

# International Stainless Steel Forum

## Media Release

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*Brussels 17 December 2020* – The International Stainless Steel Forum (ISSF) has released figures for the first nine months of 2020 showing that stainless steel melt shop production decreased by 7.8% year-on-year to 36.7 million metric tons.

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

Region	Quarter			9 months		+/- %
	1/2020	2/2020	3/2020	2019	2020	y-o-y
Europe	1,790	1,341	1,414	5,233	4,546	-13.1%
USA	627	450	499	2,019	1,575	-22.0%
China	5,989r	7,455r	8,496	22,490	21,941	-2.4%
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,886	1,080	1,627	5,872	4,593	-21.8%
Others	1,322	1,215	1,520	4,186	4,057	-3.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,614r</b>	<b>11,541r</b>	<b>13,557</b>	<b>39,800</b>	<b>36,712</b>	<b>-7.8%</b>

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

*r: revised, e: estimate*

*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, material specifiers, the media and regulatory authorities. The Forum was founded in 1996.