

U.S. Aerosol production hits historic high in 2018

Insect Sprays jump almost 17%...

According to the 68th annual Household & Commercial Products Association's (HCPA) *Aerosol Pressurized Products Survey*, aerosol production hit an historic high in 2018, up 0.3% from 2017.

Highlights from the survey include:

- U.S. aerosol sector had an increase in production of 0.3%
- U.S. Household product fillings increased 15.2%
- U.S. Insect Spray product fillings increased 16.9%
- U.S. valve manufacturers reported a 1.1% unit decrease
- U.S. steel container manufacturers valued a 1.78% unit increase
- U.S. aluminum container manufacturers saw a 4.52% unit increase

Insect Sprays had the largest increase (16.9%), most likely the result of a wet Spring in the U.S. in 2018 leading to a higher insect population. *Paints & Finishes* decreased 6.3%—while the wetter Spring was better for insect sprays, this combined with a cold winter may have hurt the paint market. The increase in Household product fillings may be a result of the “Dusters” subcategory being moved into the *Household Products* category from the *Miscellaneous* category.

The HCPA Aerosol Products Division Survey Committee worked with an independent third-party firm, Association Research, Inc., to administer the survey, analyze the data and compile the results. The proprietary data provided by each manufacturer is only known to Association Research, Inc. and is not shared with anyone else.

New for this year, the survey committee made several modifications to better reflect the market. In addition to “Dusters” being moved from the *Miscellaneous* category to the *Household Products* category, changes include combining the subcategories “Space Insecticides” and “Residual Insecticides” into one subcategory named “Other Insect Sprays” to separate personal insect repellents from all other non-animal product insecticides.

“Dry Shampoo” and “Bath & Shower Gels, Foams, Soaps & Wash” are now separate subcategories from “Other Personal Care Products.” “Colognes, Perfumes, After Shave & Body Sprays” have been combined with “Personal Deodorants, Antiperspirants & Powders” to form “Deodorants, Antiperspirants & Other Personal Fragrance Sprays.”

“Adhesives” were separated from “Other Automotive & Industrial Products.” **SPRAY**



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