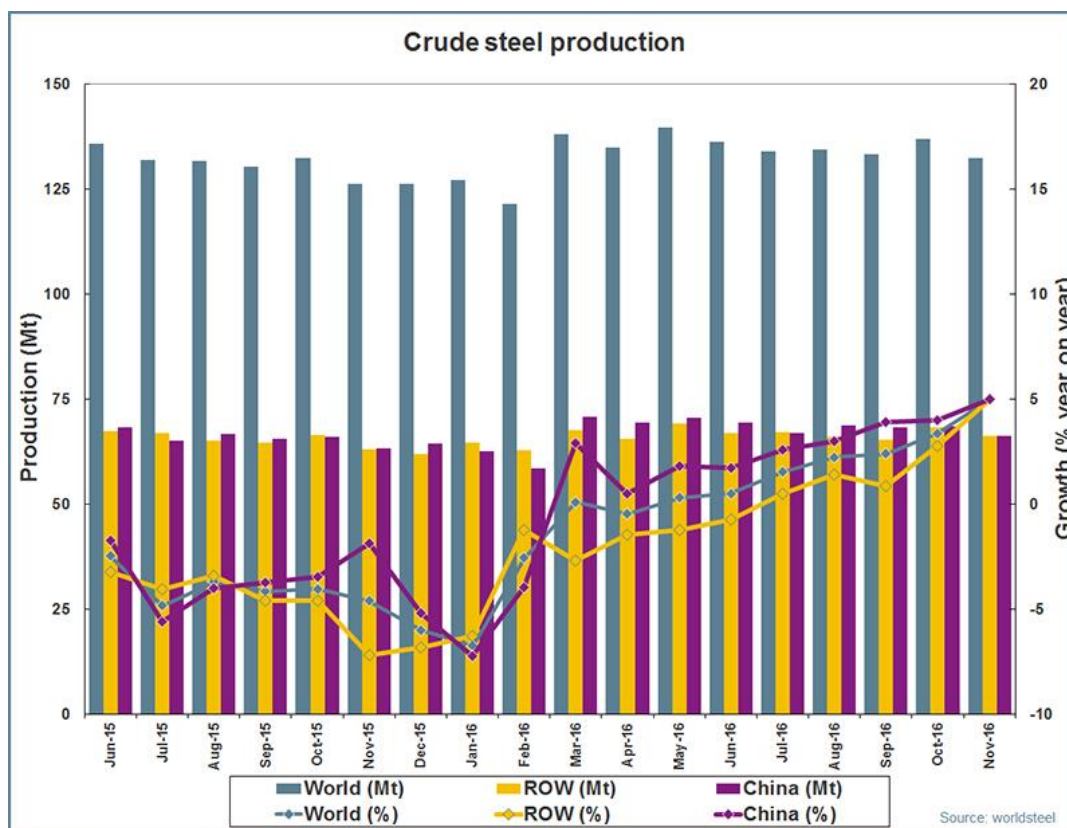


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November 2016 crude steel production for the 66 countries reporting to worldsteel

Brussels, 20 December 2016 - World crude steel production for the 66 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 132.4 million tonnes (Mt) in November 2016, 5.0% up on November 2015.

China's crude steel production for November 2016 was 66.3 Mt, an increase of 5.0% compared to November 2015. Elsewhere in Asia, Japan produced 8.6 Mt of crude steel in November 2016, a decrease of -1.4% compared to November 2015.



In the EU, Germany produced 3.3 Mt of crude steel in November 2016, a decrease of -4.2% compared to November 2015. Italy produced 2.1 Mt of crude steel, up by 11.2% on November 2015. France produced 1.3 Mt of crude steel in November 2016, up by 11.8% year-on-year.

Turkey's crude steel production for November 2016 was 2.9 Mt, up by 10.4% on November 2015.

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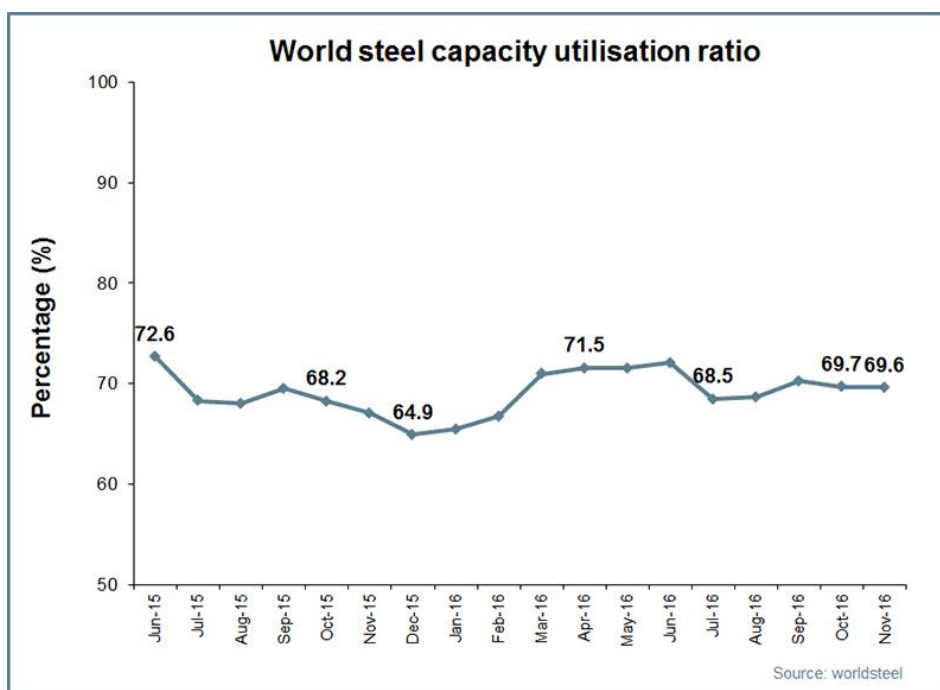
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In November 2016, Russia produced 6.0 Mt of crude steel, up by 5.0% on November 2015. Ukraine produced 2.0 Mt of crude steel, up by 3.1% compared to the same month in 2015.

The United States produced 6.2 Mt of crude steel in November 2016, an increase of 6.8% compared to November 2015.

Brazil's crude steel production for November 2016 was 2.4 Mt, down by 4.8% on November 2015.

The crude steel capacity utilisation ratio of the 66 countries in November 2016 was 69.6%. It was 67.1% in November 2015. The November 2016 capacity utilisation ratio is 0.1 percentage point lower than the October 2016 ratio.



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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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