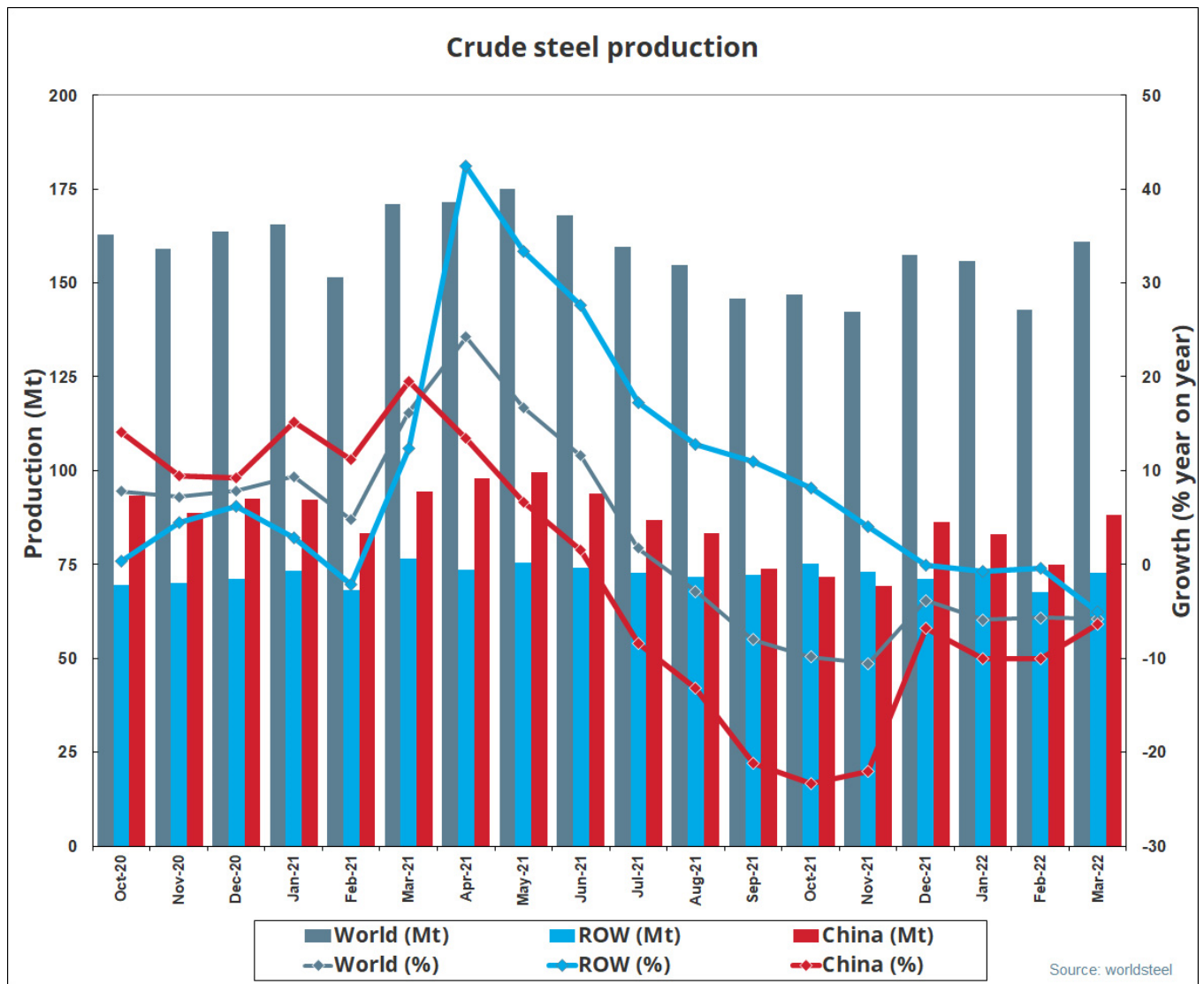


PRESS RELEASE – March 2022 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 64 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 161.0 million tonnes (Mt) in March 2022, a 5.8% decrease compared to March 2021.



Crude steel production by region

Global crude steel production was 456.6 Mt in the first three months of 2022, down by 6.8% compared to the same period in 2021. Asia and Oceania produced 331.3 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2022, a decrease of 7.8% on the first quarter of 2021. The EU (27) produced 36.8 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2022, down by 3.8% compared to the same quarter of 2021. North America's crude steel production in the first three months of 2022 was 28.1 Mt, a decrease of 0.9% compared to the first quarter of 2021. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 24.0 Mt of crude steel in the first quarter of 2022, a decrease of 8.5% on the first quarter of 2021.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	March 2022	% change Mar-22/21	Jan - Mar 2022	% change Jan - Mar 22/21
Africa	1.2	-17.1	3.8	-2.9
Asia and Oceania	118.6	-5.0	331.3	-7.8
EU (27)	12.8	-8.5	36.8	-3.8
Europe, Other	4.2	-3.5	11.9	-5.3
Middle East	3.5	-3.5	10.2	-1.9
North America	9.7	-2.8	28.1	-0.9
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	7.4	-19.2	24.0	-8.5
South America	3.7	1.7	10.6	-3.6
Total 64 countries	161.0	-5.8	456.6	-6.8

The 64 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 98% of total world crude steel production in 2020. Regions and countries covered by the table:

- **Africa:** Egypt, Libya, South Africa
- **Asia and Oceania:** Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan (China), Vietnam
- **European Union (27)**
- **Europe, Other:** Bosnia-Herzegovina, Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Turkey, United Kingdom
- **Middle East:** Iran, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates
- **North America:** Canada, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, United States
- **Russia & other CIS + Ukraine:** Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan
- **South America:** Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

Top 10 steel producing countries

China produced 88.3 Mt in March 2022, down 6.4% on March 2021. India produced 10.9 Mt, up 4.4%. Japan produced 8.0 Mt, down 4.3%. The United States produced 7.0 Mt, down 1.7%. Russia is estimated to have produced 6.6 Mt, down 1.8%. South Korea produced 5.7 Mt, down 6.1%. Germany is estimated to have produced 3.3 Mt, down 11.8%. Turkey produced 3.3 Mt, down 2.9%. Brazil is estimated to have produced 3.0 Mt, up 5.4%. Iran is estimated to have produced 2.3 Mt, down 6.1%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	March 2022	% change Mar-22/21	Jan - Mar 2022	% change Jan - Mar 22/21
China	88.3	-6.4	243.4	-10.5
India	10.9	4.4	31.9	5.9
Japan	8.0	-4.3	23.0	-2.9
United States	7.0	-1.7	20.3	-0.4
Russia	6.6 e	-1.8	18.7	-1.2
South Korea	5.7	-6.1	16.9	-3.8
Germany	3.3	-11.8	9.8	-3.7
Turkey	3.3	-2.9	9.4	-4.7
Brazil	3.0 e	5.4	8.5	-2.2
Iran	2.3 e	-6.1	6.9	-4.4

e - estimated. Ranking of top 10 producing countries is based on year-to-date aggregate

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Notes

- The World Steel Association (worldsteel) is one of the largest and most dynamic industry associations in the world, with members in every major steel-producing country. worldsteel represents steel producers, national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes. Members represent around 85% of global steel production.
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