

CHROMIUM INDUSTRY IN Q3 2025

Global production (Mt)

Cr Ore

10.32
Mt



+ 0.3 %

Global chrome ore production remained broadly stable, recording only modest growth. Higher output in Southern Africa – especially South Africa and Zimbabwe – along with gains in Europe (Turkey in particular) and the Rest of Asia & Australasia was supported by steady demand from Chinese and Indonesian smelters.

These increases were offset by a sharp decline in India, where heavy monsoon rains disrupted mining, and by lower production in the CIS & Middle East region.

FeCr

4.13
Mt



- 8.5 %

Global ferrochrome production and trade declined, largely owing to reduced output in Southern Africa. Zimbabwe continued to register growth, but widespread curtailments in South Africa – driven by rising electricity tariffs and a weak pricing environment – pulled overall regional production down. India also recorded a drop, as monsoon-related disruptions to ore mining constrained smelter operations. By contrast, China increased output, supported by seasonal demand.

Global trade (Mt)

Cr Ore

7.84
Mt



+ 18 %

3 Main suppliers

- South Africa
- Türkiye
- Zimbabwe

3 Main importers

- China
- Indonesia
- Europe***

FeCr

1.18



- 5%

3 Main suppliers

- Kazakhstan
- South Africa
- Zimbabwe

3 Main importers

- China
- Europe***
- Japan

***EU27+UK+EFTA from non-European countries

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