

Ukrainian iron ore mines in the first quarter of 2007

Iron ore concentrate production grew 12% to 14.68 million tonnes.

Pellet production rose 25% to 5.45 million tonnes and sinter - 6% to 12.26 million tonnes.

Inhulets Mining ups iron ore concentrate output 6.4% in Q1

Inhulets Mining and Beneficiation Plant from Kryvy Rih raised iron ore concentrate production 6.4% year-on-year in the first quarter of 2007 to 3.163 million tonnes, including 1.183 million tonnes in March. The company sold 3.019 million tonnes of concentrate to Ukrainian steel mills in the quarter, over and above a targeted 2.934 million tonnes. Inhulets is Ukraine's biggest iron ore concentrate producer with an estimated 77% of the market.

Kryvy Rih Mine edges iron ore output down 0.8% in Q1

Ukraine's Kryvy Rih Iron Ore Combine reduced production of iron ore commodities by the deep mining method 0.8% year-on-year in January-March to 1.73 million tonnes, including 603,000 tonnes in March. Output rose 9.9% in 2006 to 7.1 million tonnes.

Pivdenny GOK ups sinter output 15.8% in Q1

Pivdenny GOK or Southern Mining and Beneficiation Plant from Kryvy Rih raised sinter production 15.8% year-on-year in January-March to 1.285 million tonnes. Iron ore concentrate production rose 5.4% to 2.19 million tonnes. The mine produced 430,000 tonnes of sinter and 750,000 tonnes of concentrate in March.

Pivnichny GOK boosts pellet output 20.9% in Q1

System Capital Management's Northern Mining and Beneficiation Plant or Pivnichny GOK mine raised commercial pellet production 20.9% year-on-year in January-March to 2.531 million tonnes. Iron ore concentrate output rose 10.5% to 3.156 million tonnes. Pivnichny GOK produced 858,000 tonnes of pellets and 1.075 million tonnes of concentrate in March.

Poltavsky GOK boosts pellet output 36.4% in Q1

Poltavsky GOK (PGOK) raised commercial pellet production tentatively 36.4% year-on-year to 2.329 million tonnes of pellets. Iron ore concentrate production grew 28% to 2.625 million tonnes. PGOK produced 823,000 tonnes of pellets and 898,000 tonnes of concentrate in March.

Tsentralny GOK boosts pellet output 4.9% in Q1

SCM's Tsentralny GOK or Central Mining and Beneficiation Plant raised pellet output 4.9% year-on-year in January-March to 595,000 tonnes. Concentrate production rose 6.3% to 1.459 million tonnes. Tsentralny GOK produced 208,000 tonnes of pellets and 500,000 tonnes of concentrate in March.

Zaporizhia Iron Ore Combine raised iron ore production 3.6%

Zaporizhia Iron Ore Combine, a Ukrainian-Slovak joint venture in Zaporizhia region, raised production of market iron ore 3.6% year-on-year in January-March to 1.117 million tonnes, including 373,000 tonnes in March. Production grew 2.7% to 4.323 million tonnes in 2006.