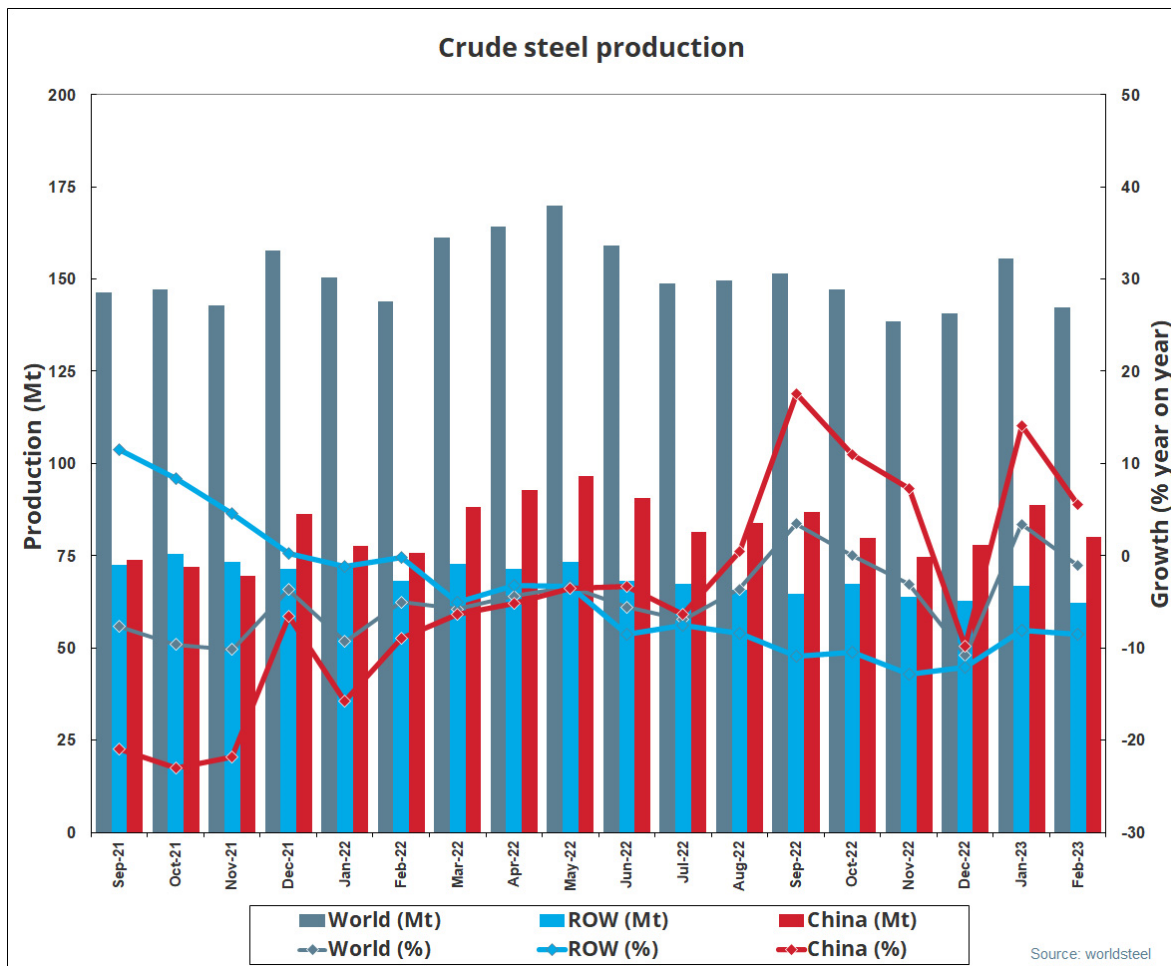


PRESS RELEASE – February 2023 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 63 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 142.4 million tonnes (Mt) in February 2023, a 1.0% decrease compared to February 2022.



Crude steel production by region

Africa produced 1.1 Mt in February 2023, down 11.9% on February 2022. Asia and Oceania produced 106.6 Mt, up 3.0%. The EU (27) produced 10.5 Mt, down 12.6%. Europe, Other produced 2.7 Mt, down 24.9%. The Middle East produced 3.5 Mt, up 11.5%. North America produced 8.3 Mt, down 5.5%. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 6.4 Mt, down 21.3%. South America produced 3.2 Mt, down 3.1%.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	February 2023	% change Feb-23/22	Jan - Feb 2023	% change Jan - Feb 23/22
Africa	1.1	-11.9	2.4	-8.0
Asia and Oceania	106.6	3.0	223.9	3.0
EU (27)	10.5	-12.6	20.7	-14.3
Europe, Other	2.7	-24.9	5.9	-21.8
Middle East	3.5	11.5	7.4	17.1
North America	8.3	-5.5	17.4	-5.7
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	6.4	-21.3	13.3	-20.7
South America	3.2	-3.1	6.8	-2.1
Total 63 countries	142.4	-1.0	297.8	-0.8

The 63 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 97% of total world crude steel production in 2022. Regions and countries covered by the table:

- **Africa:** Egypt, Libya, South Africa, Tunisia
- **Asia and Oceania:** Australia, China, India, Japan, Mongolia, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan (China), Viet Nam
- **European Union (27):** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden
- **Europe, Other:** Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Türkiye, 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, Russia, Ukraine
- **South America:** Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

Top 10 steel producing countries

China is estimated to have produced 80.1 Mt in February 2023, up 5.6% on February 2022. India produced 10.0 Mt, down 1.0%. Japan produced 6.9 Mt, down 5.3%. The United States produced 6.0 Mt, down 5.3%. Russia is estimated to have produced 5.6 Mt, down 8.6%. South Korea produced 5.2 Mt, up 1.1%. Germany produced 3.0 Mt, down 6.9%. Brazil produced 2.5 Mt, down 6.7%. Iran is estimated to have produced 2.4 Mt, up 14.6%. Türkiye produced 2.1 Mt, down 28.9%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	February 2023	% change Feb-23/22	Jan - Feb 2023	% change Jan - Feb 23/22
China	80.1 e	5.6	168.7	5.6
India	10.0	-1.0	21.3	1.0
Japan	6.9	-5.3	14.1	-6.1
United States	6.0	-5.3	12.6	-5.6
Russia	5.6 e	-8.6	11.7	-5.4
South Korea	5.2	1.1	11.1	-1.0
Germany	3.0	-6.9	5.9	-8.6
Brazil	2.5	-6.7	5.3	-5.8
Iran	2.4 e	14.6	5.1	21.1
Türkiye	2.1	-28.9	4.7	-23.1

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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