

EPF's 5 Strategic Directions

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EUROPEAN PANEL FEDERATION
WOOD - BASED PANELS

role model industry

ROLE MODEL INDUSTRY - "TRANSFORMING EUROPE INTO A NET ZERO ECONOMY"

- Be recognised in society for carbon neutrality, resource efficiency and circularity
- Lead the way on transformational projects such as New European Bauhaus
- Highlight the attractiveness of a safe and fulfilling career in our sector

climate

CLIMATE - "MAKE CLIMATE REGULATION WORK FOR OUR INDUSTRY"

- Secure the cascade use of wood at the heart of climate legislation
- Recognise tangibly the natural carbon storage effect of wood-based panels
- Drive engagement in the Green Deal and make panels central in climate related policies

wood availability

WOOD AVAILABILITY - "SECURE ACCESS TO OUR KEY RAW MATERIAL"

- Determine how much wood is sustainably available in Europe, and verify if it is enough
- Ensure level playing field access to sufficient wood materials to meet demand for panels
- Work with EU institutions and policy makers to define EU standards for all wood types

harmonisation

HARMONISATION - "SUPPORT ONE HARMONISED EUROPE, AND AVOID FRAGMENTATION"

- Develop harmonised European standards for products and applications
- Agree common Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) definitions for informed consumer choice
- Uphold and support the European single market against Member State fragmentation

regulation

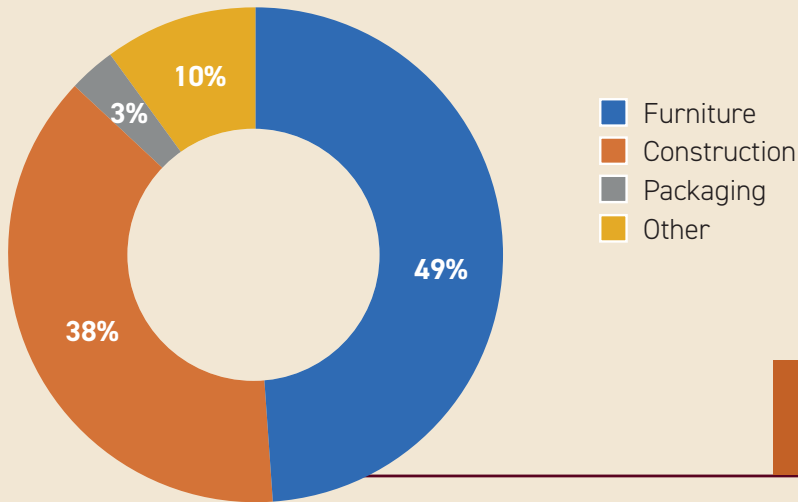
REGULATION - "DEFEND THE INDUSTRY AGAINST EXCESSIVE REGULATION"

- Welcome regulation, provided it is appropriate, effective and fair; less can be more
- Engage positively with authorities to help shape European regulation and standards
- Promote an evidence led approach in the setting of compliance limits

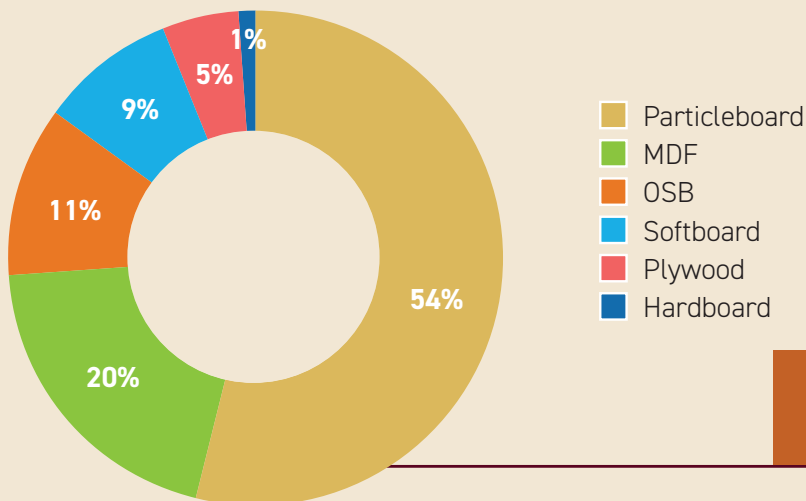


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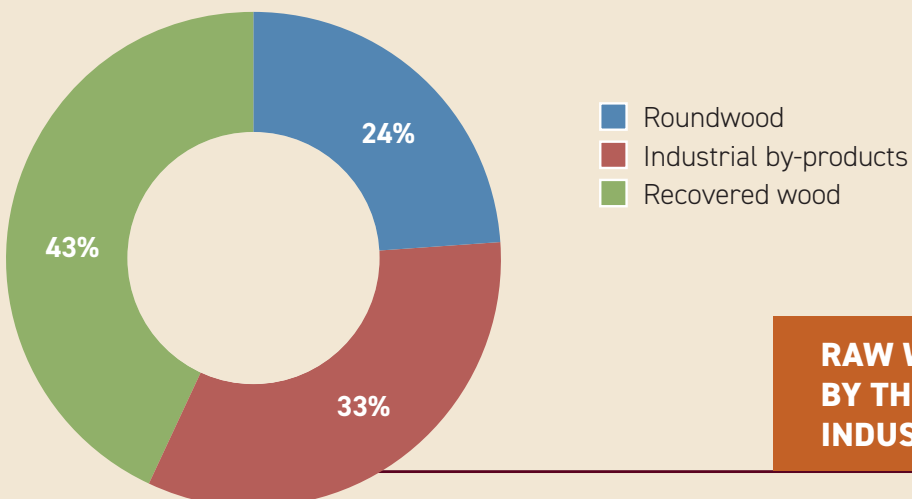
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WHERE DO WOOD-BASED PANELS GO TO?



WHAT IS THE SHARE OF PRODUCTION PER TYPE



RAW WOOD CONSUMPTION MIX BY THE EUROPEAN PARTICLEBOARD INDUSTRY, 2021



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EPF represents the European manufacturers of wood-based panels being particleboard, MDF, OSB, hardboard, softboard and plywood.

Number of countries:

32 in Europe



Jobs:

100,000



Production:

63.7
million m³ in 2021



Turnover:

24.7
billion EUR



43%

Share of recovered wood in particleboard:

(saving 10 million dry tonnes of primary wood)

Positive climate contribution of the wood sector:

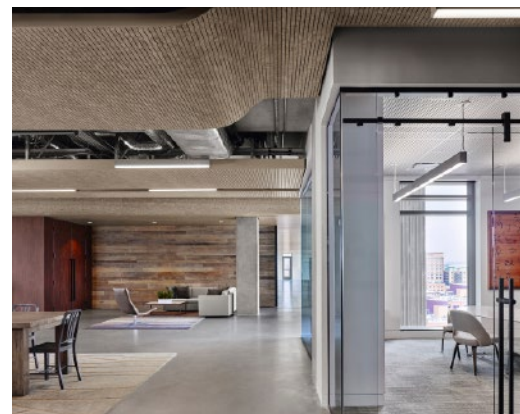
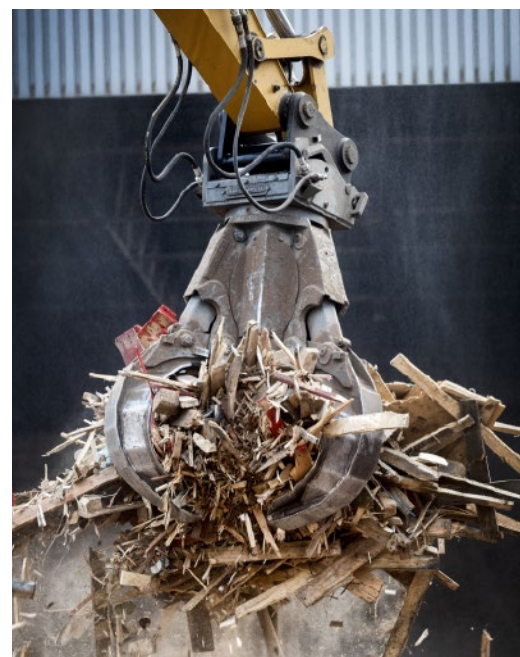
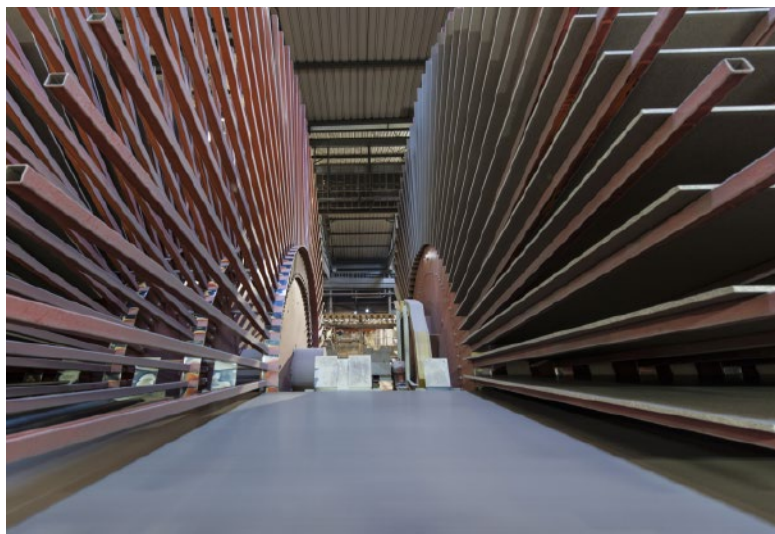
-806 Mt CO₂e/yr equivalent to

20% of all EU fossil emissions





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