General Assembly meeting



27th March 2024 Starting at 09h00 CET Online



Opening of the meeting

Agenda

- Opening of the meeting
- Guest speaker Geert Janssens, Etion
- Guest speaker Ulrich Leberle, CEPI
- Statistics
- Financial issues
- Projects update
- Other business
 - Defense measures UW imports
- Meeting dates 2024
- Adjournment

Legal Reminder



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Ms Indiana de Seze, after having assisted us in the field of competition law for over 20 years through different law firms, has decided to leave the profession to work for a private company.





New law firm: Dentons Europe

- Mr Jean-Nicolas Maillard
 Europe Co-head Competition
 & Antitrust
- Mr Paul Henrion
 Senior Associate





Guest Speaker

GEERT JANSSENS CHIEF ECONOMIST, ETION



Guest Speaker

ULRICH LEBERLE RAW MATERIAL DIRECTOR, CEPI



Statistics

COUNTRIES / REGIONS GROUPING RECENT MARKET DEVELOPMENT



Countries / Regions grouping

- Euro-Graph statistics are currently based on country and region of destination.
- Destination countries are grouped in regions, based on geography.
- E-G members are mainly located in W.E., but there are some production facilities also in Poland and Slovakia (countries currently categorized as E.E., for "destination" purposes).
- To comply with competition legislation and avoid possible transparency issues, the detailed countries of origin are not reported.
- E-G members have recently raised the issue that W.E. and E.E. should not be reported as separate destination regions, but rather as a single market.



Countries / Regions grouping

- E-G delivery statistics are distributed in 3 main formats:
 - Detailed <u>CSV files</u>, in which individual destination countries are indicated. This format allows the <u>maximum flexibility</u> to the members, who can decide to allocate each individual country to their own internal sub-regional or regional grouping.
 - Monthly reports in <u>pdf and xls format</u>, in which individual destination countries are grouped in <u>sub-regions and larger regions</u>. For instance, the list of W.E. countries is summed up into a "Total W.E", similarly the list of E.E. countries is summed up into a "Total E.E.". The two sub-regions are then aggregated into a "Total Europe" line.
 - Quarterly <u>slide deck</u> (presented also at the Board/G.A. meetings), in which statistics are presented in a more visual way and are also usually grouped by sub-region/region. In some of the slides, however, the allocation of some countries to the W.E. and E.E. sub-regions are not completely clear and/or accurate. In the specific, when considering total Europe as a single region (and demand/exports concepts) the grouping could be improved.

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From region: All E-G producers (and Detailed destination countries are grouped in regions based on estimates, where ISO standards. However, having individual countries allows possible), to avoid any companies to group some markets in a different way, if so risk of transparency desired QualityAbbr SubGroupAbbr FinishAbbr UtilisationV_DelTonr FromSubRegionAbbr ToSubRegionAbbr Year Month FromRegionAbbr FromCountryAbbr ToRegionAbbr ToCountryAbbr 2019 LWC-M 2019 WE EG CMR MWC MWC 127 2019 WE AF MA CMR LWC LWC-G 201 AFR 2019 WE AF MA CMR LWC LWC-M 54 AFR 2019 WE AF MA CMR MWC MWC 20 AFR 2019 WE AF NG CMR LWC LWC-M 637 AFR 2019 WE AF RE CMR LWC LWC-G 250 AFR 2019 WE AF RE CMR LWC LWC-M 50 AFR 10 2019 AF 22 WE RE CMR MWC MWC AFR 11 2019 WE AF TN CMR LWC LWC-G 353 AFR 12 2019 WE AF TN CMR LWC LWC-M 47 AFR 13 2019 WE AF ZΑ CMR LWC LWC-G 1265 AFR 14 2019 WE AF ZA CMR LWC LWC-M 1697 AFR 15 1098 2019 CMR **MWC** MWC **AFR** 16 2019 WE EE BG CMR LWC LWC-G 251 EEU 17 LWC 68 2019 WE EE BG CMR LWC-M EEU 18 2019 WE EE BG CMR MWC MWC 380 EEU 19 2019 WE EE ВУ CMR 123 1 LWC LWC-G EEU 20 2019 WE EE BY CMR MWC MWC 26 EEU 21 2019 1 WE EE CZ CMR LWC LWC-G 1862 **EEU** 22 EE CZ LWC-M 1096 2019 WE CMR LWC **EEU** 23 CZ 1243 2019 1 WE EE CMR MWC MWC EEU 24 WE EE EE CMR 459 2019 1 LWC LWC-G EEU 775 2019 1 WE EE ΕE CMR LWC LWC-M EEU 26 1035 2019 1 WE EE EE CMR MWC MWC EEU 27 2019 WE EE GE CMR LWC LWC-G 3 EEU 28 2019 1 WE EE GE CMR LWC LWC-M 14 EEU 2019 1 WE EE HR CMR LWC LWC-G 380 EEU 2019 WE EE HR CMR LWC LWC-M 125 EEU 31 2019 WE EE HR CMR MWC MWC 68 EEU 1 32 2019 WE EE ΗU CMR LWC LWC-G 790 EEU 1 33 2019 WE EE ΗU CMR LWC LWC-M 163 EEU 1

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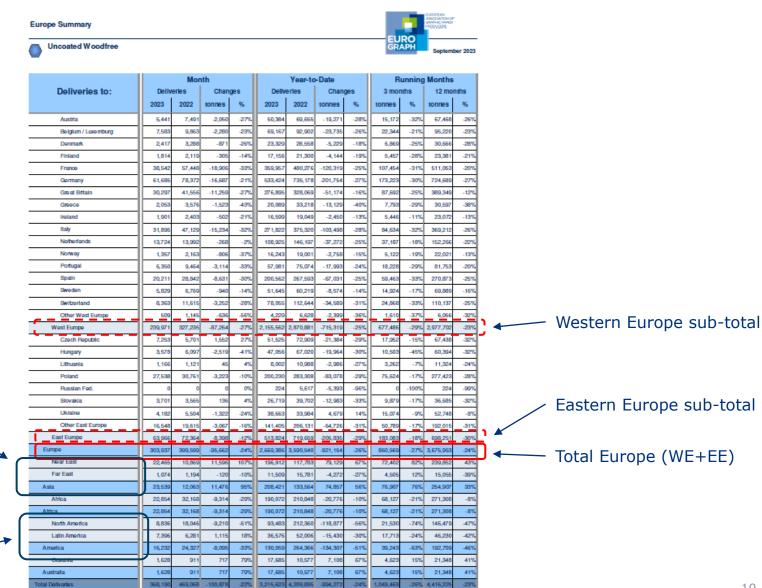
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Excel/PDF files



Near East + Far East sub-totals = Total Asia

N.A. + L.Asub-totals = **Total America**

Slide deck

- Questions raised are mainly related to the way exports/imports are considered and how the regions are aggregated for those concepts.
- The Board has recommended to prepare the slides considering Europe as a single region (WE+EE) but excluding Russia.
- Main differences are affecting trade, but also other concepts (e.g. total deliveries, del-to-cap ratio, ...)



Statistics

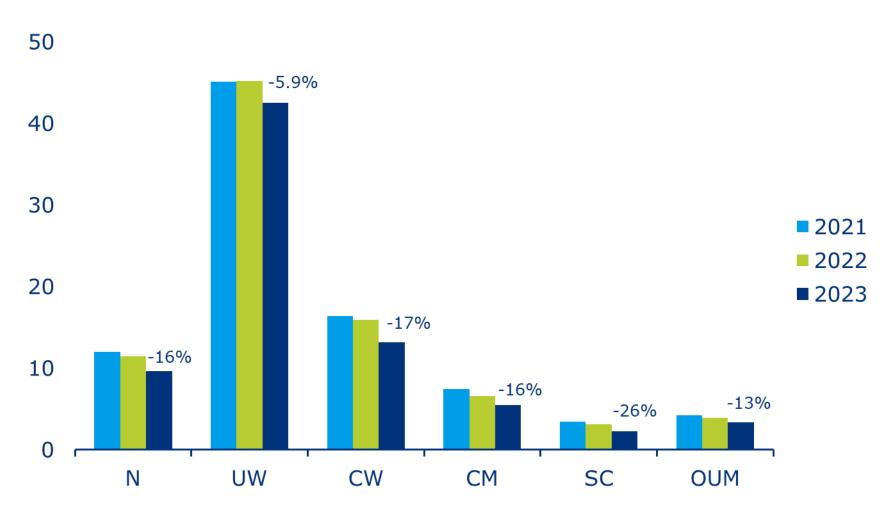
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Graphic papers – World demand

12m 2023 vs. 2022: -11% (9.6 million tonnes) (million of tonnes)

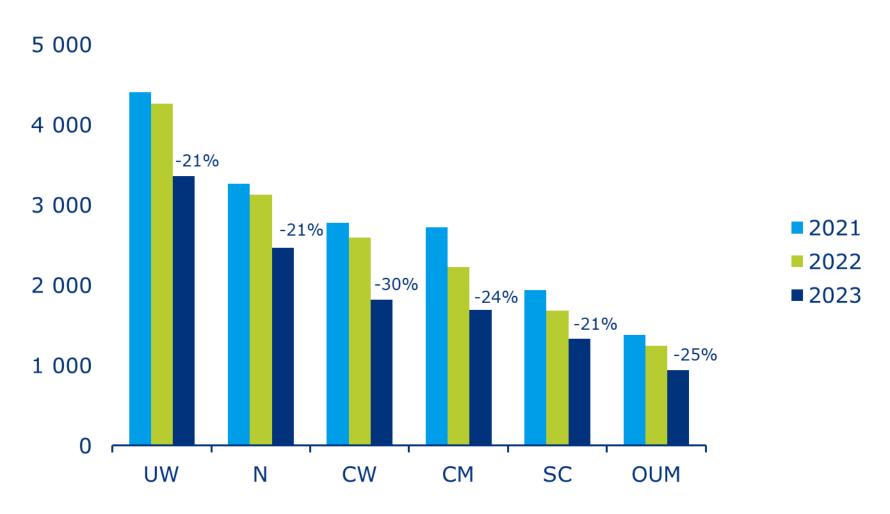


Source: PPPC



Graphic papers - W.E. demand

12m 2023 vs. 2022: -23% (-3.5 million tonnes) (000 of tonnes)

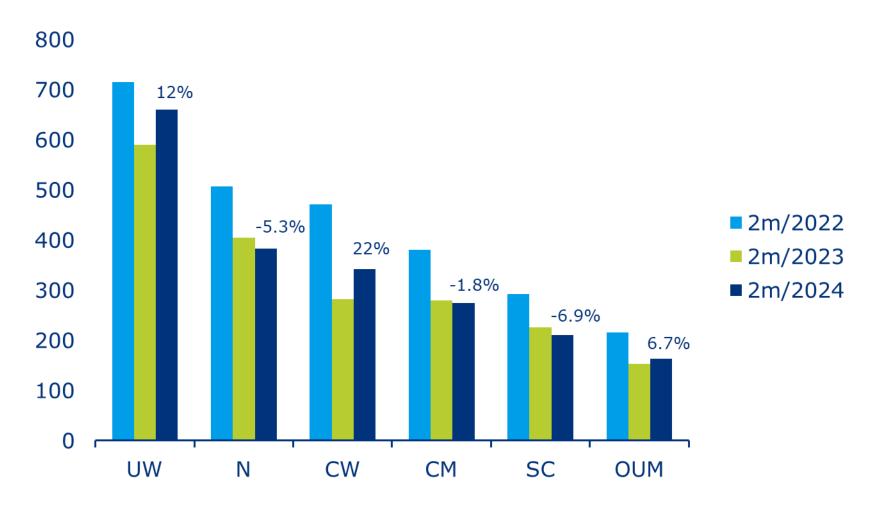


Source: EURO-GRAPH / PPPC



Graphic papers - W.E. demand

2m 2024 vs. 2023: +5.1% (+98 kt) (000 of tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH / PPPC



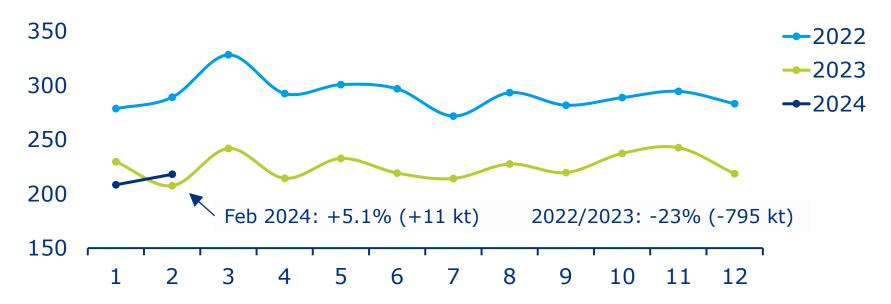
Newsprint



Newsprint – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: -2.4% (-11 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	437 kt	426 kt	-1.9%	СН	17 kt	16 kt	-6.3%
DE	139 kt	150 kt	+7.9%	AT	16 kt	12 kt	-25%
GB	67 kt	48 kt	-29%	SE	11 kt	11 kt	+1.3%
IT	39 kt	40 kt	+2.8%	FI	10 kt	10 kt	-7.5%
FR	32 kt	28 kt	-13%	PL	6 kt	9 kt	+51%
NL	27 kt	27 kt	-2.2%	BE	12 kt	8 kt	-28%
ES	15 kt	16 kt	+9.2%	Others	46 kt	53 kt	+13%

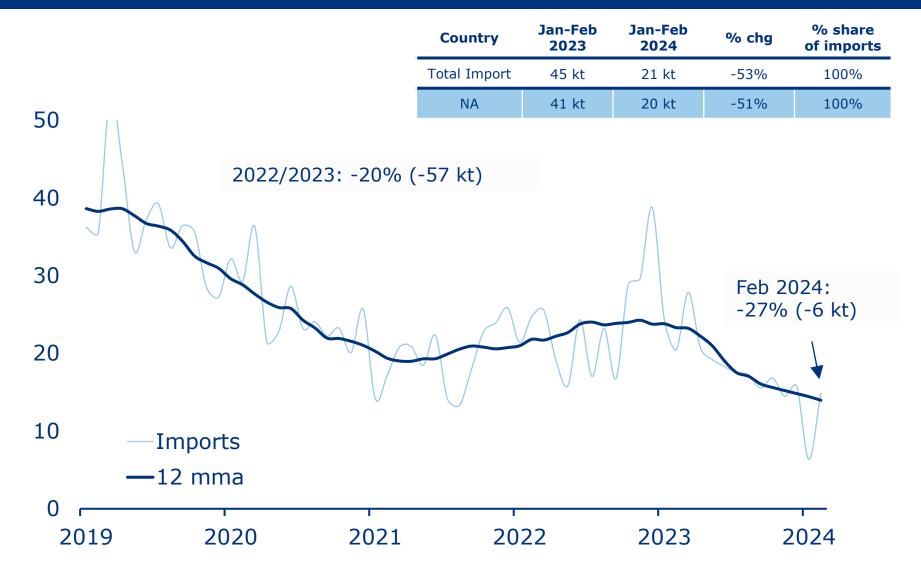


Source: EURO-GRAPH / PPPC



Newsprint – European Imports

Jan-Feb 2024: -53% (-24 kt) - (000 tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH

From Outside Europe (incl. RU) to WE+EE excl. RU



Newsprint – European Exports

Jan-Feb 2024: +100% (21 kt) - (000 tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	% share of exports
Tot. Export	21 kt	43 kt	+99%	100%
India	7 kt	8 kt	+11%	18%
Algeria	1 kt	4 kt	+313%	10%
China	0 kt	4 kt	+1351%	10%
Others	13 kt	26 kt	+100%	62%

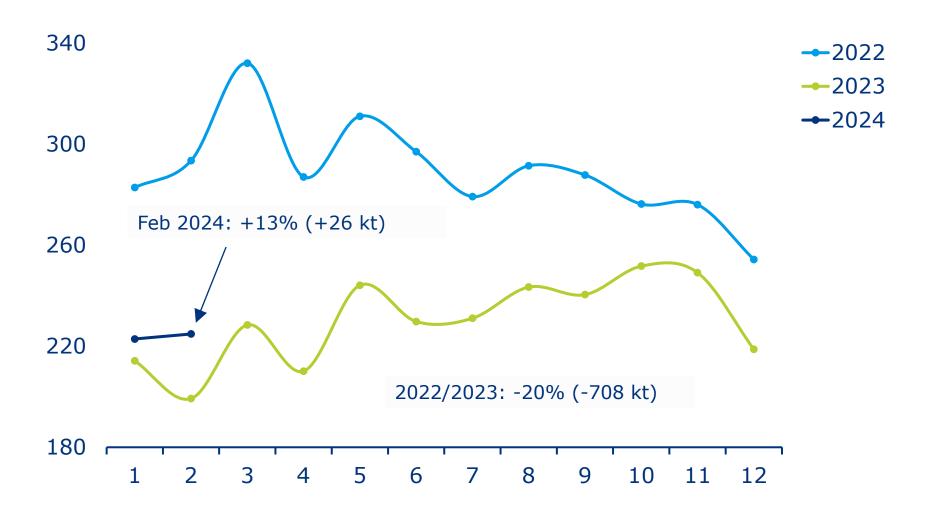


Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE (excl. RU) to all other markets



Newsprint – Total Europe deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: +8.3% (+34 kt) (000 of tonnes)



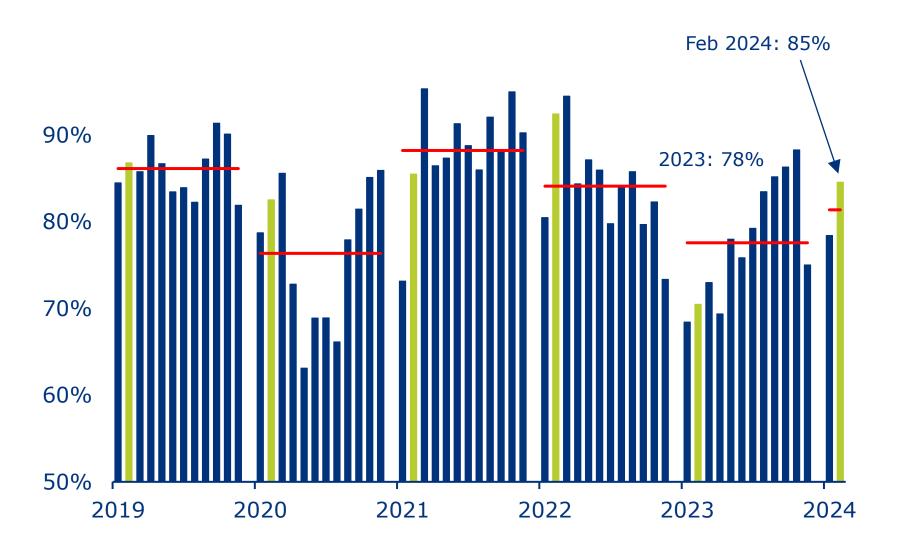
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From WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL markets



Newsprint – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 81% (2023: 69%)



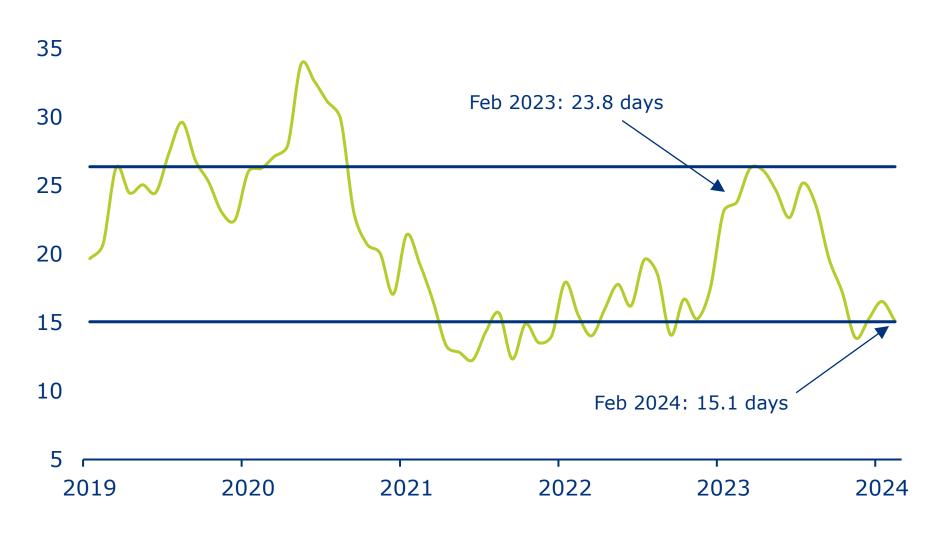
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Del from WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL destinations; Total Europe cap excl. RU



Newsprint - Mills' Stocks

Average Feb 2019-2023: 21.1 days



Source: EURO-GRAPH

Note: The range is given by the 5-year average +/- one standard deviation



Uncoated Mechanical Improved – UMI



UMI – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: +4.8% (+5 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	106 kt	111 kt	+4.8%	BE	5 kt	4 kt	-2.1%
DE	29 kt	34 kt	+15%	AT	3 kt	4 kt	+36%
IT	9 kt	13 kt	+46%	СН	3 kt	3 kt	+7.8%
GB	12 kt	10 kt	-20%	SE	4 kt	3 kt	-15%
NL	11 kt	9 kt	-17%	ES	4 kt	3 kt	-28%
PL	5 kt	7 kt	+22%	CZ	2 kt	3 kt	+16%
FR	7 kt	6 kt	-11%	Others	11 kt	12 kt	+5.8%



Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE to WE+EE excl. RU



UMI – European exports

Jan-Feb 2024: +67% (+6 kt) - (000 tonnes)

			Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	% share of exports
			Tot. Export	8 kt	14 kt	+67%	100%
40			Egypt	2 kt	9 kt	+292%	62%
25			China	0 kt	1 kt	+100%	6.9%
35			Israel	1 kt	1 kt	-45%	5.3%
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From WE+EE (excl. RU) to all other markets



UMI – Total Europe deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: +9.4% (+11 kt) (000 of tonnes)



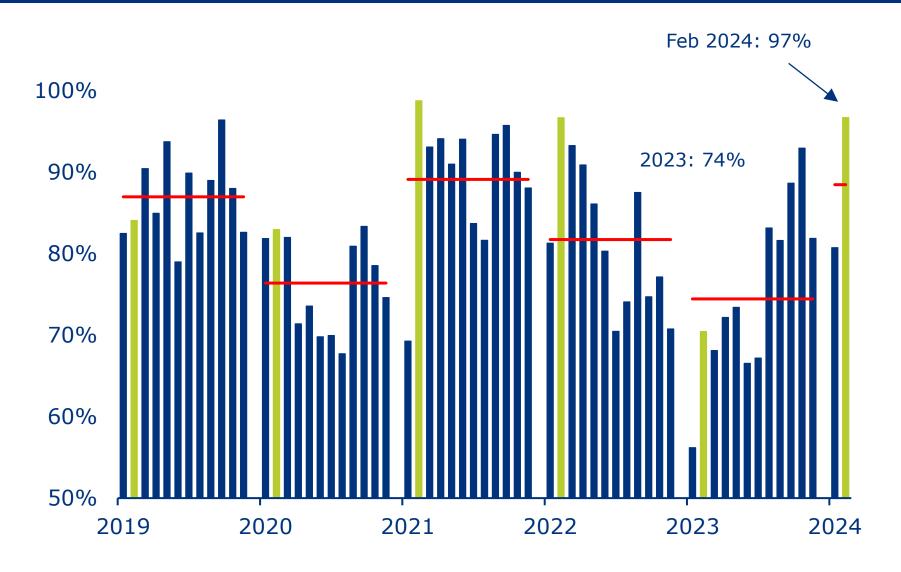
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UMI – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 89% (2023: 63%)



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Note: The range is given by the 5-year average +/- one standard deviation



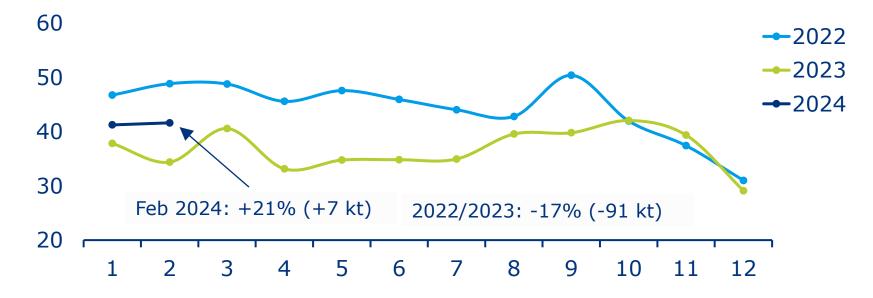
Uncoated Mechanical Others – UMO



UMO – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: +15% (+11 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	72 kt	83 kt	+15%	CZ	4 kt	4 kt	+6.1%
GB	17 kt	18 kt	+7.6%	PL	5 kt	6 kt	+18%
IT	10 kt	13 kt	+21%	LT	1 kt	3 kt	+284%
FR	8 kt	10 kt	+24%	SE	1 kt	1 kt	+41%
DE	10 kt	10 kt	+2.8%	DK	2 kt	1 kt	-22%
ES	7 kt	8 kt	+24%	RO	1 kt	1 kt	+32%
PL	5 kt	6 kt	+18%	Others	8 kt	7 kt	-3.7%

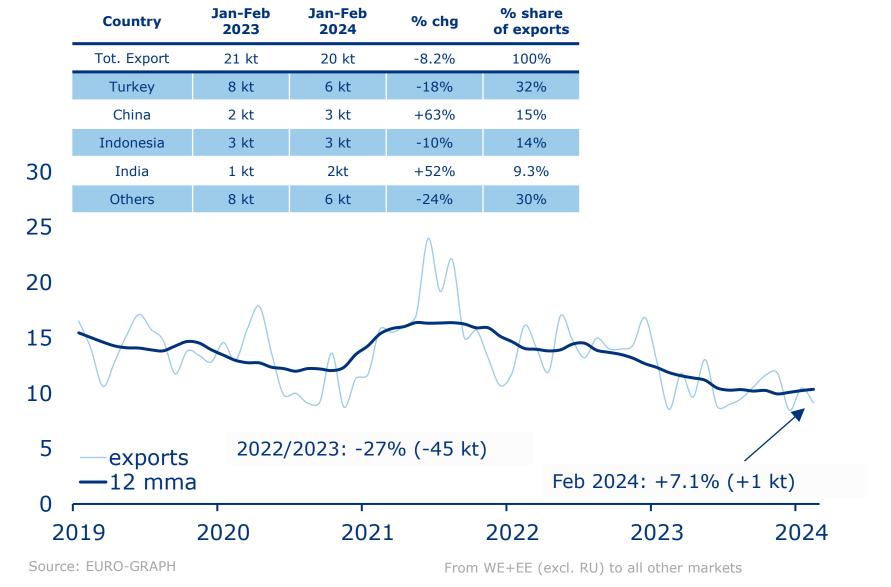


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UMO – European exports

Jan-Feb 2024: -8.2% (-2 kt) - (000 tonnes)



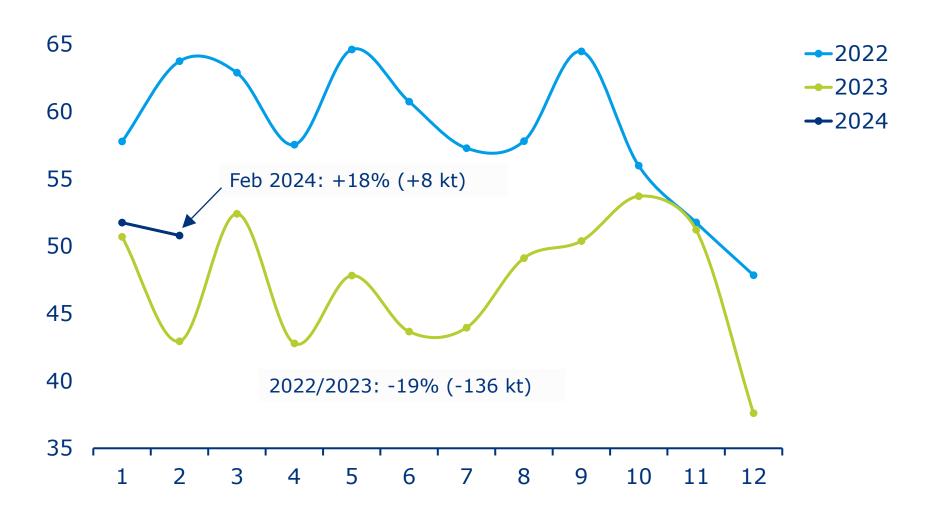
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UMO – Total Europe deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: +10% (+9 kt) (000 of tonnes)

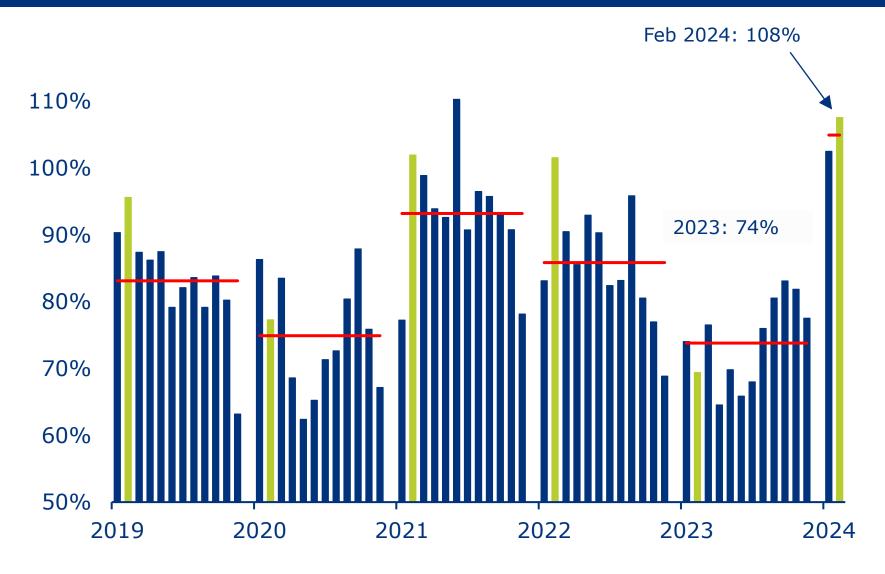


From WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL markets



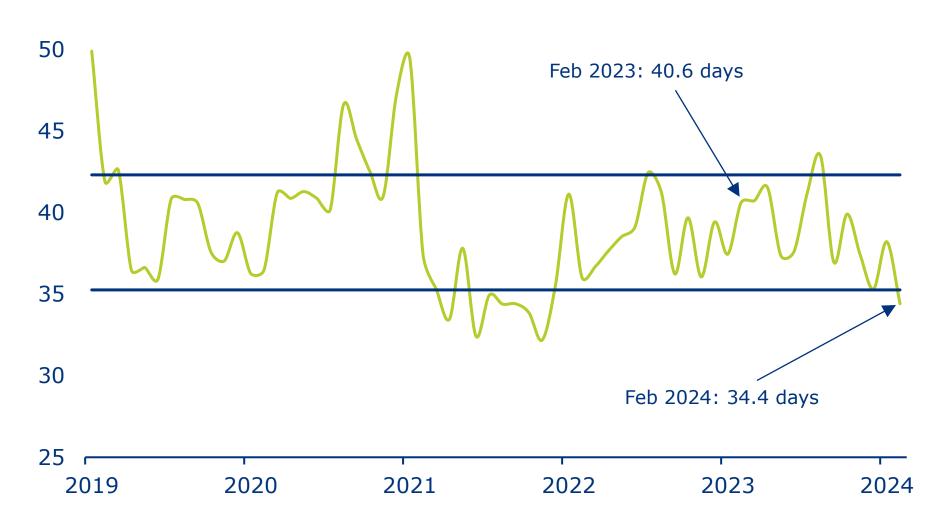
UMO – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 105% (2023: 72%)



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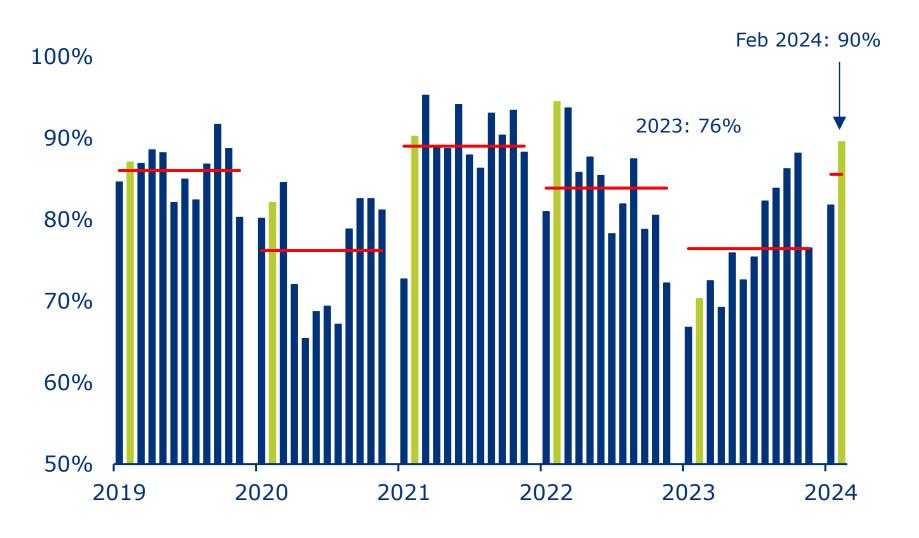






N+UMI+UMO – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 86% (2023: 68%)



Source: EURO-GRAPH Del from WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL destinations; Total Europe cap excl. RU



▲ SC Magazine



SC – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: -2.8% (-7 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	256 kt	249 kt	-2.8%	NL	6 kt	7kt	+12%
DE	118 kt	111 kt	-5.7%	SK	6 kt	6 kt	+6.1%
FR	38 kt	43 kt	+13%	AT	6 kt	6 kt	-6.8%
PL	17 kt	22 kt	+26%	GB	6 kt	5 kt	-9.8%
IT	15 kt	13 kt	-14%	BE	8 kt	5 kt	-35%
ES	10 kt	9 kt	-10%	SI	3 kt	4 kt	+14%
CZ	7 kt	8 kt	+8.1%	Others	17 kt	12 kt	-32%

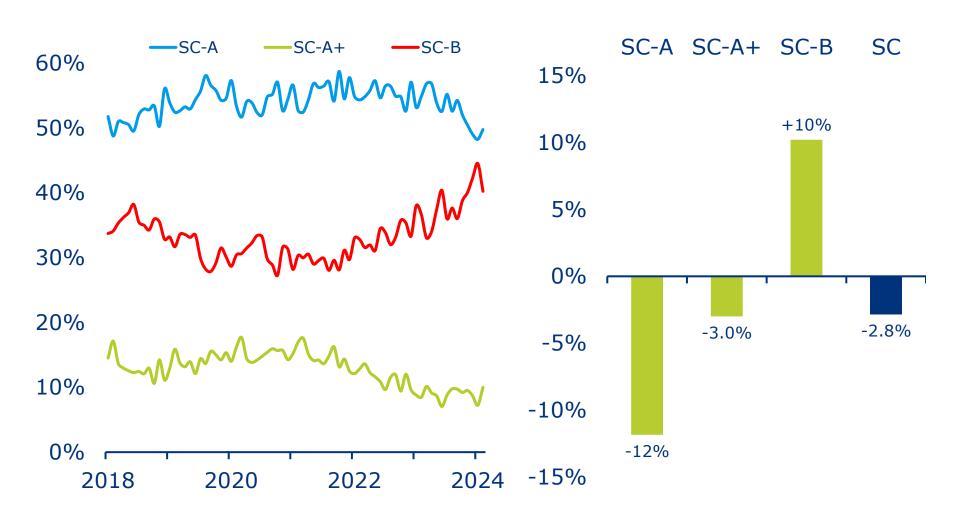


Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE to WE+EE excl. RU



SC – European demand by sub-quality

Jan-Feb 2024: -2.8% (-7 kt) - by sub-quality (000 of tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE to WE+EE excl. RU



SC – European total exports

Jan-Feb 2024: -23% (-6 kt) - (000 tonnes)

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Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	% share of exports
Tot. Export	25 kt	20 kt	-23%	100%
United States	14 kt	11 kt	-21%	55%
Australia	4 kt	3 kt	-20%	14%
South Africa	2 kt	2 kt	-1.7%	8.3%
Others	6 kt	4 kt	-33%	22%



Source: EURO-GRAPH

From WE+EE (excl. RU) to all other markets



SC – European total deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: -4.6% (-13 kt) (000 of tonnes)



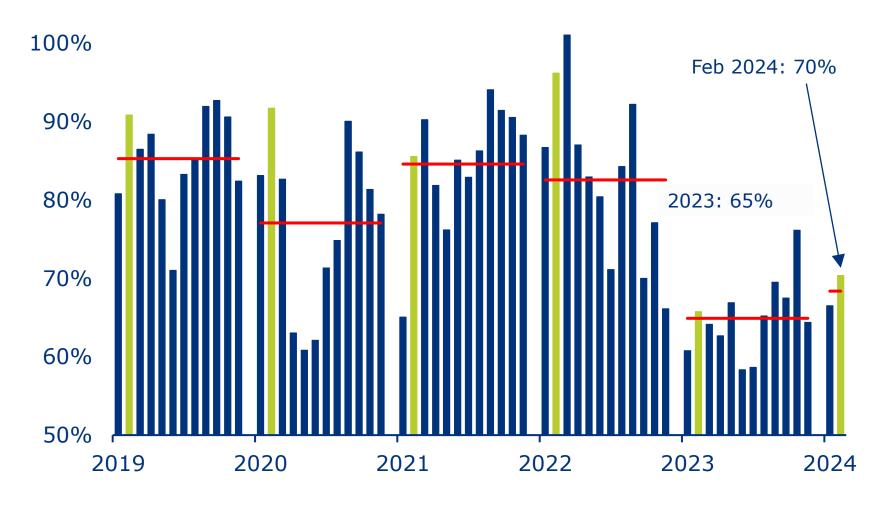
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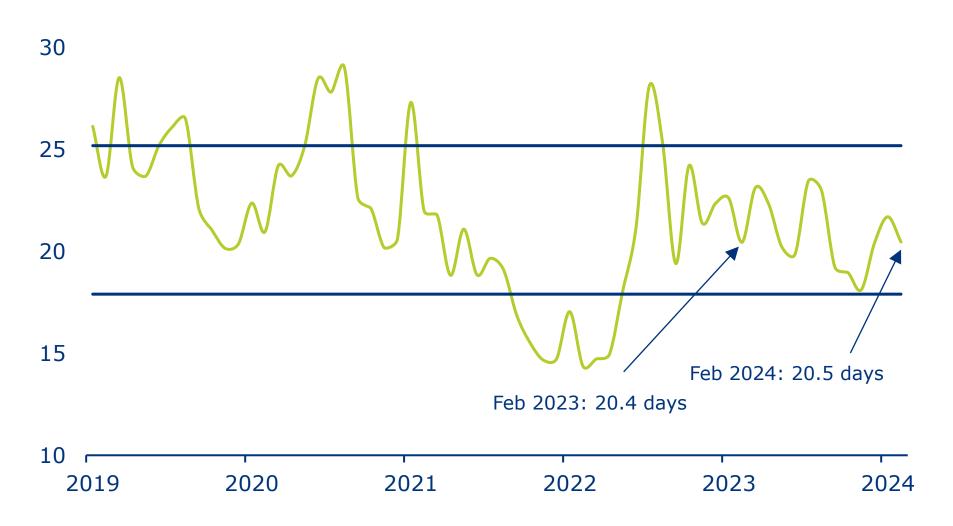
SC – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 68% (2023: 63%)



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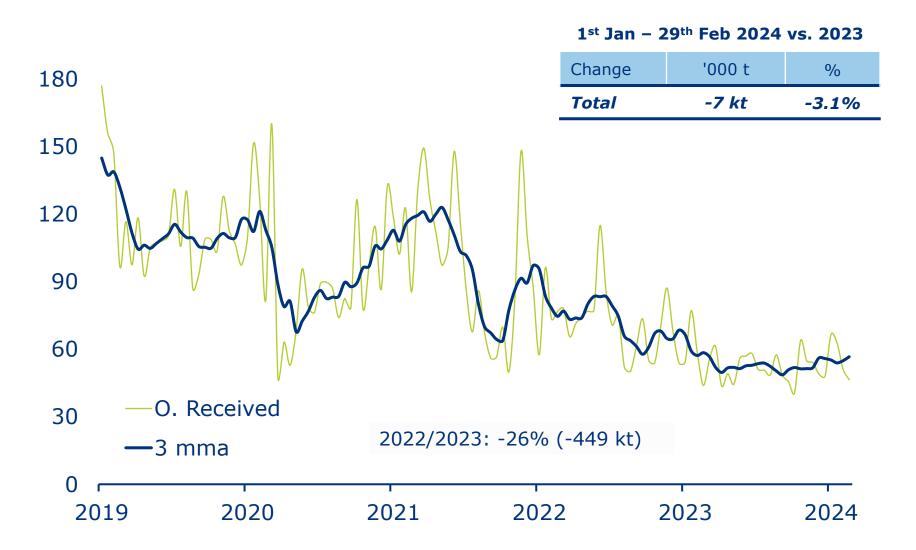
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SC - Orders Received

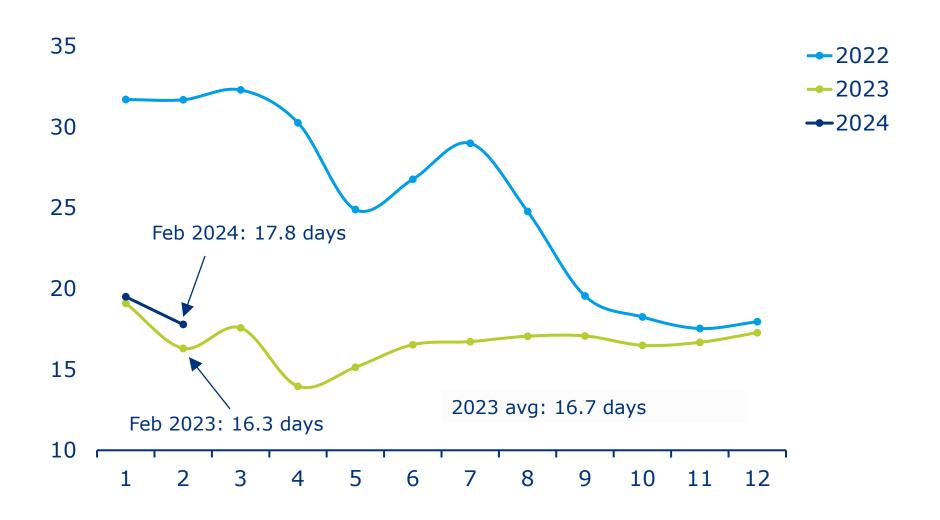
1st Jan 2019 – 29th Feb 2024 (half month periods - 000 tonnes)



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SC – Orders stocks

(days of supply)





◆ Coated Mechanical – CM (Reels + Sheets)



CM – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: -1.5% (-5 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	319 kt	314 kt	-1.5%	BE	12 kt	11 kt	-12%
DE	113 kt	96 kt	-15%	NL	7 kt	7 kt	+6.8%
FR	36 kt	41 kt	+13%	СН	7 kt	7 kt	-4.7%
GB	36 kt	31 kt	-14%	CZ	5 kt	7 kt	+33%
PL	27 kt	28 kt	+5.1%	AT	5 kt	7 kt	+26%
IT	23 kt	28 kt	+20%	SE	4 kt	5 kt	+23%
ES	15 kt	16 kt	+5.0%	Others	28 kt	31 kt	+12%



Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE to WE+EE excl. RU



CM - European demand by sub-quality

Jan-Feb 2024: -1.5% (-5 kt) (000 of tonnes)

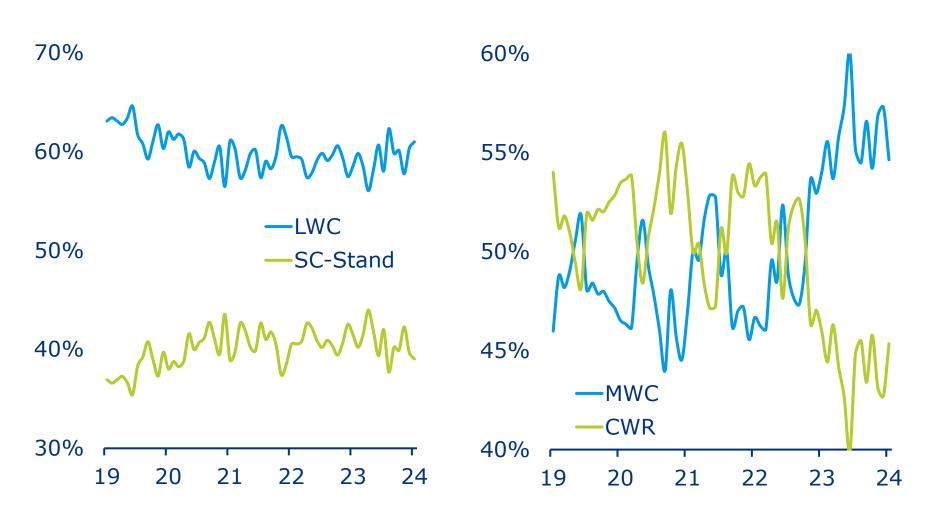


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CM – switches with SC and CWR

%-share of total



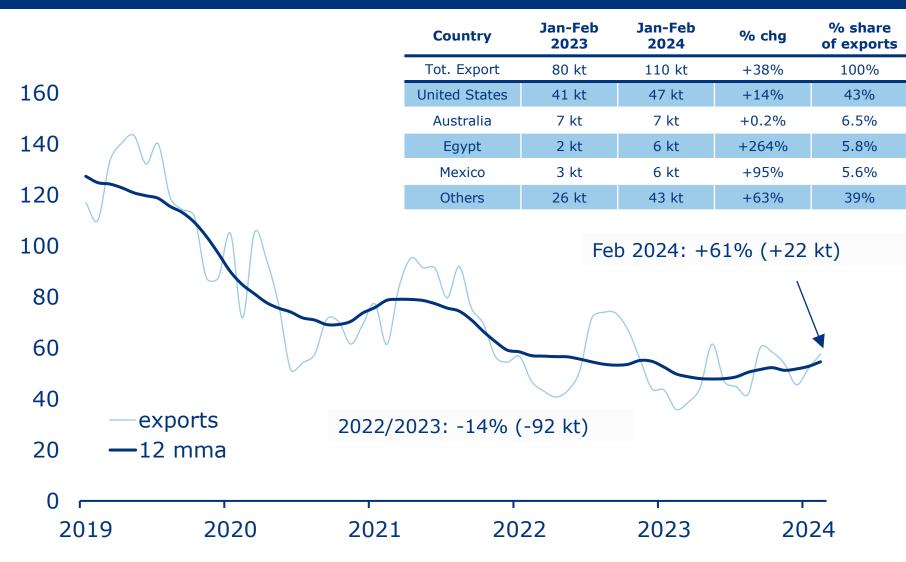
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From WE+EE (excl RU) to WE+EE (excl RU)



CM – European total exports

Jan-Feb 2024: +38% (+30 kt) - (000 tonnes)



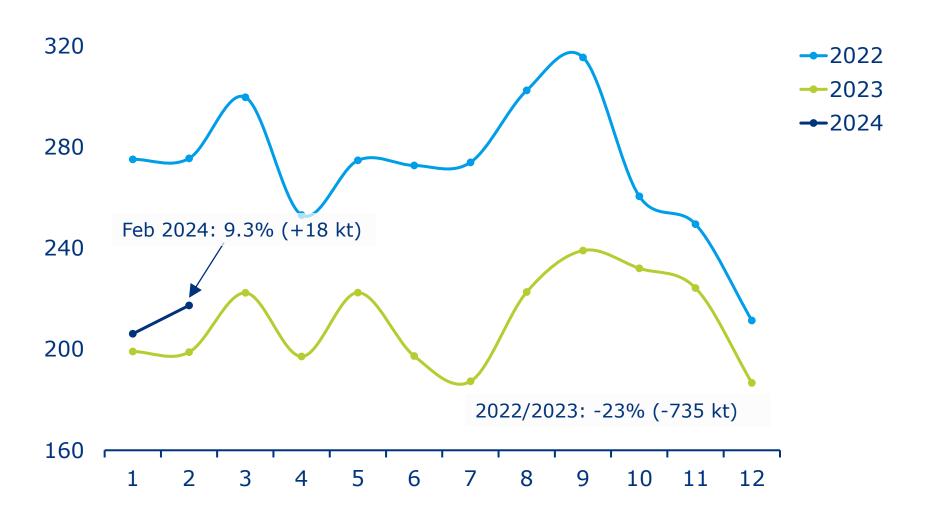
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From WE+EE (excl. RU) to all other markets



CM – European total deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: +6.4% (+25 kt) (000 of tonnes)



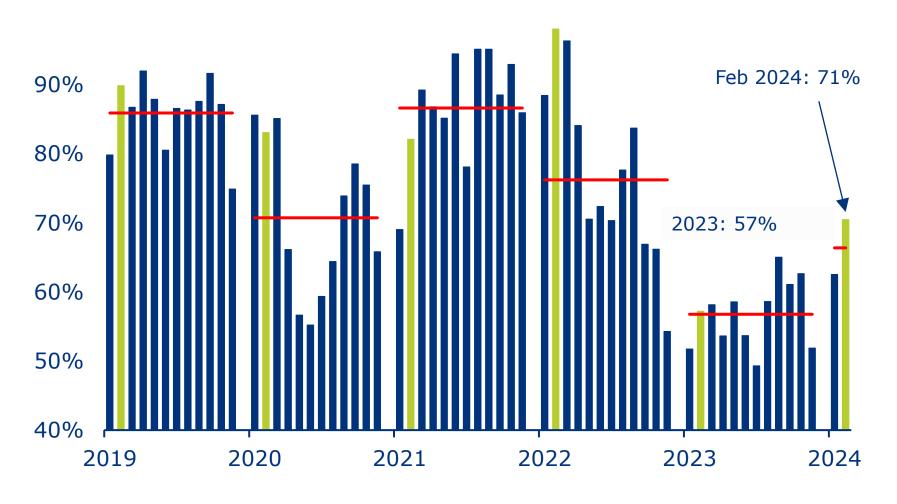
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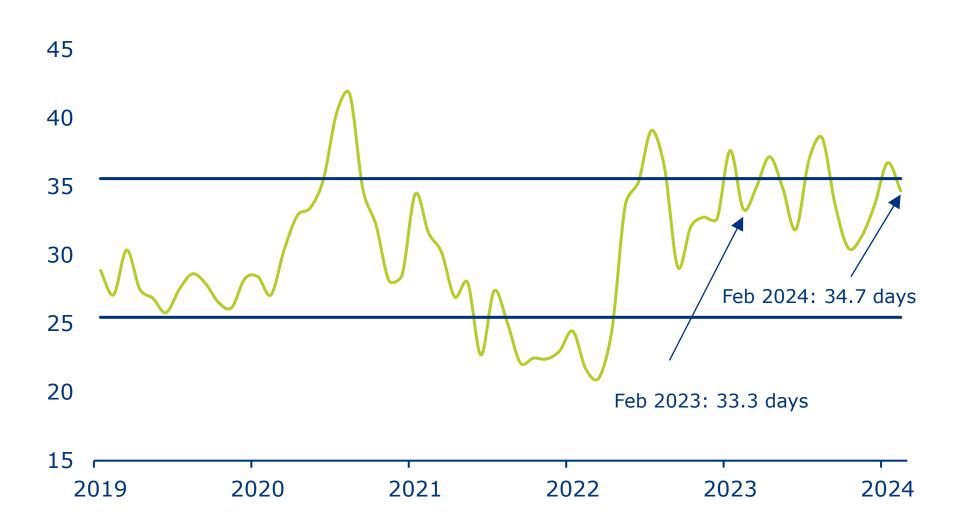
CM – delivery-to-capacity ratio

Jan-Feb 2024: 66% (2023: 54%)



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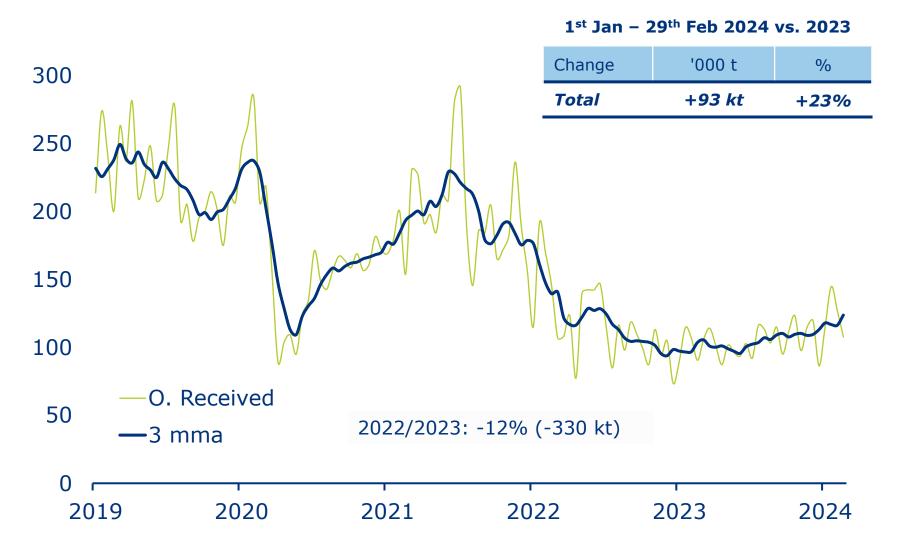
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CM - Orders Received

1st Jan 2019 – 29th Feb 2024 (half month periods - 000 tonnes)



CM – Orders stocks

(days of supply)





▼ Coated Woodfree Papers



CW – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: +24% (+76 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	312 kt	387 kt	+24%	NL	14 kt	15 kt	+4.9%
DE	81 kt	100 kt	+24%	BE	13 kt	14 kt	+9.6%
IT	37 kt	47 kt	+28%	CZ	8 kt	9 kt	+20%
FR	38 kt	45 kt	+18%	AT	7 kt	8 kt	+20%
GB	33 kt	41 kt	+24%	СН	6 kt	7 kt	+7.9%
ES	19 kt	25 kt	+37%	HU	3 kt	5 kt	+46%
PL	19 kt	24 kt	+28%	Others	35 kt	47 kt	+36%

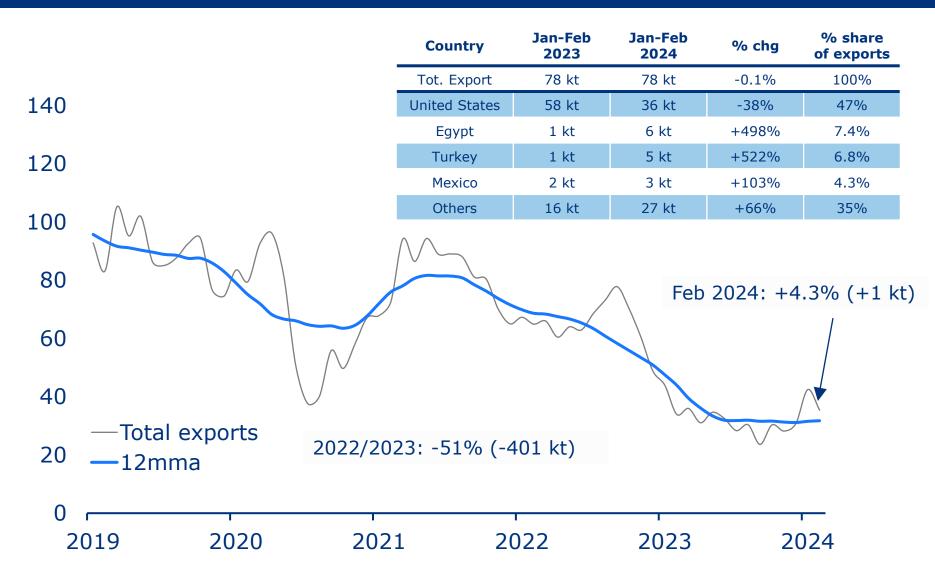


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CW – European total exports

Jan-Feb 2024: -0.1% (-0.1 kt) - (000 tonnes)



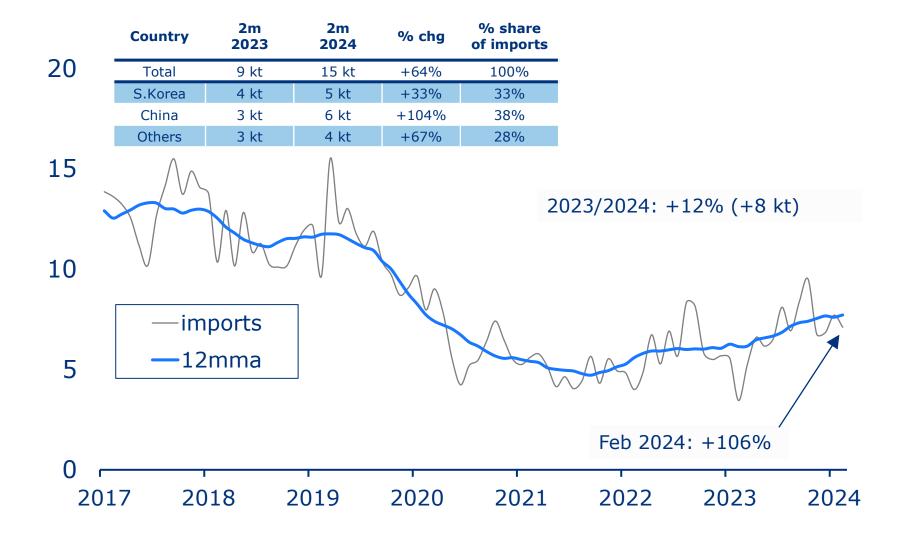
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CW – Total imports

Jan-Feb 2024: +64% (+6 kt) - (000 tonnes)

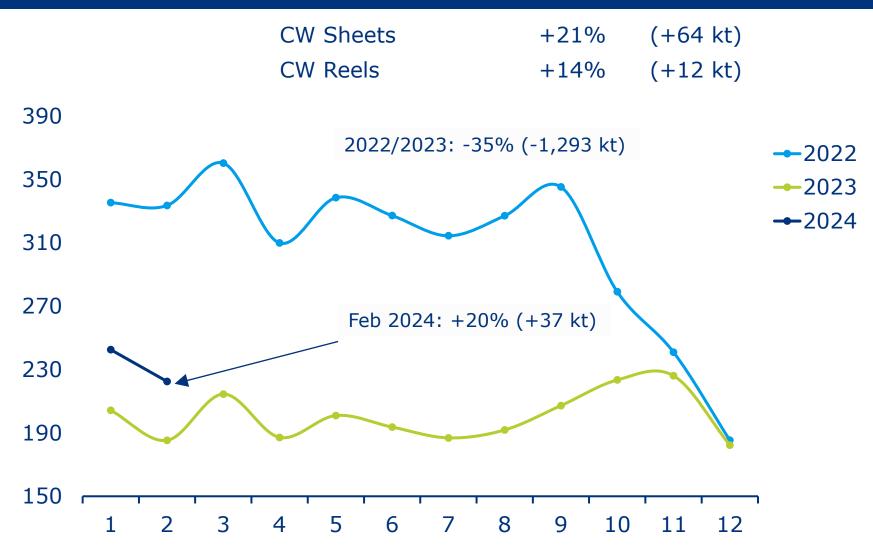


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CW – Total Europe deliveries

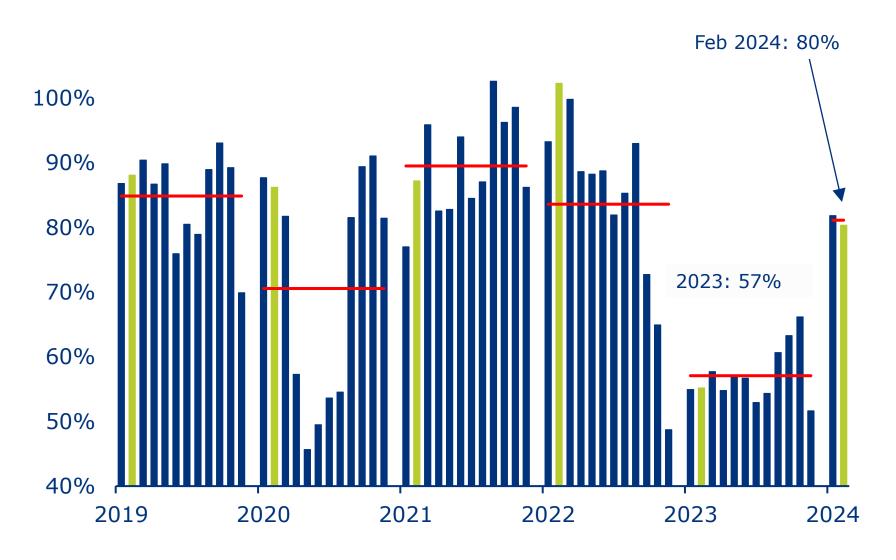
Jan-Feb 2024: +19% (+76 kt) (000 of tonnes)



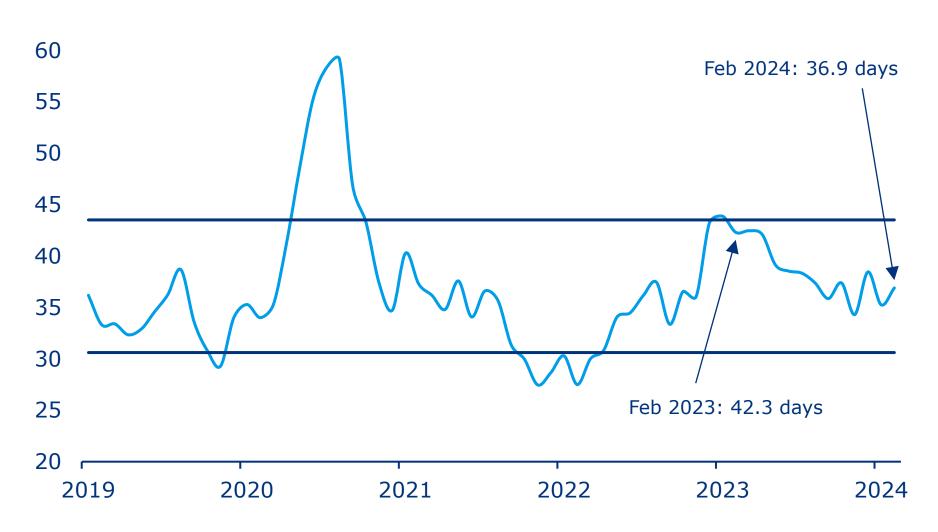


CW – Delivery-to-capacity

Jan-Feb 2024: 81% (2023: 55%)



Source: EURO-GRAPH Del from WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL destinations; Total Europe cap excl. RU



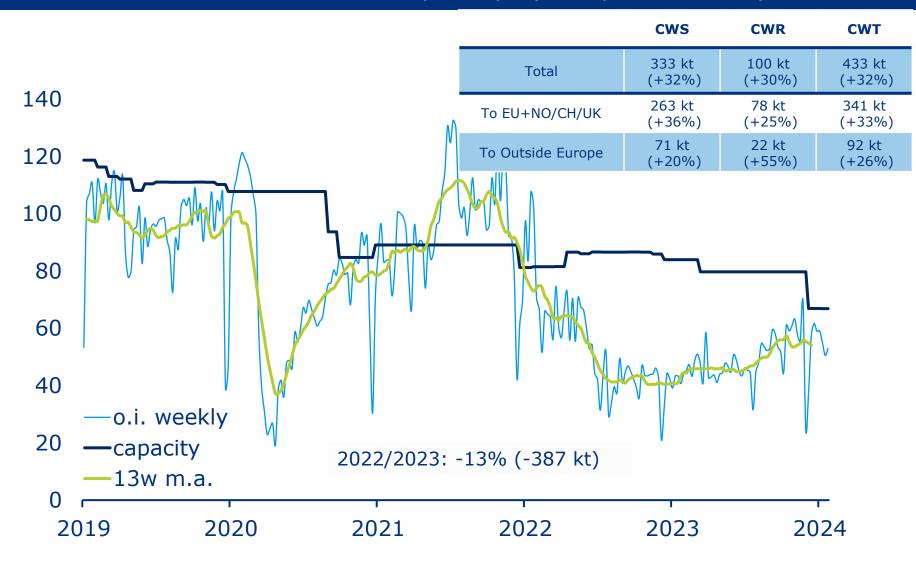
Source: EURO-GRAPH

Note: The range is given by the 5-year average +/- one standard deviation



CW - Order inflow to all destinations

8 weeks 2024 vs. 2023: +104 kt (+32%) - (weekly - 000 tonnes)



CW – Orders stocks

(days of supply)



CW – Summary by sub-quality

Jan-Feb 2024 vs. 2023 (% change y-o-y)

	CW Total	CW Sheets	CW Reels
Del to Europe	+24%	+28%	+12%
Total Deliveries	+19%	+21%	+14%
Imports	+64%	+61%	+84%
Exports	-0.1%	-5.0%	+23%



Uncoated Woodfree Papers



UW – European demand

Jan-Feb 2024: +19% (+115 kt) (000 of tonnes)

Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg
Europe	611 kt	726 kt	+19%	NL	26 kt	31 kt	+21%
DE	125 kt	146 kt	+16%	СН	20 kt	22 kt	+8.3%
FR	88 kt	97 kt	+11%	BE	16 kt	21 kt	+33%
IT	59 kt	73 kt	+24%	PT	13 kt	16 kt	+25%
GB	62 kt	68 kt	+8.7%	RO	8 kt	14 kt	+73%
PL	42 kt	56 kt	+31%	CZ	11 kt	14 kt	+23%
ES	48 kt	51 kt	+5.1%	Others	92 kt	118 kt	+28%



Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE to WE+EE excl. RU



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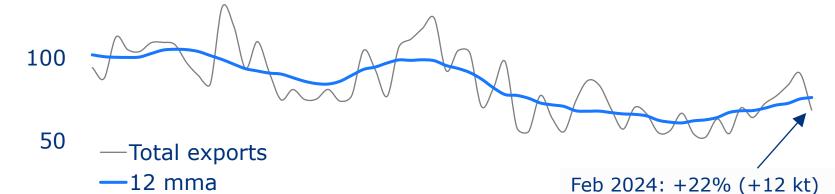
UW – European total exports

Jan-Feb 2024: +43% (+48 kt) - (000 tonnes)

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Country	Jan-Feb 2023	Jan-Feb 2024	% chg	% share of exports
Tot. Export	111 kt	160 kt	+43%	100%
Turkey	25 kt	37 kt	+48%	23%
Algeria	6 kt	32 kt	+450%	20%
United States	35 kt	17 kt	-50%	11%
Morocco	8 kt	15 kt	+74%	9.2%
Others	38 kt	59 kt	+58%	37%



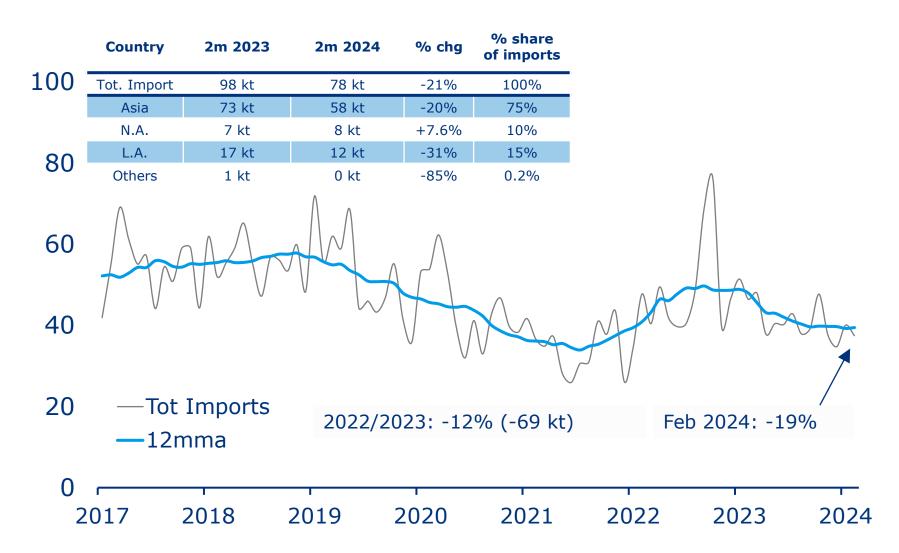




Source: EURO-GRAPH From WE+EE (excl. RU) to all other markets

UW – Total imports

Jan-Feb 2024: -21% (-20 kt) - (000 tonnes)

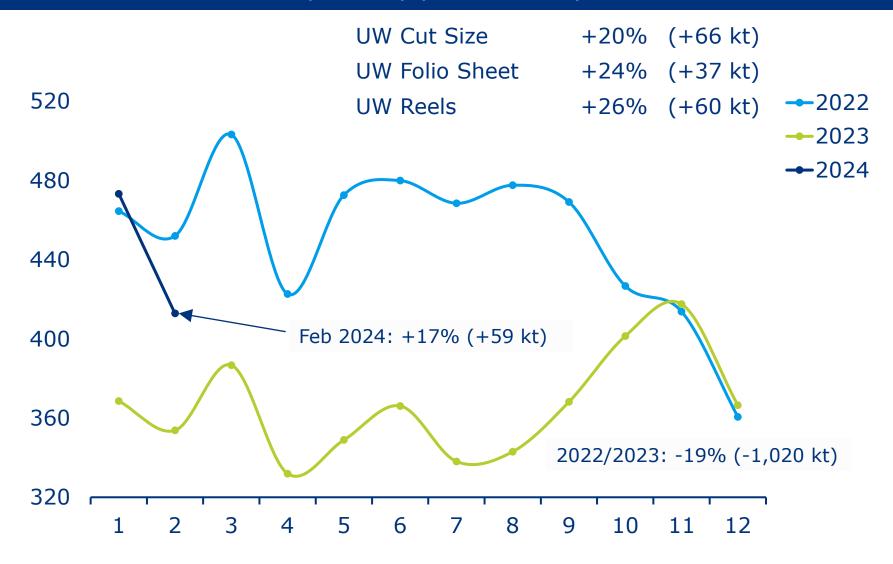


Source: EURO-GRAPH/Svan Data/PPPC



UW – Total deliveries

Jan-Feb 2024: +23% (+164 kt) (000 of tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH

From WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL markets

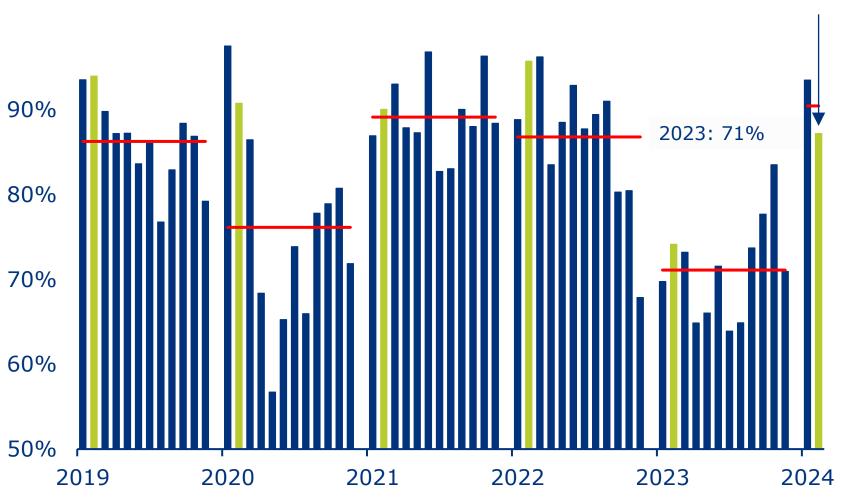


Source: EURO-GRAPH

UW - Delivery-to-capacity

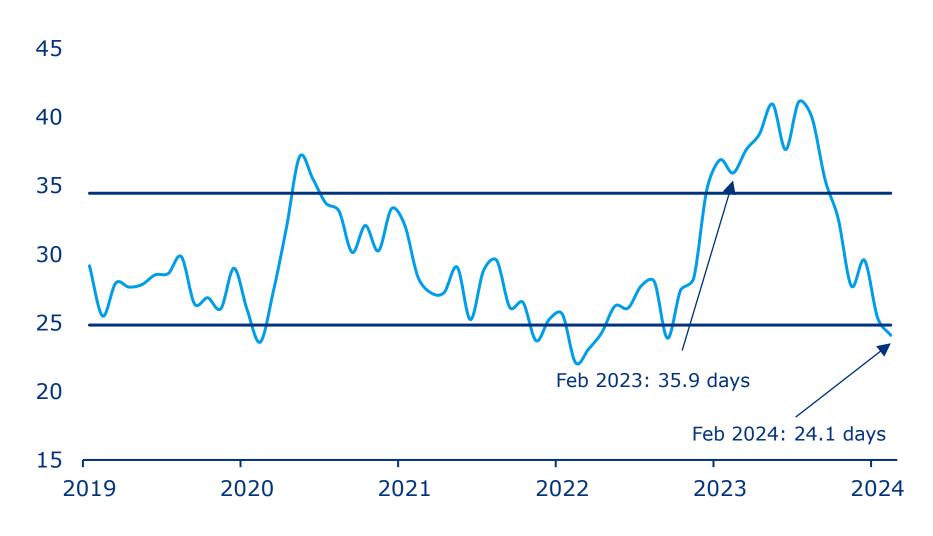
Jan-Feb 2024: 90% (2023: 72%)

Feb 2024: 87%



Del from WE+EE (excl. RU) to ALL destinations; Total Europe cap excl. RU

Source: EURO-GRAPH

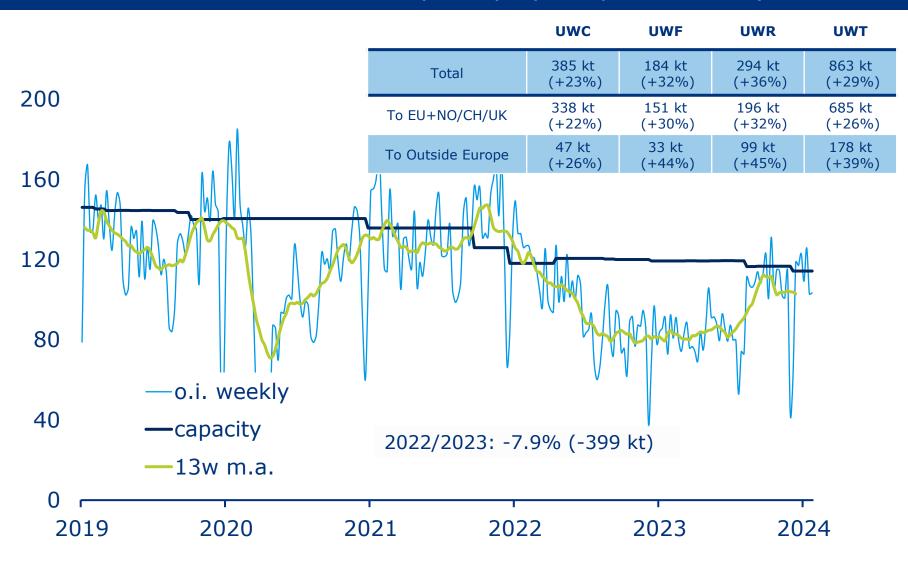


Note: The range is given by the 5-year average +/- one standard deviation



UW - Order inflow to all destinations

8 weeks 2024 vs. 2023: +193 kt (+29%) - (weekly - 000 tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH

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UW – Orders stocks

(days of supply)



Source: EURO-GRAPH

UW – Summary by sub-quality

Jan-Feb 2024 vs. 2023 (% change y-o-y)

	UW Total	UW Cut Size	UW Folio Sheet	UW Reels
Del to Europe	+19%	+17%	+28%	+15%
Total Deliveries	+23%	+20%	+24%	+26%
Imports	-21%	-18%	-24%	-30%
Exports	+43%	+46%	+1.0%	+58%

Source: EURO-GRAPH



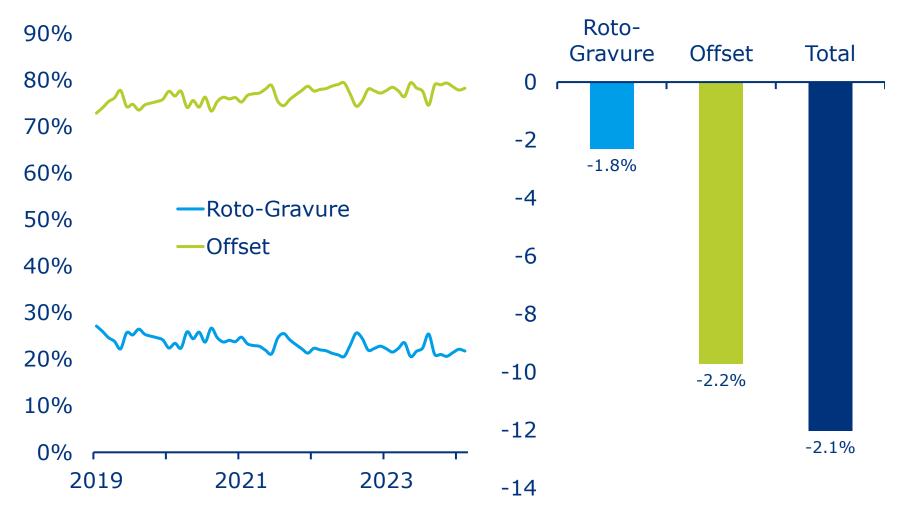
△ SC + CM / split by Roto/Offset



Source: EURO-GRAPH

SC+CM - European demand by roto/offset

Jan-Feb 2024: -2.1% (-12 kt) - by sub-quality (000 of tonnes)

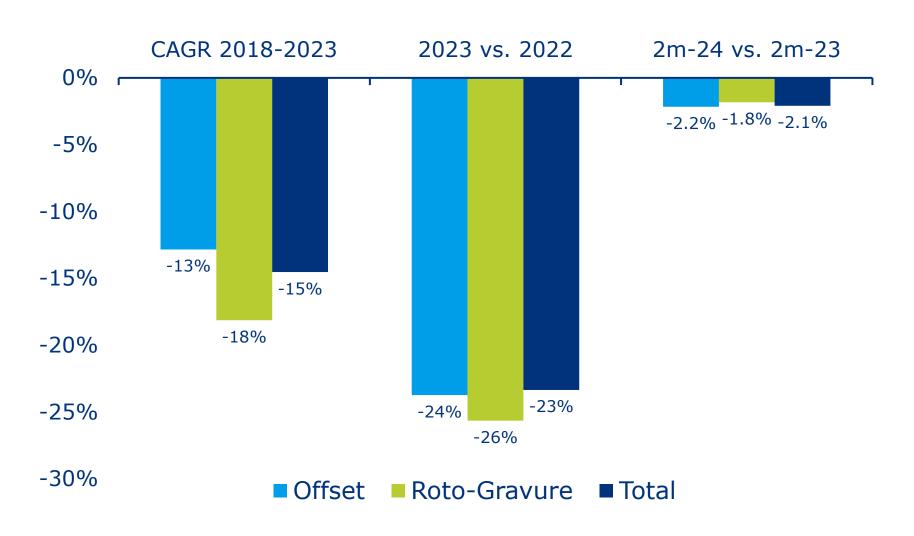




Source: EURO-GRAPH

SC+CM - European demand by roto/offset

Jan-Feb 2024: -2.1% (12 kt) (000 of tonnes)



From WE+EE (excl RU) to WE+EE (excl RU)



Financial issues

- ESTIMATES 2023 ACCOUNTS
- RECONFIRMATION BUDGET 2024 AND DIVISION OF COSTS

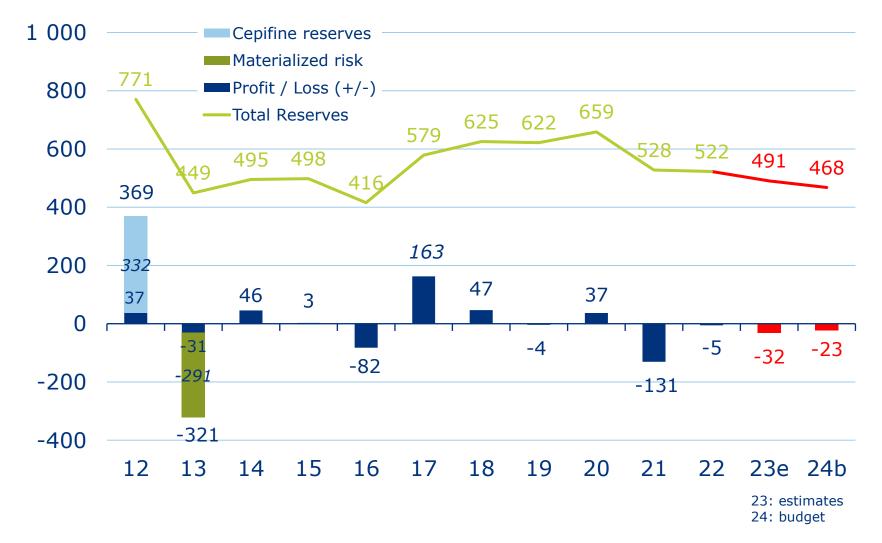


Estimates 2023 – Budget 2024

(in '000 €)	2021	2022	Bdg. 2023	Est. 2023	Bdg 2024
Personnel	434	443	375	373	376
Meetings & Travelling	3	13	20	20	20
Office & Administration	205 183 15		152	131	132
IT	116	113	100	112	110
Projects	441	447	8	6	5
Print Power	66	74	0	0	0
Two Sides	370	370			
Other projects	4	3	8	6	5
Total Expenses	1 199	1 200	655	642	643
Members contributions	1 056	1 170	585	585	590
"Regular" budget	656	735	585 0	585 0	590 0
Print Power	30	65			
Two Sides	370	370	0	0	0
Other Revenues	12	25	10	25	30
Total Income	1 068	1 195	595	610	620
Result	-131	-5	-60	-32	-23



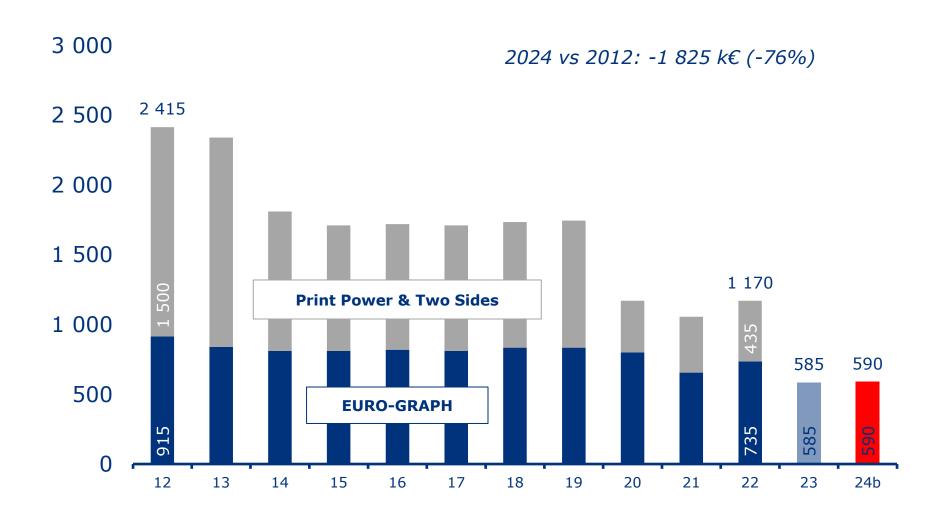
Reserves development – estimates 2023/24 (in 000 €)





Euro-Graph members contributions

nominal terms





Euro-Graph members contributions

nominal and real terms (2012 €)





Budget 2024 – split proposal

- Split of budget according to the AoA:
 - Between 10%-25% divided equally between all members
 - Between 75%-90% divided proportionally (based on deliveries of previous year)
 - **Agreed for 2024**: unchanged vs 2023, i.e. 17.5% fix / 82.5% proportional
- No charge for associate members.
- First invoice (50%) in January (based on Jan-Oct deliveries), second invoice (50%) in April (balance, based on Jan-Dec deliveries).



Budget 2024 – split proposal

	Company	% share	Fixed (17.5%)	Proportion al (82.5%)	Total 2024	1 st half – Jan 2024	2 nd half – Apr 2024
1	UPM-Kymmene	23.1%	4 500	112 581	117 081	59 462.00	57 619.00
2	Sappi	9.5%	4 500	46 410	50 910	25 162.00	25 748.00
3	The Navigator Company	7.7%	4 500	37 459	41 959	20 592.00	21 367.00
4	Norske Skog	7.0%	4 500	34 168	38 668	19 412.50	19 255.50
5	Holmen Paper	6.1%	4 500	29 757	34 257	17 173.00	17 084.00
6	Stora Enso	5.9%	4 500	28 604	33 104	16 624.00	16 480.00
7	Papierfabrik Palm	5.7%	4 500	27 773	32 273	16 124.00	16 149.00
8	Cartiere Burgo	4.9%	4 500	23 652	28 152	13 833.00	14 319.00
9	Mondi	4.3%	4 500	21 036	25 536	12 758.50	12 777.50
10	Sylvamo	3.8%	4 500	18 513	23 013	11 633.50	11 379.50
11	Lecta Group	3.6%	4 500	17 575	22 075	10 926.00	11 149.00
12	Arctic Paper	2.9%	4 500	14 091	18 591	9 311.50	9 279.50
13	Perlen Papier	2.6%	4 500	12 501	17 001	8 423.00	8 578.00
14	MM Board & Paper	2.0%	4 500	9 781	14 281	7 007.50	7 273.50
15	Steinbeis Papier	1.9%	4 500	9 035	13 535	6 840.50	6 694.50
16	Kabel Premium Pulp & Paper	1.5%	4 500	7 223	11 723	5 851.50	5 871.50
17	Leipa	1.4%	4 500	6 802	11 302	5 592.00	5 710.00
18	Heinzel - Laakirchen	1.3%	4 500	6 547	11 047	5 393.00	5 654.00
19	Fedrigoni Group	1.2%	4 500	6 007	10 507	5 318.50	5 188.50
20	Smurfit Kappa Group - Parenco	1.2%	4 500	5 979	10 479	5 256.00	5 223.00
21	Papresa	1.0%	4 500	5 072	9 572	4 820.50	4 751.50
22	Grupo Iberpapel Gestión (Zicunaga)	1.0%	4 500	4 935	9 435	4 765.50	4 669.50
23	Crown van Gelder	0.2%	4 500	999	5 499	2 720.00	2 779.00
	Grand Total	100.0%	103 500	486 500	590 000	295 000.00	295 000.00

Between 10%-25% divided equally (2023 = 17.5%;2024 = 17.5%) Between 75%-90% (2023 = 82.5%;2024 = 82.5%) divided proportionally (based on deliveries 2023). No charge for associate members. First invoice (50%) in January (based on Jan-Oct deliveries), second invoice (50%) in April (balance,

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Projects update

- ASSESSMENT OF THE EU ECOLABEL CRITERIA FOR GRAPHIC PAPERS
- REVISION OF ISO4046 (VOCABULARY FOR PULP, PAPER AND BOARD)



Revisions to EU Ecolabel

- Within the framework of the <u>EU Ecolabel Regulation (EU) 66/2010</u>, the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission has started the **assessment** of the <u>Commission Decision (EU) 2019/70</u>, establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for **graphic paper** and the EU Ecolabel criteria for **tissue paper** and **tissue products**.
- The assessment aims to verify the continued suitability and relevance of the abovementioned EU Ecolabel criteria (Commission Decision (EU) 2019/70) or their need to be revised.
- CEPI has requested that E-G members fill in an online survey regarding the revisions and provide comments that will enable the JRC to integrate the work under development and collect additional evidence on the investigated topics.
- CEPI key message: Ecolabel criteria for graphic paper (but also tissue paper and products) should not be revised before the revision of the Pulp and Paper BREF based on IED 2.0 is complete. This is because most of the data for determining the emission limits will come from the BREF, which sets the minimum standard to abide by i.e. the permits.



ISO 4046 revision - Project update

- Project aimed at revising the vocabulary of the ISO 4046 (standard for pulp, paper and board).
- Revision of over 600 terms related to paper production, paper and board machines, products (graphic papers, cartonboard, containerboard, pulp, specialty papers, etc.), finishing, treatment, converting, etc.
- Revisions: editorial; technical; update; new; deletion; ...
- 12 organizations (including E-G) supporting the project.
- Total budget ~200 000 € (over 5 years).
 - E-G share of the budget: 18 000 €
 - **✓** 3 000 € in 2022
 - **✓** 5 000 € in 2023
 - 4 000 € in 2024
 - 4 000 € in 2025
 - 2 000 € in 2026



ISO 4046 revision - Project update

- Project to be executed in several phases:
 - ✓ Discussion of the relevant terms and definitions with the participating stakeholders (until spring 2023).
 - ✓ Development of coordinated proposals for revision (until H2/2023).
 - ✓ Application for the revision at ISO, approvement process, setting up of working group (Q4 2023 / Q1 2024).
 - ISO activities until adoption of revised standard (from Q4 2023 until 2026). Iterative discussion, drafting, commenting and balloting processes are expected to last about three years.
 - End of January, DIN officially submitted the request for revision to ISO/TC6.
 Open items discussed and settled.
 - Distribution to member countries of ISO/TC6 expected in early March.
 Balloting period probably to be 3 months.
 - Further technical activities (discussion, commenting, re-drafting, balloting,...) as of the second half of 2024.



Other business

- DEFENSE MEASURES AGAINST IMPORT OF UW PAPERS
- MANDATE FOR ADMIN FORMALITIES
- ANY OTHER ISSUE



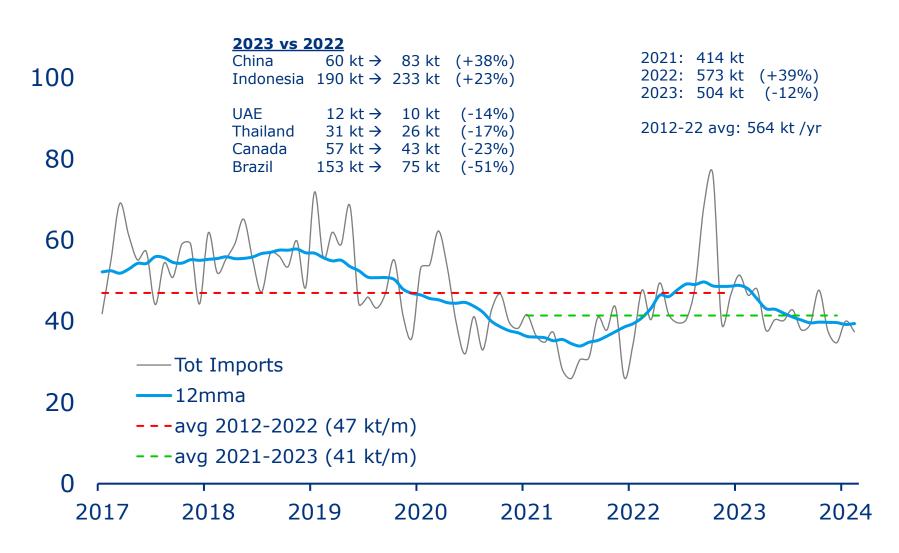
Defence measures – update

- March 2023: issue was raised; a group of companies showed interest; preliminary meeting with law firm (GIDE)
- May/June: reconfirmation of individual companies supporting the case
- June/July: set up of "Monitoring Tool" by CEPI
- July/November: data collection (GIDE)
- November/December: data aggregation and analysis (GIDE)
- December: conclusions of first monitoring report from GIDE
 - For the moment, no sufficient ground to move on and lodge a formal complaint (the market share of Chinese imports remains relatively modest, and the European industry profitability remained quite positive during the investigation period)

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UW – Total imports

Jan/Feb 2024: -21% (-20 kt) - (000 tonnes)



Source: EURO-GRAPH/Svan Data/PPPC

2024 partly estimated



Defence measures – update

- December recommendation:
 - To maintain a high level of alert and to continue monitoring the development of the market and of the imports
- Companies asked to comment on:
 - Possibility to extend the geographical scope (→ China and Indonesia are the key concerns, but possibly also UAE, S.Korea)
 - Possibility to restrict the products scope (→ UW sheets, possibly limited to A4)
- Based on the replies of the companies involved, GIDE will circulate a proposal on how to move forward (and possibly a new round of forms/questionnaires for data collection)



Admin proposal

• It is proposed to grant a power of attorney to Mr. Alain Costantini and Mr. Julian Delplanche, lawyers, with offices at 1435 Mont-Saint-Guibert, rue Emile Francqui 1, each of them empowered to act individually, to carry out all filing and publication formalities resulting from the decisions taken during this Board meeting.



Meeting Dates 2024



Meeting dates 2024

- Board
 - March 6th, 09h00-11h00 CET, online web-meeting
- G.A.
 - March 27th, at 09h00-12h00 CET, online web-meeting
- Board
 - June 11th, 11h30-14h30 CET, Sheraton Brussels Airport (<u>in person</u>)
- G.A.
 - June 20th, at 09h00-12h00 CET, online web-meeting
- Board
 - October 31st, 09h00-11h00 CET, online web-meeting
- G.A.
 - November 21st, at 09h00-12h00 CET, in person (Brussels)
- Meeting with EUGROPA Board
 - November 21st, at 13h00-14h00 CET, in person (Brussels)

Thank you!



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