

Pressure building in the tin market?

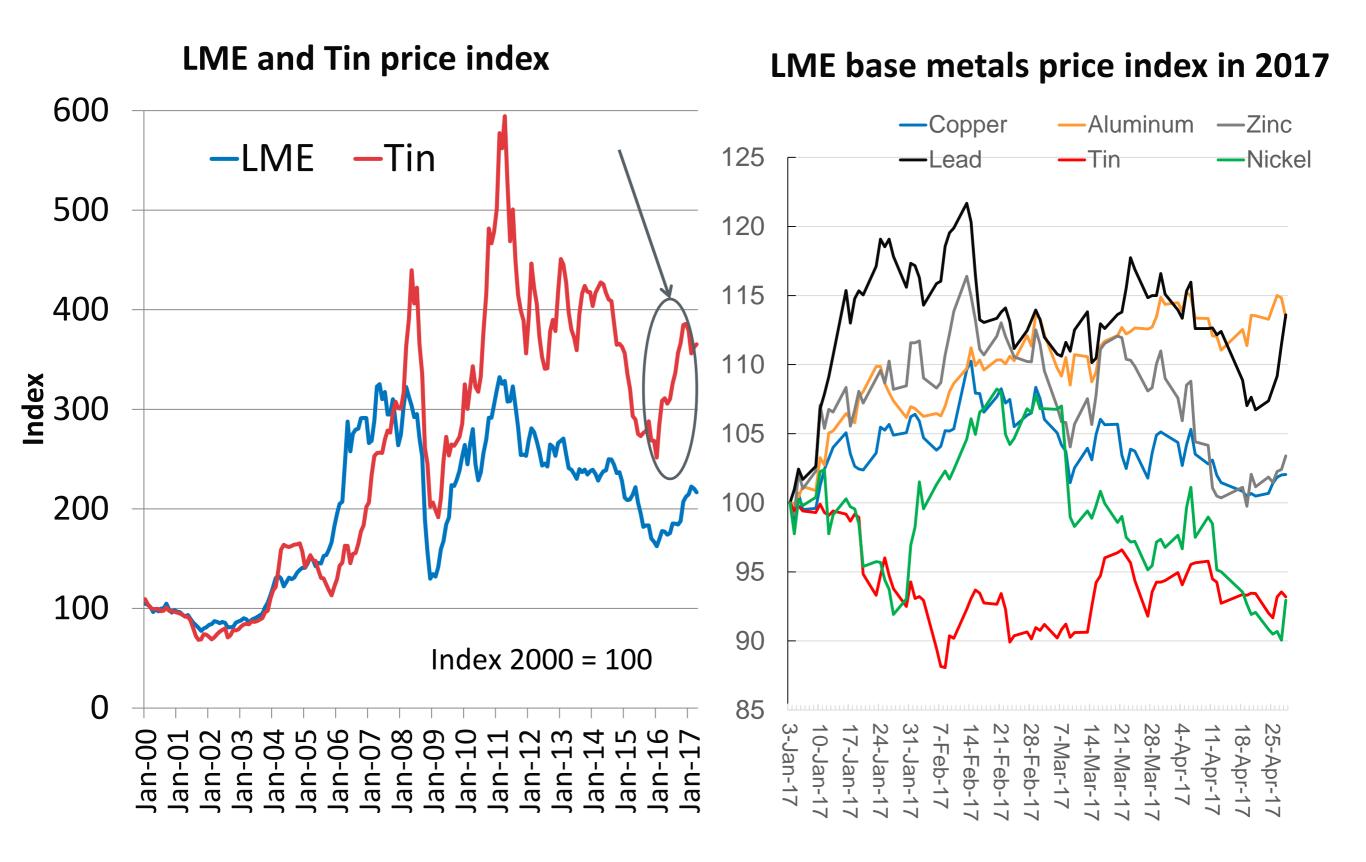


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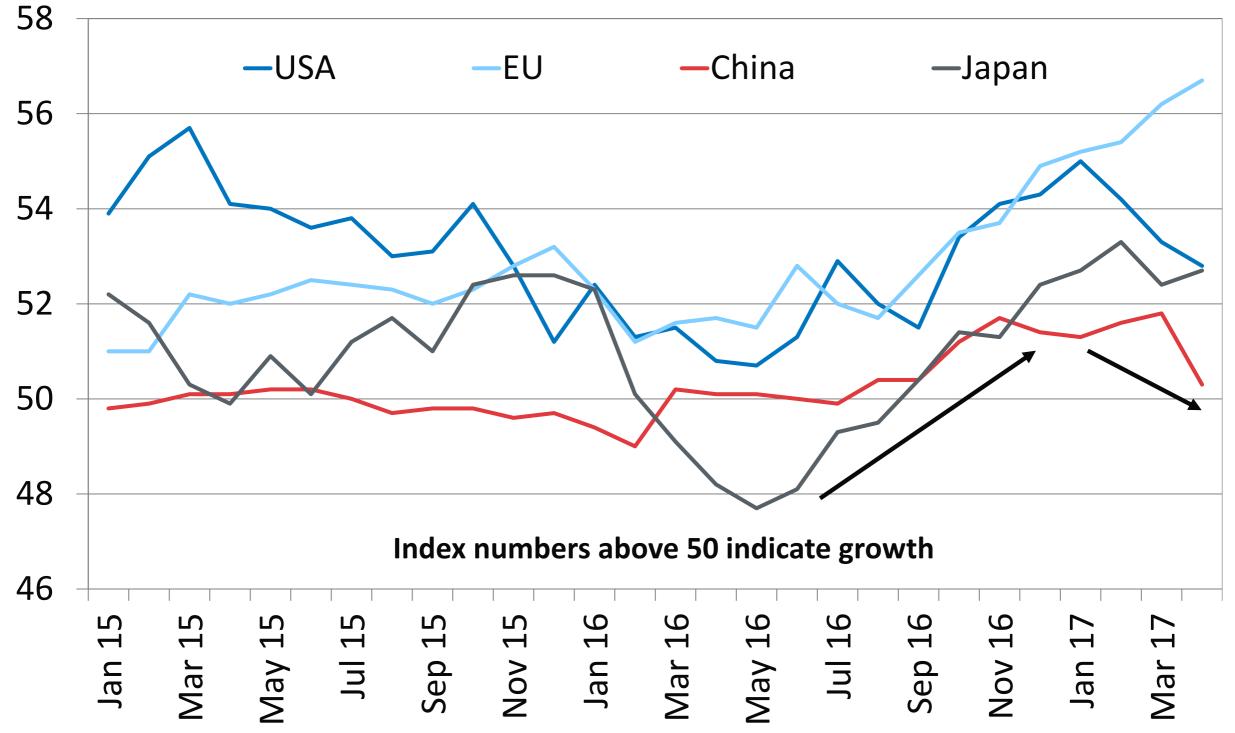
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#### Tin price versus other LME metals



# **Manufacturing PMI Index**

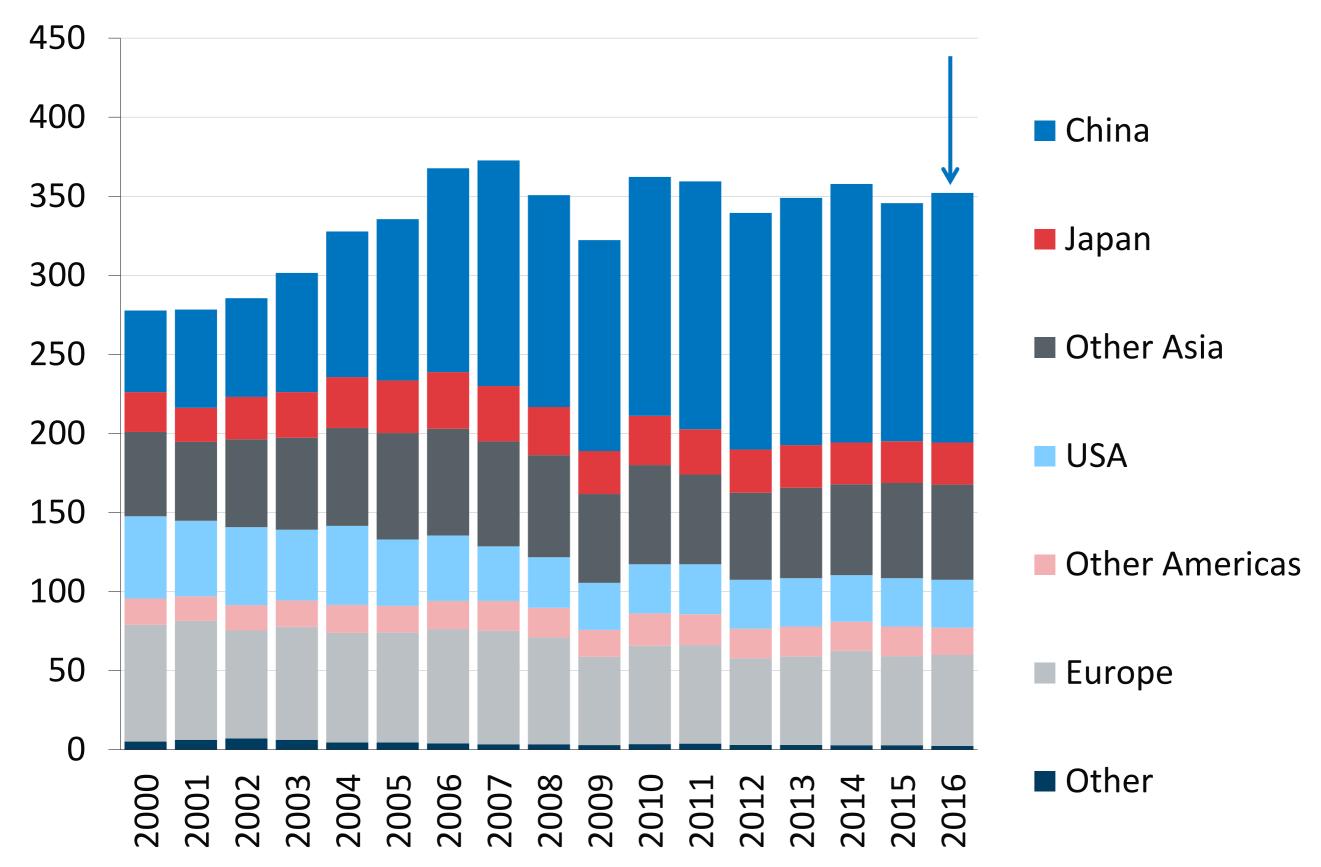


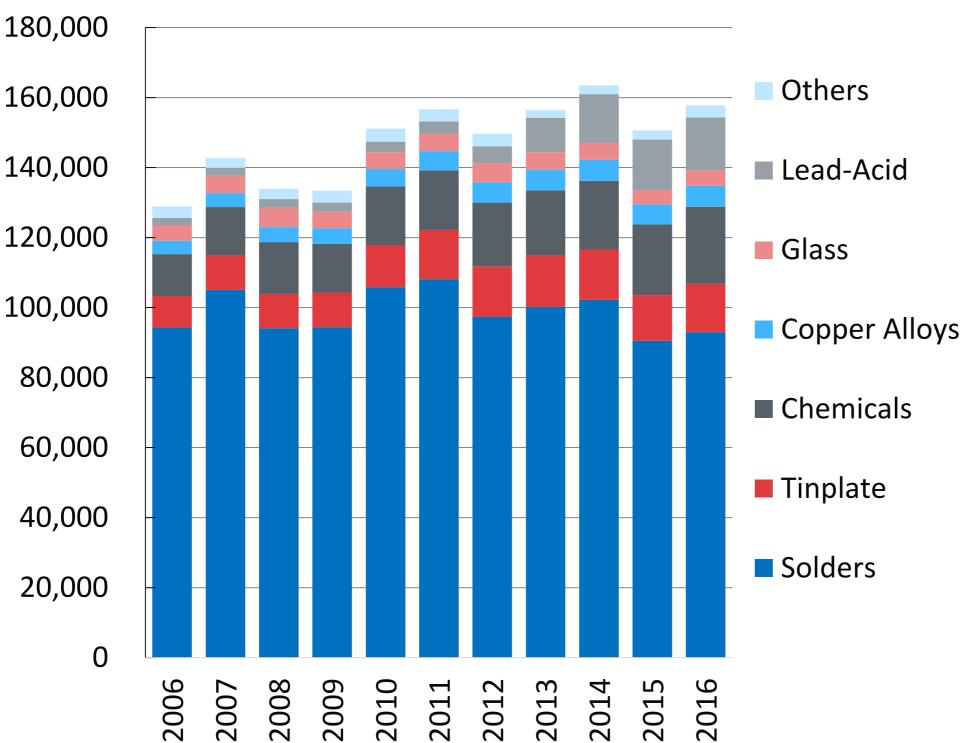
Positive growth in 2016, now slowing



## World refined tin consumption 2000 – 2016e

'000 tonnes





Tonnes refined tin use

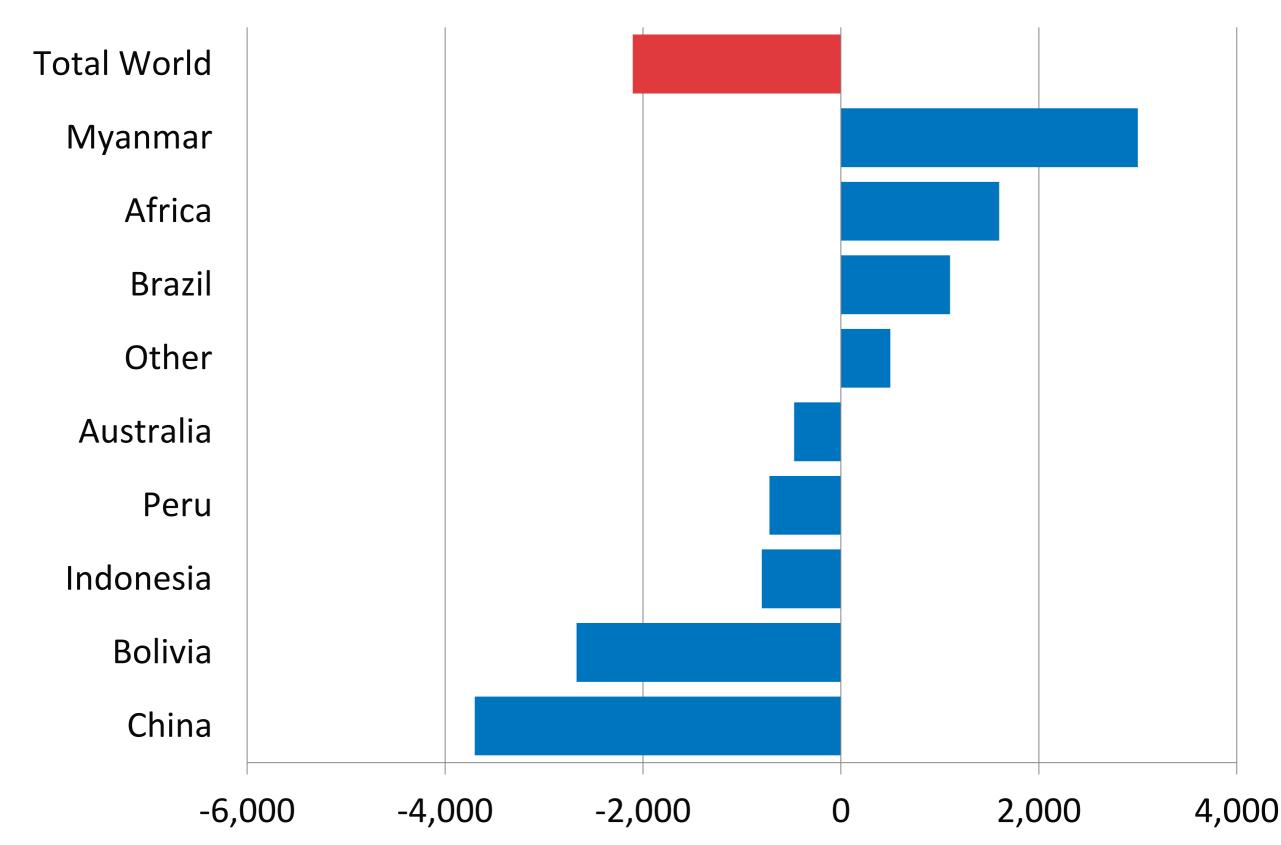
- Solder use in minor applications (photovoltaic cell, LED) has increased, offsetting the impacts of miniaturization
- Tin chemical use had a big growth with strong demand in US, South Asia and China

#### China consumption increasing slowly

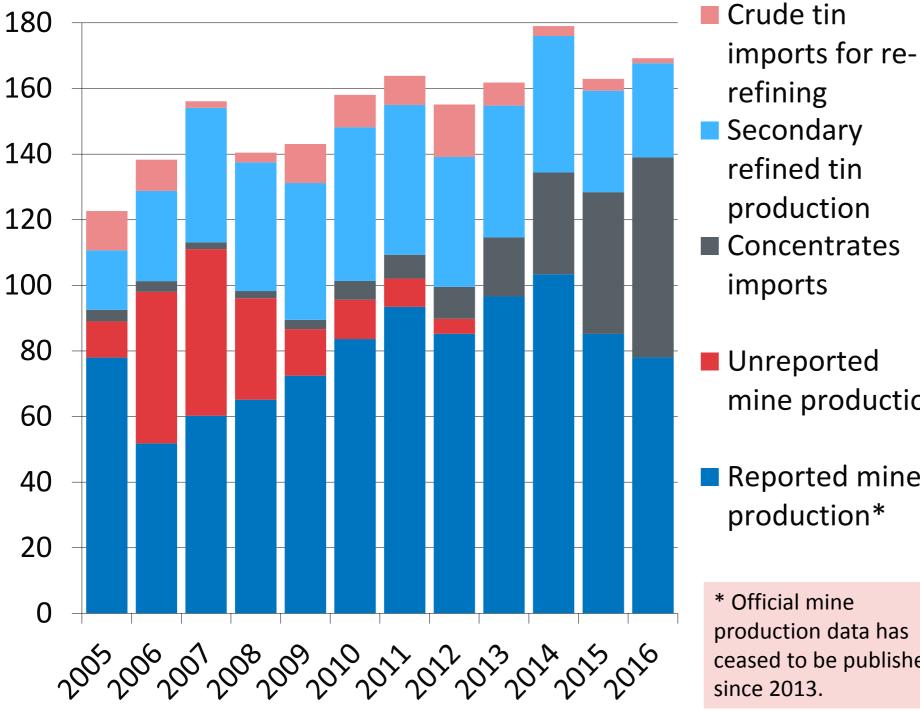


### **Changes in 2016 tin mine production**

#### tonnes



#### Sources of China tin raw materials, '000t



Secondary refined tin production Concentrates imports Unreported mine production Reported mine production\* \* Official mine production data has ceased to be published since 2013.

- China imported • around 61,000t tin concentrate and ore in 2016
- Mine production and secondary refined tin in China reduced in 2016
- Refined tin • production in China was also impacted by environmental control

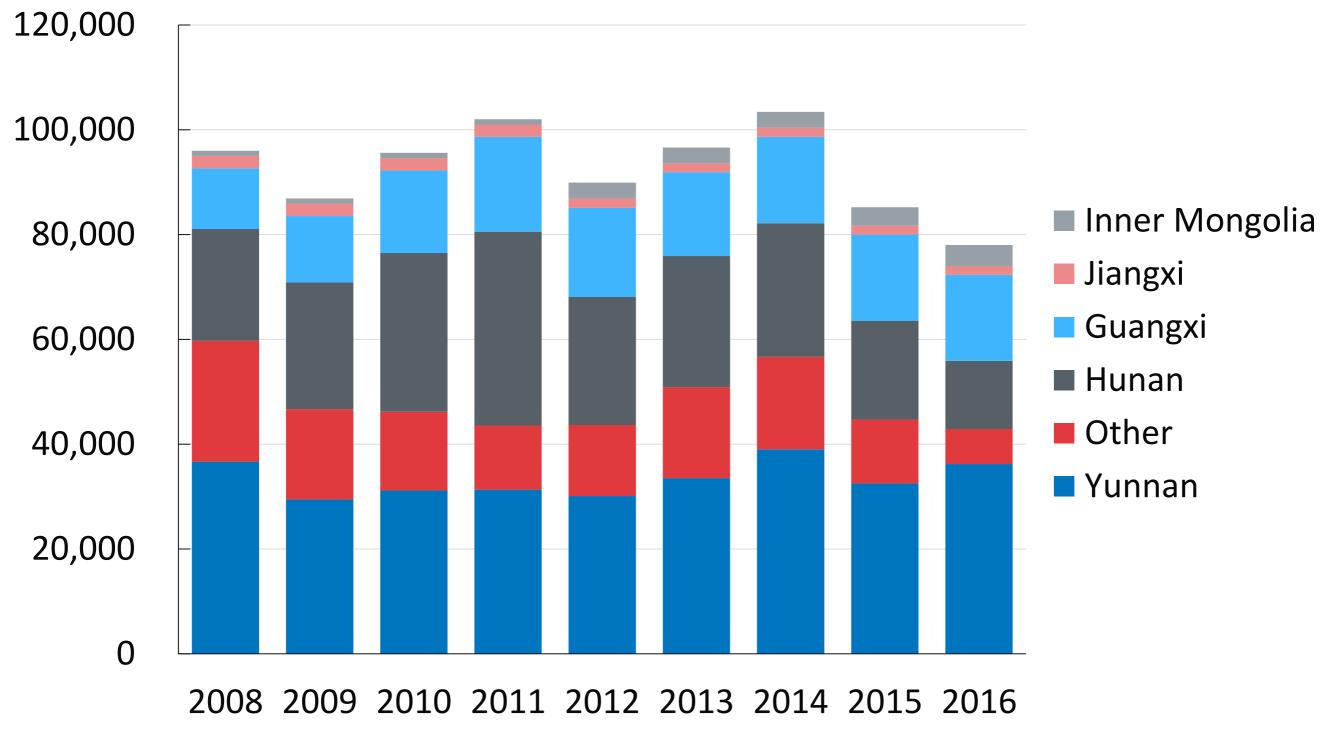
Data: ITRI, CRU, CNIA

# Supply increase was wholly from imported concentrate



#### China mine production by province

Tonnes of tin-in-concentrate

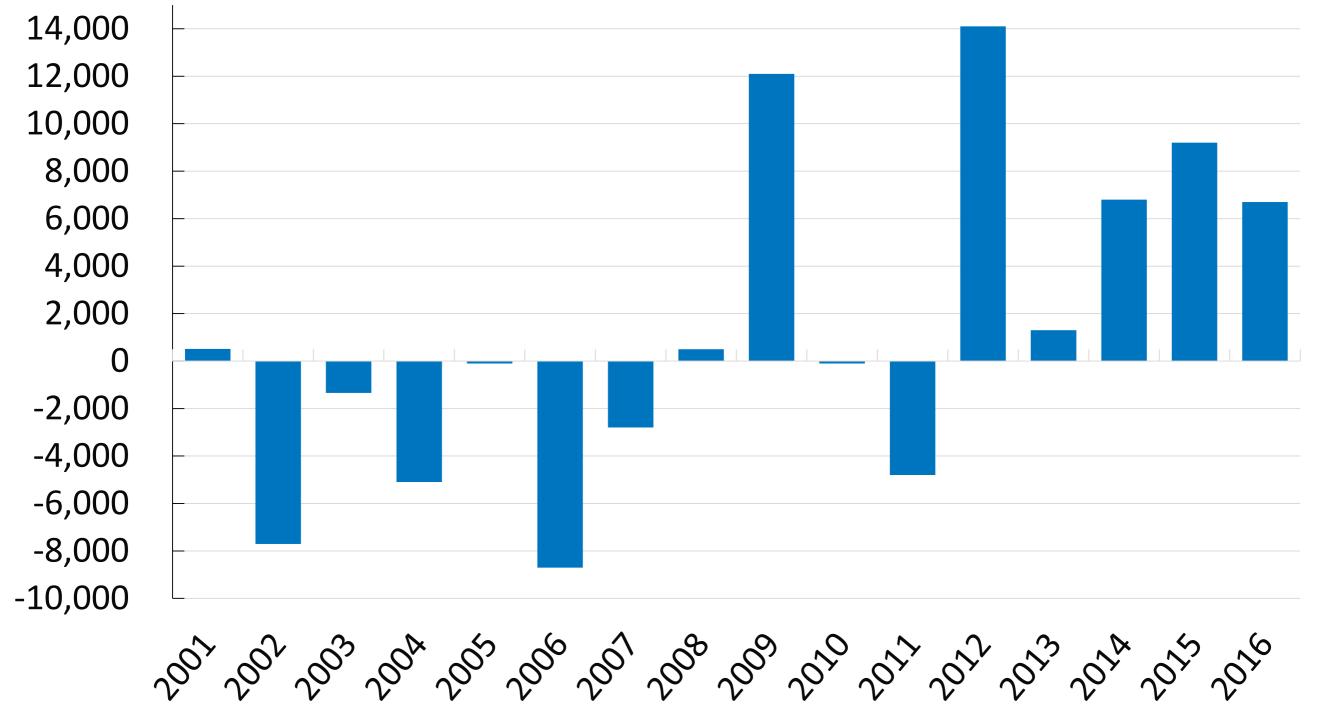


Mine production decreased significantly



#### **China market balance**

#### tonnes

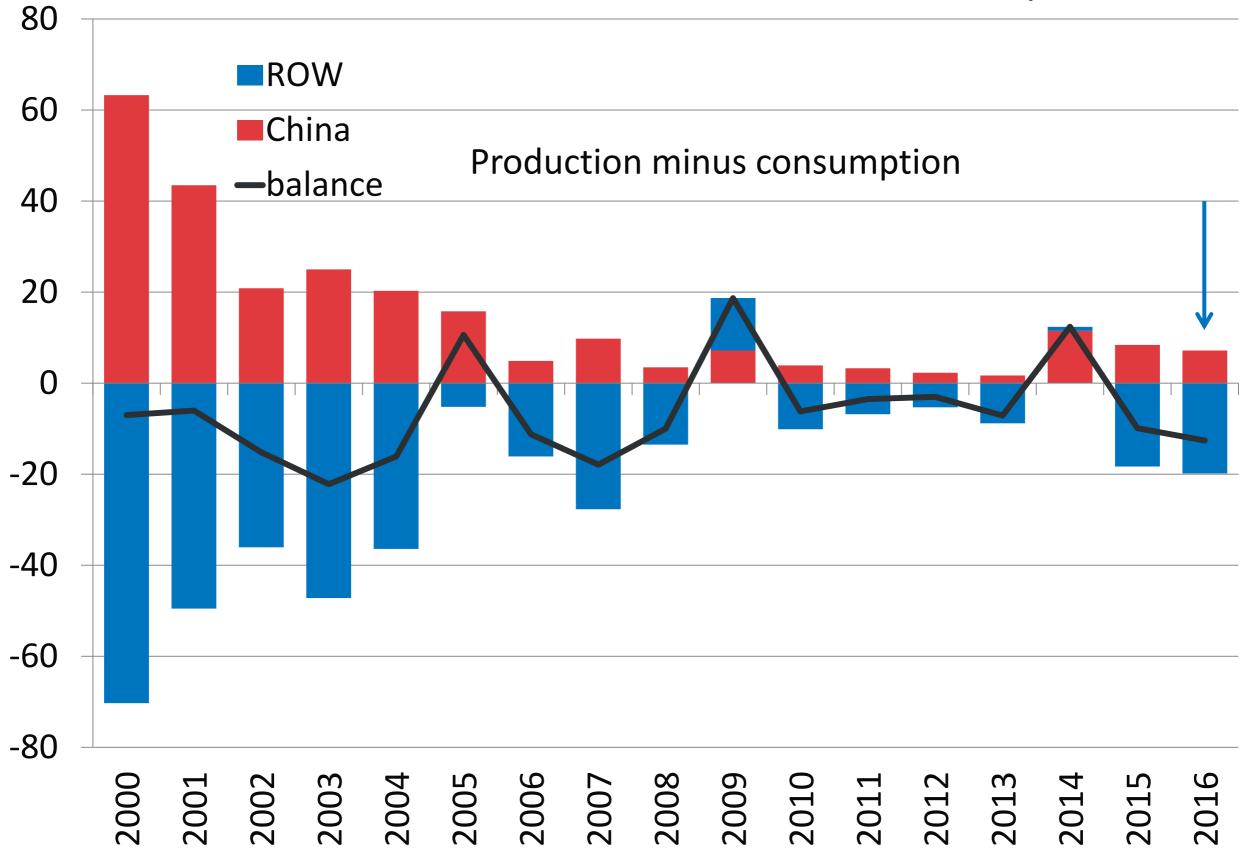


China refined tin stock relatively high



# China vs rest of world apparent market balance

#### Refined tin, '000 tonnes



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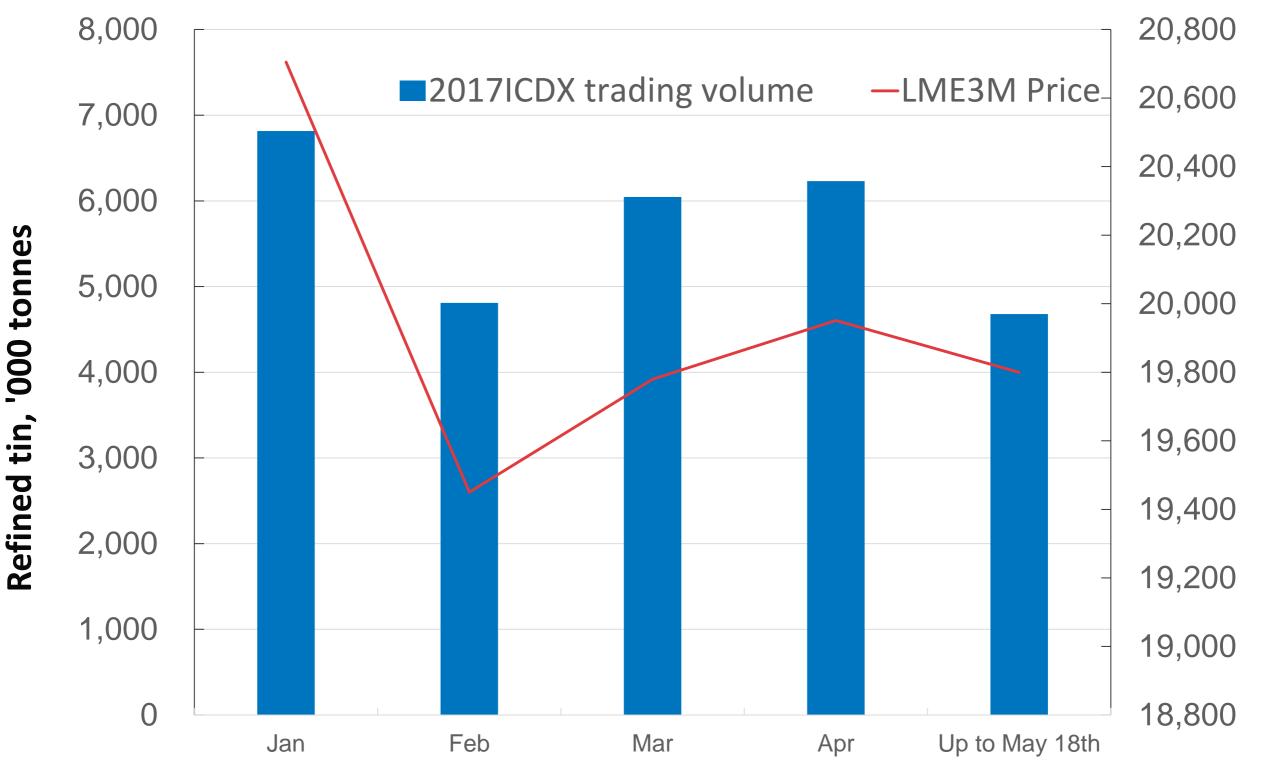
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#### **12-month rolling Indonesian refined tin exports** Refined tin, tonnes



Data: Indonesian surveyor data (tonnage checked prior to export)

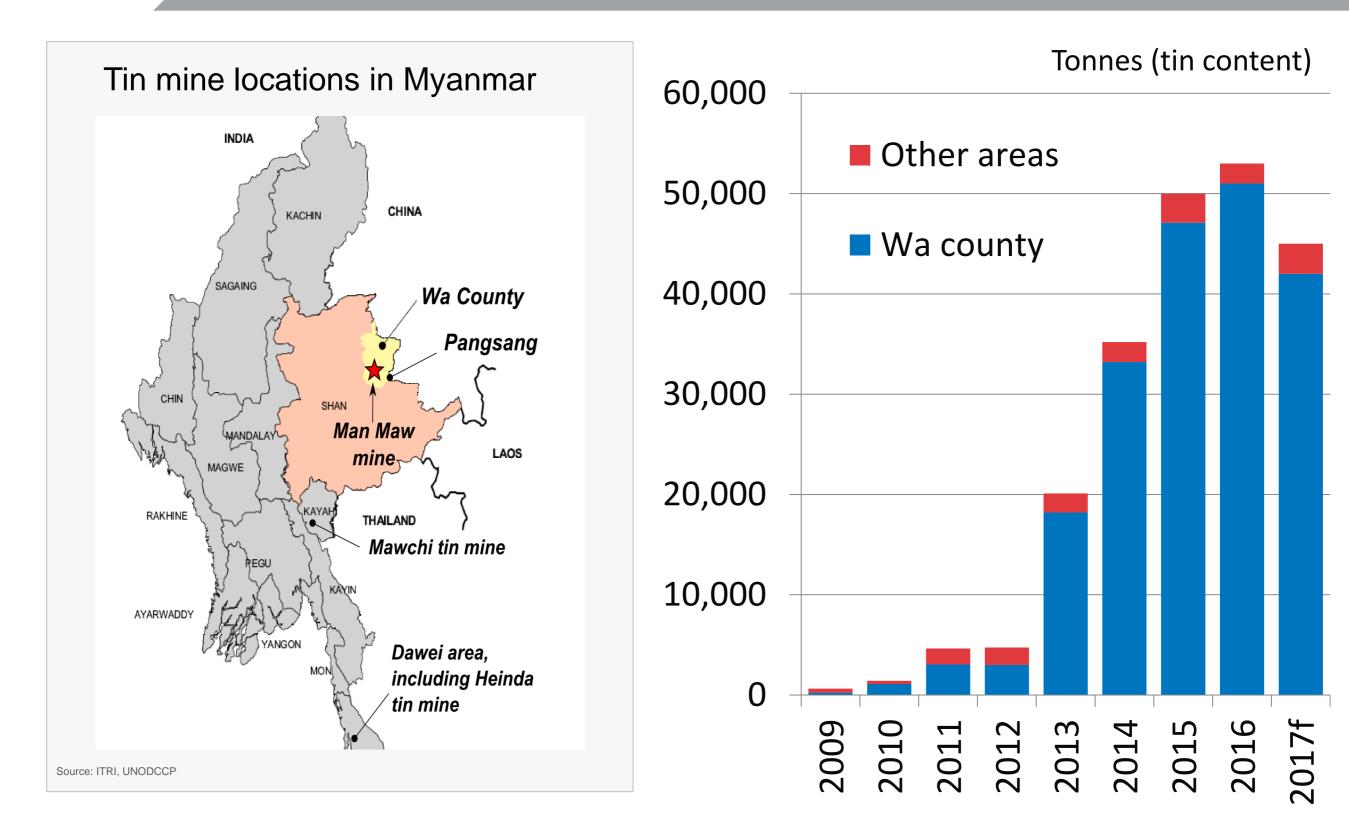


US\$/tonne

# Indonesian export price relationship



# **Myanmar Tin Production Areas**



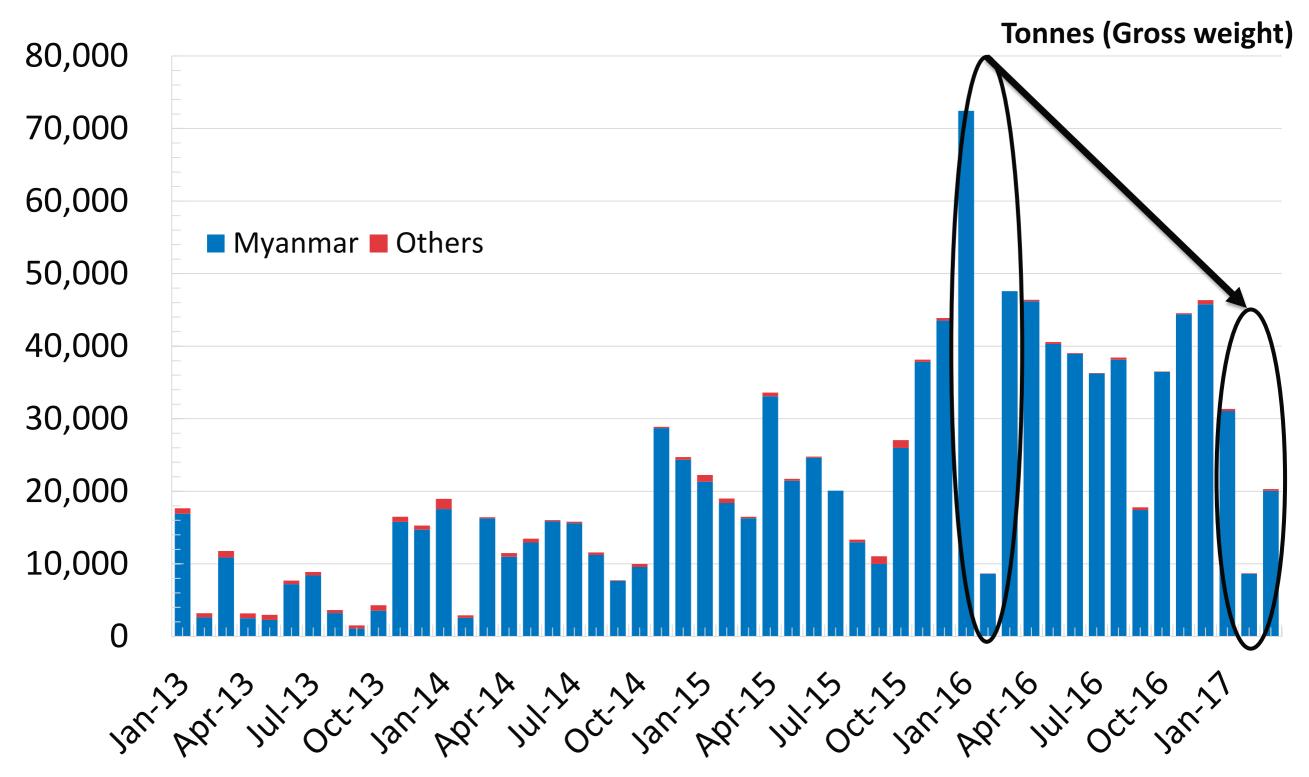


- Processing facility and technology is improving, little ore is exported
- Concentrate grades are 20%+
- Ore stock in mining sites is decreasing
  - Local mining is more complicated and difficult, needs more investment
- Ore and concentrate **production** is estimated **to decline** in 2017
  - Resource prospect is still unknown

# Wa county tin production



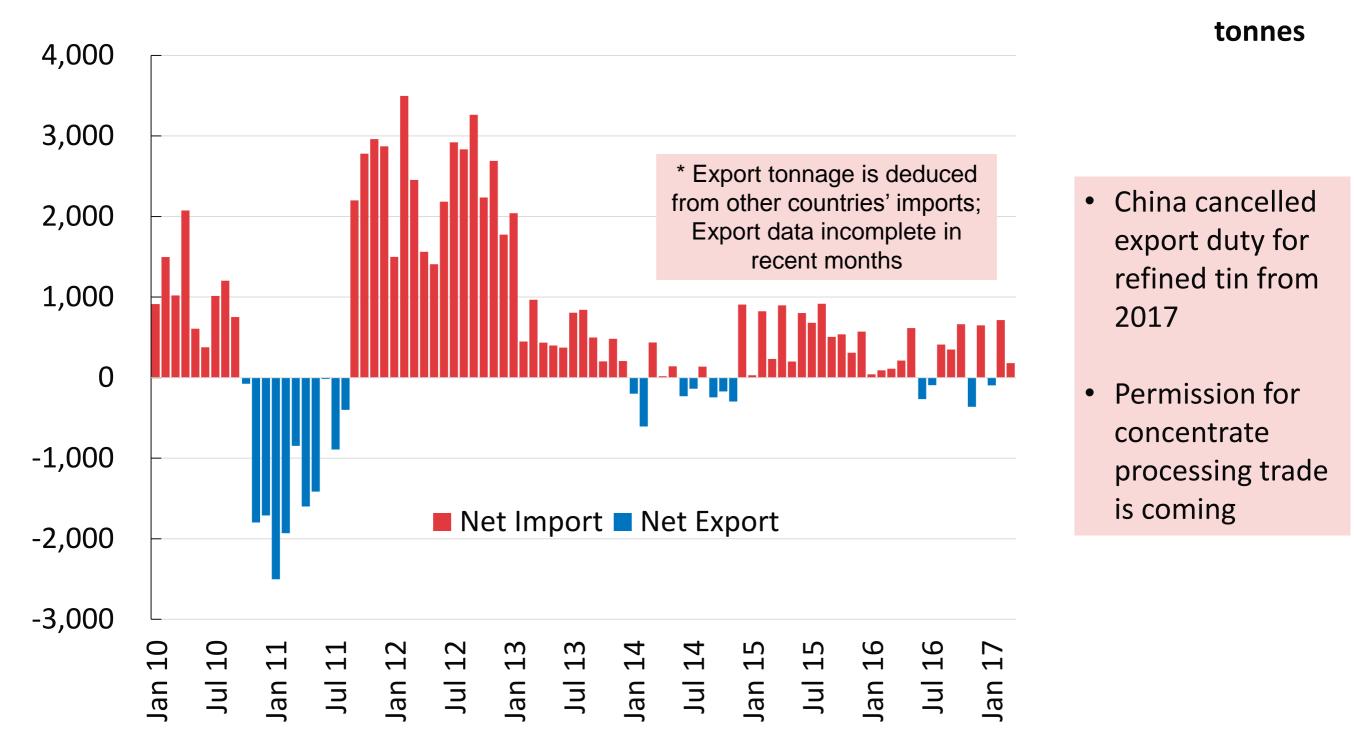
#### **China concentrate and ore imports**



Concentrate and ore from Myanmar are declining

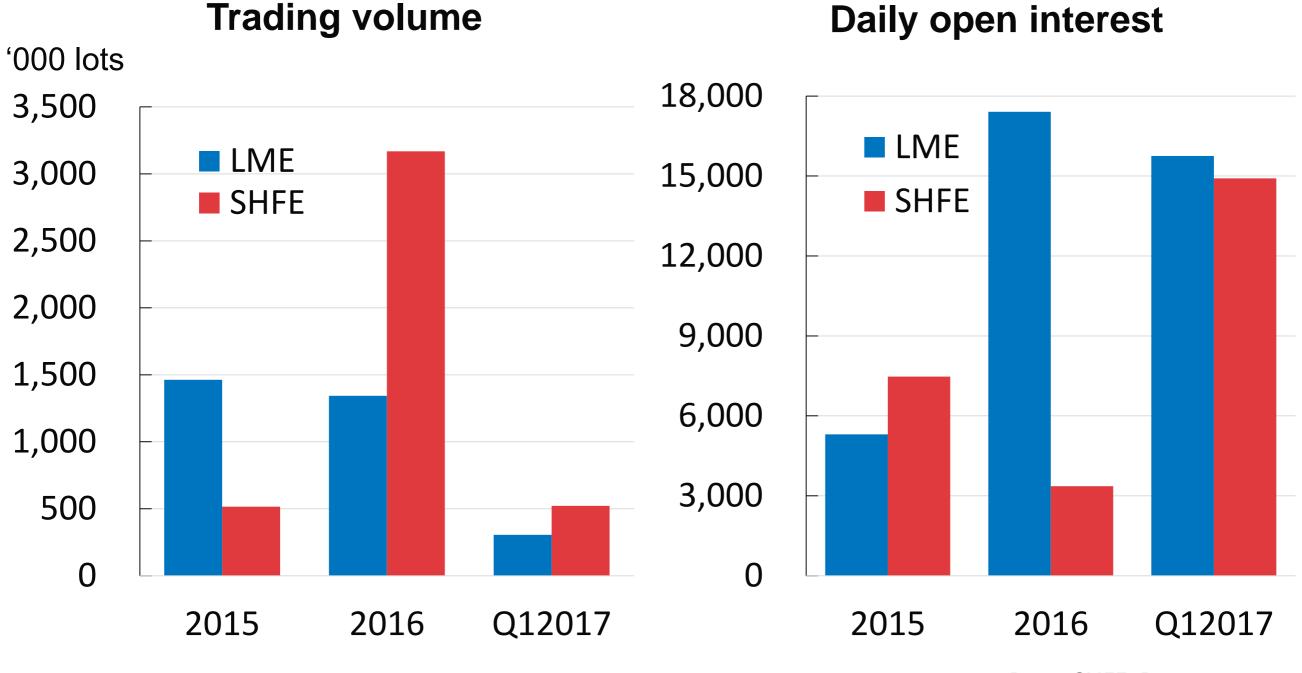


#### **China refined tin imports and exports**



China will become a net exporter again?

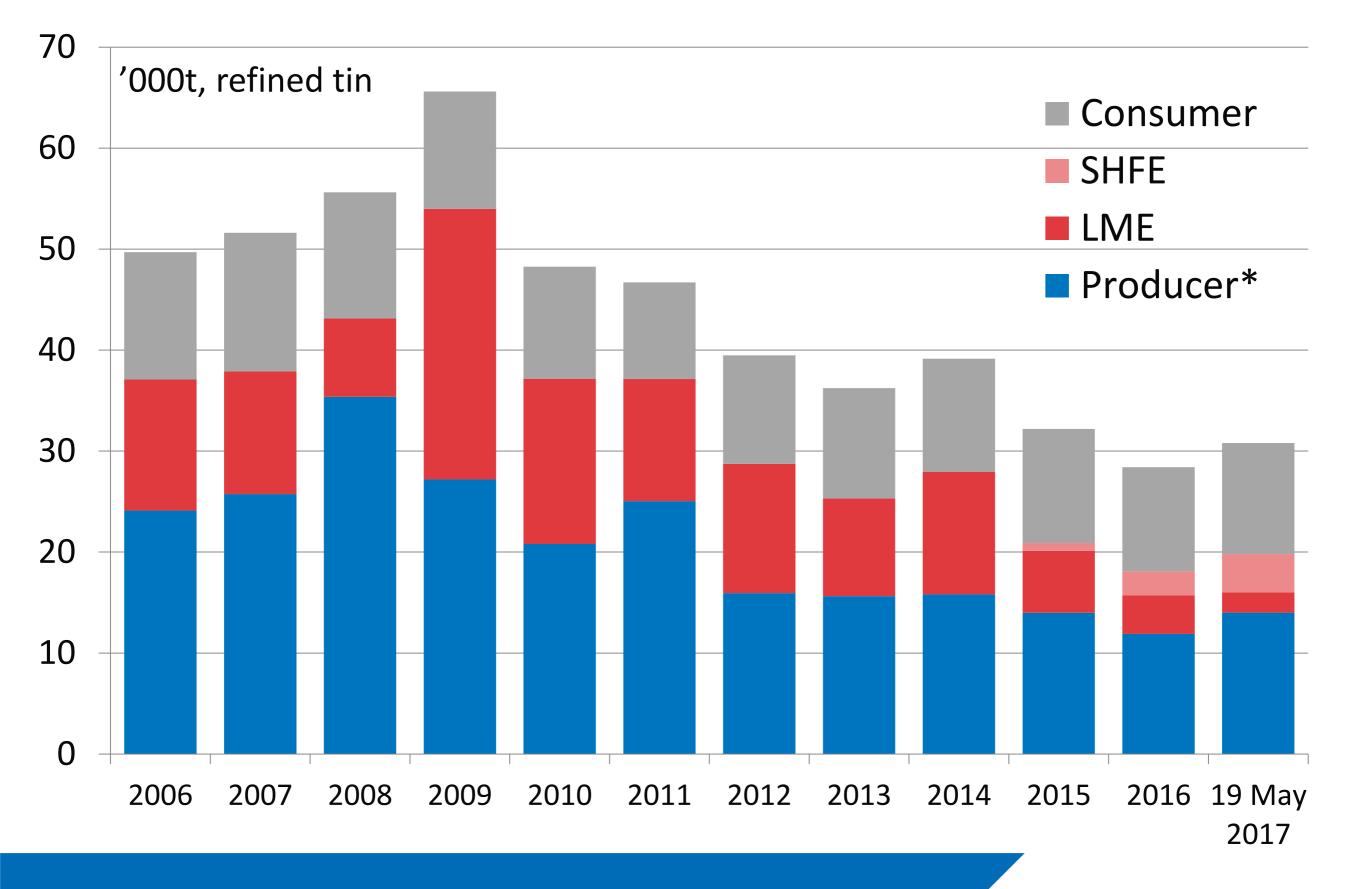




Data: SHFE, Reuters

### SHFE tin trading is more active





#### **Reported refined tin stock**



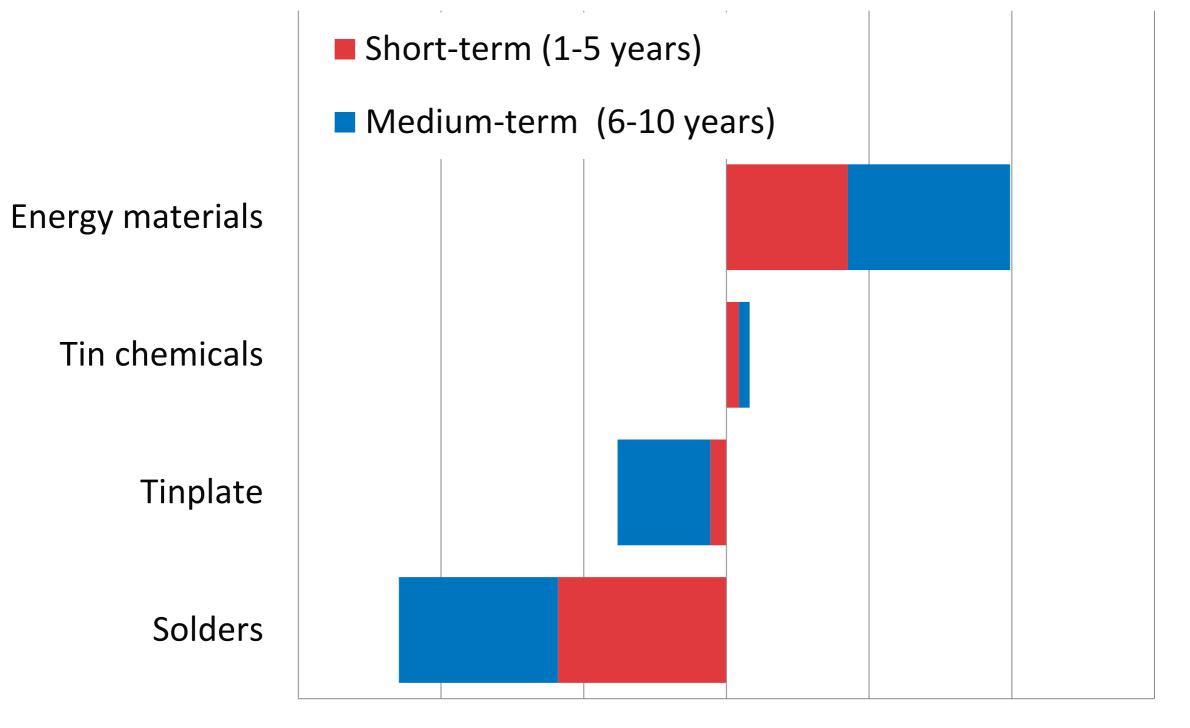
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#### **Technology risks over time**

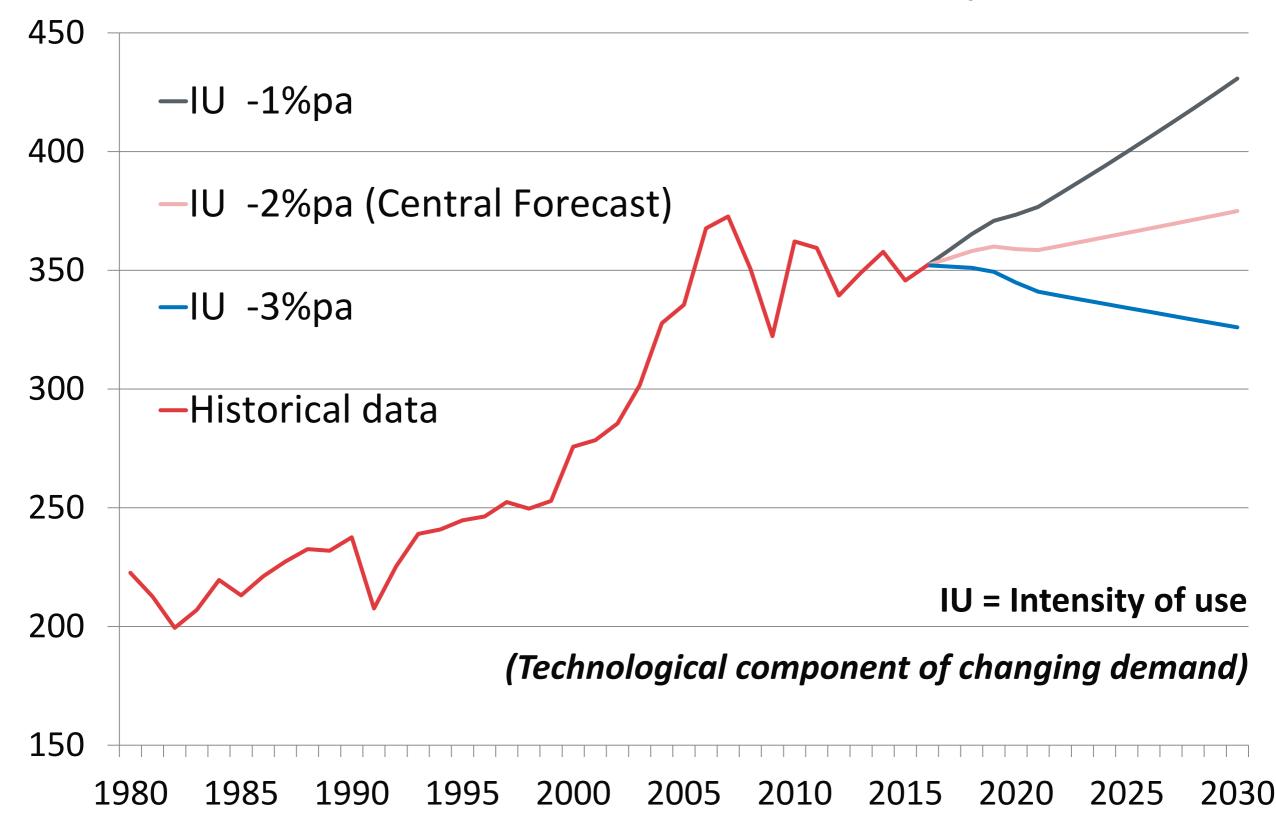
Potential net changes in annual tin consumption by sector, tonnes



-30,000 -20,000 -10,000 0 10,000 20,000 30,000

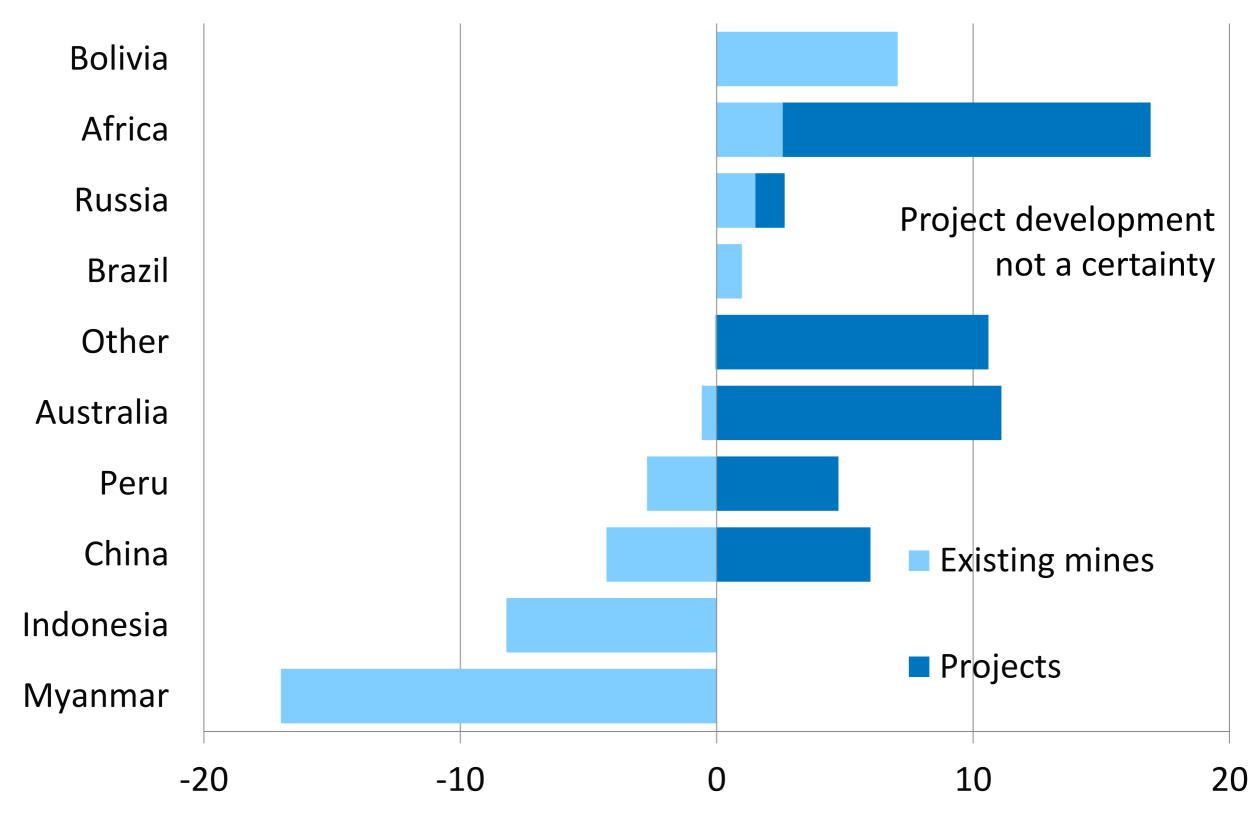
#### **Refined tin use scenarios to 2030**

#### Annual consumption, '000 tonnes



#### **Changes in mine production to 2021**

Potential changes in tin-in-concentrate production (2016 vs 2021), '000 tpy



#### Global supply and demand balances in refined tin

#### **'000t**

|                                 | 2013   | 2014   | 2015   | 2016   | 2017  |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| World refind tin production     | 341.9  | 370.2  | 335.8  | 341.4  | 344.0 |
| World refind tin consumption    | 349.0  | 357.8  | 345.7  | 352.7  | 355.1 |
| Global market balance           | -7.1   | 12.4   | -9.9   | -11.3  | -11.1 |
| Reported stocks                 | 34.3   | 39.1   | 32.2   | 28.7   | 23.0  |
| World stock ratio               | 5.1    | 5.7    | 4.8    | 4.2    | 3.4   |
| Base price (US \$/t)            |        |        |        |        |       |
| LME cash price - annual average | 22,304 | 21,893 | 16,076 | 17,752 | -     |
| Data: ITRI, CRU                 |        |        |        |        |       |

# Supply deficit maintained



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# An imminent price explosion?



# Pressure building in the tin market:

- Sustained global supply deficit
- Visible stocks near historic lows
- Underlying decline in mine supply – rising costs – few alternative sources
- But potential 'pressure relief':
  - Macro-risks to tin demand
  - Price responsive Indonesian tin output
  - Hard-to-predict Myanmar output
    - Chinese exports?



# 2017 Asia Tin Week



12-15, September, 2017 Kunming, China

#### Expected 300+ delegates Half overseas delegates and half Chinese delegates

#### **Highlights:**

- CEO discussion
- Main tin production country reports
   China, Indonesia, South America
- Application & technology outlook: Solder, Tin chemical, Advanced smelting technology
- YTC smelter visit

#### Thank You

We believe that global co-operation on markets, technology, sustainability and regulatory issues is the most cost effective route to achieve long-term success for the industry. If we work together effectively then the outlook for tin is very positive.

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