

EUWID Price Watch Poland

Second quarter 2026

Prices in PLN/€ per tonne free delivered	Second quarter 2026	First quarter 2026	Second quarter 2025
Graphic paper			
Woodfree uncoated			
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade in PLN/t	3,575 - 3,875	3,300 - 3,650	3,650 - 4,150
Copy paper 80 g A4 C grade in €/t	830 - 900	770 - 852	859 - 975
Offset sheets 80 g in PLN/t	3,875 - 4,100	3,650 - 4,000	3,975 - 4,350
Offset sheets 80 g in €/t	900 - 952	852 - 933	935 - 1,023
Offset reels 80 g in PLN/t	3,625 - 3,825	3,450 - 3,600	3,850 - 4,175
Offset reels 80 g in €/t	842 - 888	805 - 840	906 - 982
Woodfree coated			
Sheets, double coated, 100 g in PLN/t	3,875 - 4,300	3,700 - 4,000	4,200 - 4,550
Sheets, double coated, 100 g in €/t	900 - 998	863 - 933	988 - 1,071
Reels, double coated, 100 g in PLN/t	3,700 - 4,000	3,500 - 3,650	3,950 - 4,125
Reels, double coated, 100 g in €/t	859 - 929	817 - 852	929 - 971
Publication paper in €/t			
Standard newsprint 45 g	560 - 585	550 - 565	580 - 600
LWC offset 60 g	750 - 785	720 - 745	750 - 790
SC offset 56 g (A)	630 - 670	620 - 650	660 - 700
Packaging paper in €/t			
Primary fibre corrugated case material			
Unbleached kraftliner from Europe 175 g	770 - 860	710 - 740	730 - 820
White-top kraftliner 140 g	950 - 1,090	910 - 1,010	940 - 1,030
Recycled corrugated case material			
Recycled fluting	500 - 555	400 - 495	500 - 595
Testliner II	540 - 585	440 - 525	540 - 625
Testliner III	520 - 565	420 - 505	520 - 605
White-top testliner 140 g	560 - 610	520 - 570	580 - 650
Cartonboard in €/t			
GD II	750 - 800	730 - 770	820 - 860
GC II	1,000 - 1,130	1,000 - 1,100	1,150 - 1,200

Exchange rate as of 10 July 2026: 1 PLN = €0.2322

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defend prices is the availability of export orders booked at the start of the year. These shipments were postponed because demand in Europe proved sufficient and stronger than expected. Should European demand weaken seasonally in the coming weeks, producers hope that the deferred volumes could be redirected to export markets, thereby easing pressure on prices in Europe.

The market for brown kraftliner has been more dynamic of late. Following a €60/t hike in April, key suppliers implemented a further €60/t increase in Poland in mid-June, taking the total increase since January to €120/t. Unlike recycled grades, kraftliner prices have therefore risen above the levels recorded in summer 2025.

White-top kraftliner prices also increased, with producers implementing hikes of €40/t in both April and mid-June.

Converters told EUWID that negotiations with kraftliner suppliers had been exceptionally one-sided. Paper manufacturers clearly held the

upper hand, supported by healthy order books and relatively tight global kraftliner supply. Several market players said that they were even relieved that the increase was ultimately limited to €60/t rather than the €80/t discussed at an earlier stage.

The gap between kraftliner and testliner prices on the Polish market has become even wider after the latest hikes and is now well above the long-term average of around €200.

Experts therefore expect packaging manufacturers to scrutinise even more closely whether kraftliner is genuinely needed or can be replaced by recycled grades. From the paper industry's perspective, however, a much stronger shift towards substitution could become problematic, as fresh fibre is essential to keep the paper recycling loop running properly.

Despite the tighter market situation, converters reported no problems securing kraftliner. Contracted volumes were arriving on schedule, with no signs of longer lead times or precautionary

stockbuilding, respondents in the Polish market told EUWID.

Corrugated board market continues to grow in the second quarter

The Polish corrugated board and packaging market maintained its strong performance in the second quarter, continuing to outperform many other European markets. Market sources said that several producers recorded significantly higher sales volumes in the first half of 2026 than in the same period last year. Companies also report good order books for July. Official market data shows growth of around 3 to 3.5 per cent for Poland up to and including May.

That said, the second quarter was not quite as buoyant as the start of the year for all producers. Several corrugated board and packaging companies reported lower order intake than in the first quarter, although business remained positive overall.

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