

# WSTS Semiconductor Market Forecast Spring 2014

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## WSTS FORECASTS SEMICONDUCTOR MARKET TO KEEP STEADY GROWTH UNTIL 2015

### Worldwide Semiconductor Market is forecasted to be US\$325 billion in 2014, up 6.5% from 2013.

The World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS) has released its updated semiconductor market forecast. WSTS predicts that the world semiconductor market will reach US\$325 billion in 2014, up 6.5% from 2013. All major product categories will show a high single digit growth rate, except microprocessors which will show a soft decline. The growth will be largely driven by smartphones, tablets and automotive. The highest growth rates are shown for the Analog (9.1%) and Sensor (9.1%) category. By region, all regions except Japan will grow from 2013. Japan market is forecasted to decline from 2013 in US dollar basis due to JPY depreciation compared to 2013.

### Worldwide Semiconductor Market is predicted to grow further in both 2015 and 2016.

Solid growth for all product categories is expected to continue over the next 2 years, under the assumption of macro economy recovery throughout the entire forecast period. Worldwide semiconductor market is forecasted to be up 3.3% to US\$336 billion in 2015. For 2016, the market is forecasted to be US\$350 billion, up 4.3%.

By end market, automotive and communications (especially wireless) are expected to grow stronger than the total market, whereas consumer and computer are assumed to remain almost flat.

By region, Asia-Pacific will be the fastest growing region and expected to reach US\$207 billion in 2016, which is almost 60% share of the total semiconductor market.

#### About WSTS:

World Semiconductor Trade Statistics (WSTS), founded in 1986 as a non-profit organization of semiconductor product companies, is the singular source for monthly industry shipment statistics.

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