



European Semiconductor Industry Association

Latest Semiconductor sales data, for immediate release

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Semiconductor sales below expectations in June

Figures published by WSTS today highlight a mixed result for European sales in June - negative on a quarter by quarter development but still positive on a year over year comparison with the second quarter of 2006.

The positive growth of sales for total semiconductor products in units in the first part of the year seems to suggest that price developments are still exerting strong pressures on the market. This outcome was also observed in other Regions of the world.

DRAMS and Microprocessors are mostly following this line, reporting a strong decline in the second quarter of 2007 over the first quarter this year.

Flash memories and logic chips used for consumer and communication applications reported a positive growth during the second quarter, both sequentially and year on year. Digital Signal Processors reported a moderate growth over the first quarter of 2007.

Discretes, Optoelectronics, standard logic products and logic chips used for computer and automotive applications failed to meet expectations in the first half of this year, and dip in the second quarter, sequentially and on the second quarter of 2006.

European Semiconductor sales in June 2007 amounted to US\$ 3.207 billion according to the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS), down 1.8% versus the previous month. This corresponds to a 1.6% growth compared to the same month last year. On a YTD basis semiconductor sales increased by 3.2% versus the same period in the year 2006.

The exchange rate of the Euro compared to the US\$ continued its impact on the growth data in the recent months. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales in June 2007 were EURO 2.379 billion, down 2.3% on previous month and down 5.2% versus the same month a year ago. On a YTD basis semiconductor sales showed a decline of 4.5% versus the same period in the year 2006.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in June 2007 were US\$ 19.953 billion, down 1.7% versus the previous month. This results in an increase of 0.9% versus the same month in 2006 and on a YTD basis it results in a growth rate of 2.1%.

(for more data please see the tables and graphs on following pages)

About ESIA: The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA), part of the European Electronic Component manufacturers' Association (EECA), represents the European-based manufacturers of semiconductor devices. EECA-ESIA is a chartered member of the World Semiconductor Council. More information on the ESIA website: www.eeca.eu

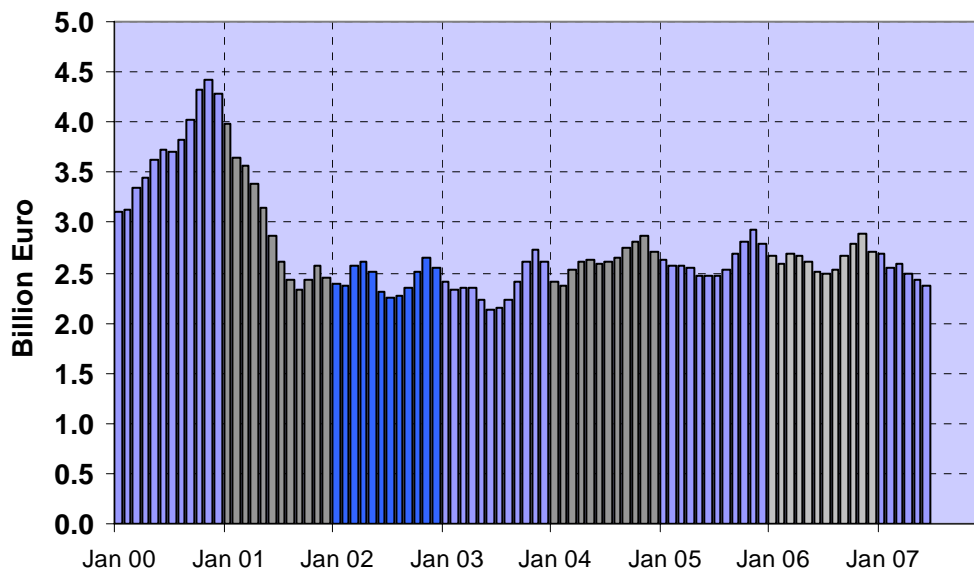
About WSTS: Established in 1986, WSTS is an organisation of 73 semiconductor companies from all over the world representing close to 90% of the world's semiconductor market. Its mission is to provide timely, accurate and authentic semiconductor market data on industry product shipments in a product line form serving the broad marketing and executive needs, therefore documenting past - and anticipating future business trends. More information on the WSTS website at www.wsts.org

Market data by region¹

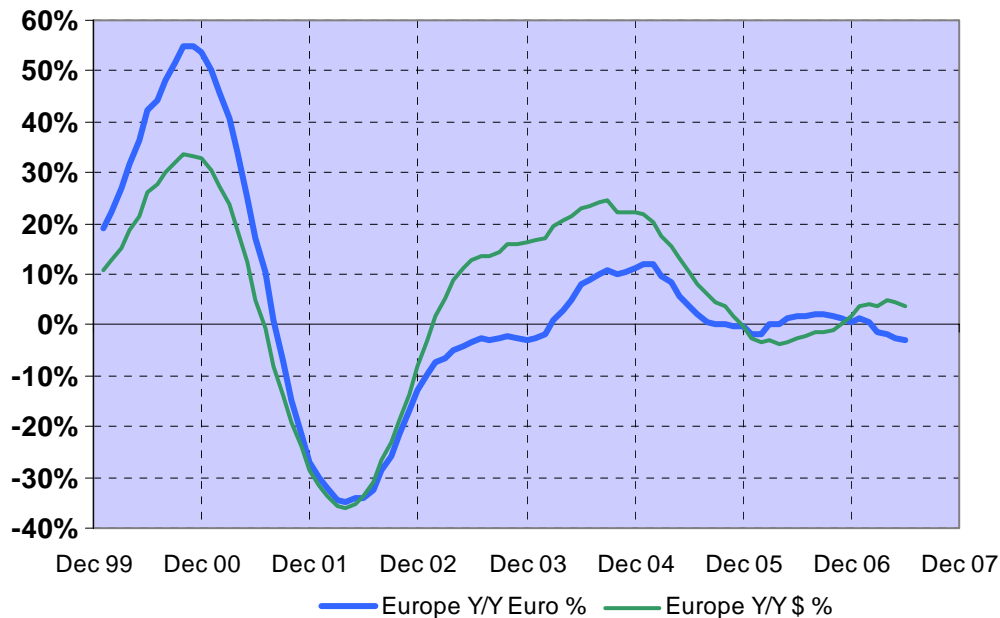
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	May 07	Jun 07	May 07	Jun 07	May 07	Jun 07	May 07	Jun 07
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Europe	3.266	3.207	-0.9%	-1.8%	1.5%	1.6%	3.8%	3.2%
Americas	3.337	3.302	2.5%	-1.0%	-5.3%	-6.8%	-7.3%	-8.8%
Japan	3.953	3.876	1.5%	-1.9%	4.4%	2.5%	2.9%	2.4%
Asia Pacific	9.746	9.568	1.5%	-1.8%	5.0%	2.9%	6.7%	5.9%
World	20.301	19.953	1.3%	-1.7%	2.5%	0.9%	2.9%	2.1%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.435	2.379	-1.9%	-2.3%	-6.7%	-5.2%	-4.4%	-4.5%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.352	1.342	6.2%	6.0%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

1) Unless otherwise indicated, except YTD growth, all figures are 3-month-average data

EUROPE - Monthly European Semiconductor sales in billion Euro (3-month-average data)



European Semiconductor sales growth in % - Annualized growth trend (Y/Y) in Euro and Dollar (12-month-average data)



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