Iron and Steel: Fact file

| World production | Iron | 560 million tonnes per year |
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|  | Steel | 750 million tonnes per year |
| UK production | Iron | 13 million tonnes per year |
|  | Steel | 18 million tonnes per year |
| Manufacture |  | Blast furnace / Basic Oxygen Steelmaking |
| Raw material |  | Iron ore, coke and limestone |

Steel production figures include recycled steel which explains why the production of steel is greater than that of iron.

Most iron is converted into steel. A little is cast to make components such as the engine blocks of vehicles.


Figure: Chart to show the percentage amount of steel used for different sectors.

Table: Table to show the percentage amount of steel used for different sectors (as shown above).

|  | Construction | $32 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | Automotive | $18 \%$ |
|  | Mechanical engineering | $13 \%$ |
|  | Metal goods | $12 \%$ |
|  | Packaging | $10 \%$ |
|  | Electrical engineering | $4 \%$ |
|  | Other transport | $3 \%$ |
|  | Other | $8 \%$ |

