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China's export of lamp and lighting fixtures slightly increased in October

From January to October 2025, China's exports of lamps, lighting fixtures and parts totaled 24.32 billion yuan (\$3.43 billion), increasing 1.2% year-on-year. In October 2025 alone, exports of lamps, lighting fixtures and parts reached 2.41 billion yuan (\$339.68 million), 6.65% higher than in September but down roughly 31% compared with October 2024. **(China Association of Lighting Industry)**

The building and decoration-materials sector remained under pressure in October

In October, nationwide retail sales for the building and decoration materials came in at 14.4 billion yuan (\$2.23 billion), dropping 8.3% year-on-year, and increasing 10.5% month-on-month. From January to October, the total retail sales edged up only 0.5% to 136.5 billion yuan (\$19.24 billion), underscoring that market confidence still needs to be rebuilt. **(National Bureau of Statistics)**

China's import of furniture reached US\$1.127 billion in the first quarter 2025

In the first three quarters of 2025, China's furniture imports reached US\$1.127 billion, a decrease of 6.6% year-on-year and 20.4% lower than the same period in 2023. Breaking it down by quarter, furniture imports totaled US\$352 million in the first quarter, down 7.2% year-on-year, US\$352 million in the second quarter, down 11.9%, and US\$412 million in the third quarter, down 0.9%. **(General Administration of Customs)**

The National Building-Materials & Home-Furnishing Index (BHI) edged up 1.80 from September

The National Building-Materials & Home-Furnishing Index (BHI) stood at 124.73 in October, up 1.80 points month-on-month, but down 2.92 points year-on-year. The leading sub-index "Manager Confidence" continued to slide, falling a further 61.68 points to 97.96 this month, its steepest drop yet and moving into the "bearish on the outlook" zone. **(China Building Materials Circulation Association)**

AVC's data showed that sales of most home-appliances increased in October.

The AVC's new-retail market monitor data showed that, in October 2025, the retail sales of the major home-appliance categories reached 1.41 billion yuan (\$198.73 million), up 11.2% year-on-year. Categories that recorded growth included: electric pressure cookers +52.5%, washing machines +43.8%, gas hobs +37.9%, refrigerators +34.7%, range hoods +29.8%, color TVs +29.7%, and air-conditioners +13.1%.

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