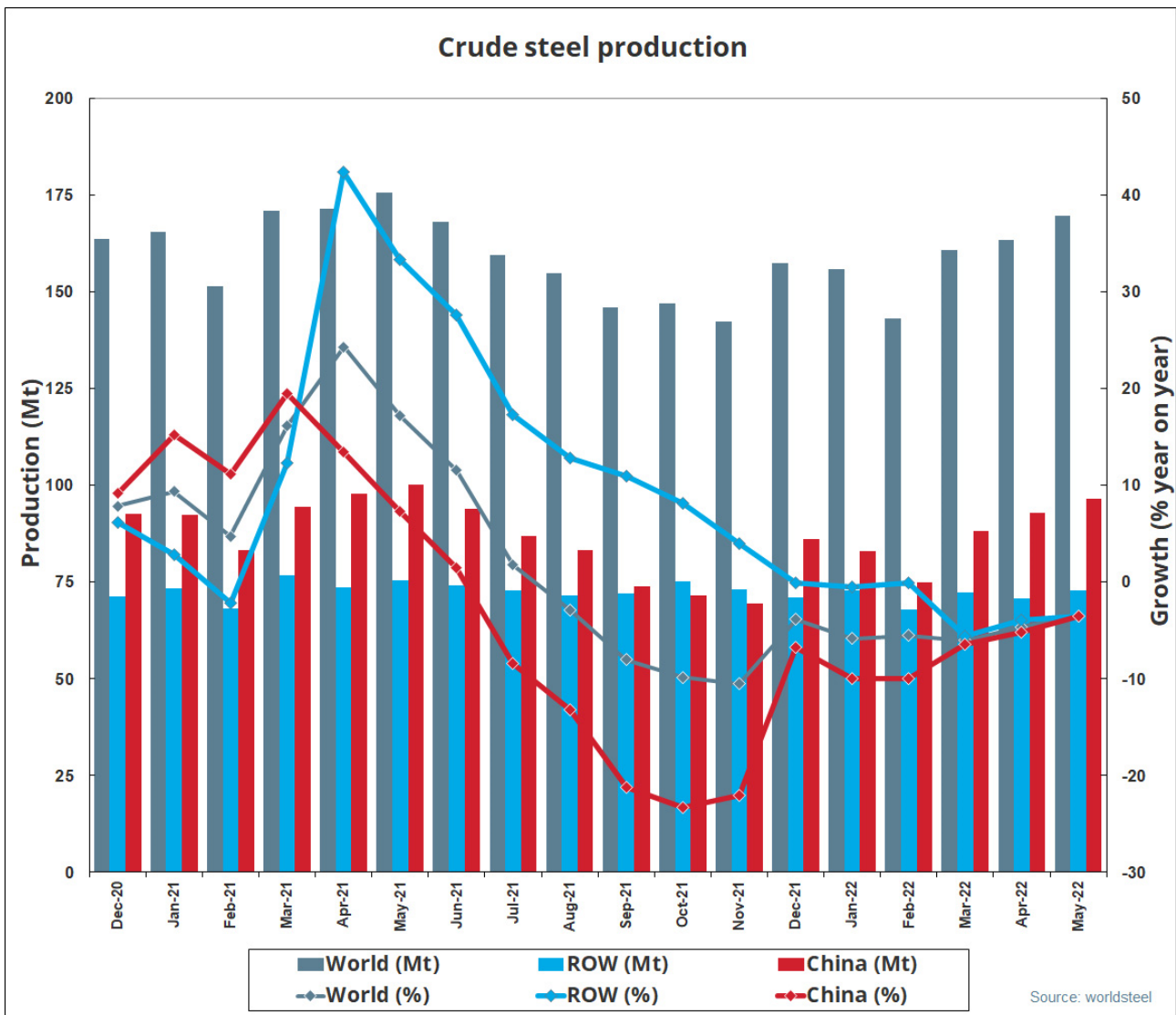


# PRESS RELEASE – May 2022 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 64 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 169.5 million tonnes (Mt) in May 2022, a 3.5% decrease compared to May 2021.



## Crude steel production by region

Africa produced 1.1 Mt in May 2022, down 18.9% on May 2021. Asia and Oceania produced 126.8 Mt, down 1.7%. The EU (27) produced 12.9 Mt, down 6.8%. Europe, Other produced 4.1 Mt, down 1.7%. The Middle East produced 3.5 Mt, down 10.0%. North America produced 9.9 Mt, down 4.0%. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 7.4 Mt, down 19.1%. South America produced 3.8 Mt, down 2.8%.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	May 2022	% change May-22/21	Jan - May 2022	% change Jan - May 22/21
Africa	1.1	-18.9	6.1	-7.0
Asia and Oceania	126.8	-1.7	582.0	-6.5
EU (27)	12.9	-6.8	62.3	-4.3
Europe, Other	4.1	-1.7	20.2	-3.5
Middle East	3.5	-10.0	17.0	-6.1
North America	9.9	-4.0	47.5	-2.3
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	7.4	-19.1	38.4	-13.1
South America	3.8	-2.8	18.1	-2.4
<b>Total 64 countries</b>	<b>169.5</b>	<b>-3.5</b>	<b>791.8</b>	<b>-6.3</b>

The 64 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 98% of total world crude steel production in 2021. 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 96.6 Mt in May 2022, down 3.5% on May 2021. India produced 10.6 Mt, up 17.3%. Japan produced 8.1 Mt, down 4.2%. The United States produced 7.2 Mt, down 2.6%. Russia is estimated to have produced 6.4 Mt, down 1.4%. South Korea produced 5.8 Mt, down 1.4%. Germany produced 3.2 Mt, down 11.5%. Turkey produced 3.2 Mt, down 1.4%. Brazil produced 3.0 Mt, down 4.9%. Iran is estimated to have produced 2.3 Mt, down 17.6%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	May 2022	% change May-22/21	Jan - May 2022	% change Jan - May 22/21
China	96.6	-3.5	435.0	-8.7
India	10.6	17.3	53.2	6.5
Japan	8.1	-4.2	38.5	-3.5
United States	7.2	-2.6	34.3	-1.6
Russia	6.4 e	-1.4	31.0	-2.3
South Korea	5.8	-1.4	28.2	-3.4
Germany	3.2	-11.5	16.4	-4.8
Turkey	3.2	-1.4	16.0	-2.8
Brazil	3.0	-4.9	14.5	-2.2
Iran	2.3 e	-17.6	11.4	-10.8

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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