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Semiconductor sales in Europe at over US\$ 2.6 billion in May

Semiconductor sales in Europe amounted to US\$ 2.622 billion in May 2016, the European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) reported on 4 July. The report, based on the latest WSTS figures, shows 0.8% decrease compared to April, substantially in line with global developments in May. On a worldwide basis, semiconductor sales in May 2016 were US\$ 25.952 billion, up 0.4% versus April. All growth figures represent a three-month rolling average.

In Europe, the main drivers of May's sales were discrete semiconductors (up 2.5% compared to April), sensors and actuators (up 0.5%) and logic semiconductor devices (up 1.7%).

Sales of semiconductors designed to be used in specific applications also increased in May over April, both in Europe and worldwide. Looking at specific product category worldwide, automotive and consumer application specific chips performed particularly well.

In May, exchange rate effect was still visible when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 2.330 billion Euros in May 2016, down 1.4% versus the April and a decrease of 11.4% versus the same month one year ago.

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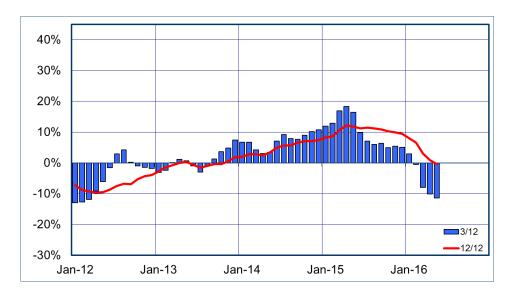
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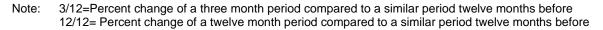
Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Apr 16	May 16	Apr 16	May 16	Apr 16	May 16	Apr 16	May 16
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Europe	2.644	2.622	-0.8%	-0.8%	-8.5%	-8.8%	-8.5%	-8.2%
Americas	4.782	4.780	-2.2%	-0.1%	-14.8%	-15.0%	-15.2%	-15.2%
Japan	2.595	2.548	0.2%	-1.8%	2.2%	0.4%	1.4%	0.1%
Asia Pacific	15.825	16.003	-0.8%	1.1%	-4.2%	-6.3%	-3.2%	-4.2%
of which China	7.797	8.042	-1.8%	3.1%	0.3%	-0.5%	1.0%	0.9%
World	25.847	25.952	-1.0%	0.4%	-6.2%	-7.7%	-5.8%	-6.5%
In EURO:								
Europe	2.365	2.330	-2.2%	-1.4%	-10.1%	-11.4%	-8.2%	-8.2%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.134	1.131	5.1%	1.4%	1.4% < Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

Monthly European Semiconductor Sales

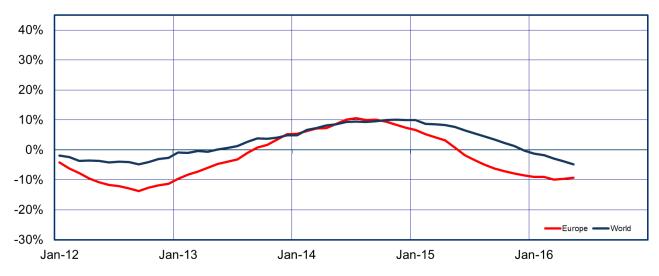
Note: Figures are 3-month average data except for YTD growth, which is based on current month data.

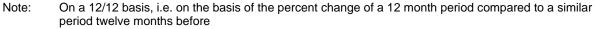
Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Development (in Euro)





Semiconductor sales worldwide and in Europe (in US Dollars)





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About ESIA: The European Semiconductor Industry Association (ESIA) is the voice of the Semiconductor Industry of Europe. Its mission is to represent, promote and defend the common interests of the Europe based semiconductor industry towards the European Institutions and stakeholders in order to ensure a sustainable business environment and foster its global competitiveness. As a provider of key enabling technologies the industry creates innovative solutions for industrial development, contributing to economic growth and responding to major societal challenges. Being ranked as the most R&D intensive sector by the European Commission, the European Semi-conductor ecosystem supports approx. 200.000 jobs directly and up to 1.000.000 induced jobs in systems, applications and services in Europe and the world.

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