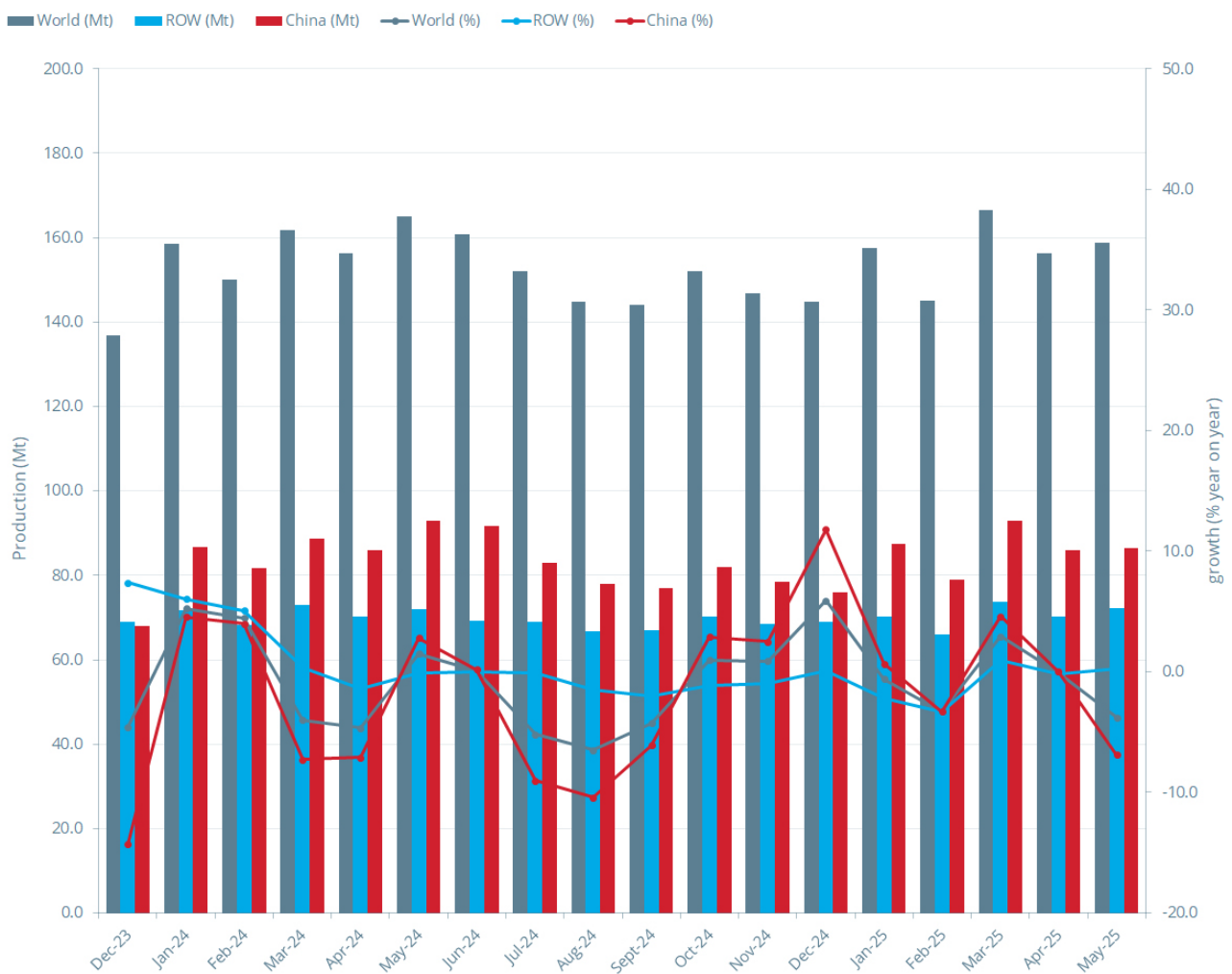


PRESS RELEASE – May 2025 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 70 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 158.8 million tonnes (Mt) in May 2025, a 3.8% decrease compared to May 2024.

Crude steel production



Source: worldsteel

Crude steel production by region

Africa produced 1.9 Mt in May 2025, up 5.5% on May 2024. Asia and Oceania produced 116.6 Mt, down 4.7%. The EU (27) produced 11.4 Mt, down 3.1%. Europe, Other produced 3.6 Mt, down 8.8%. The Middle East produced 5.4 Mt, up 5.3%. North America produced 9.5 Mt, up 3.4%. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 7.0 Mt, down 8.1%. South America produced 3.4 Mt, up 4.2%.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	May 2025	% change May-25/24	Jan - May 2025 Jan - May 25/24	% change
Africa	1.9	5.5	9.7	4.3
Asia and Oceania	116.6	-4.7	580.7	-1.0
EU (27)	11.4	-3.1	54.9	-2.5
Europe, Other	3.6	-8.8	17.5	-6.7
Middle East	5.4	5.3	23.8	-3.4
North America	9.5	3.4	45.4	0.9
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	7.0	-8.1	34.8	-4.7
South America	3.4	4.2	17.0	-0.7
Total 70 countries	158.8	-3.8	784.0	-1.3

The 70 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 98% of total world crude steel production in 2024. Regions and countries covered by the table:

- **Africa:** Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, South Africa, Tunisia
- **Asia and Oceania:** Australia, China, India, Japan, Mongolia, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan (China), Thailand, Viet Nam
- **European Union (27):** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden
- **Europe, Other:** Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Türkiye, United Kingdom
- **Middle East:** Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen
- **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 produced 86.6 Mt in May 2025, down 6.9% on May 2024. India produced 13.5 Mt, up 9.7%. Japan produced 6.8 Mt, down 4.7%. The United States produced 7.0 Mt, up 1.7%. Russia is estimated to have produced 5.8 Mt, down 6.9%. South Korea produced 5.1 Mt, down 1.7%. Türkiye produced 3.1 Mt, down 2.8%. Germany produced 3.0 Mt, down 6.4%. Iran is estimated to have produced 3.4 Mt, up 4.5%. Brazil produced 2.7 Mt, up 5.0%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	May 2025	% change May-25/24	Jan - May 2025	% change Jan - May 25/24
China	86.6	-6.9	431.6	-1.7
India	13.5	9.7	67.2	8.2
Japan	6.8	-4.7	33.8	-5.2
United States	7.0	1.7	33.4	0.3
Russia	5.8 e	-6.9	29.2	-5.2
South Korea	5.1	-1.7	25.6	-3.0
Türkiye	3.1	-2.8	15.4	-1.4
Germany	3.0	-6.4	14.4	-10.8
Iran	3.4 e	4.5	14.0	-5.3
Brazil	2.7	5.0	13.7	0.7

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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