

## EUWID Price Watch Germany

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Prices in € per tonne free delivered unless otherwise stated	February 2026	January 2026	February 2025
<b>Fine paper</b>			
Woodfree uncoated			
A4 C-grade, branded paper	780 - 850	780 - 850	900 - 1,000
A4 C-grade, non-branded paper	770 - 800	770 - 800	850 - 950
Offset sheets 80 g	890 - 960	890 - 960	1,000 - 1,110
Offset reels 80 g	870 - 900	870 - 900	940 - 1,010
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g	870 - 950	870 - 950	1,000 - 1,110
Reels, double coated, 100 g	850 - 900	850 - 900	920 - 990
<b>Publication paper</b>			
Newsprint 45 g (coldset)	575 - 590	575 - 590	600 - 625
Newsprint 42.5 g (coldset)	585 - 600	585 - 600	610 - 635
Newsprint 45 g (heatset)	570 - 590	570 - 590	600 - 625
LWC offset 60 g	770 - 800	770 - 800	780 - 810
SC offset 56 g (A)	660 - 675	660 - 675	680 - 700
SC rotogravure 56 g (A)	660 - 680	660 - 680	680 - 700
<b>Corrugated case material</b>			
Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner from Scandinavia 175 g	850 - 870	850 - 870	810 - 830
Semi-chemical corrugated medium <sup>1)</sup>	775 - 980	775 - 980	775 - 1,000
White-top kraftliner 140 g	1,070 - 1,150	1,070 - 1,150	1,050 - 1,130
Recycled corrugated case material			
Schrenz	540 - 550	540 - 550	610 - 630
Wellenstoff	570 - 580	570 - 580	640 - 660
Testliner II	600 - 610	600 - 610	670 - 690
Testliner III	580 - 590	580 - 590	650 - 670
White-top testliner, coated	890 - 910	890 - 910	890 - 930
White-top testliner, 140 g, ISO 70-75	770 - 785	770 - 785	770 - 785
<b>Cartonboard</b>			
Unlined chipboard	775 - 795	775 - 795	795 - 825
GD II	850 - 900	850 - 900	870 - 930
GC II	1,140 - 1,175	1,140 - 1,175	1,240 - 1,275

<sup>1)</sup> Prices at the upper end of the range represent Scandinavian primary fibre grades, lower-end prices are quoted for other European grades.

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Against this backdrop, a more resolute pricing strategy is taking shape as industry representatives signal their determination to implement the announced price increases consistently and in full, according to some market players. Other EUWID respondents believe this measure is aimed at increasing the average prices and at least eliminating the so-called special or object prices, which are often well below the otherwise typical price range.

#### Dissatisfaction among producers of graphic recycled papers

Players in the market for coated and uncoated recycled printing and writing paper express dissatisfaction with their business volumes. Demand has been rather weak recently, which experts attribute to the generally sluggish economy. In ad-

dition to the weak economic environment, ongoing digitalisation is also weighing on the market. Machine utilisation rates remain unsatisfactory in many places. Only a few manufacturers are reportedly managing to buck the market trend and gain additional volumes. Overall, however, buyers report no difficulties in securing supplies of coated and uncoated recycled papers.

Even the financial difficulties at the Hainsberg paper mill – which has been idled since January and is now in insolvency proceedings – have not significantly affected the overall supply situation, according to several market experts. Should customers seek alternative sources, European producers are said to be ready and willing to step in, EUWID was told.

The structural demand decline is also weighing heavily on the market for recycled magazine

and catalogue papers. The LWC market is shaped by excess supply, including strong competition amongst the various publication paper grades. Availability remains ample, and low prices are reportedly being offered for spot transactions, particularly in markets outside Germany.

There are no indications of growth in delivery volumes for either coated or uncoated recycled paper. Demand is stalled and the substitution of fresh-fibre papers has recently slowed due to the large price differences, industry experts agree.

Even though the recycled papers segment is known for stable pricing, industry experts noted a certain willingness to compromise on the part of producers around the turn of the year. Faced with low fine paper prices, manufacturers of recycled grades came under pressure and reportedly

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