

# International Stainless Steel Forum

## Media Release

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*Brussels 09 July 2019* – The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) has released figures for the first three months of 2019 showing that stainless steel melt shop production decreased by 2.5% year-on-year to 12.5 million metric tons.

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

Region	Quarter			+/- %	+/- %
	1/2018	4/2018	1/2019	q-o-q	y-o-y
Europe	2,014	1,748	1,899	8.7%	-5.7%
USA	718	624	704	12.7%	-2.0%
China	6,533	6,161	6,434	4.4%	-1.5%
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	2,079	1,983	1,961	-1.1%	-5.7%
Others	1,439	1,311	1,467	11.9%	2.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,783</b>	<b>11,827</b>	<b>12,464</b>	<b>5.4%</b>	<b>-2.5%</b>

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

*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.