Gartner: Samsung and Apple Dominate Smartphones

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Global mobile phone demand slows down in Q2 2012 according to Gartner, as WW sales decline by -2.3% Y-o-Y to reach 419 million units due to current economic woes and customers preferring to wait for high-profile device launches.

Declining feature phone demand also weakens the overall mobile market, even if smartphone sales grow by 42.7% Y-o-Y in the quarter.

Smartphones account for 36.7% of the total Q2 2012 mobile market.

"High-profile smartphone launches from key manufacturers such as the anticipated Apple iPhone 5, along with Chinese manufacturers pushing 3G and preparing for major device launches H2 2012, will drive the smartphone market upward. However, feature phones will continue to see pressure," Gartner says.

Worldwide Mobile Device Sales to End Users by Vendor in 2Q12 (Thousands of Units)

| Company | 2Q122 | 2Q122Q12 Market Share | | 2Q11 Market |
|--------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|
| | Units | (%) | Units | Share (%) |
| Samsung | 90,432.1 | 21.6 | 69,827.6 | 16.3 |
| Nokia | 83,420.1 | 19.9 | 97,869.3 | 22.8 |
| Apple | 28,935.0 | 6.9 | 19,628.8 | 4.6 |
| ZTE | 17,936.4 | 4.3 | 13,070.2 | 3.0 |
| LG Electronics | 14,345.4 | 3.4 | 24,420.8 | 5.7 |
| Huawei Device | 10,894.2 | 2.6 | 9,026.1 | 2.1 |
| TCL Communication: | s 9,355.7 | 2.2 | 7,938.9 | 1.9 |
| HTC | 9,301.2 | 2.2 | 11,016.1 | 2.6 |
| Motorola | 9,163.2 | 2.2 | 10,221.4 | 2.4 |
| Research In Motion | 7,991.2 | 1.9 | 12,652.3 | 3.0 |
| Others | 137,233.4 | 32.8 | 152,989.70 | 35.7 |
| Total | 419,007.90 | 100.04 | 428,661.15 | 100.0 |

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