

# Global chip shortage will hit the smartphone industry harder than expected

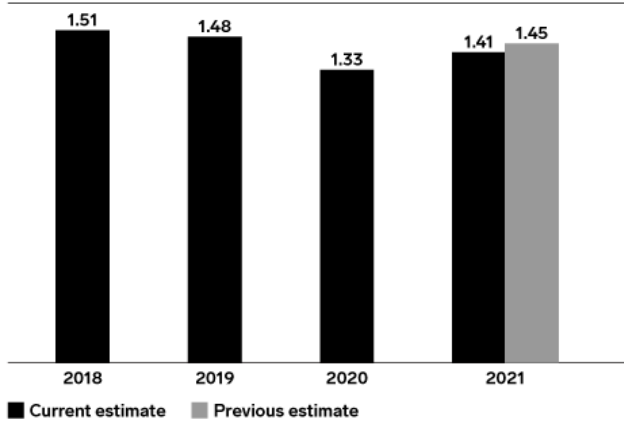
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The smartphone industry is feeling the squeeze of the semiconductor shortage. This year, **1.41 billion** smartphones will be shipped worldwide, less than the annual volume of both 2018 and 2019. The 2021 figure also falls short of previous expectations by **40 million**, as the limited chip supply continues plaguing smartphone-makers and vendors alike.

### Semiconductor Shortage Impact: Smartphone Shipments Worldwide, 2018-2021

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