

International Stainless Steel Forum

Media Release

Brussels 28 March 2017 – The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) has released figures for the full year 2016 showing that stainless steel melt shop production increased by 10.2% year-on-year to 45.8 million metric tons.

Stainless steel melt shop steel production [000 metric tons]

Region	Quarter				Year 2016	+/- % y-o-y
	1/2016	2/2016	3/2016	4/2016		
Western Europe/Africa	1,958	2,047	1,761	1,939	7,705	2.5%
Central/Eastern Europe	65	61	63	58	247	-4.6%
The Americas	642	722	815	753	2,931	6.7%
Asia (w/o China)	2,395	2,447	2,524	2,590	9,957	5.2%
China	5,214	6,551	6,321	6,852	24,938	15.7%
Total	10,274	11,827	11,483	12,193	45,778	10.2%

Region	Quarter				Year 2015
	1/2015	2/2015	3/2015	4/2015	
Western Europe/Africa	2,007	2,058	1,673	1,780	7,518
Central/Eastern Europe	64	69	65	61	259
The Americas	768	685	693	601	2,747
Asia (w/o China)	2,366	2,318	2,392	2,385	9,461
China	5,015	5,852	5,371	5,324	21,562
Total	10,220	10,982	10,195	10,152	41,548

Source: International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF)

Note to the editors:

The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) is a non-profit research organization based in Brussels which represents the interests of the international stainless steel industry towards the general public, consumers, the media and regulatory authorities. The Forum was founded in 1996.