>Value of Shipments (Current Billion Dollars)</b>			
Inorganic Chemicals	25	25	34
Bulk Petrochemicals & Intermediates	39	45	90
Plastic Resins	45	47	78
Synthetic Rubber	5	5	7
Synthetic Fibers	13	8	9
<b>Value of Shipments<sup>2</sup> (Billion 2000 Dollars)</b>			
Inorganic Chemicals	27	25	26
Bulk Petrochemicals & Intermediates	41	45	69
Plastic Resins	47	47	60
Synthetic Rubber	6	5	5
Synthetic Fibers	14	8	7

**Notes:** 1. The conversion factors used are 2000 pounds per ton and 62.426 pounds per cubic feet.

2. Deflated using BEA's chain-type price indices for value of shipments (NAICS 325).

**Sources:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), "Value of Shipments and Price Indexes by Detailed Industry 1998-2007," December 2005 and December 2009; American Chemical Chemistry Council, Guide to the Business of Chemistry 2007, Basic Chemicals, 2007, Tables 2.7, 2.8, 2.9, 2.10, 2.11, 2.12, 2.13, and 2.14.