

Indian Chrome Industry and Stainless Steel: Looking Ahead



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Outline

 Global and Indian Chrome Ore, Ferro Chrome Production

Global and Indian Stainless Steel Scenario

New Government, New Opportunities

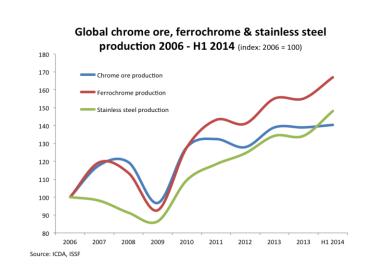
Forecast: Stainless Steel output 2020

Conclusion

Global and Indian Chrome Ore & Ferro Chrome Production

Chromite usage Refractory **Foundry sands** Chemical Metallurgical Ferrochrome production by type Chrome ore production by grade Ferrochrome applications Foundry Chemical Refractory Grade MC FeCr Other steels 4% Grade _ Grade 4% 2% 2% 0.2% Engineering & alloy steel 19% HC FeCr & Metallurgical Stainless Ch. Cr. steel Grade 77% 96% 94% Source: ICDA Source: ICDA Industry sources

- 96% of total chrome ore production is used in metallurgical applications in 2014.
- High-carbon ferrochrome & charge chrome production represents 94% of global ferrochrome production in 2014.
- Around 3 quarters of ferrochrome production is used to produce stainless steel.
- Chrome ore, ferrochrome and stainless steel are highly correlated!



Functions of Chrome in Alloying of Steel



Increase Toughness, carbide forming Tool & HSS, Creep and Wear Resistant steels

Increase Hardness Penetrability Case Hardening, Quenched & Tempered steels

Scale Resistance Heat Resisting steels 60% of all "alloy" steels contain Cr

Passive layer formation "Cr makes it stainless" (min 10.5% Cr) Stainless steels

100% of stainless steels contain Cr

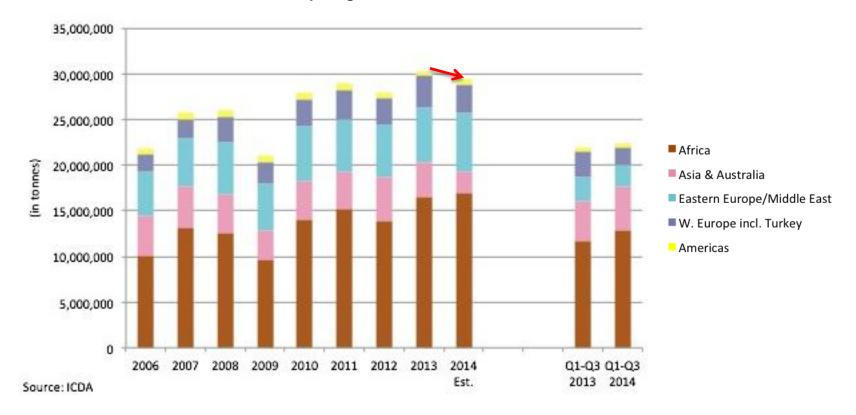
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No Stainless!

Global Chrome Ore Production

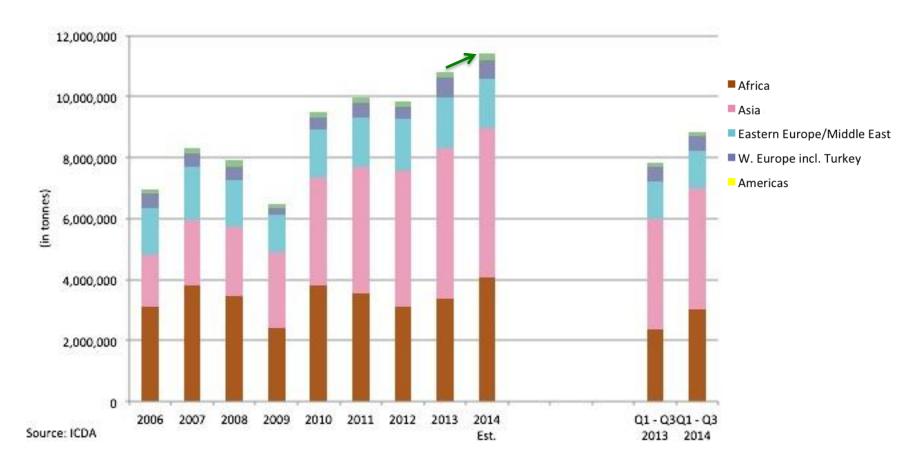
by region 2006 – 2014



 Global chrome ore and concentrate production (est.): 29.4 MT in 2014, down 3% from 2013 (30.2MT)

Global Ferrochrome Production

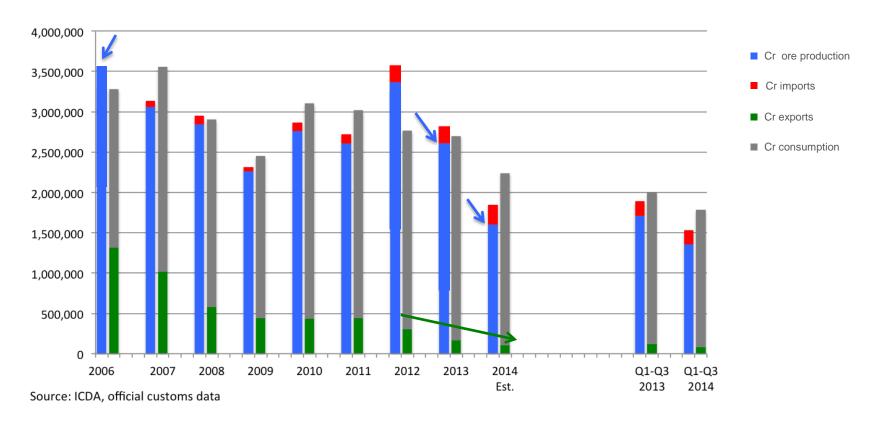
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Global ferrochrome production (est.): 11.4 MT in 2014 up 5.5 % from 2013

India's Chrome Ore Production and Trade

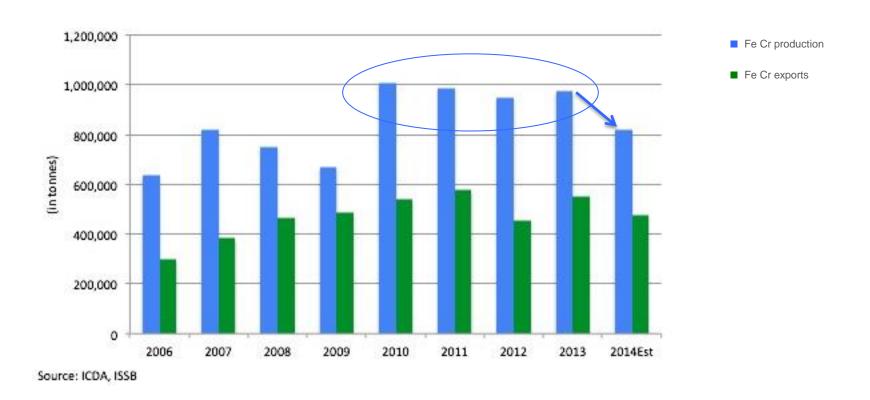
2006 - 2014



In **2014**, India reduced its chrome ore production because of mines closure in Odisha due to mining lease renewal problems.

Sharp decline in exports after imposition of export duty (30%) & focus on value addition

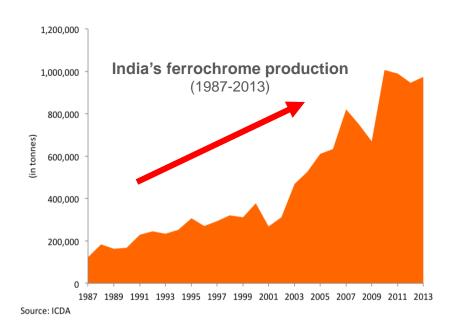
India's Ferrochrome Production and Export



Ferrochrome production in India stabilized at around 1 MT per year since 2010. About 50% domestic consumption with the rest being exported.

In 2014 Fe Cr decreased (est.): 0.82 MT down 15.8 % from 2013

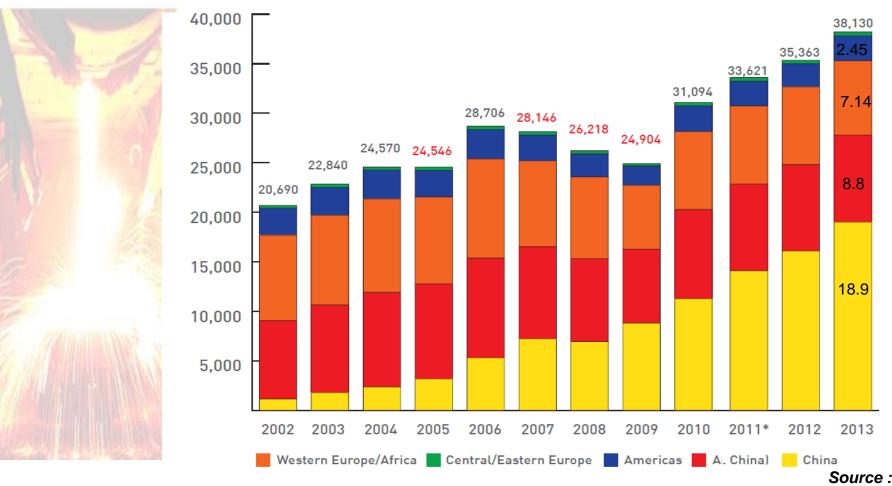
Indian Ferrochromium Production follows the growth of the Indian Stainless Steel Production





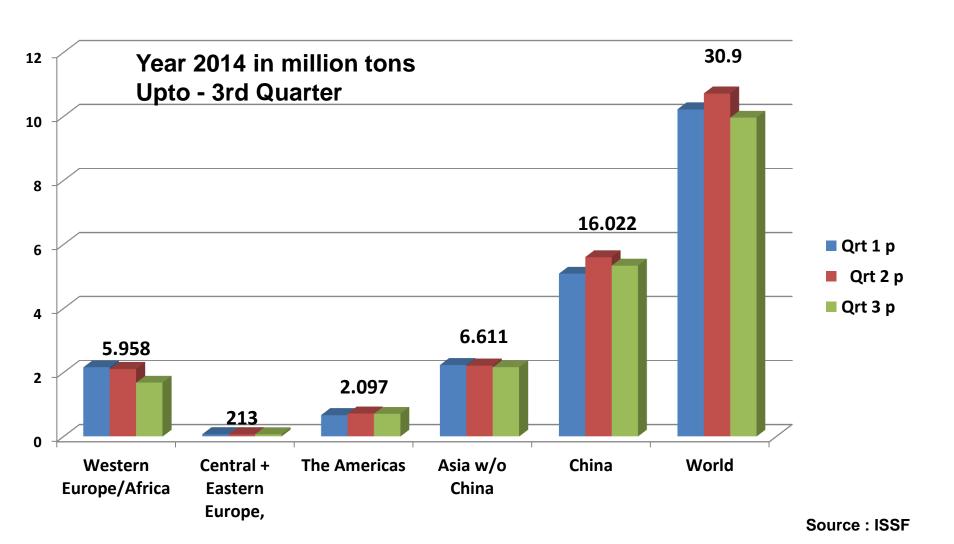
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World: Stainless Steel Melt Production

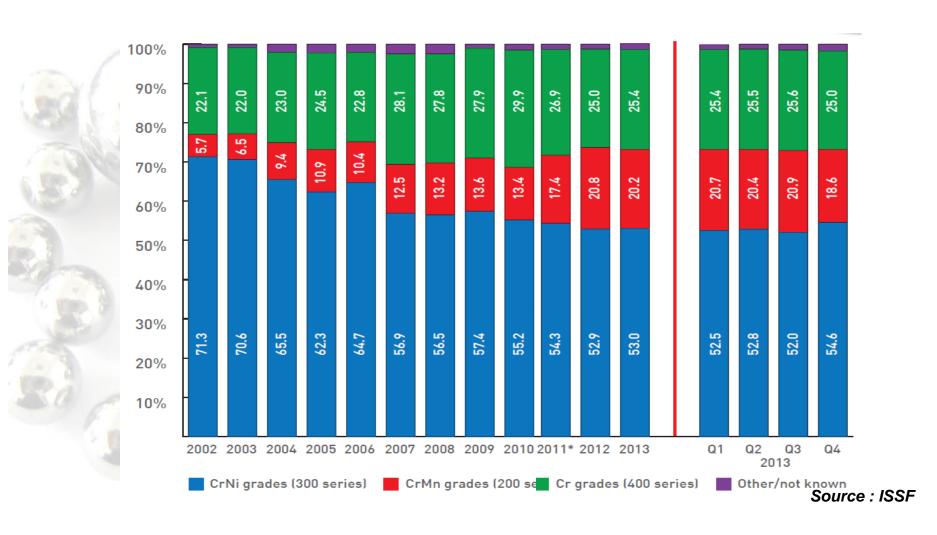


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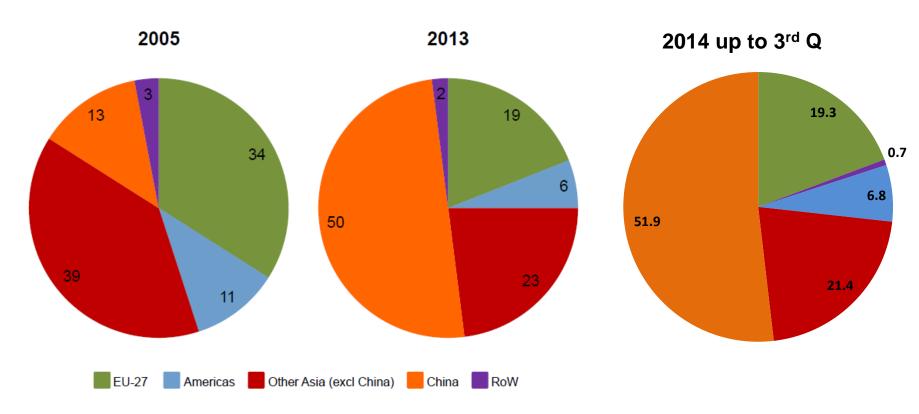
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World: Stainless Steel Melt Shop Production By Grade Category%

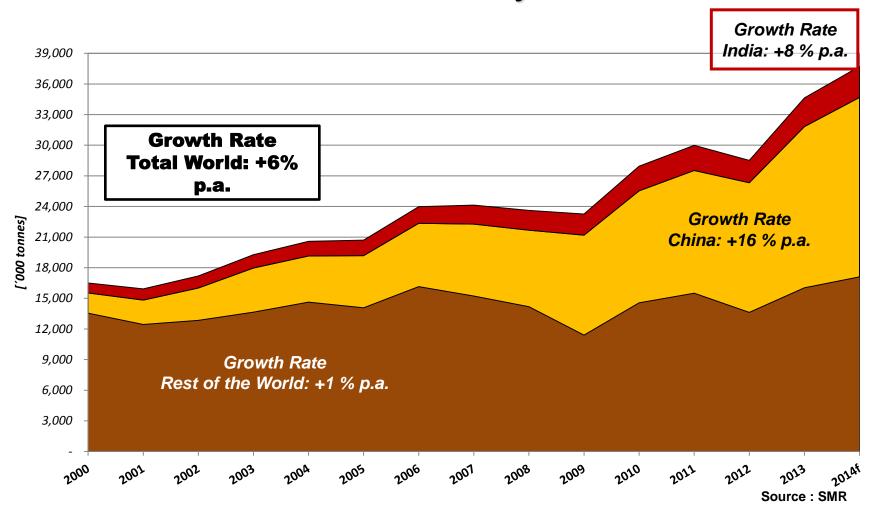


World: Regional Share of Stainless Steel Production [%]



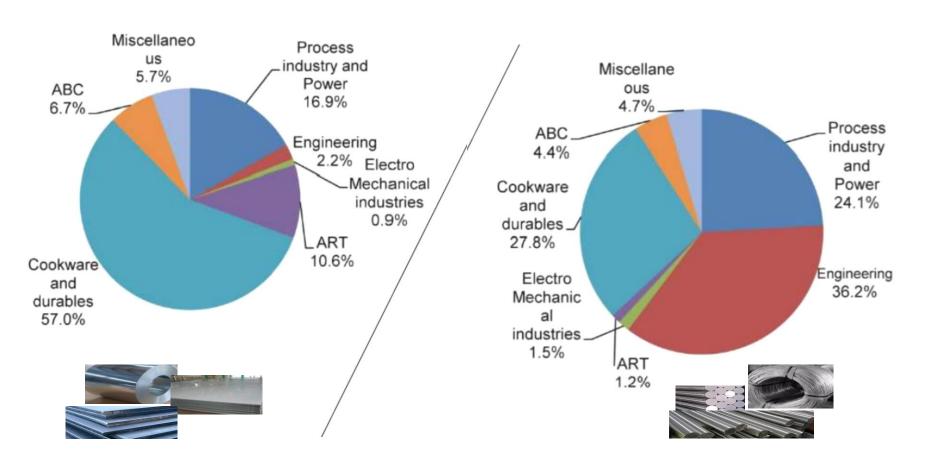
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Stainless Steel Consumption Growth China & India vs. Rest of the World



India: Stainless Steel Consumption Trend by End use sector

Flat Product Long Product



New government and New opportunities

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India will surpass China in growth rate in 2016, says the latest World Economic Report released by International Monetary Fund on January 20, 2015.



India Already Passes China to Become
Fastest-Growing Economy – World Bank
(Wall Street Journal, 11th Feb)

India Budget 2015: A foundation for growth

The Finance Minister has laid out a clear roadmap with a particular focus on

Infrastructure

Fiscal Consolidation

Empowerment of States

Ease of doing business

Indian Economy: News Flash

- S&P revises GDP forecast to 7.9% Expecting Indian to be Aisa-Pacific region's brightest Spot. (Business Line, 26th Feburary)
- Indian Economy to Grow 7.5% in FY16 : IMF (TOI, 12th March)

India: Population 1.27 billion

By 2020, India is set to become the world's youngest country with median age reaching 29 years



Skill, Scale and Speed

to revive India's growth story

India has more than 65% of its population below the age of 35

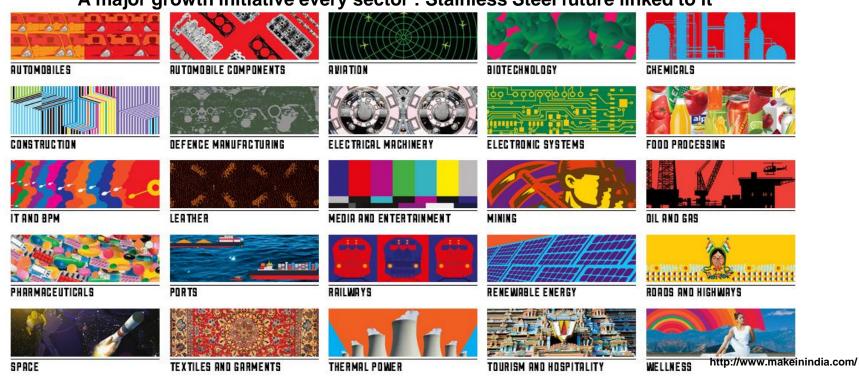


Some Important Growth Drivers & Government of India Initiatives





A major growth initiative every sector : Stainless Steel future linked to it



Creation of 100 smart cities An initiative by Honorable PM of India

Key Features of these cities will be

- 24x7 availability of high quality utility services like water and power
- Transport system that emphasizes on public transport
- Proper facilities for entertainment and the Safety and Security of the people
- State-of-the-art Health and Education facilities
- Recycling of waste materials, Water conservation

Smart means 'Use Stainless Steel'







Mid Day Meal Scheme: Stainless Steel for Hygiene

A Government of India initiative designed to improve the nutritional status of school-age children nation wide - free lunches on working days for children in Primary and Upper Primary Classes

Serving 120,000,000 children in over 1,265,000 schools

Largest such programme in the world



A National level campaign by the Government of India covering 4041 statutory towns to clean the streets, roads and infrastructure of the country

Campaign Clean India

A vision of 'cleaner India' by 2 October 2019, 150th birthday of Mahatma Gandhi and is expected to cost over 62000 Cr (US\$10 billion)

Public Sanitation facilities in Stainless Steel





Stainless Steel Bio Mass Stove : Toward Energy Conservation

Designed by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), an autonomous, not-forprofit research organization working globally with headquarters in New Delhi

AISI 304 grade of stainless steel - inner core AISI 202 stainless steel grade. – Rest Total 7 kg of stainless steel per piece



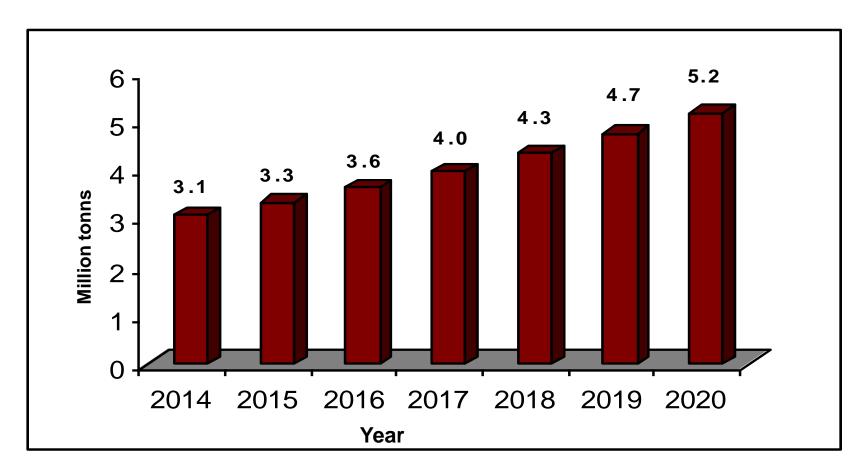
A Global Initiative



Cost: 3200 INR (~ 50 US\$)

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India: Forecast Stainless Steel Melt Production



Conclusion

- Global stainless steel production will grow in 2015 and particularly in India
- India's per capita consumption of 1.9 kg is well below world average of 6 kg - Potential to Cover the Gap
- India GDP likely to grow 7-8 % in coming years and Domestic consumption of Stainless Steel likely to increase 9 to 10%
- New Government Initiatives like 'Make in India', Building Smart Cities, Focus on Sanitation Facilities are likely to benefit the stainless steel Industry.

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