



European Semiconductor Industry Association

LATEST SEMICONDUCTOR SALES DATA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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European semiconductor Year-on-Year growth positive in May

European chip sales in Europe increased by 3.8% in May 2010 compared to the same month in the previous year. This encouraging result, calculated on a three month rolling average basis, was reported on July 2 by the World Trade Semiconductor Statistics.

Although month-on-month total semiconductor sales have shown a slight decline in May, positive growth rates were observed for several main product categories, such as total discrete (up 3.6%), optoelectronics (up 7.6%) total analog (up 2.3%), and general microcontroller (up 2%).

Overall, European semiconductor sales in May 2011 amounted to US\$ 3.244 billion. On a monthly basis semiconductor sales increased by 3.8% year-on-year. On a YTD basis semiconductor sales increased by 6.6% versus the same period in the year 2010.

The exchange rate of the Euro compared to the US dollar increased once more its impact on the European sales picture in the last month. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.278 billion Euros in May 2011, down 1.9% on the previous month and down 3.7% versus the same month a year ago.

On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in May 2011 were US\$ 25.031 billion, up 1.8% versus the previous month. This results in an increase of 1.3% versus the same month in 2010.

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

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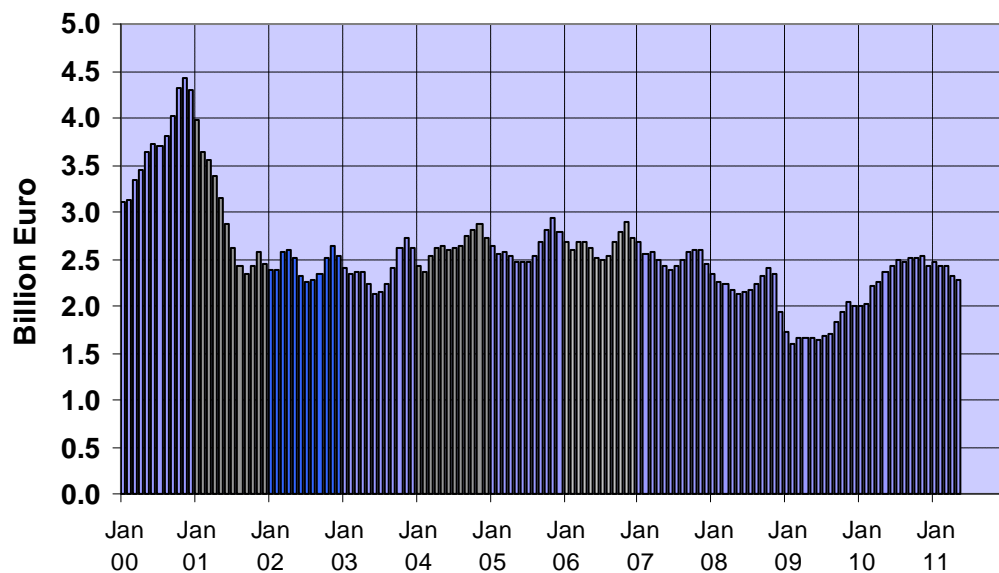
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Market data by region¹

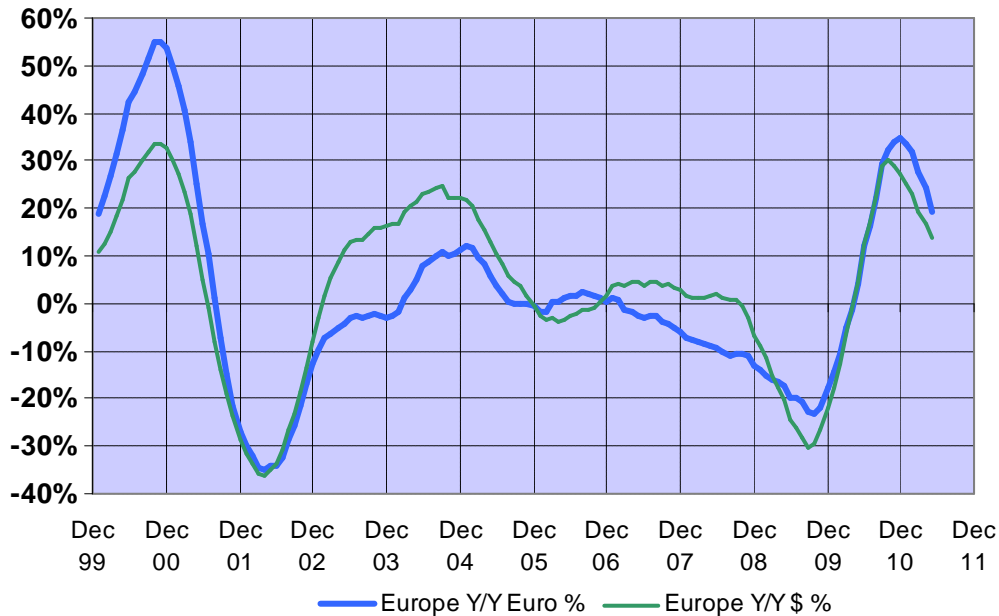
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Apr 11	May 11	Apr 11	May 11	Apr 11	May 11	Apr 11	May 11
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Europe	3.255	3.244	-1.7%	-0.3%	6.0%	3.8%	7.9%	6.6%
Americas	4.479	4.520	-4.0%	0.9%	9.0%	3.2%	15.2%	11.0%
Japan	3.412	3.342	-5.3%	-2.1%	-7.2%	-9.9%	-5.1%	-6.6%
Asia Pacific	13.440	13.925	-1.1%	3.6%	4.4%	3.2%	5.9%	5.0%
of which China	5.279	5.521	0.8%	4.6%	7.0%	3.6%	9.2%	6.9%
World	24.587	25.031	-2.3%	1.8%	3.6%	1.3%	6.1%	4.5%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.322	2.278	-4.2%	-1.9%	2.5%	-3.7%	7.0%	3.2%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.443	1.433	7.4%	13.7%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

- 1) 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 (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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