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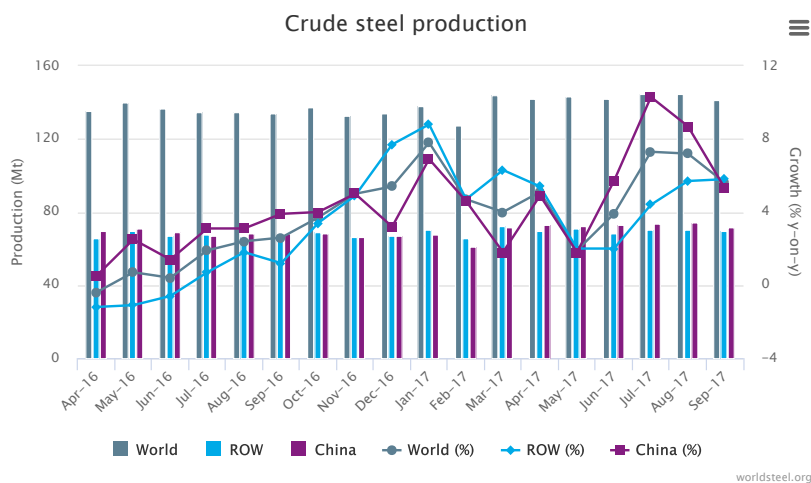
September 2017 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 66 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 141.4 million tonnes (Mt) in September 2017, a 5.6% increase compared to September 2016.

World crude steel production was 1,266.9 Mt in the first nine months of 2017, up by 5.6% compared to the same period in 2016. Asia produced 876.3 Mt of crude steel, an increase of 5.9% over the first nine months of 2016. The EU produced 126.4 Mt of crude steel in the first nine months of 2017, up by 4.1% compared to the same period of 2016. North America's crude steel production in the first nine months of 2017 was 86.7 Mt, an increase of 3.5% compared to the first nine months of 2016. The C.I.S. produced 76.4 Mt of crude steel in the first nine months of 2017, the same amount it produced over the same period of 2016.

China's crude steel production for September 2017 was 71.8 Mt, an increase of 5.3% compared to September 2016. Japan produced 8.6 Mt of crude steel in September 2017, an increase of 2.0% compared to September 2016.



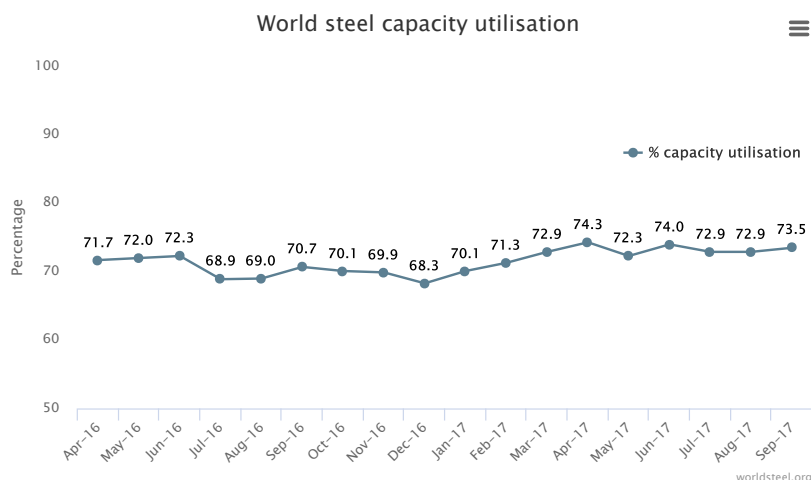
In the EU, France produced 1.3 Mt of crude steel in September 2017, an increase of 3.2% compared to September 2016. Italy's crude steel production for September 2017 was 2.2 Mt, up by 8.3% on September 2016. Spain produced 1.3 Mt in September 2017, an increase of 6.7% on 2016.

Turkey's crude steel production for September 2017 was 3.0 Mt, up by 13.0% on September 2016.

The US produced 6.7 Mt of crude steel in September 2017, an increase of 8.6% compared to September 2016.

Brazil's crude steel production for September 2017 was 3.0 Mt, up by 7.6% on September 2016.

The crude steel capacity utilisation ratio of the 66 countries in September 2017 was 73.5%. This is 2.8 percentage points higher than September 2016. Compared to August 2017, it is 0.6 percentage points higher.



Notes to Editors:

- The World Steel Association (worldsteel) is one of the largest and most dynamic industry associations in the world. worldsteel members represent approximately 85% of the world's steel production, including over 160 steel producers with 9 of the 10 largest steel companies, national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes.
- The monthly crude steel capacity utilisation ratio is calculated based on crude steel production information available at worldsteel, and OECD capacity estimates.

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Monthly crude steel production in the 66 countries included in the report, in thousands of tonnes.

	September 2017	September 2016	% change Sep-17/16	9 months		
	2017	2016		2017	2016	% change
Austria	638	562	13.6	6 077	5 520	10.1
Belgium	650 e	613	6.0	6 010	5 714	5.2
Bulgaria	52	38	34.5	493	381	29.2
Croatia	0 e	0	25.0	0	0	29.8
Czech Republic	235	438	-46.4	3 448	4 037	-14.6
Finland	348	352	-1.2	3 105	3 078	0.9
France	1 322	1 281	3.2	11 735	10 619	10.5
Germany	3 510 e	3 246	8.1	32 876	32 011	2.7
Greece	45 e	119	-62.2	911	853	6.8
Hungary	169	113	49.6	1 403	898	56.2
Italy	2 174	2 008	8.3	17 775	17 336	2.5
Luxembourg	125 e	191	-34.6	1 569	1 663	-5.7
Netherlands	439	536	-18.0	5 051	5 210	-3.1
Poland	880 e	753	16.8	7 821	6 577	18.9
Slovakia	430	400	7.6	3 697	3 588	3.1
Slovenia	59	51	17.1	481	470	2.4
Spain	1 253	1 174	6.7	10 723	10 442	2.7
Sweden	422	407	3.5	3 455	3 491	-1.0
United Kingdom	640	706	-9.4	5 622	5 760	-2.4
Other E.U. (28) (e)	395 e	434	-9.1	4 175	3 816	9.4
European Union (28)	13 785	13 423	2.7	126 427	121 466	4.1
Bosnia-Herzegovina	68	52	29.9	565	621	-8.9
Macedonia	25 e	17	44.3	186	119	56.1
Norway	50 e	58	-13.4	434	456	-4.8
Serbia	99	107	-7.5	1 089	811	34.2
Turkey	3 001	2 655	13.0	27 742	24 438	13.5
Other Europe	3 242	2 889	12.2	30 017	26 445	13.5
Byelorussia	225 e	184	22.3	1 838	1 623	13.2
Kazakhstan	380 e	359	5.8	3 404	3 162	7.7
Moldova	45 e	0	..	288	71	305.6
Russia	6 025 e	5 696	5.8	54 203	52 714	2.8
Ukraine	1 845 e	1 860	-0.8	16 138	18 257	-11.6
Uzbekistan	60 e	48	25.0	502	514	-2.3
C.I.S. (6)	8 580	8 147	5.3	76 373	76 341	0.0
Canada	1 010 e	1 000	1.0	9 811	9 688	1.3
Cuba	20 e	20	-1.9	159	182	-12.6
El Salvador	10 e	8	20.0	72	76	-4.7
Guatemala	25 e	25	0.0	217	237	-8.5
Mexico	1 585 e	1 591	-0.4	14 995	13 954	7.5
Trinidad and Tobago	0	0	..	0	36	-100.0
United States	6 716	6 187	8.6	61 453	59 587	3.1
North America	9 366	8 832	6.0	86 707	83 761	3.5
Argentina	413	322	28.2	3 352	3 078	8.9
Brazil	2 959	2 750	7.6	25 468	23 348	9.1
Chile	95 e	84	13.3	870	874	-0.5
Colombia	105 e	116	-9.3	965	967	-0.2
Ecuador	45 e	48	-6.0	422	433	-2.5
Paraguay	5 e	2	150.0	18	26	-32.0
Peru	100 e	90	11.2	914	856	6.7
Uruguay	5 e	4	25.0	41	45	-8.0
Venezuela	15 e	75	-80.1	289	319	-9.4
South America	3 742	3 491	7.2	32 339	29 946	8.0
Egypt	568	475	19.6	4 931	3 627	36.0
Libya	25	15	71.3	282	377	-25.3
South Africa	556 e	510	9.0	4 682	4 691	-0.2
Africa	1 149	999	15.0	9 894	8 694	13.8
Iran	2 230 e	1 588	40.4	16 233	13 210	22.9
Qatar	234	225	4.0	1 999	1 947	2.7
Saudi Arabia (1)	456	461	-1.1	3 820	4 082	-6.4
United Arab Emirates	239	192	24.0	2 452	2 222	10.4
Middle East	3 158	2 466	28.1	24 504	21 460	14.2
China	71 827	68 200	5.3	638 731	601 158	6.3
India	8 200 e	8 044	1.9	75 293	71 254	5.7
Japan	8 623	8 454	2.0	78 265	78 382	-0.2
South Korea	5 880 e	5 717	2.8	52 819	51 054	3.5
Pakistan	460 e	280	64.3	3 705	2 591	43.0
Taiwan, China	1 900 e	1 691	12.3	17 418	16 153	7.8
Thailand	380 e	324	17.2	3 308	2 850	16.1
Vietnam (2)	665 e	497	33.8	6 734	3 729	80.6
Asia	97 935	93 208	5.1	876 271	827 170	5.9
Australia	427	477	-10.4	3 898	3 871	0.7
New Zealand	45	50	-8.9	485	427	13.5
Oceania	473	527	-10.3	4 383	4 299	2.0
Total 66 countries (3)	141 430	133 982	5.6	1 266 916	1 199 581	5.6

(1) - HADEED only.

(2) - partial data, approximately 75% of national total.

(3) - the 66 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 99% of total world crude steel production in 2016.

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