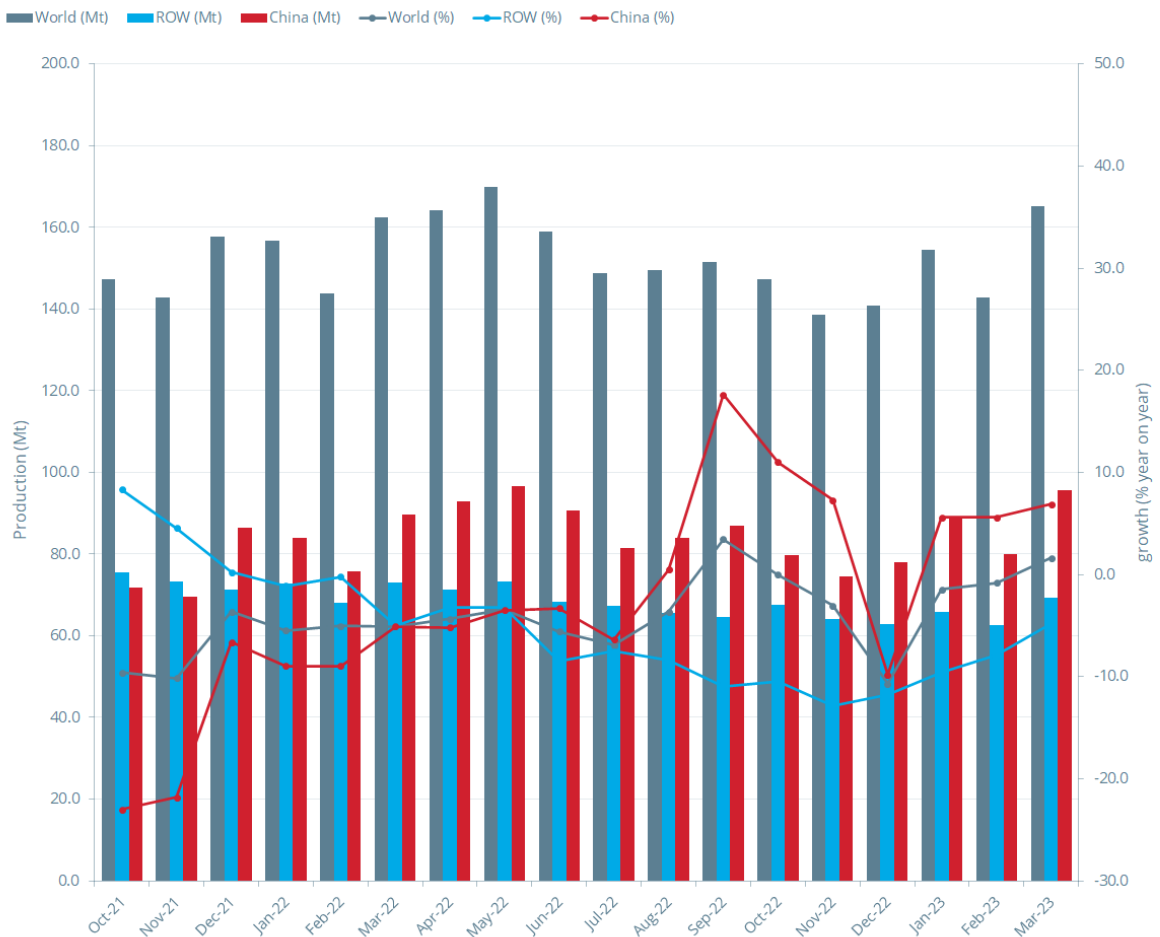


# PRESS RELEASE – March 2023 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 63 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 165.1 million tonnes (Mt) in March 2023, a 1.7% increase compared to March 2022.

Crude steel production



Source: worldsteel

## Crude steel production by region

Africa produced 1.4 Mt in March 2023, up 8.4% on March 2022. Asia and Oceania produced 124.8 Mt, up 4.1%. The EU (27) produced 11.9 Mt, down 5.6%. Europe, Other produced 3.5 Mt, down 14.1%. The Middle East produced 3.1 Mt, down 17.5%. North America produced 9.3 Mt, down 2.6%. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 7.6 Mt, up 3.0%. South America produced 3.5 Mt, down 7.6%.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	March 2023	% change Mar-23/22	Jan - Mar 2023	% change Jan - Mar 23/22
Africa	1.4	8.4	3.7	-2.6
Asia and Oceania	124.8	4.1	345.6	3.4
EU (27)	11.9	-5.6	33.1	-10.1
Europe, Other	3.5	-14.1	9.5	-18.3
Middle East	3.1	-17.5	8.9	-11.4
North America	9.3	-2.6	26.8	-4.1
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	7.6	3.0	21.4	-11.8
South America	3.5	-7.6	10.3	-4.5
<b>Total 63 countries</b>	<b>165.1</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>459.3</b>	<b>-0.1</b>

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 produced 95.7 Mt in March 2023, up 6.9% on March 2022. India produced 11.4 Mt, up 2.7%. Japan produced 7.5 Mt, down 5.9%. The United States produced 6.7 Mt, down 2.1%. Russia is estimated to have produced 6.6 Mt, up 0.4%. South Korea produced 5.8 Mt, up 1.9%. Germany is estimated to have produced 3.3 Mt, down 0.5%. Brazil produced 2.7 Mt, down 8.7%. Türkiye produced 2.7 Mt, down 18.6%. Italy produced 2.2 Mt, up 2.7%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	March 2023	% change Mar-23/22	Jan - Mar 2023	% change Jan - Mar 23/22
China	95.7	6.9	261.6	6.1
India	11.4	2.7	33.2	3.0
Japan	7.5	-5.9	21.6	-6.0
United States	6.7	-2.1	19.4	-4.0
Russia	6.6 e	0.4	18.7	-1.3
South Korea	5.8	1.9	16.7	-1.5
Germany	3.3 e	-0.5	9.2	-5.8
Brazil	2.7	-8.7	8.0	-6.8
Türkiye	2.7	-18.6	7.4	-21.5
Italy	2.2	2.7	5.6	-6.0

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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