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Community Steel Output at Near-Record Level in January

Luxembourg, February 7, 1958: Output of crude steel (ingots and castings) in the European Coal and Steel Community in January reached 5,379,000 metric tons, according to provisional figures published today by the High Authority's Statistics Division. The January output was only slightly lower than the record amount of 5,429,000 tons produced last October and was substantially higher than the totals of 4,995,000 tons for December and 5,099,000 tons for January 1957.

Production of pig iron and ferro-alloys was also running at a near-record level in January, reaching 3,930,000 metric tons, compared with 3,841,000 in December and 3,753,000 in January 1957. (The record stands at 4,016,000 metric tons, produced last October).

The breakdown of output by Community countries was as follows (in thousands of metric tons):

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Germany	2,219	1,987	2,055 296
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Belgium	55 5	53 7	5 7 5
France	1,325	1,256	1,207
Italy	5 7 5	558	558
Luxembourg	235	273	301
Netherlands	102	95	107
Community Total	5,379	4,995	5,039

Pig Iron and Ferro-Alloys	January 1958	December 1957	January 1957
Germany	1,601	1,547	1,514
Saar	272	250	253
Belgium	485	482	498
France	1,072	1,050	985
Italy	1 59	167	153
Luxembourg	284	272	286
Metherlands	57	63	64
Community Total	3,930	3,841	3,7 53