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February semiconductor sales: European market keeps growing

In February 2018, sales of semiconductors in Europe amounted to US\$ 3.429 billion, reports the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) based on the latest WSTS numbers. This represents a 21.7% increase from the same month one year ago, and an increase of 0.9% from January 2018. For the second consecutive month, Europe was the only region worldwide exhibiting growth on a month-to-month basis.

Worldwide semiconductor sales reached US\$ 36.754 billion in February, down 2.2% from January and up 21.0% versus the same month in 2017. All monthly sales numbers represent a three-month moving average.

The main drivers of Europe's February sales were optoelectronic semiconductor devices (up 3.4% compared to January), logic chips (up 2.7%), and discretets (up 1.0%). Sales of application-specific chips also grew robustly from January (up 2.7%).

In February, the exchange rate effects significantly affected the European sales picture when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.829 billion Euros in February 2018, down 0.8% versus the previous month and up 6.5% versus the same month a year ago. On a YTD basis, semiconductor sales increased by 5.5%.

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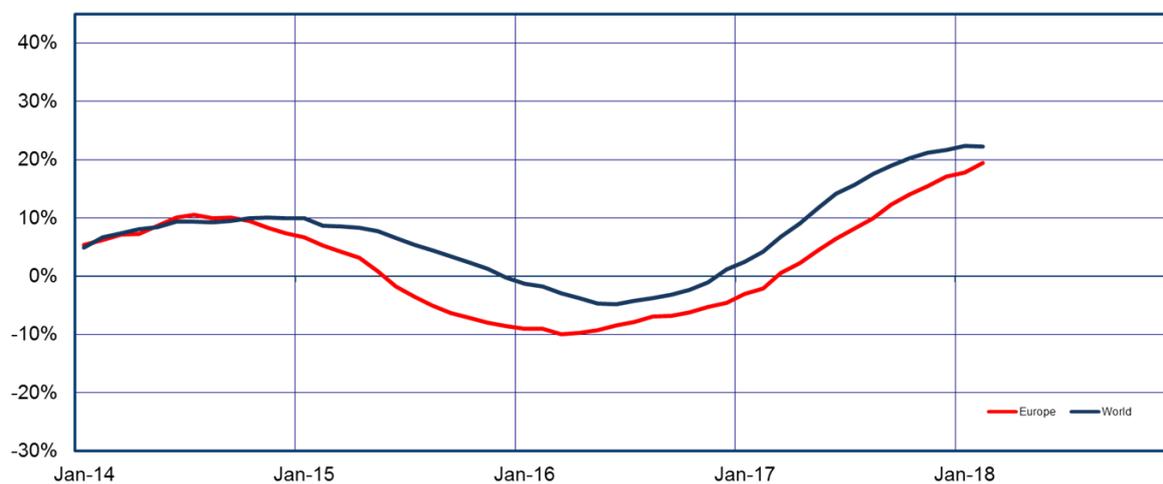
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Monthly European Semiconductor Sales

(3-month-average data, except YTD growth which is calculated based on current month data)

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Jan 18	Feb 18	Jan 18	Feb 18	Jan 18	Feb 18	Jan 18	Feb 18
in \$:								
Europe	3.400	3.429	0.9%	0.9%	19.8%	21.7%	18.6%	21.7%
Americas	8.632	8.258	-3.6%	-4.3%	40.6%	37.7%	36.6%	34.9%
Japan	3.207	3.177	-1.0%	-0.9%	15.1%	15.5%	13.5%	14.6%
Asia Pacific	22.358	21.889	-0.3%	-2.1%	18.4%	16.3%	20.0%	16.2%
of which China	12.011	11.698	0.0%	-2.6%	18.3%	16.4%	19.9%	16.9%
World	37.596	36.754	-1.0%	-2.2%	22.7%	21.0%	22.5%	20.3%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.853	2.829	-0.4%	-0.8%	7.1%	6.5%	3.4%	5.5%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.218	1.236	14.7%	16.1%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

Semiconductor sales worldwide and in Europe (in US Dollars)



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

Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Development (in Euro)



Note: 3/12 = Percent change of a three-month period compared 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/>*