

2025 AIST Basic Oxygen Furnace Roundup

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Company and location	Product	Year of start-up/modernization	Furnace type	Annual capacity (million metric tons/year)	No. of converters	New working volume (m ³)	Heat size (mt/heat)	Avg. campaign life (heats)
Argentina								
Ternium Argentina San Nicolás, BA	Carbon/flat	1973/ 2015–2016	LD	3.2	3	156	216	3,850
Australia								
BlueScope Steel Ltd. Port Kembla Works Port Kembla, NSW	Carbon, IF/flat	1972	LD	3.3	2	220	280	6,500
Liberty Primary Steel Whyalla Steelworks Whyalla, SA	Carbon/long	1964	LD	1.2	2	100	130	2,800
Belgium								
ArcelorMittal Europe Gent, Belgium	Carbon/flat	1967/2020	LD	5.6	2	240	330	3,500
Brazil								
Aços Verdes do Brasil (AVB) Açailândia, MA	Carbon/coil, bar	2015	LD	0.8	1	42	65	10,000
ArcelorMittal Monlevade João Monlevade, M.G.	Carbon/long	1957/1985	LD	1.2	2	98	130	4,300
Pecém São Gonçalo do Amarante, CE	Carbon/flat	2016	LD	3.0	2	270	315	—
Tubarão Vitória, E.S.	Carbon/flat/ULS/ ULH/BH	1983	LD	7.5	3	220 (No. 1 and No. 2), 280 (No. 3)	315	4,200
Companhia Siderúrgica Nacional (CSN) Presidente Vargas Steelworks Volta Redonda, R.J.	Carbon/flat	1977	LD	5.6	3	189	228	4,500
Gerdau Gerdau Açominas Ouro Branco, MG	Carbon/flat, bar	1986	LD	4.0	2	177	224	4,300
Gerdau Barão de Cocais Barão de Cocais, MG	Carbon/bar	1979/2000	LD	0.3	1	23	30	4,000

⓪ idle AHSS - advanced high-strength steel BH - bake hardenable CRML - cold roll motor lamination IB - in-blow drop sensor (bomb)
IF - interstitial-free KOBM - combined blowing basic oxygen furnace KR - Kanbara reactor desulfurization