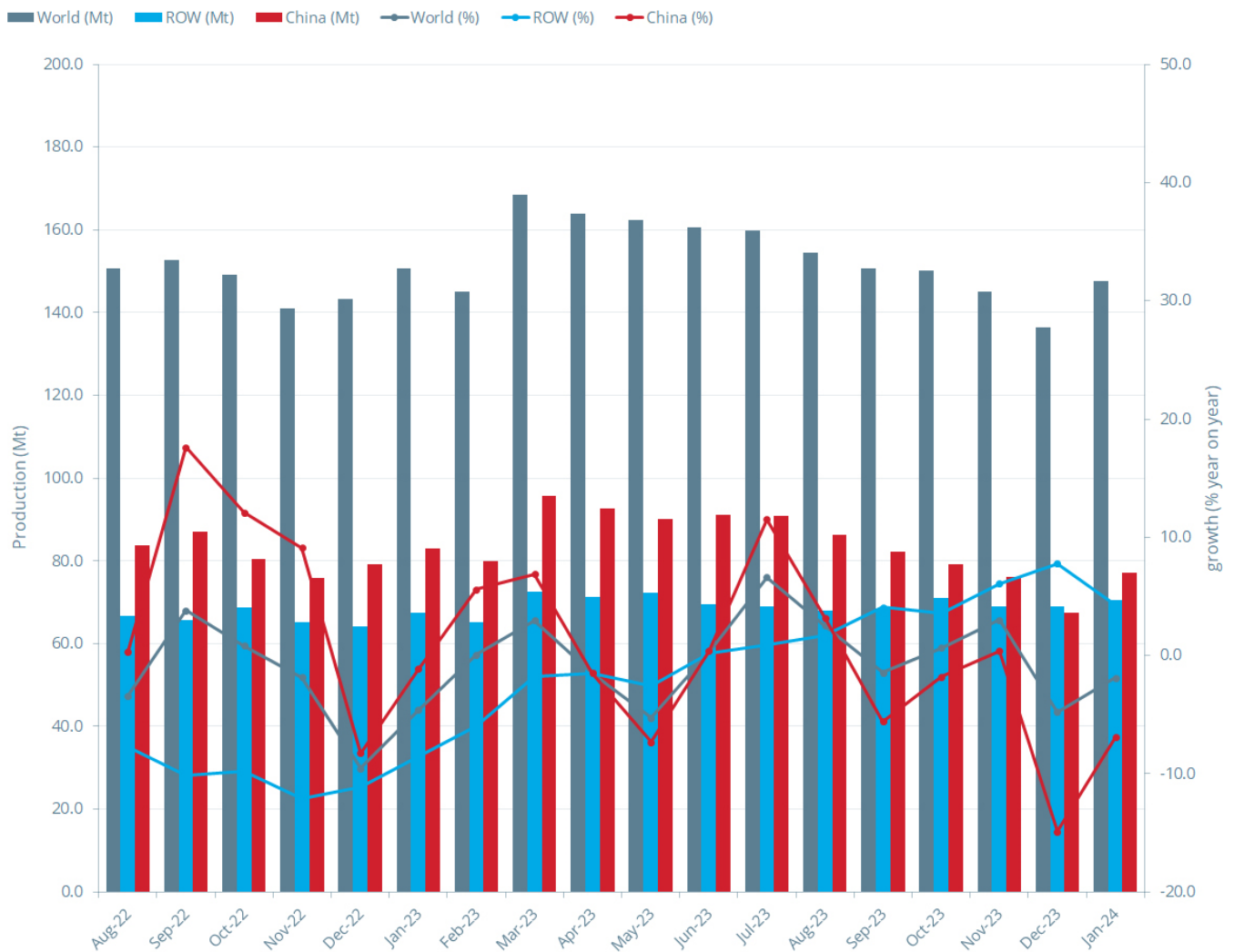


# PRESS RELEASE – January 2024 crude steel production

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World crude steel production for the 71 countries reporting to the World Steel Association (worldsteel) was 148.1 million tonnes (Mt) in January 2024, a 1.6% decrease compared to January 2023.

## Crude steel production



Source: worldsteel

## Crude steel production by region

Africa produced 2.0 Mt in January 2024, up 16.3% on January 2023. Asia and Oceania produced 107.6 Mt, down 3.6%. The EU (27) produced 10.2 Mt, down 1.8%. Europe, Other produced 3.9 Mt, up 22.5%. The Middle East produced 4.7 Mt, up 23.1%. North America produced 9.2 Mt, down 2.1%. Russia & other CIS + Ukraine produced 7.2 Mt, up 4.0%. South America produced 3.4 Mt, down 6.3%.

	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	January 2024	% change Jan-24/23	Jan - Jan 2024	% change Jan - Jan 24/23
Africa	2.0	16.3	2.0	16.3
Asia and Oceania	107.6	-3.6	107.6	-3.6
EU (27)	10.2	-1.8	10.2	-1.8
Europe, Other	3.9	22.5	3.9	22.5
Middle East	4.7	23.1	4.7	23.1
North America	9.2	-2.1	9.2	-2.1
Russia & other CIS + Ukraine	7.2	4.0	7.2	4.0
South America	3.4	-6.3	3.4	-6.3
<b>Total 71 countries</b>	<b>148.1</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>148.1</b>	<b>-1.6</b>

The 71 countries included in this table accounted for approximately 98% of total world crude steel production in 2023. Regions and countries covered by the table:

- **Africa:** Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Morocco, South Africa, Tunisia
- **Asia and Oceania:** Australia, China, India, Japan, Mongolia, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Korea, Taiwan (China), Thailand, Viet Nam
- **European Union (27):** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden
- **Europe, Other:** Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Türkiye, United Kingdom
- **Middle East:** Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen
- **North America:** Canada, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, United States
- **Russia & other CIS + Ukraine:** Belarus, Kazakhstan, Russia, Ukraine
- **South America:** Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

## Top 10 steel producing countries

China is estimated to have produced 77.2 Mt in January 2024, down 6.9% on January 2023. India produced 12.5 Mt, up 7.3%. Japan produced 7.3 Mt, up 0.6%. The United States produced 6.8 Mt, down 0.3%. Russia is estimated to have produced 6.2 Mt, up 1.2%. South Korea produced 5.7 Mt, up 1.5%. Türkiye produced 3.2 Mt, up 24.7%. Germany is estimated to have produced 2.9 Mt, down 0.9%. Iran produced 2.6 Mt, up 39.3%. Brazil is estimated to have produced 2.5 Mt, down 7.2%.

Countries	million tonnes		million tonnes	
	January 2024	% change Jan-24/23	Jan - Jan 2024	% change Jan - Jan 24/23
China	77.2 e	-6.9	77.2	-6.9
India	12.5	7.3	12.5	7.3
Japan	7.3	0.6	7.3	0.6
United States	6.8	-0.3	6.8	-0.3
Russia	6.2 e	1.2	6.2	1.2
South Korea	5.7	1.5	5.7	1.5
Türkiye	3.2	24.7	3.2	24.7
Germany	2.9 e	-0.9	2.9	-0.9
Iran	2.6	39.3	2.6	39.3
Brazil	2.5 e	-7.2	2.5	-7.2

*e - estimated. Ranking of top 10 producing countries is based on year-to-date aggregate*

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## Notes

- The World Steel Association (worldsteel) is one of the largest and most dynamic industry associations in the world, with members in every major steel-producing country. worldsteel represents steel producers, national and regional steel industry associations, and steel research institutes. Members represent around 85% of global steel production.
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