



European Semiconductor Industry Association

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## **Semiconductors Sales in Europe in April 2015**

Semiconductor sales in Europe in April 2015 amounted to US\$ 2.889 billion, the European Semiconductor Industry Association reported on June 1<sup>st</sup> on the basis of the latest WSTS data. The figure reflects a slight decline in sales compared to the previous month, in line with sales developments in the other regions, with the exception of Asia-Pacific. Worldwide semiconductor sales were US\$ 27.602 billion in April, down 0.4% from March. All growth figures represent a three month rolling average.

Looking at specific product categories, strong growth was observed in key segments. The European market in April was driven by sales of Diodes (up 2.7% compared to March), Optoelectronics (up 4.1%), Sensors and Actuators (up 2.9%). In addition, application specific semiconductor performed well in April, with in particular devices designed to be used in consumer and wireless communication growing by 3.2% and 1.7% respectively compared to March.

In April, exchange rate developments affected significantly the European sales picture when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.631 billion Euros in April 2015, up 0.2% versus the previous month and an increase of 18.3% versus the same month a year ago.

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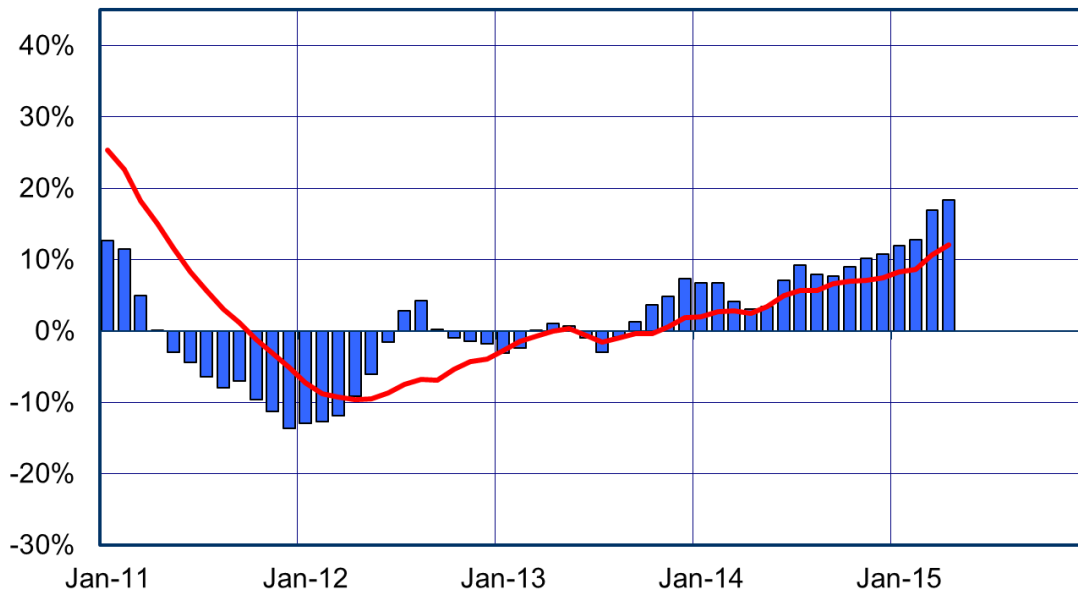
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## Monthly European Semiconductor Sales in Billion Euro (3-month-average data)

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Mar 15	Apr 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	Mar 15	Apr 15	Mar 15	Apr 15
<b>in \$:</b>								
<b>Europe</b>	2.956	2.889	2.7%	-2.3%	-4.0%	-5.6%	-4.0%	-5.0%
<b>Americas</b>	5.806	5.610	-6.8%	-3.4%	14.3%	12.2%	14.3%	13.3%
<b>Japan</b>	2.544	2.539	-0.4%	-0.2%	-9.6%	-10.7%	-9.6%	-10.7%
<b>Asia Pacific</b>	16.417	16.564	2.1%	0.9%	8.2%	7.3%	8.2%	8.5%
of which China	7.833	7.781	1.0%	-0.7%	13.4%	9.9%	13.4%	13.0%
<b>World</b>	<b>27.724</b>	<b>27.602</b>	<b>-0.1%</b>	<b>-0.4%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>
<b>In EURO:</b>								
<b>Europe</b>	2.626	2.631	7.9%	0.2%	16.9%	18.3%	16.9%	17.1%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.083	1.079	-21.7%	-21.9%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

## Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Developments in Euros



Note:

3/12=Percent change of a three month period to a similar period twelve months before

12/12= Percent change of a twelve month period to a similar period twelve months before

## Semiconductor sales worldwide and in Europe in US Dollars



Note= On a 12/12 basis, i.e. on the basis of percent change of a 12 month period to a similar period twelve months before

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**About ESIA:** *The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) is the voice of the Semiconductor Industry of Europe. Its mission is to represent, promote and defend the common interests of the Europe based semiconductor industry towards the European Institutions and stakeholders in order to ensure a sustainable business environment and foster its global competitiveness. As a provider of key enabling technologies the industry creates innovative solutions for industrial development, contributing to economic growth and responding to major societal challenges. Being ranked as the most R&D intensive sector by the European Commission, the European Semi-conductor ecosystem supports approx. 200.000 jobs directly and up to 1.000.000 induced jobs in systems, applications and services in Europe. Overall, micro- and nano-electronics enable the generation of at least 10% of GDP in Europe and the world.*

**About WSTS:** *World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) is a non-profit organization of 62 semiconductor companies representing close to 80% of the world semiconductor market. Founded in 1986, WSTS is the singular source for monthly industry shipment statistics. The mission of WSTS is to be the respected source of semiconductor market data and forecast. <http://www.wsts.org/>*