

## NEWSLETTER

### BUILDING & INFRASTRUCTURE

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#### **Construction Machinery Market Index, March 2026**

According to statistics from the China Construction Machinery Association, in March 2026, the average monthly working hours of major construction machinery products was 70.5 hours, a year-on-year decrease of 21.8% and a month-on-month increase of 28%. Specifically excavators 63.9 hours, loaders 84.9 hours, truck cranes 75.3 hours, crawler cranes 67.8 hours, tower cranes 39.3 hours, road rollers 14.5 hours. **(China Construction Machinery Association)**

#### **The monthly operating rate of major construction machinery products in March 2026**

The monthly operating rate of major construction machinery products in March 2026 was 50.5%, a year-on-year decrease of 10.3 percentage points and a month-on-month increase of 14.6 percentage points. Among them excavators 54.9%, loaders 49.7%, truck cranes 53.5%, crawler cranes 46.7%, tower cranes 34.3%, road rollers 22.3%. **(China Construction Machinery Association)**

#### **High-speed rail tunnel boring machine successfully penetrates Chongtai Yangtze River Tunnel**

The "Navigator," the world's largest diameter high-speed rail tunnel boring machine jointly developed by China Railway Equipment and China Railway Tunnel Group, has safely completed the 11.18 km underwater section of the Chongtai Yangtze River Tunnel and arrived safely in Taicang, Jiangsu Province. The Chongtai Yangtze River Tunnel is 14.25 km long, with a shield tunneling section of 13.201 km. **(China Construction Machinery Association)**

#### **Intelligent Tunneling System Widely Deployed**

The "TronAuto TBM" intelligent tunneling system, independently developed by CRCC Heavy Industry, has been successfully applied in over 20 major tunnel projects nationwide, covering urban rail transit, railways, and water conservancy projects. This system equips tunneling machines with a "powerful brain," enabling autonomous decision-making and precise control. **(China Construction Machinery Association)**

#### **Hualong One nuclear power unit in GBA enters commercial operation**

The first Hualong One nuclear power unit in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area officially entered commercial operation on April 20, marking a significant milestone in China's independent development of third-generation nuclear technology and its commitment to a green energy transition. It is fully operational and capable of generating over 9 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity annually. **(China Daily)**