

European Semiconductor Industry Association

LATEST SEMICONDUCTOR SALES DATA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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European semiconductor sales up 27.4% in 2010

According the WSTS report from January 31st semiconductor sales on the European market for 2010 were up 27.4 percent compared to the previous year. Fourth quarter sales in Europe increased by 2.1% versus the previous quarter. In all other regions seasonal effects led to a small decrease quarter over quarter.

In Europe remarkable positive growth rates were observed throughout the year for some of the main product categories, in particular for discrete, optoelectronics, total analog and MOS microprocessors. Among application specific chips, devices used in consumer and automotive applications showed the biggest growth rates in the year 2010.

Overall the European semiconductor sales in December 2010 amounted to US\$ 3.301 billion which represents 13,1 % of the worldwide market. For 2010 in total the European share summed up to US\$ 38.054 billion.

Measured in Euro the semiconductor sales in Europe totaled at 2.429 billion Euros in December 2010, 4.0% down compared to November 10 and 22.1% up versus December 2009. Due to the strong US\$ in 2010 the year over year increase of the semiconductor sales in Europe expressed in Euro increased even by 34.7%.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in December 2010 were at US\$ 25.154 billion, seasonally down 3.0% versus the previous month. For 2010 in total the sales summed up to US\$ 298.315 billion. Comparing the last quarter 2010 to the last quarter in 2009 the semiconductor sales show an increase of 12.2%, year over year the sales went up by 31,8%.

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

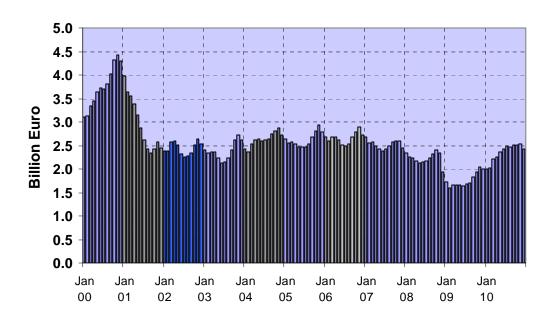


Market data by region (Net Billings for total semiconductors) 1)

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:									
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth		
	Nov 10	Dec 10	Nov 10	Dec 10	Nov 10	Dec 10	Nov 10	Dec 10	
in \$:									
Europe	3.419	3.301	2.4%	-3.4%	13.2%	12.1%	28.7%	27.4%	
Americas	4.705	4.573	-1.8%	-2.8%	21.1%	19.3%	41.2%	39.3%	
Japan	4.159	3.967	-1.0%	-4.6%	8.2%	9.8%	22.4%	21.6%	
Asia Pacific	13.645	13.313	-1.6%	-2.4%	14.1%	10.6%	36.8%	33.8%	
of which China	5.537	5.362	-0.5%	-3.2%	17.4%	11.4%	41.8%	38.5%	
World	25.927	25.154	-1.0%	-3.0%	14.2%	12.2%	34.0%	31.8%	
In EURO:			·	·		·	·		
Europe	2.532	2.429	0.5%	-4.0%	23.6%	22.1%	35.3%	34.7%	
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.369	1.321	-8.1%	-9.9%	-9.9% < Euro against \$ versus prev. Year				

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

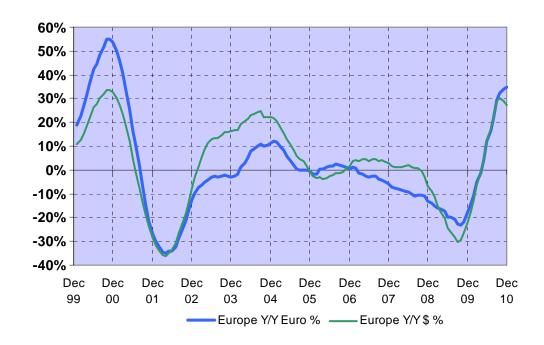
EUROPE - Monthly European Semiconductor sales in billion Euro (3-month-average data)





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

(12-month-average data)



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