



European Semiconductor Industry Association

LATEST SEMICONDUCTOR SALES DATA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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World semiconductor sales reach a record \$299.5 billion in 2011

Global sales of semiconductor grew for the second-consecutive year following the 2009 downturn, reaching a record of \$299.5 billion in 2011, the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics reported yesterday. This represents an increase of 0.4 % compared to the \$298.3 billion reported in 2010.

In 2011, most of the major semiconductor product categories showed strong growth year-over-year. In particular total discrete, opto & sensors grew by 8.3% and MOS microprocessors grew by 7.5% compared to 2010. The relatively low growth of total semiconductor sales was mainly driven by the development of DRAMs, which decreased significantly. Most of the other categories showed an average to above average development.

In December, worldwide sales were \$23.8 billion, resulting in a decline of 5.5 % compared to the previous month. A sequential decline in December reflects normal seasonal patterns. European semiconductor sales amounted to US\$ 2.779 billion. On a total year basis European semiconductor sales reached in 2011 a value of 37.391 billion \$ resulting in a decrease of 1.7% versus the year 2010.

The exchange rate of the Euro compared to the US dollar has continued to have an impact on the European sales picture in the last month. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.061 billion Euros in December 2011, down 6.7% on the previous month and down 15.2% versus the same month a year ago. On a total year basis semiconductor sales reached in 2011 a value of 26.871 billion Euro which represented a decrease of 6.5% versus the year 2010.

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

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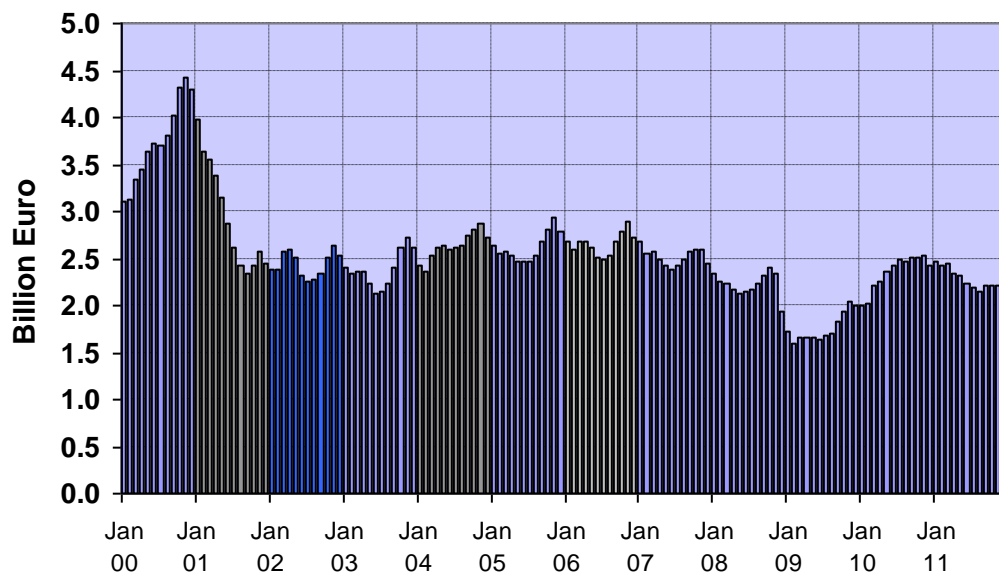
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Market data by region¹

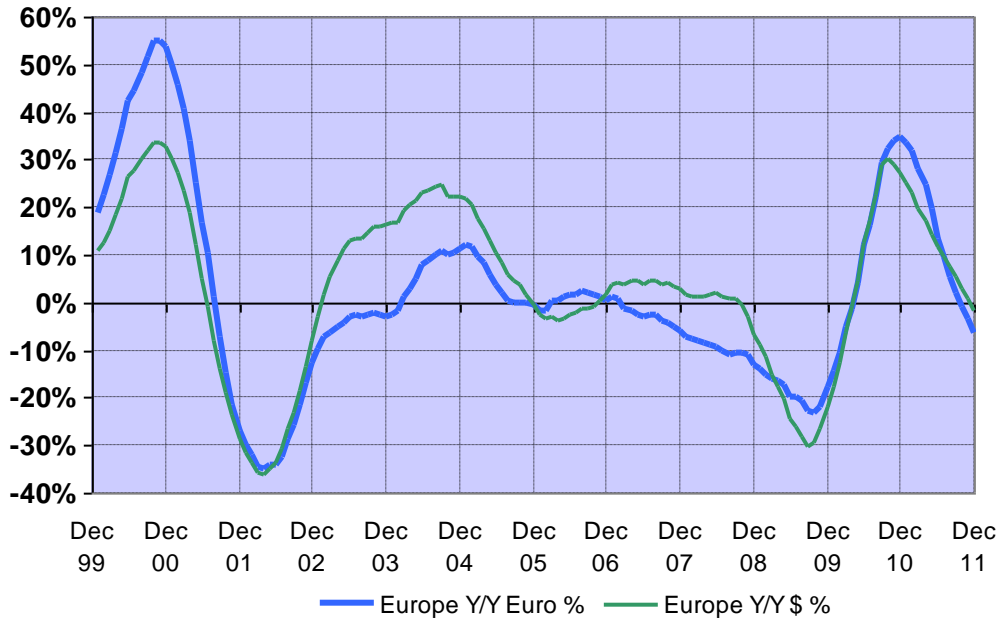
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Nov 11	Dec 11	Nov 11	Dec 11	Nov 11	Dec 11	Nov 11	Dec 11
in \$:								
Europe	3.026	2.779	-1.8%	-8.2%	-11.5%	-15.8%	-0.5%	-1.7%
Americas	4.585	4.361	-1.8%	-4.9%	-2.5%	-4.6%	3.1%	2.8%
Japan	3.818	3.591	-1.7%	-5.9%	-8.2%	-9.5%	-7.9%	-7.9%
Asia Pacific	13.790	13.101	-2.7%	-5.0%	1.1%	-1.6%	3.0%	2.5%
of which China	5.567	5.273	-8.2%	-5.3%	0.5%	-1.7%	5.2%	4.8%
World	25.219	23.833	-2.3%	-5.5%	-2.7%	-5.3%	0.9%	0.4%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.209	2.061	-0.2%	-6.7%	-12.8%	-15.2%	-5.7%	-6.5%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.359	1.318	-0.8%	-0.2%	< 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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