



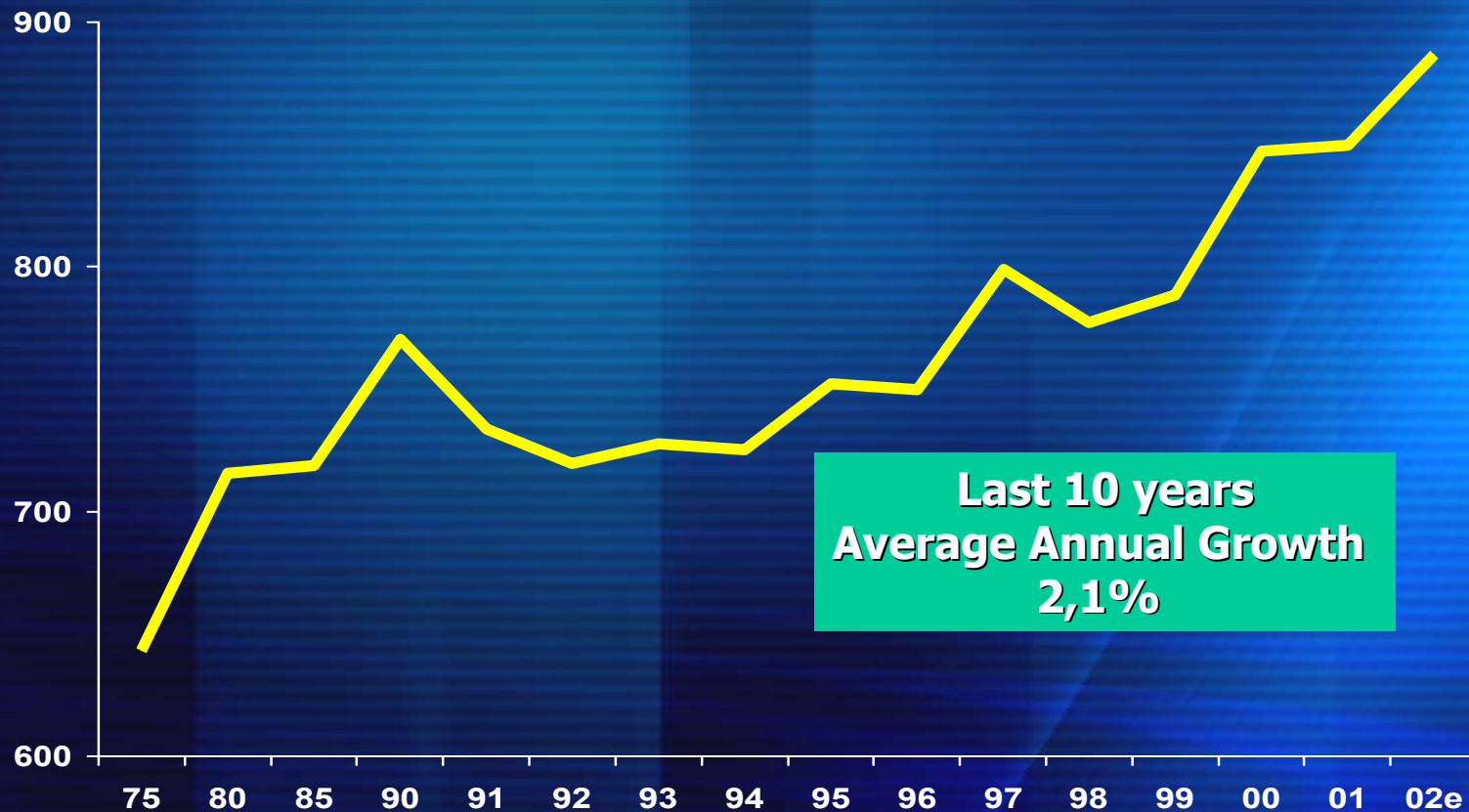
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The World Steel Industry

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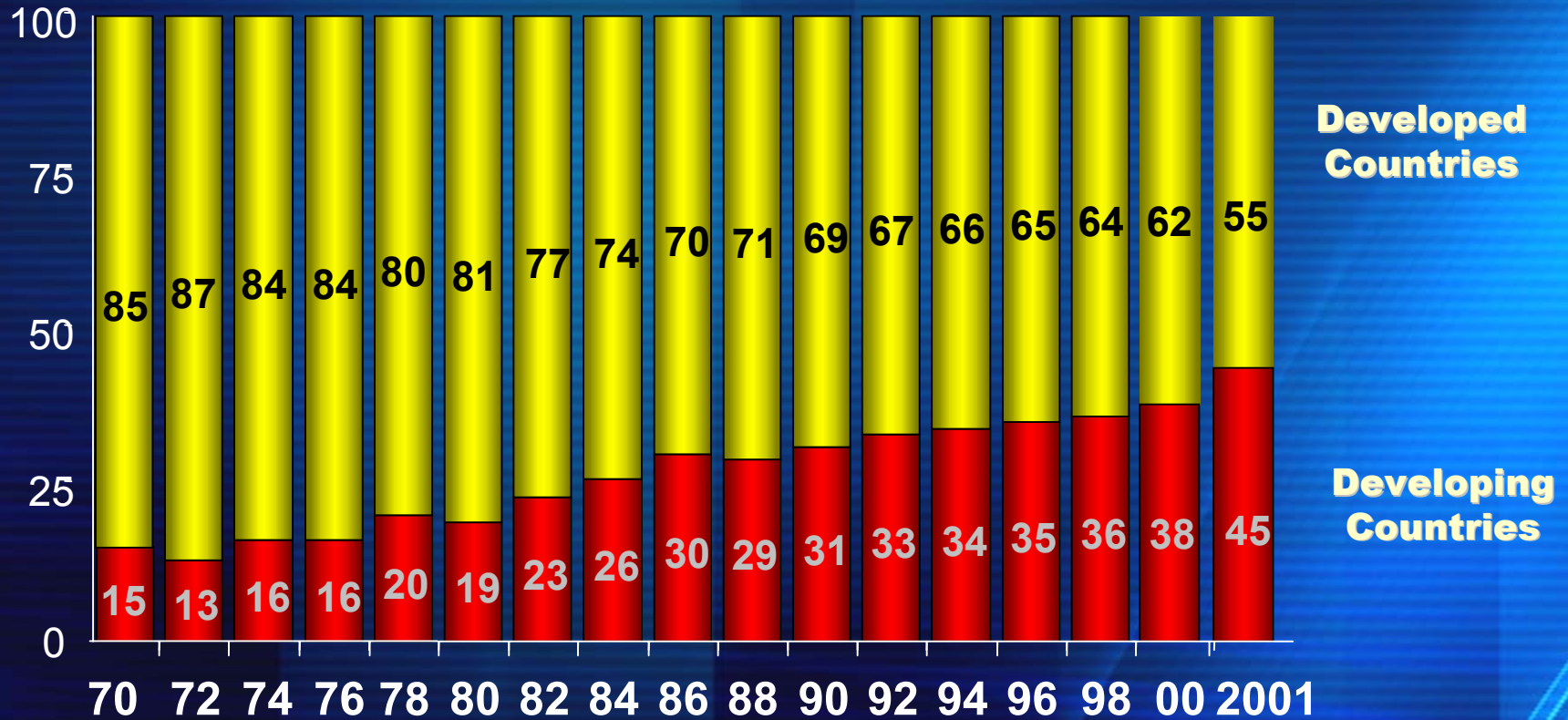
Crude Steel (million tons)



Production



Group of Countries
(%)

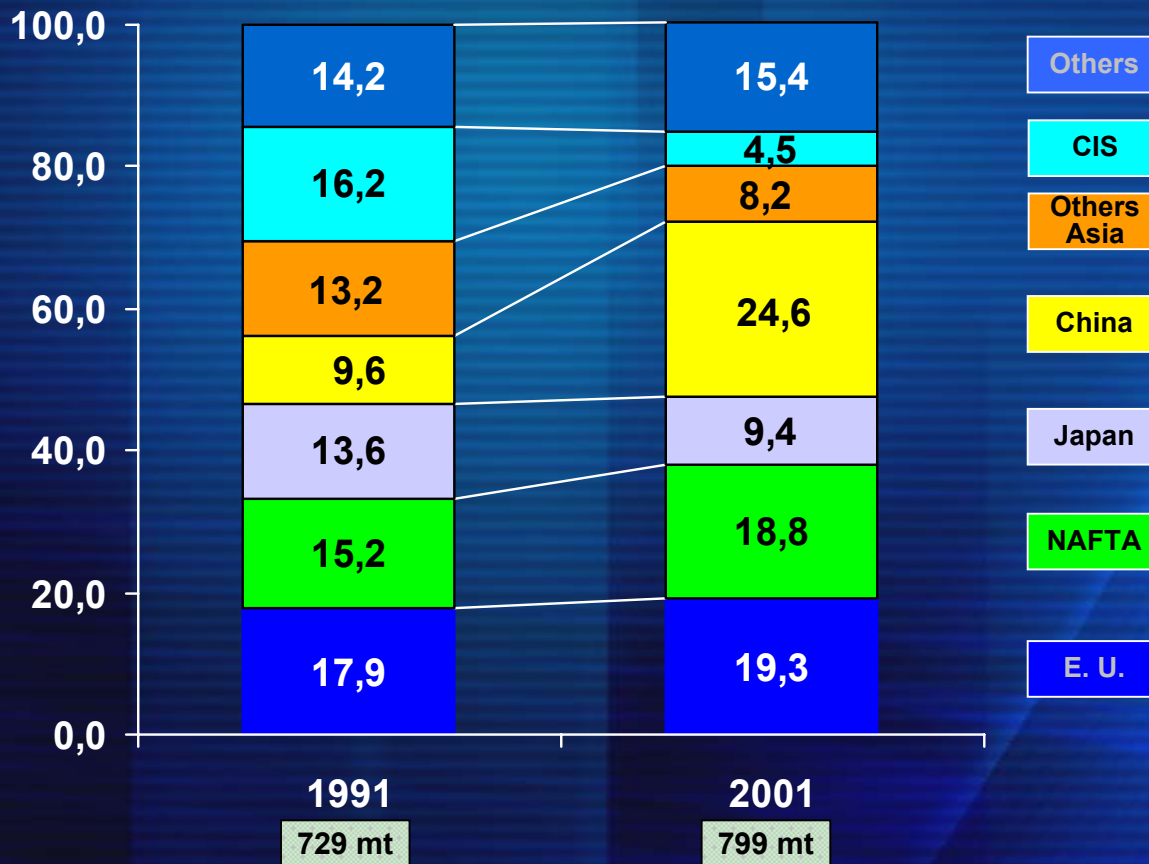


Not include: C.I.S. (Ex URSS) - 98,6 mt and East Europe - 28,0 m t

Apparent Consumption



Evolution by Region – Crude Steel Equivalent (%)



Finished Products Annual Growth Projections - Scenario

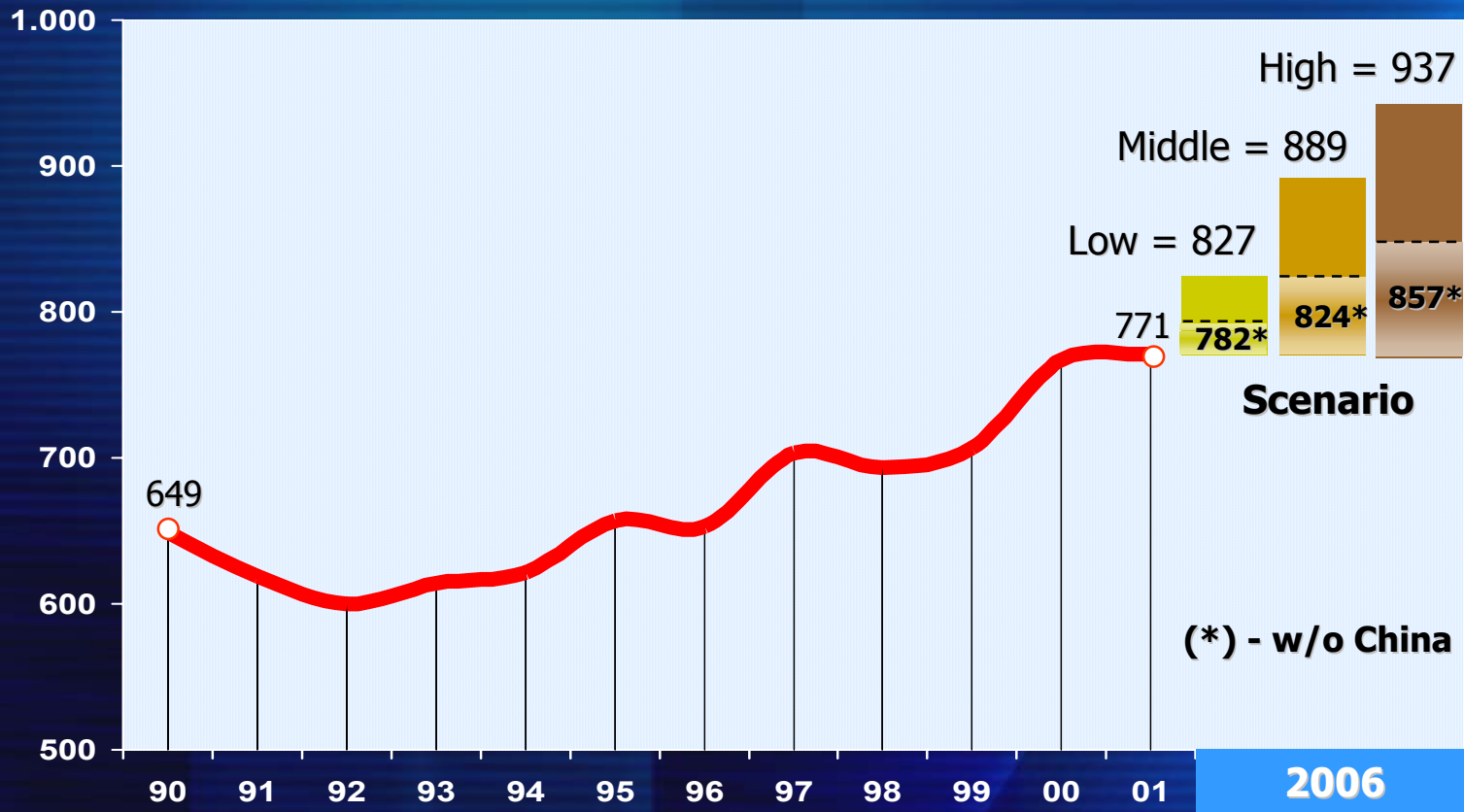
Regions	Average Annual Change (%)		
	2006 (L)	2006(M)	2006(H)
China	4.8	6.7	8.0
Japan / Other Asia	0.8	1.5	2.2
European Union (EU-15)	(0.2)	0.9	2.0
Other Europe / CIS	1.4	3.3	5.1
NAFTA	0.0	1.8	2.5
Others	0.5	2.3	3.7
World	1.4	2.9	4.0
World (exc. China)	0.4	1.7	2.7

Note: Others include South America, Africa and Middle East

Apparent Consumption



Finished Products Evolution and Projections (million tons)



- Fastest growing major economy by a wide margin

Average growth since 1990: 9.5% p.y. vs. 3.0% for the world

- Over the past 10 years China's usage more than doubled. China now world's largest consumer of steel

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>mt</u>	<u>Share World</u>
1992	3rd	87	12%
2002e	1st	206	23%

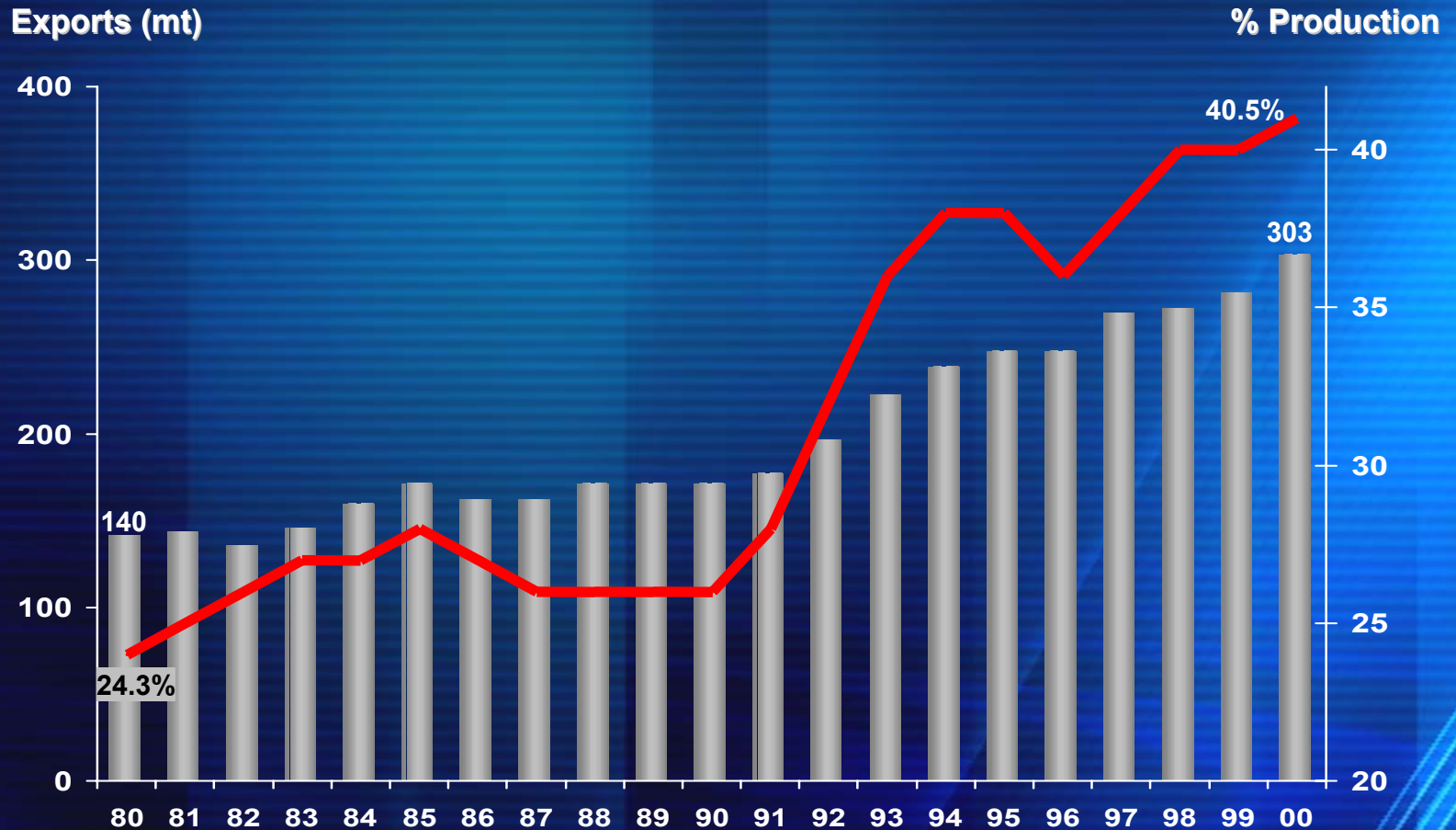
- Dominance in crude steel production

	<u>Rank</u>	<u>mt</u>	<u>Share World</u>
1992	3rd	81	11%
2002e	1st	182	20%

- Massive rise in the last three years

(mt)	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002e</u>
Crude Steel Production	127	152	182
% Change	3%	16%	20%
Net Imports	10	18	22
% Change	-12%	77%	24%
App. Consumption (CS basis)	163	196	206
% Change	8%	20%	5%

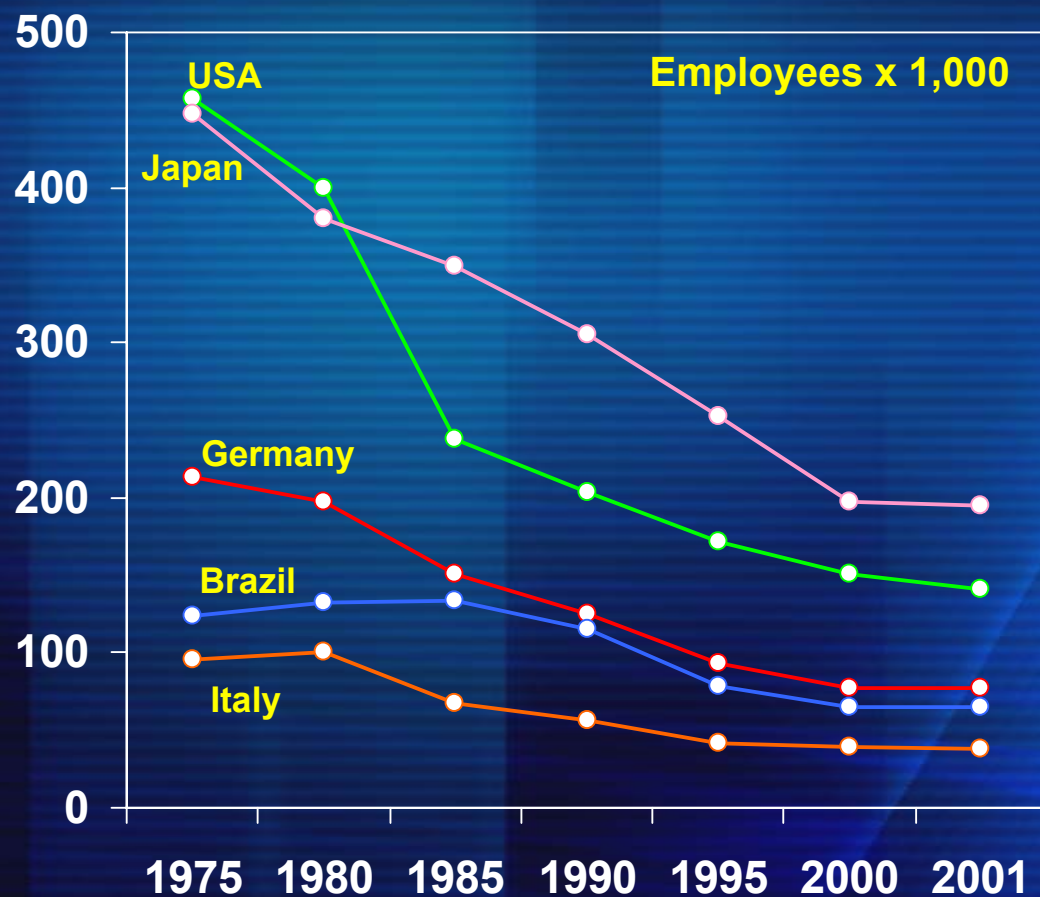
Exports vs. % Finished Steel Production



Workforce in the Steel Industry



Select Countries



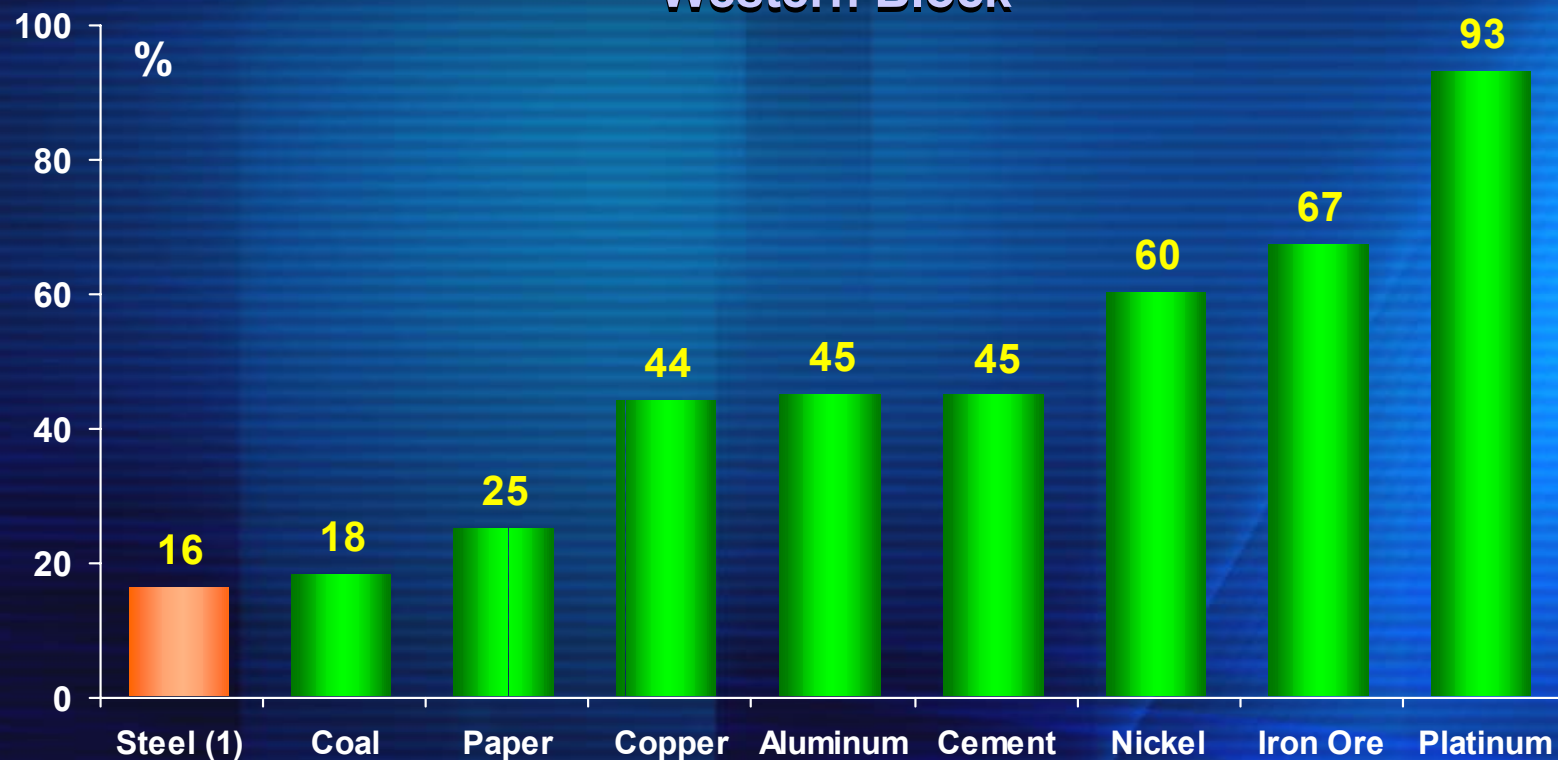
Main Problems

- Producers are price takers
- Cost gains go entirely to customers
- Producers cannot manage capacity
- Poor capital productivity
- Consolidation still regional
- Industry concentration still low

Concentration in Steel Sector is Low



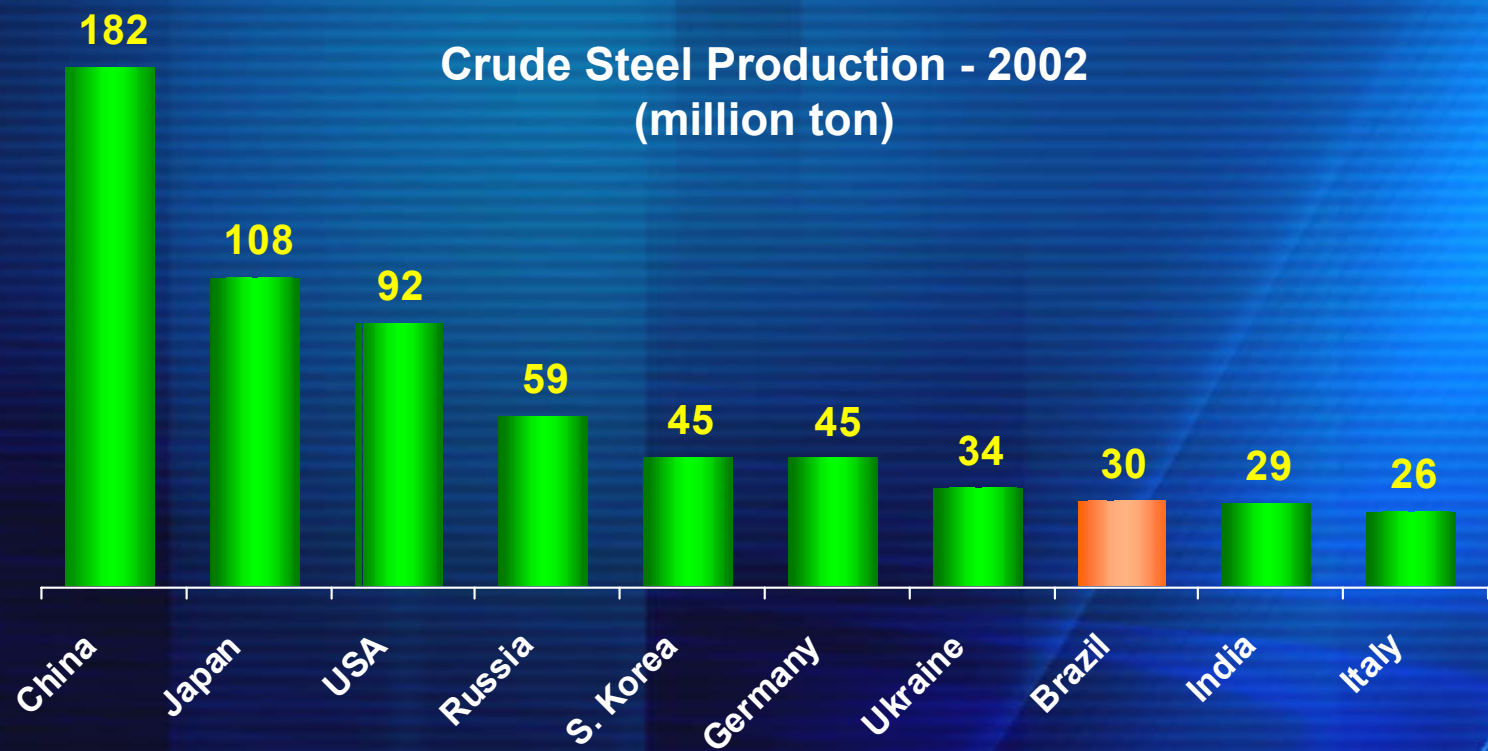
Market Share / Five Largest Producers Western Block



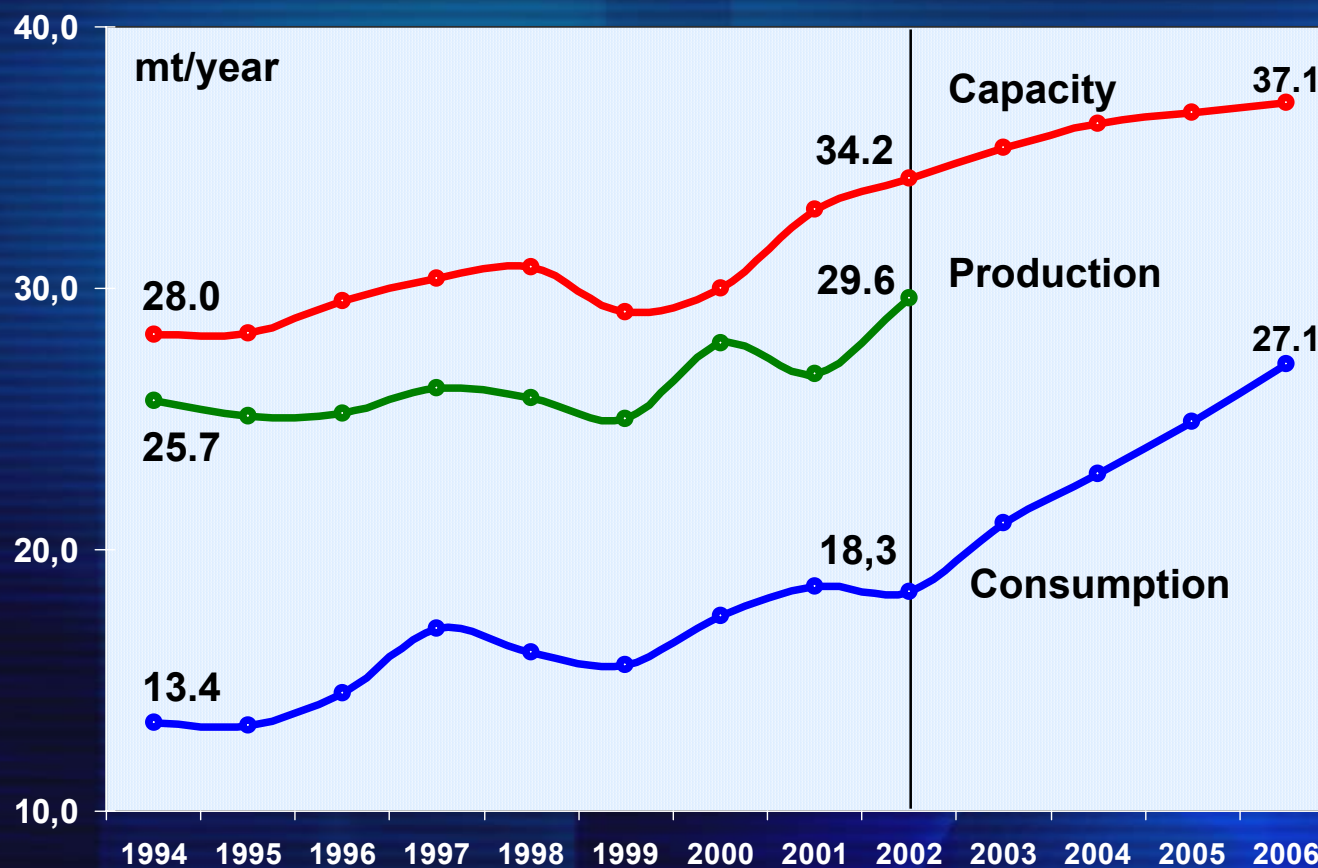
BRAZILIAN STEEL INDUSTRY

Crude Steel Production

- Brazil is the 8th largest steel producing country, comprising approximately 3.3% of world and 52.5% of Latin American crude steel production.



Crude Steel



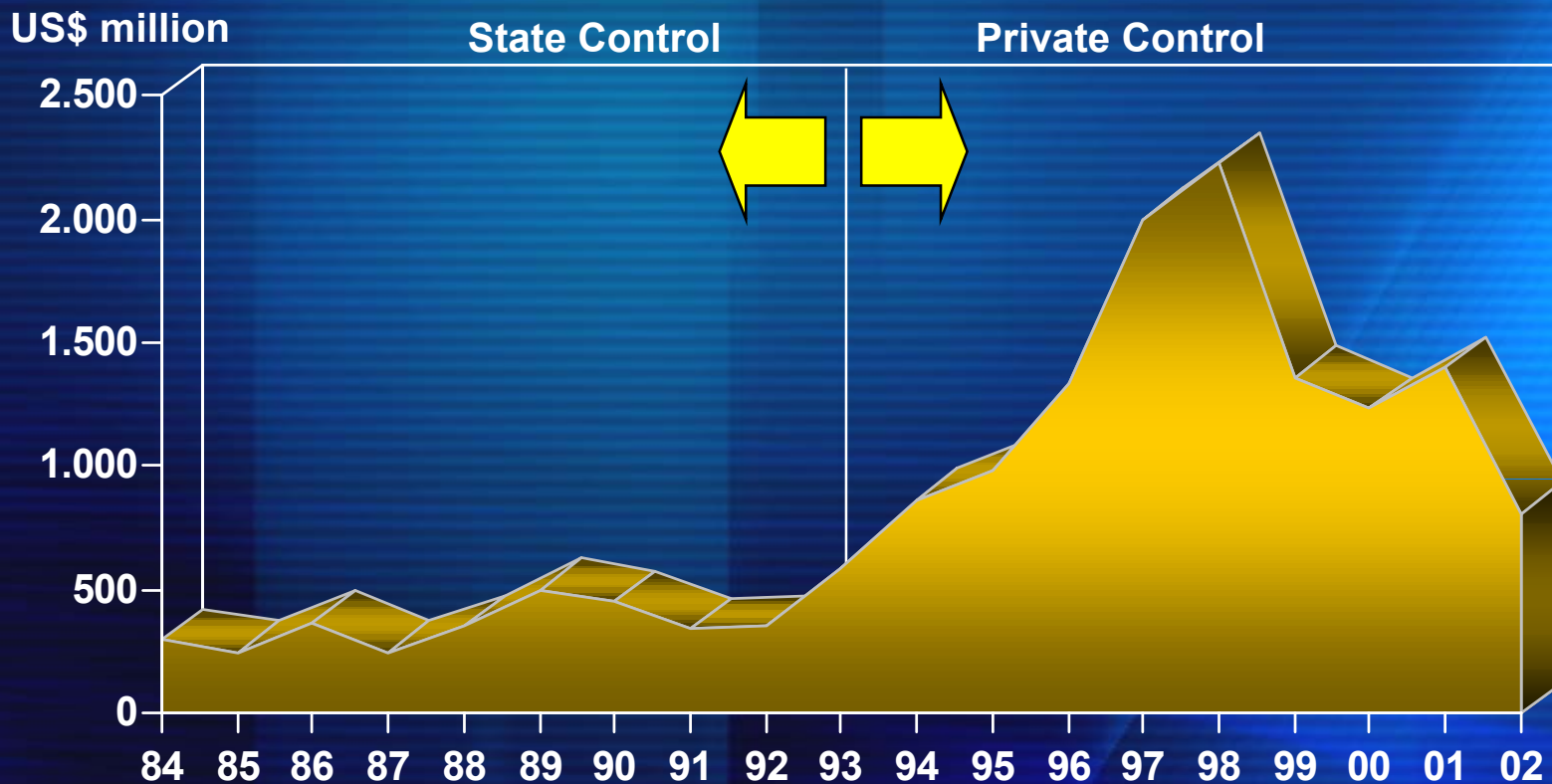
Sector Fragmentation



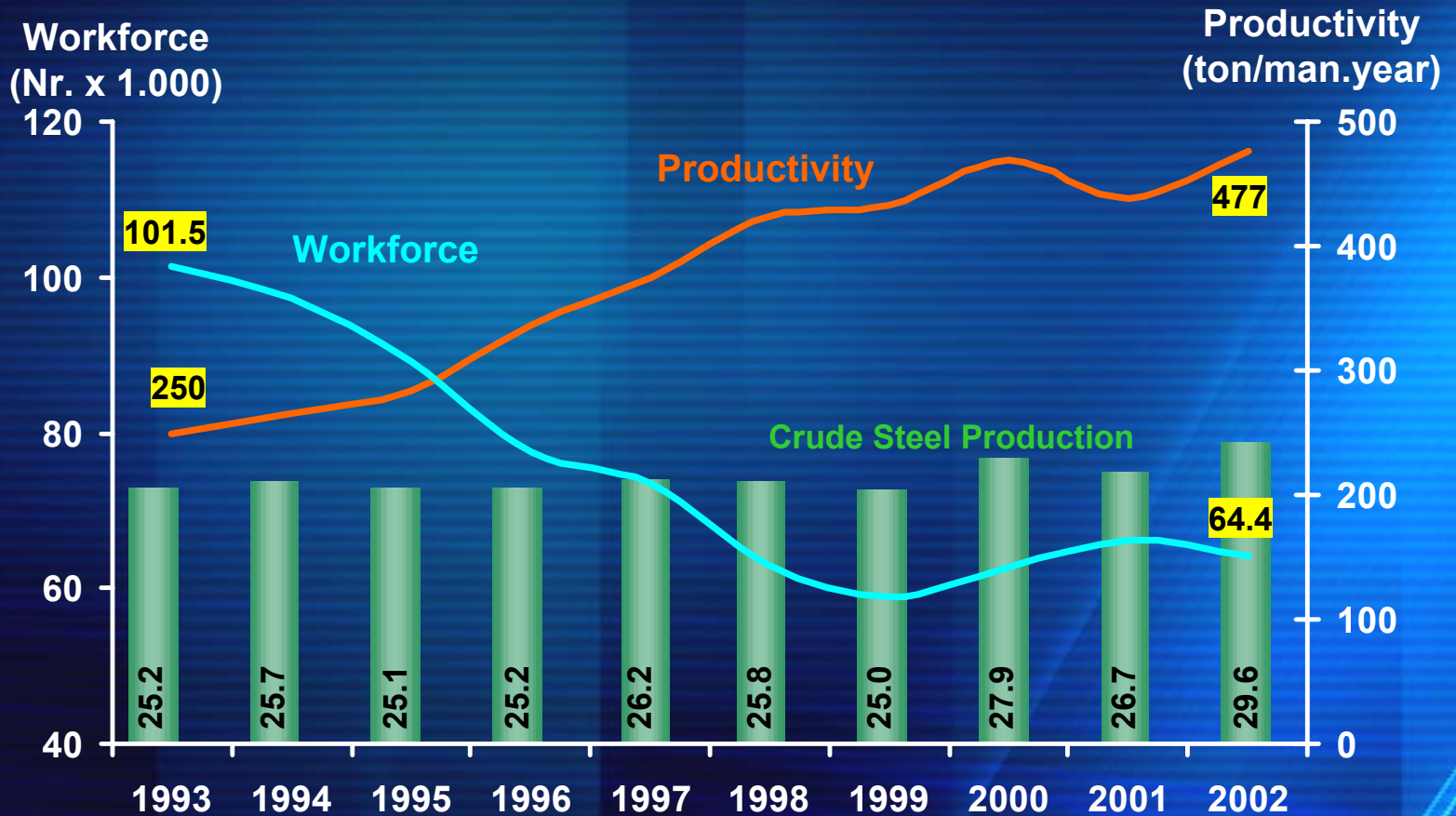
Main World Steel Producers - 2001
(million tons Crude Steel)



Investments in the Brazilian Steel Industry



Production x Productivity



Productivity 1993 ~2002
Average Annual Growth = 6.7% p.y.

MANGANESE IN THE STEEL INDUSTRY

Major Present Steel Production Routes




EX: COREX, MIDREX



BLAST FURNACE



Impact of Process Innovations on Mn Consumption

INNOVATIONS	Mn (Impact)
AUTOMATIZATION	
SHORTER PRODUCTION LINES	
PREREDUCED IRON PRODUCTION	
NEW COKEMAKING TECHNOLOGIES	
SMELTING REACTORS	
THIN SLAB CASTING & STRIP CASTING	

*** NOT A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE DUE TO PROCESS INNOVATIONS**

Impact of Steel Products Market Trend on Mn Consumption

STEEL PRODUCT (APPLICATION)	Mn (Impact)
AUTOMOTIVE	↓
CONSTRUCTION - STRUCTURAL	↑
SHIPBUILDING – HEAVY PLATES	↗
TUBES	↗
PACKAGING	→

* LITTLE CHANGE DUE TO STEEL PRODUCTS MARKET TRENDS

CHANGES – CHALLENGES - GOALS

- INCREASED COMPETITION & PRESSURE ON PRICE
- ENERGY SAVINGS
- DECREASE THE PRODUCTS VARIABILITY
- CONTINUOUS COMPETITIVENESS INCREASE
- COST REDUCTION
- HUGE INVESTMENTS ON MANAGEMENT ON:
 - TECHNOLOGY
 - PEOPLE → TRAINING & EDUCATION – HEALTH & SAFETY
 - INFORMATION
- RECYCLING
- STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
- STEEL INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION & MERGERS

STEEL MARKET CHALLENGES

- SUPPLY x DEMAND
- PROTECTIONISM
- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- ATTEND THE CUSTOMERS REQUIREMENTS
- DEVELOPMENT PROCESS CONTROL CAPABILITY
- LOW COST
- HIGH QUALITY AND LOW VARIABILITY

MAIN GOALS

- INCREASE STEEL COMSUMPTION – MAINLY ON CONSTRUCTION
- EDUCATION, TRAINING AND BENCHMARKING - MANAGEMENT



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