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# European semiconductor sales up 7% in October compared to one year ago

In October, the European semiconductor market posted a 7.0% growth compared to the same month one year ago, according to numbers by the European Semiconductor Industry Association based on WSTS data.

European revenues came in at US\$ 3.600 billion, up from US\$ 3.568 billion in September. On a monthly basis, the increase was 0.2% from the previous month. On a YTD basis, semiconductor sales increased by 14.0% versus the same period in the year 2017. Worldwide sales in October reached US\$ 41.810 billion, up 1.0% compared the previous month and up 12.7% compared to the same month in 2017. All growth figures represent a three-month rolling average.

Looking at product categories, optoelectronic chips saw the most growth in Europe in October. Improved demand for MOS micro-components, for logic, and for analog semiconductors led to a steady increase in sales of these devices. Application-specific chips were also among the drivers of the October growth in Europe.

Exchange rate effects were visible when comparing market growth in Euros and in Dollars. Measured in Euro, semiconductor sales were 3.113 billion Euros in October 2018, up 0.7% versus the previous month and an increase of 9.4% versus the same month a year ago.

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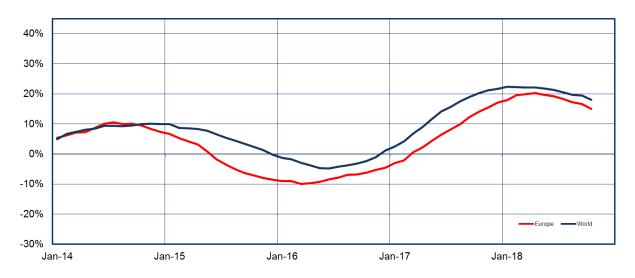
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### **Monthly European Semiconductor Sales**

Market data for the 3 month moving average ending:								
Region	sales (in billions)		Month on Month growth		Year on Year growth		YTD growth	
	Sep 18	Oct 18	Sep 18	Oct 18	Sep 18	Oct 18	Sep 18	Oct 18
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Europe	3.595	3.600	1.4%	0.2%	9.6%	7.0%	15.6%	14.0%
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Americas	9.483	9.749	7.5%	2.8%	18.6%	14.1%	26.2%	23.2%
Japan	3.362	3.374	-0.7%	0.4%	7.1%	5.5%	11.3%	10.5%
Asia Pacific	24.953	25.087	1.3%	0.5%	15.9%	14.1%	17.4%	16.5%
of which China	14.420	14.368	2.0%	-0.4%	26.9%	23.3%	25.7%	24.6%
World	41.393	41.810	2.5%	1.0%	15.1%	12.7%	18.5%	17.2%
In EURO:								
Europe	3.092	3.113	1.4%	0.7%	10.8%	9.4%	7.7%	7.2%
Rate (\$/Euro)	1.166	1.149	-2.2%	-2.2%	< Euro against \$ versus prev. Year			

(3-month-average data, except YTD growth which is calculated based on current month data)

## Semiconductor sales worldwide and in Europe (in US Dollars)



Note: On a 12/12 basis, i.e. on the basis of the percent change of a 12-month period compared to a similar period twelve months before



### Monthly European Semiconductor Sales Development (in Euro)

Note: 3/12 = Percent change of a three-month period compared to a similar period twelve months before 12/12 = Percent change of a twelve-month period compared to a similar period twelve months before

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