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## EUROPEAN SEMICONDUCTOR SALES UP IN APRIL 2013 COMPARED TO APRIL 2012

European semiconductor sales increased by 0.4% versus the same month one year ago, the World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) reported on June 3. Compared to March 2013, the European semiconductor market declined in April by 0.6% compared to the previous month. All growth figures represent a three month rolling average.

The main drivers of April's sales were Total MOS Memory (up 3.2% compared to March 2013), Sensors & Actuators (up 1.1%), Total Discrete (up 0.4%), and Optoelectronics (up 0.5%).

Looking at worldwide sales of application specific chips, semiconductor devices designed to be used in automotive, consumer and wireless communication applications performed particularly well.

Overall, European semiconductor sales in April 2013 amounted to US\$ 2.828 billion. On an YTD basis, semiconductor sales increased by 1.1% versus the same period in the year 2012.

In April, exchange rate effects became smaller when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.157 billion Euros in April 2013, a small increase of 0.1% versus the previous month and an increase of 1.0% versus the same month a year ago.

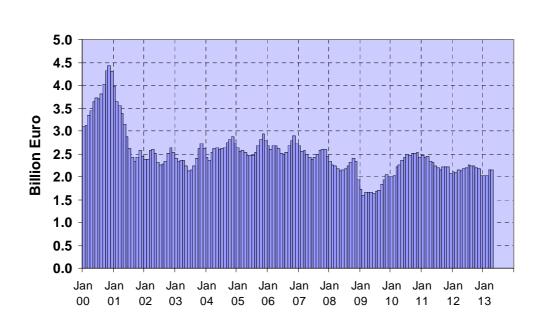
On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in April 2013 were US\$ 23.619 billion, up 0.6% versus the previous month and down 1.8% versus the same month in 2012.

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

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Mar 13	Apr 13	Mar 13	Apr 13	Mar 13	Apr 13	Mar 13	Apr 13
in \$:								
Europe	2.844	2.828	5.7%	-0.6%	0.7%	0.4%	0.7%	1.1%
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Americas	4.385	4.357	-1.9%	-0.6%	-1.5%	-4.4%	-1.5%	-1.5%
Japan	2.804	2.722	-1.6%	-2.9%	-18.0%	-19.4%	-18.0%	-18.6%
Asia Pacific	13.445	13.712	1.7%	2.0%	6.9%	3.0%	6.9%	5.7%
of which China	4.970	5.344	1.6%	7.5%	0.3%	4.6%	0.3%	4.4%
World	23.478	23.619	1.1%	0.6%	0.9%	-1.8%	0.9%	0.3%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.155	2.157	6.1%	0.1%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	0.9%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.298	1.301	-1.8%	-1.2%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

## Market data by region<sup>1</sup>

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



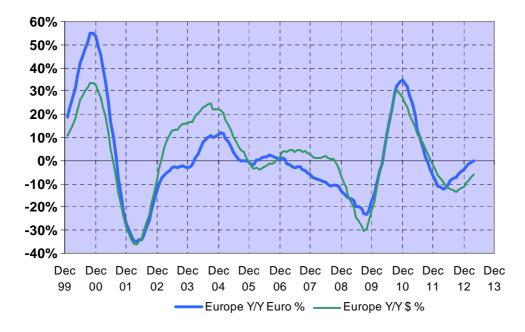
EUROPE - Monthly European Semiconductor sales in billion Euro (3-month-average data)

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

(12-month-average data)



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**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.

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