

## EUWID Price Watch Poland

First quarter 2026

Prices in PLN/€ per tonne free delivered	First quarter 2026	Fourth quarter 2025	First quarter 2025
<b>Graphic paper</b>			
Woodfree uncoated			
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade in PLN/t	3,300 - 3,650	3,275 - 3,750	3,675 - 4,075
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade in €/t	770 - 852	779 - 892	879 - 975
Offset sheets 80 g in PLN/t	3,650 - 4,000	3,625 - 4,000	3,975 - 4,275
Offset sheets 80 g in €/t	852 - 933	862 - 951	951 - 1,023
Offset reels 80 g in PLN/t	3,450 - 3,600	3,450 - 3,800	3,850 - 4,175
Offset reels 80 g in €/t	805 - 840	821 - 904	921 - 999
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g in PLN/t	3,700 - 4,000	3,800 - 4,125	4,275 - 4,600
Sheets, double coated, 100 g in €/t	863 - 933	900 - 980	1,023 - 1,101
Reels, double coated, 100 g in PLN/t	3,500 - 3,650	3,525 - 3,800	3,975 - 4,175
Reels, double coated, 100 g in €/t	817 - 852	840 - 900	951 - 999
<b>Publication paper in €/t</b>			
Standard newsprint 45 g	550 - 565	560 - 585	580 - 610
LWC offset 60 g	720 - 745	740 - 760	750 - 800
SC offset 56 g (A)	620 - 650	650 - 670	660 - 710
<b>Packaging paper in €/t</b>			
Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner from Europe 175 g	710 - 740	730 - 760	670 - 780
White-top kraftliner 140 g	910 - 1,010	920 - 1,030	900 - 990
Recycled corrugated case material			
Recycled fluting	400 - 495	410 - 495	420 - 555
Testliner II	440 - 525	450 - 525	460 - 585
Testliner III	420 - 505	430 - 505	440 - 565
White-top testliner 140 g	520 - 570	520 - 590	540 - 650
<b>Cartonboard in €/t</b>			
GD II	730 - 770	770 - 810	790 - 830
GC II	1,000 - 1,100	1,050 - 1,100	1,150 - 1,200

Exchange rate as of 2 April 2026: 1 PLN = €0.2333

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In many cases, the downward trajectory in brown kraftliner prices came to an end in December in Poland, wrapping up in January in just isolated cases. The market was then stable later on in the first quarter. At the same time, there are more and more indicators that the market climate is becoming more robust.

While no noticeable tightening was observed in the first three months, converters are now reporting longer lead times and reduced short-term availability. For April and May, significantly higher volumes of kraftliner have already been allocated for corrugated production, making additional tonnages harder to secure.

Experts said that these developments were taking place against a backdrop of plans to reduce kraftliner capacity in the US, which had shifted global supply streams and improved capacity utilisation at European kraftliner mills. Buyers fear that the situation will likely intensify later on this year as the season of strong demand arrives in southern Europe.

Kraftliner manufacturers have notified their customers of plans to invoice €80-100/t more, although these higher prices will take place with a delay. A few suppliers are planning to raise their prices as early as April, but one key manufacturer for Poland said that it was eyeing a mark-up only from May onwards. Bearing this in mind, market players anticipate that higher kraftliner prices will not apply across the board until then. Producers are eyeing hikes of the same size for white-top kraftliner.

#### Polish corrugated board market still on an upward trajectory in the first quarter

The Polish corrugated board and corrugated board packaging market sustained its positive momentum at the start of the year, setting it apart from many other European countries.

Information from market players indicated that deliveries were three to six per cent higher than last year in January and February 2026. Many plants are busy as a result, although customer structures do

play a role here. Plants with a strong customer base in the automotive industry continued to report slacker demand. On the other hand, the food and consumer goods segment, in particular, and the furniture production business were stable to robust, underpinning the good overall performance.

This dynamic trend continued in March, not least supported by seasonal effects linked to Easter business. Well-filled order books indicated that April would be another strong month. Market players told EUWID that they had seen no signs of the positive trend in demand slowing.

#### Downward pressure on cartonboard vanishes, with many companies announcing price hikes

Businesses active on Poland's cartonboard market entered 2026 with muted expectations. They anticipated a rather challenging climate, citing the lack of growth momentum for folding carton packaging in Europe, new capacity and ongoing

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