

TURNOVER OF MAN-MADE FIBRE PRODUCTION IN EU28 IN 2013

Turnover of man-made fibre producers (excluding polyolefins) in the EU 28 increased in 2013 by 5.9% to € 10.2 billion compared to the previous year. The production index rose from 79.4 in 2012 to 84.8 in 2013 (2010 =100), the production price index fell slightly from 106.8 to 105.7 (2005 = 100).

Fibre imports into the EU

Fibre imports into the EU-28 rose by 12.7 from 648,000 tones in 2012 to 730,000 tons in 2013. Total value of the imports was € 1.18 billion, up 9.2%. Main exporters to the EU were South Korea, Taiwan, USA, Turkey, China, India, etc. Except from Taiwan and Japan, imports from all countries increased. From India imports of MMF increased by 3.5%

Imports of man-made fibres from outside EU in 2013

Country	2012 (value in 1000 tons)	2013 (value in 1000 tons)	Growth/decline (%)
South Korea	170.2	194.7	+14.4
Taiwan	103.6	97.5	-5.9
USA	38.2	45.2	+18.3
Turkey	56.7	67.0	+18.2
Japan	28.4	27.0	-4.7
China	37.4	63.7	+70.5
India	73.7	76.3	+3.5
Indonesia	33.7	37.7	+12.1
Thailand	23.6	24.6	+4.2
Vietnam	27.0	28.8	+6.5
Belarus	18.0	19.6	+ 8.6
Malaysia	7.0	9.0	+28.0
Mexico	4.1	6.5	+56.5
Switzerland	5.0	5.0	+0.8
Extra EU-28	647.9	730.4	+12.7

Source : Euratex Bulletin 2-2014

Fibre exports from the EU

Exports of man-made fibres to non-EU-28 countries increased in 2013 by 4.2% to 375,600 tons worth € 894 million. Main importers of fibres from the EU-28 were Turkey with a share of 31.5% followed by the USA and China. Exports to China, Iran and India (-3.9%) decreased while exports to Turkey grew 33.7%.

Exports of man-made fibres to countries outside EU in 2013

Country	2012 (value in 1000 tons)	2013 (value in 1000 tons)	Growth/decline (%)
Turkey	88.4	118.2	+33.7
USA	46.1	51.8	+12.4
China	27.8	23.4	-15.6
Iran	24.4	20.2	-17.1
India	21.9	21.1	-3.9
Morocco	13.4	17.0	+27.5
Mexico	14.3	13.5	-5.7
Brazil	6.7	10.4	+55.2
Bangladesh	7.5	8.6	+13.9
Canada	10.1	8.6	-15.5
Russia	9.2	7.4	-20.4
Pakistan	5.1	6.0	+16.8
Switzerland	5.7	4.3	-25.7
Total Extra EU-28	360.4	375.6	4.2

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