

world stainless association

Media Release

Brussels 20 June 2022 – The world stainless association released figures for the first three months of 2022 showing that stainless steel melt shop production decreased by 3.8% year-on-year to 14.5 million metric tons.

Stainless steel melt shop steel production [000 metric tons]

Region	Quarter			+/- %	+/- %
	1/2021	4/2021	1/2022	q-o-q	y-o-y
Europe	1,909	1,767	1,860	5.2%	-2.5%
USA	624	538	569	5.7%	-8.8%
China	8,708r	7,696r	8,011	4.1%	-8.0%
Asia w/o China and S. Korea	1,880	2,023	1,956	-3.3%	4.1%
Others	1,901	2,179	2,053	-5.8%	8.0%
Total	15,022r	14,203r	14,450	1.7%	-3.8%

Please also take note that Chinese figures for the last 2 years were revised:

Region	Quarter				Total	+/- %
	1/2021	2/2021	3/2021	4/2021	2021	y-o-y
Europe	1,909	1,919	1,586	1,767	7,181	13.6%
USA	624	654	552	538	2,368	10.4%
China	8,708r	8,554r	7,674r	7,696r	32,632r	5.1%
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	15,022r	15,023r	14,040r	14,203r	58,289r	12.5%

Region	Quarter				Total
	1/2020	2/2020	3/2020	4/2020	2020
Europe	1,812	1,370	1,421	1,719	6,323
USA	627	450	499	568	2,144
China	6,209r	7,675r	8,690r	8,466r	31,039r
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	11,856r	11,825r	13,756r	14,355r	51,792r

Others: Brazil, Russia, S. Africa, S. Korea, Indonesia, r=revised

Source: worldstainless

Note to the editors:

The world stainless association 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 world stainless association was founded as the International Stainless Steel Forum in 1996.