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# Global semiconductor market approaches USD 1 trillion in 2026

The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) reports on the latest semiconductor market forecast by the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS). The forecast raised the 2025 growth outlook and confirmed strong continued momentum for the global semiconductor market through 2026.

## 2025: Strong growth driven by Logic & Memory; other segments show gradual recovery

Following a stronger-than-expected third quarter, the global semiconductor market is projected to grow 22.5% in 2025, reaching US\$ 772.2 billion.

#### Global semiconductor market (billion US\$)

Actual & Forecast in billion US\$, YoY growth in percent



The upward revision is mainly driven by Logic and Memory, boosted by Al-related applications and continued demand in computing and data centre infrastructure. Logic is now expected to grow 37.1% (up 8 percentage points) and Memory 27.8% (up 11 percent points). Other product categories are improving after the 2024 down-cycle, but the recovery remains moderate: Sensors +10.4%, Microprocessors +7.9%, Analog +7.5%, and Optoelectronics with +3.7%. The Discretes product segment is expected to decline slightly, mainly due to on-going weakness in automotive applications.

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Regionally, the Asia-Pacific and Americas are expected to expand by 24.9% to 29.1%, reflecting the strength in Logic and Memory. Europe is projected to grow 5.6%, while Japan is set to decline by 4.1%.

### 2026 Outlook: Continued global semiconductor growth towards nearly US\$ 1 trillion

For 2026, WSTS forecasts the global semiconductor market to grow by more than 26%, reaching US\$ 975.5 billion. Growth is expected across all regions and product categories. Memory and Logic are again projected to lead, both increasing by over 30% year-over-year. Most other product categories are expected to continue their gradual recovery, expanding at a more moderate pace.

Regionally, all major markets are expected to expand. The Americas and Asia-Pacific remain the strongest contributors, while Europe and Japan are forecast to see low double-digit growth.

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## WSTS forecast summary

Autum 2025	Amounts in US\$M			Year-on-year growth in %		
	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
Americas	195,123	251,926	338,574	45.2	29.1	34.4
Europe	51,250	54,127	60,429	-8.1	5.6	11.6
Japan	46,739	44,835	50,164	0.0	-4.1	11.9
Asia-Pacific	337,437	421,354	526,293	16.4	24.9	24.9
Total World – \$M	630,549	722,423	975,460	19.7	22.5	26.3
Discrete Semiconductors	31,026	30,900	33,436	-12.7	-0.4	8.2
Optoelectronics	41,095	42,597	45,020	-4.8	3.7	5.7
Sensors	18,923	20,894	22,713	-4.1	10.4	8.7
Integrated Circuits	539,505	677,852	874,291	25.9	25.6	29.0
Analog	79,588	85,552	91,988	-2.0	7.5	7.5
Micro	78,633	84,839	96,620	3.0	7.9	13.9
Logic	215,768	295,892	390,863	20.8	37.1	32.1
Memory	165,516	211,568	294,821	79.3	27.8	39.4
Total Products – \$M	630,549	772,243	975,460	19.7	22.5	26.3

Note: Numbers in the table are rounded to whole millions of dollars, which may cause totals by region and totals by product group to differ slightly.

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About ESIA: The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) is the voice of the semiconductor industry in Europe. Its mission is to represent and promote the common interests of the Europebased 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 one of the most R&D-intensive sectors by the European Commission, the European semiconductor ecosystem supports approx. 200.000 jobs directly and up to 1.000.000 indirect 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 W5T5:** World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) was founded in 1986 as a non-profit organisation of semiconductor product companies and is the industry's only source for monthly industry shipment statistics. <a href="http://www.wsts.org/">http://www.wsts.org/</a>