

# International Stainless Steel Forum

## Media Release

*Brussels 15 March 2018* – The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) has released figures for the full year 2017 showing that stainless steel melt shop production increased by 5.8% year-on-year to 48.1 million metric tons.

### Stainless steel melt shop steel production [000 metric tons]

Region	Quarter				Total	+/- %
	1/2017	2/2017	3/2017	4/2017	2017	y-o-y
Europe	1,980	1,902	1,665	1,830	<b>7,377</b>	1.3%
USA	721	699	680	654	<b>2,754</b>	11.0%
China	6,125r	5,920r	7,076r	6,652	<b>25,774</b>	4.7%
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,992	1,958	1,975	2,105	<b>8,030</b>	4.5%
Others	845	857	1,140	1,304	<b>4,146</b>	22.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,664</b>	<b>11,335</b>	<b>12,536</b>	<b>12,545</b>	<b>48,081</b>	<b>5.8%</b>

  

Region	Quarter				Total
	1/2016	2/2016	3/2016	4/2016	2016
Europe	1,866	1,927	1,660	1,826	<b>7,280</b>
USA	530	613	687	651	<b>2,481</b>
China	5,106r	6,442r	6,242r	6,818r	<b>24,608r</b>
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,871	1,883	1,933	1,995	<b>7,681</b>
Others	794	853	882	869	<b>3,399</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,166r</b>	<b>11,718r</b>	<b>11,405r</b>	<b>12,158r</b>	<b>45,448r</b>

*Others: Brazil, Russia, S. Africa, S. Korea, Indonesia*

*r: revised*

*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.