

EUWID Price Review France

Second quarter 2025

Prices in € per tonne free delivered
unless otherwise stated

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First quarter 2025

Second quarter 2024

Recovered paper (prices ex works)

Mixed paper and board (1.02)	50 - 85	30 - 60	60 - 95
Supermarket corrugated paper and board (1.04)	95 - 130	60 - 95	80 - 120
Old corrugated containers (1.05)	115 - 150	80 - 115	100 - 140
Sorted graphic paper for deinking (1.11)	105 - 115	90 - 100	100 - 130
Intra-Europe exports from France (1.11)	120 - 140	110 - 130	110 - 150
Coloured letters (2.06)	165 - 185	165 - 185	140 - 180
Multi printing (3.10)	195 - 205	195 - 205	195 - 225
White woodfree uncoated shavings (3.18.01)	390 - 405	390 - 405	400 - 435

Fine paper

Woodfree uncoated			
Copy paper 80 g A4 B grade	950 - 1,060	950 - 1,080	1,030 - 1,170
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade	900 - 1,010	900 - 1,030	980 - 1,120
Offset sheets 80 g	980 - 1,070	980 - 1,070	1,040 - 1,140
Offset reels 80 g	900 - 1,000	900 - 1,000	980 - 1,100
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g	980 - 1,080	980 - 1,080	1,030 - 1,150
Reels, double coated, 100 g	910 - 1,020	910 - 1,020	990 - 1,100

Publication paper

Standard newsprint 45 g	600 - 630	600 - 630	570 - 610
Standard newsprint 42 g	610 - 640	610 - 640	580 - 620
Improved newsprint ISO 68, 52 g	650 - 680	650 - 680	620 - 660
LWC offset 60 g	770 - 820	770 - 830	770 - 830
LWC rotogravure 60 g	780 - 830	780 - 840	780 - 840
SC offset 56 g (A)	670 - 710	670 - 720	670 - 720
SC rotogravure 56 g (A)	670 - 710	670 - 720	680 - 730

Corrugated case material

Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner 175 g+	780 - 910	720 - 870	640 - 830
Semi-chemical fluting	640 - 700	640 - 700	570 - 710
White-top kraftliner 140 g	880 - 990	840 - 990	770 - 950
Recycled corrugated case material			
Recycled fluting 100 g	640 - 705	580 - 665	580 - 645
Recycled fluting 90 g	650 - 720	590 - 680	590 - 660
Testliner II	660 - 730	600 - 690	600 - 670
Testliner III	650 - 715	590 - 675	590 - 655
White-top testliner, grade B, 140 g	720 - 790	680 - 790	640 - 770

Cartonboard

GD II	840 - 970	810 - 940	810 - 940
GC II	1,140 - 1,330	1,140 - 1,330	1,100 - 1,280

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Yet, discounts have apparently been applied here and there. Players on the GC market commented there was growing downward pressure and they were noticing some tension and aggressive pricing in Europe. The start-up of the new board machine at Stora Enso's Oulu mill had intensified competition and supply-side pressure, they said. Moreover, Asian suppliers are increasingly offering cartonboard at cheap prices in Europe, according to insiders. The decline in pulp prices had also provided some buyers with

an additional argument for their demands for price reductions.

In France, special prices were agreed here and there in July, but market participants stressed that these were exceptions and the majority of GC 2 prices on the French market were stable. The pressure from Asian suppliers had been more pronounced in other European countries, they said. In France, overseas producers traditionally play less of a role, although they are said to have been more present recently here, as well. Fur-

thermore, as one producer notes, wood is still very expensive, adding that the current margins do not allow for price reductions.

However, some market participants did not rule out the possibility of falling prices for GC 2 in France in the coming months. One respondent noted this would depend on several factors, for example, how much business picks up again after the summer and how the tariff conflict with the USA unfolds and whether or not this results in

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