

International Stainless Steel Forum

Media Release

Brussels 14 March 2022 – The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) has released figures for the full year 2021 showing that stainless steel melt shop production increased by 10.6% year-on-year to 56.3 million metric tons.

Stainless steel melt shop steel production [000 metric tons]

Region	Quarter				Total 2021	+/- % y-o-y
	1/2021	2/2021	3/2021	4/2021		
Europe	1,909	1,919	1,586	1,767	7,181	13.6%
USA	624	654	552	538	2,368	10.4%
China	8,198	8,044	7,184r	7,206	30,632	1.6%
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,880	1,845	2,044	2,023	7,792	21.2%
Others	1,901	2,052	2,184	2,179	8,316	42.0%
Total	14,512	14,513	13,550r	13,713	56,289	10.6%

Region	Quarter				Total 2020
	1/2020	2/2020	3/2020	4/2020	
Europe	1,812	1,370	1,421	1,719	6,323
USA	627	450	499	568	2,144
China	5,989	7,455	8,460	8,236	30,139
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,886	1,080	1,627	1,837	6,429
Others	1,322	1,250	1,520	1,765	5,857
Total	11,636	11,605	13,526	14,125	50,892

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

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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.