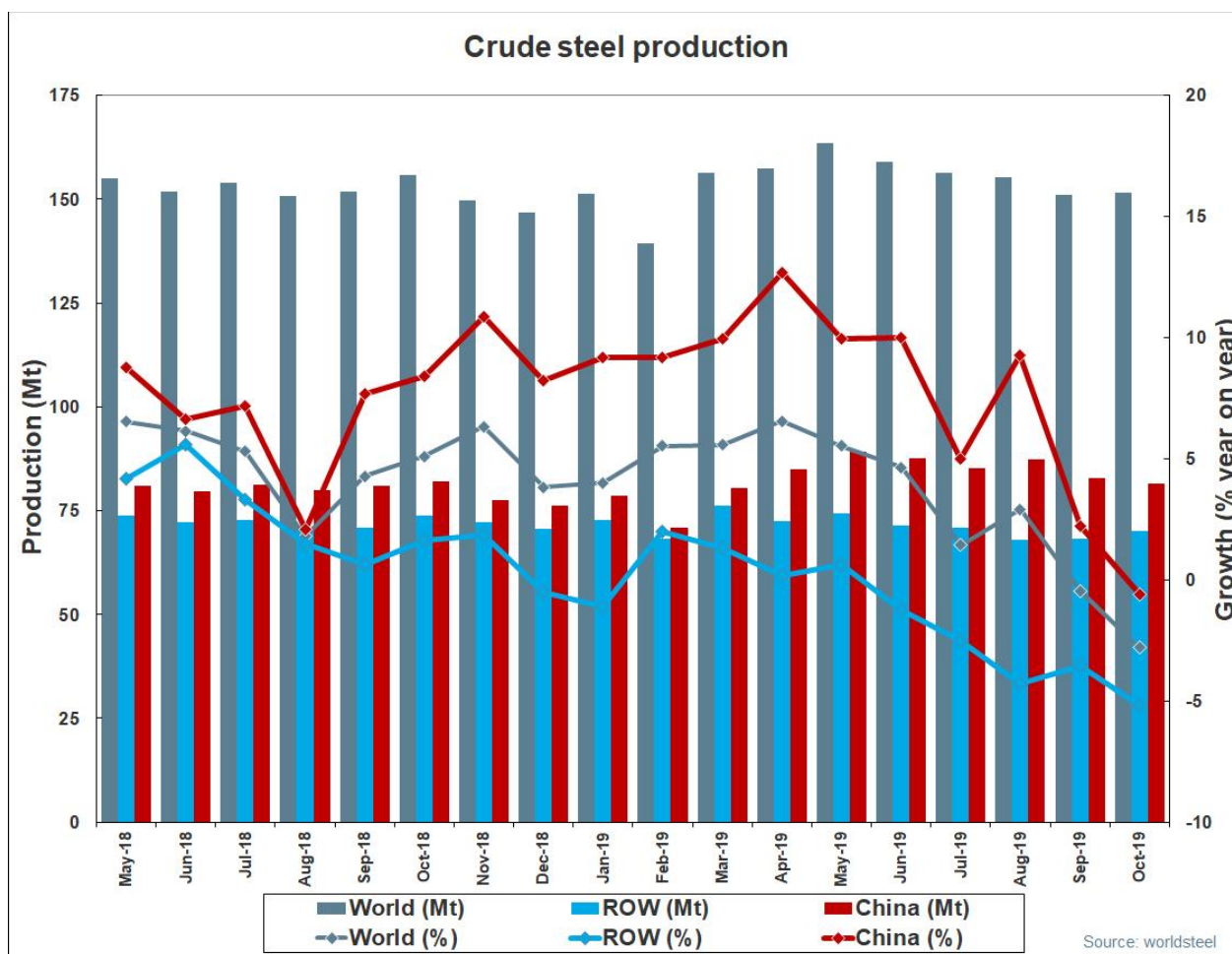


**PRESS RELEASE**

**October 2019 crude steel production for the 64 countries reporting to worldsteel**

**Brussels, 26 November 2019 - World crude steel production for the 64 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 151.5 million tonnes (Mt) in October 2019, a 2.8% decrease compared to October 2018.**

China's crude steel production for October 2019 was 81.5 Mt, a decrease of 0.6% compared to October 2018. India produced 9.1 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, down 3.4% on October 2018. Japan produced 8.2 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, down 4.9% on October 2018. South Korea's crude steel production was 6.0 Mt in October 2019, a decrease of 3.5% on October 2018.



In the EU, Germany produced 3.3 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, down by 6.8% on October 2018. Italy produced 2.2 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, down by 3.7% on October 2018. France produced 1.2 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, a 10.6% decrease compared to October 2018. Spain produced 1.2 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, down by 7.6% on October 2018.

The US produced 7.4 Mt of crude steel in October 2019, a decrease of 2.0% compared to October 2018.

Brazil's crude steel production for October 2019 was 2.6 Mt, down by 19.4% on October 2018.

Turkey's crude steel production for October 2019 was 2.7 Mt, down by 15.0% on October 2018.

Crude steel production in Ukraine was 1.6 Mt this month, down 12.7% on October 2018.

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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, with members in every major steel-producing country. worldsteel represents steel producers (including 9 of the world's 10 largest steel companies), national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes. Members represent around 85% of global steel production.
- For antitrust reasons worldsteel no longer produces a monthly global capacity utilisation ratio. Information on capacity can be found on the [OECD website](#).

Monthly crude steel production in the 64 countries included in the report, in thousands of tonnes.

	October	October	% change	10 months		
	2019	2018	Oct-19/18	2019	2018	% change
Austria	610 e	735	-17,0	6 342	5 579	13,7
Belgium	620 e	738	-16,0	6 542	6 788	-3,6
Bulgaria	45 e	54	-17,1	482	557	-13,5
Croatia	5 e	19	-73,9	64	103	-37,3
Czech Republic	271	375	-28,0	3 852	4 143	-7,0
Finland	316	352	-10,3	3 030	3 492	-13,2
France	1 170	1 309	-10,6	12 413	12 910	-3,9
Germany	3 323	3 565	-6,8	33 875	35 519	-4,6
Greece	135 e	137	-1,5	1 154	1 250	-7,7
Hungary	141	178	-20,7	1 443	1 663	-13,3
Italy	2 225	2 310	-3,7	19 845	20 638	-3,8
Luxembourg	178	195	-8,7	1 844	1 897	-2,8
Netherlands	574	585	-1,9	5 591	5 668	-1,4
Poland	690 e	830	-16,9	7 657	8 439	-9,3
Slovenia	53	52	2,3	538	562	-4,2
Spain	1 225	1 326	-7,6	11 751	12 071	-2,6
Sweden	330	394	-16,2	4 036	3 918	3,0
United Kingdom	621	470	32,2	6 137	6 250	-1,8
Other E.U. (28) (e)	805 e	977	-17,6	8 867	9 131	-2,9
<b>European Union (28)</b>	<b>13 336</b>	<b>14 602</b>	<b>-8,7</b>	<b>135 460</b>	<b>140 579</b>	<b>-3,6</b>
Bosnia-Herzegovina	55	83	-33,6	662	538	23,1
Macedonia	25	19	29,6	199	218	-8,9
Norway	63	57	10,3	528	475	11,2
Serbia	160	189	-15,5	1 618	1 646	-1,7
Turkey	2 687	3 162	-15,0	27 973	31 287	-10,6
<b>Other Europe</b>	<b>2 989</b>	<b>3 510</b>	<b>-14,8</b>	<b>30 980</b>	<b>34 164</b>	<b>-9,3</b>
Byelorussia	240 e	223	7,6	2 230	2 021	10,3
Kazakhstan	325 e	389	-16,5	3 370	3 766	-10,5
Moldova	40 e	35	14,3	331	437	-24,3
Russia	5 950 e	5 810	2,4	59 341	59 390	-0,1
Ukraine	1 561	1 788	-12,7	17 963	17 567	2,3
Uzbekistan	60 e	49	22,4	543	546	-0,5
<b>C.I.S. (6)</b>	<b>8 176</b>	<b>8 294</b>	<b>-1,4</b>	<b>83 778</b>	<b>83 727</b>	<b>0,1</b>
Canada	1 115	1 138	-2,0	10 936	11 404	-4,1
Cuba	20 e	19	3,2	184	182	1,2
El Salvador	10 e	8	21,4	88	82	7,3
Guatemala	25 e	26	-2,0	249	248	0,4
Mexico	1 515 e	1 572	-3,6	15 727	17 054	-7,8
United States	7 407	7 557	-2,0	73 539	71 731	2,5
<b>North America</b>	<b>10 092</b>	<b>10 320</b>	<b>-2,2</b>	<b>100 722</b>	<b>100 700</b>	<b>0,0</b>
Argentina	382	446	-14,4	3 961	4 350	-8,9
Brazil	2 597	3 224	-19,4	27 216	29 787	-8,6
Chile	95 e	109	-13,0	826	945	-12,6
Colombia	115 e	108	6,9	974	1 010	-3,6
Ecuador	55 e	45	23,0	520	487	6,8
Paraguay	2 e	3	-35,9	16	19	-13,5
Peru	105 e	104	1,0	1 026	1 014	1,2
Uruguay	5 e	5	-3,7	49	48	1,4
Venezuela	10 e	5	100,0	74	121	-38,7
<b>South America</b>	<b>3 366</b>	<b>4 049</b>	<b>-16,9</b>	<b>34 661</b>	<b>37 780</b>	<b>-8,3</b>
Egypt	515 e	729	-29,4	6 045	6 462	-6,5
Libya	68	28	143,2	478	294	62,5
South Africa	502 e	543	-7,6	5 015	5 376	-6,7
<b>Africa</b>	<b>1 085</b>	<b>1 301</b>	<b>-16,6</b>	<b>11 537</b>	<b>12 133</b>	<b>-4,9</b>
Iran	2 200 e	2 047	7,5	21 518	20 265	6,2
Qatar	228	205	11,3	2 198	2 197	0,0
Saudi Arabia (1)	331	407	-18,6	4 284	4 337	-1,2
United Arab Emirates	285	299	-4,8	2 741	2 657	3,2
<b>Middle East</b>	<b>3 044</b>	<b>2 958</b>	<b>2,9</b>	<b>30 741</b>	<b>29 456</b>	<b>4,4</b>
China	81 521	82 014	-0,6	829 215	771 781	7,4
India	9 089	9 408	-3,4	93 306	90 724	2,8
Japan	8 157	8 578	-4,9	83 791	87 197	-3,9
South Korea	5 983	6 198	-3,5	60 121	60 378	-0,4
Pakistan	275 e	320	-14,1	2 793	4 115	-32,1
Taiwan, China	1 825 e	2 023	-9,8	18 763	19 241	-2,5
Thailand	335 e	426	-21,4	3 547	5 480	-35,3
Vietnam	1 680	1 342	25,1	17 084	11 421	49,6
<b>Asia</b>	<b>108 864</b>	<b>110 309</b>	<b>-1,3</b>	<b>1 108 619</b>	<b>1 050 338</b>	<b>5,5</b>
Australia	488	441	10,8	4 596	4 819	-4,6
New Zealand	51	50	2,7	551	540	2,0
<b>Oceania</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>10,0</b>	<b>5 146</b>	<b>5 359</b>	<b>-4,0</b>
<b>Total 64 countries (2)</b>	<b>151 494</b>	<b>155 833</b>	<b>-2,8</b>	<b>1 541 644</b>	<b>1 494 234</b>	<b>3,2</b>

(1) - HADEED only.

(2) - the 64 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 99% of total world crude steel production in 2018.

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