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Third quarter results confirm semiconductor sales growth – Europe in line with worldwide developments

European semiconductor sales in Europe continue to show strong Year-on-Year growth, the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) reports, on the basis of the latest WSTS figures. In September, sales in Europe reached US\$ 3.220 billion, a 7.9% growth compared the same month one year ago. This result is in line with worldwide developments: globally, semiconductor sales grew by 8% compared to September 2013. All growth figures represent a three month rolling average.

The steady European growth was confirmed by third quarter results and by good developments in semiconductor sales since the beginning of the year (YTD basis). In the third quarter of 2014 European semiconductor sales reached US\$9.660 billion, an increase of 0.9% from the previous quarter and an increase of 7.9% versus the same quarter a year ago. On a YTD basis, semiconductor sales increased by 9.5% versus the same period in the year 2013.

Main drivers in September were Discrete semiconductors (up 1% compared to August), Sensors & Actuators (up 1.7%), MOS Microcontrollers (up 0.9%) MOS Microprocessors (up 1.4%) and Logic devices (up 3.7%)

Looking at semiconductor devices designed to be used in specific applications, the strongest growth in September was registered within the IC cards application category and by the computer, automotive and wired communication categories.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in September reached US\$ 28.998 billion, up 1.9% compared to the previous month and up 8.0% versus the same month in 2013. Sales in total third quarter were up 5.7% compared to the second quarter and up 8.0% compared to the third quarter of 2013.

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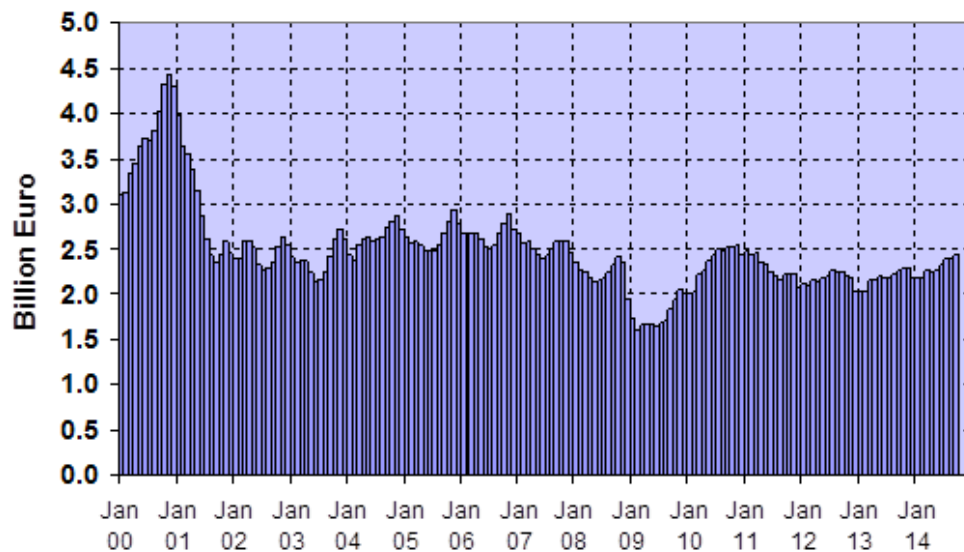
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Market data by region¹

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Aug 14	Sep 14	Aug 14	Sep 14	Aug 14	Sep 14	Aug 14	Sep 14
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Europe	3.224	3.220	-0.7%	-0.1%	10.7%	7.9%	9.9%	9.5%
Americas	5.599	5.756	3.9%	2.8%	7.9%	3.7%	10.6%	9.4%
Japan	3.072	3.033	1.1%	-1.3%	0.8%	-3.7%	3.1%	1.6%
Asia Pacific	16.567	16.989	1.0%	2.5%	11.7%	12.0%	11.5%	11.6%
of which China	7.828	8.089	0.9%	3.3%	5.7%	3.9%	18.0%	16.2%
World	28.461	28.998	1.4%	1.9%	9.5%	8.0%	10.2%	9.8%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.388	2.432	0.3%	1.8%	8.1%	8.0%	5.9%	6.4%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.333	1.290	0.1%	-3.3%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

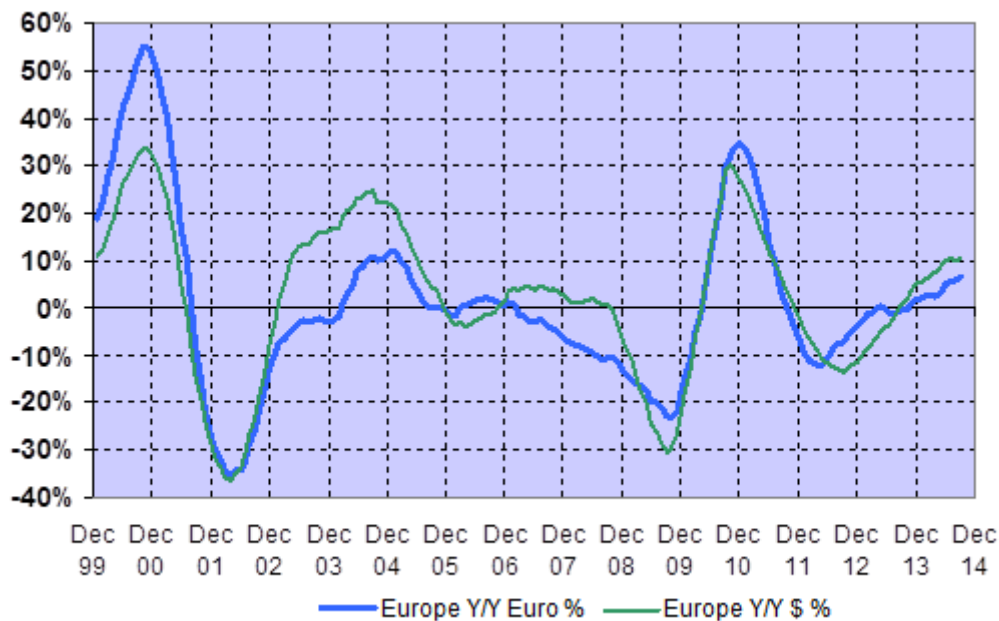
Unless otherwise indicated, all figures are 3-month-average data except YTD growth which is based on current month data

EUROPE - Monthly European Semiconductor sales in billion Euro



European Semiconductor sales growth in % - Annualized growth trend (Y/Y) in Euro and Dollar

(12-month-average data)



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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/>