

EUWID Price Watch France

September 2026

Prices in € per tonne free delivered unless otherwise stated	September 2026	August 2026	September 2025
Fine paper			
Woodfree uncoated			
Copy paper 80 g A4 B grade	880 - 970	880 - 990	890 - 1,000
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade	820 - 920	820 - 940	840 - 950
Offset sheets 80 g	920 - 990	920 - 1,030	920 - 1,020
Offset reels 80 g	850 - 940	870 - 950	850 - 950
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g	930 - 1,010	940 - 1,050	950 - 1,040
Reels, double coated, 100 g	890 - 950	900 - 990	890 - 970
Publication paper			
Standard newsprint 45 g	615 - 640	615 - 640	600 - 630
Standard newsprint 42 g	625 - 650	625 - 650	610 - 640
Improved newsprint ISO 68, 52 g	655 - 680	655 - 680	650 - 680
LWC offset 60 g	790 - 820	790 - 820	760 - 810
LWC rotogravure 60 g	800 - 830	800 - 830	770 - 820
SC offset 56 g (A)	670 - 700	670 - 700	660 - 710
SC rotogravure 56 g (A)	670 - 700	670 - 700	660 - 710
Corrugated case material			
Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner 175 g+	950 - 1,050	870 - 970	770 - 880
Semi-chemical fluting	660 - 710	660 - 710	620 - 690
White-top kraftliner 140 g	990 - 1,110	940 - 1,050	880 - 990
Recycled corrugated case material			
Recycled fluting 100 g	730 - 765	670 - 705	590 - 625
Recycled fluting 90 g	740 - 780	680 - 720	600 - 640
Testliner 2	750 - 790	690 - 730	610 - 650
Testliner 3	740 - 775	680 - 715	600 - 635
White-top testliner, grade B, 140 g	760 - 820	720 - 780	700 - 770
Cartonboard			
GD 2	830 - 960	830 - 960	840 - 970
GC 2	1,100 - 1,295 ¹⁾	1,100 - 1,295 ¹⁾	1,120 - 1,330

¹⁾ Prices include temporary surcharges of up to €35/t.© 2026 EUWID Europäischer Wirtschaftsdienst GmbH
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at the beginning of November. The announcements had come at much too short notice and implementation from October was impossible simply due to the delivery time, commented one packaging producer.

At the time of the EUWID market survey, the price talks had not yet concluded. Suppliers and buyers expected, though, that the full amount of the targeted price increases would not be implemented. Most respondents expected mark-ups of €40-50/t. One producer said he would try to introduce a second step in November and expected the total increase to reach around €60/t. A different supplier, by contrast, plans to implement a single price step in October and sign quarterly contracts valid until the end of the year.

The survey respondents did agree that a price hike would definitely occur. It was not a question of whether, but rather when and by how much prices would be raised, said one merchant. The cost

pressure was too intense due to steep increases in energy, transport and chemicals costs, EUWID was told. Other GD producers also seem determined to stick to their price demands. "This is not about improving margins for us. We simply cannot continue on like this," said a different producer.

Market players said demand for GD board was not spectacular in September, although certainly better than in the traditionally quiet month of August. Some of the suppliers and customers surveyed by EUWID described a relatively normal start after the summer break, in line with the trend of recent months (excluding August). Others, however, said demand in September was weaker than usual. Delivery times for GD 2 were often between two and four weeks, respondents said.

Demand was also unexceptional in FBB segment in September, the market survey found. Packaging and cartonboard consumption remains generally weak and supply continues to outstrip demand.

However, the closure of the two mills belonging to the insolvent Folbb group did positively influence order intake for some producers that make comparable grades. The affected suppliers reported that demand had improved somewhat. Yet, respondents believe that the absence of Folbb will have only a limited effect on the GC market in the long run, as the capacity overhang persists.

Producers in the FBB segment also announced price increases during September. Like their peers in the WLC segment, they cited sharply rising production and logistics costs as their argument. Some players were initially cautious, but once the market leaders had sent pricing announcements to their customers, the smaller suppliers followed suit.

Depending on the supplier, the envisaged amounts for GC range from €50-100/t. Where €100 is being targeted, previously implemented

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