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ANNEX 1 - METHODOLOGICAL NOTES TO PART I

Conventions

1. Billion means 1000 million.
2. All monetary values are expressed in current Euro, if not otherwise specified
3. Global figures were converted from US\$ to Euro using current exchange rates from the US Federal Reserve.
4. Average yearly growth rates are calculated as a geometrical mean

Main variables used in the report

1. Furniture trade data (import, export), trade balance

Sources

Furniture trade data were processed by CSIL mainly on the basis of UN (UN Comtrade database, DESA/UNSD) and Eurostat data (Comext database). Other sources include: US Census Bureau, Industry Canada, Bancomext (Mexico), Ministry of Finance (Japan), Board of Foreign Trade (Taiwan), Ministry of International Trade and Industry (Malaysia), Thai Customs Department (Thailand).

Codes

Furniture trade data for all countries except members of the European Union refer either to headings 94.01, 94.03 and 94.04 of the Harmonized System excluding the followings: 940110 Seats of a Kind Used for Aircraft, 940120 Seats of a Kind Used for Motor Vehicles, 940430 Sleeping Bags, 940490 Other Articles of Bedding and Similar Furnishing (Quilts, Cushions).

Furniture trade data for European countries refer to the following codes of the Combined Nomenclature: 94.01, 94.03 and 94.04, excluding the followings: 94019010 Parts of seats used for aircraft, n.e.s., 94011090 Seats for aircraft (excl. leather-covered and for civil aircraft), 94011010 Seats for civil aircraft (excl. leather-covered), 94011000 Seats of a kind used for aircraft, 94012000 Seats for motor vehicles, 94043000 sleeping bags, whether or non-electrically heated, 94049010 articles of bedding and similar furnishing, filled with feather or down (excl. mattresses and sleeping bags), 94049090 articles of bedding and similar furnishing, fitted with springs or stuffed or internally filled with any material or of cellular rubber or plastics (excl. filled with feather or down, mattress supports, mattresses, sleeping bags, pneumatic or water mattresses and pillows, blankets and covers).

In particular, when referring to “furniture parts” the following codes have been used: 94039090, Parts of furniture, n.e.s. (excl. seats, and of metal and wood), 94039030, Parts of furniture, of wood, n.e.s. (excl. seats), 94039010, Parts of furniture, of metal, n.e.s. (excl. seats), 94019080, Parts of seats, not of wood, n.e.s., 94019030 , Parts of seats, of wood, n.e.s.).

2. Furniture production

Sources

Furniture production data are sourced both from Eurostat and CSIL database.

CSIL database is based on CSIL processing of Eurostat statistics, together with other sources.

CSIL data are used in long time series of furniture production and in the detail of furniture sub-segments.

Even if specific differences exist when comparing CSIL and Eurostat series, this does not lead to substantial differences when assessing trends (both in cross countries comparisons and in the long term analysis).

Codes

Furniture production data cover the Eurostat NACE REV.2 Division 31 “manufacture of furniture” and the following sub-group NACE REV2 class 31.01 “manufacture of office and shop furniture”, class 31.02 “manufacture of kitchen furniture”, class 31.03 “manufacture of mattresses” and class 31.09 “manufacture of other furniture” and Eurostat NACE REV.1 Division 36.1 for historical data.

3. Number of companies, size and employment

Sources

Eurostat SBS, Structural Business Statistics.

4. Value added, gross operating surplus

Sources

Eurostat SBS, Structural Business Statistics.

5. Furniture consumption

Sources

Furniture consumption data are sourced from CSIL database (*see below*).

Furniture consumption, if not otherwise specified, is apparent consumption.

Apparent consumption is calculated by CSIL as follows: total production less total export, plus total import.

Apparent consumption is at production/import prices and thus excludes the mark-up applied from retailers.

Per capita furniture consumption, if not otherwise specified, is calculated dividing total country/area consumption by total population.

6. CSIL product definition

- Office furniture: Visitor chairs without wheels, Office chairs with wheels, Executive chairs, Folding/stackable chairs, Chairs for waiting rooms, Chairs for airports, auditoriums, cinemas etc., Chairs for the community (hospitals, clinics etc.), Operative and Management furnishing systems, desks that include bases (units which can be fitted/incorporated under a desk), Partitions, Office bookcases/shelving, Filing cabinets, Cupboards and various Storage items complementary to operative workstations, Filing Systems, Wall-to-wall units (Roof-high equipped partition walls in panels, metal, plasterboard or glass), Furniture for communication areas (counters, reception, benches for auditoriums and break rooms).
- Upholstered furniture: Seats convertible into beds (excl. garden seats and camping equipment, and medical, dental or surgical furniture), Upholstered seats with wooden and metal frames.
- Kitchen furniture: Furniture of a kind used in kitchens (excl. seats), fitted kitchen units.
- Mattresses: Mattress supports (including wooden or metal frames fitted with springs or steel wire mesh, upholstered mattress bases, with wooden slats, divans) mattresses of cellular rubber (including with a metal frame), mattresses of cellular plastics (including with a metal frame) , mattresses with spring interiors , other mattresses excluding water-mattresses, pneumatic mattresses
- Other furniture:
 - Non-upholstered seats: Non-upholstered seats with wooden frames (excl. swivel seats), seats of wood, cane, osier, bamboo or similar materials, other seats (excl. seats for aircraft and for motor vehicles).
 - Bedroom furniture: Cupboards, drawers, beds (excluding mattresses and mattress supports), bedside tables, bedroom storage systems.
 - Dining and living room furniture: Tables, bookshelves, sideboards, and other furniture for dining-living rooms (excl. seats).
 - Other furniture: Other kind of furniture for outdoor, the garden, bathroom (excl. medical, dental, surgical or veterinary, and seats), furniture for shops (incl. shop, bar and hotel fittings, modular shop fitting systems, coat stands, etc.), occasional furniture.

CSIL geographical classification

The classification of the 70 countries included in CSIL is as follows:

If not otherwise specified:

- EU refers to EU28;
- Western Europe refers to EU15: Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and United Kingdom. Luxembourg data are listed together with those of Belgium in CSIL database;
- Western Europe outside the EU: Iceland, Norway, Switzerland;

- Central Eastern Europe refers to EU13: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia;
- Central and Eastern Europe outside the EU refers to Bosnia Herzegovina, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine and Russia;
- Asia and Pacific refers to China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, Australia, New Zealand (15 countries);
- Middle East and Africa refers to Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Israel, Lebanon, Kuwait, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and South Africa (12 countries);
- North America : Canada, Mexico, US;
- South America: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Venezuela.

For the scopes of the present study, countries were at times aggregated in the following two groups:

- Developed Countries/High Income Countries: Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, China, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Portugal, Qatar, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, United Kingdom, United States;
- Emerging and Transforming Countries/Middle and Low income countries: Algeria, Argentina, Bosnia Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Colombia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, Poland, Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela, Vietnam.

ANNEX 2 - MANUFACTURE OF FURNITURE IN EU MEMBER STATES

Table 1 Manufacture of furniture in EU28

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises*	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	134,557	134,879	134,577	135,266	135,902	130,750	126,061	131,077	126,000	n.a.
Employees*	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	1,178,781	1,191,393	1,162,084	1,144,611	1,151,988	1,096,161	993,919	937,247	919,311	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.2	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.4	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	84,911	88,136	89,985	95,232	99,828	97,594	82,478	83,470	85,419	84,147
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	31,714	32,865	33,681	34,929	37,945	34,558	28,539	29,062	27,526	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	80,566	84,508	87,422	92,418	97,695	95,402	81,171	83,082	82,789	80,337
Imports	CSIL	€ million	29,483	32,213	34,237	36,838	41,341	40,984	34,437	38,018	38,726	38,069
Exports	CSIL	€ million	33,827	35,840	36,800	39,652	43,475	43,176	35,744	38,406	41,356	41,878

*Note: *estimates for countries with missing data have been added.*

Table 2 Manufacture of furniture in Austria

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	3,630	3,609	3,589	3,688	3,412	3,373	3,201	3,206	3,190	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	31,318	30,845	29,595	29,049	32,676	28,816	27,910	27,400	27,106	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.3	5.2	5.0	4.9	5.4	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.6	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.8	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.8	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	2,195	2,273	2,288	2,574	2,637	2,627	2,289	2,306	2,284	2,115
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	1,116	1,149	1,163	1,233	1,727	1,224	1,164	1,194	1,229	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	2,186	2,332	2,378	2,614	2,769	2,841	2,617	2,686	2,826	2,856
Imports	CSIL	€ million	1,636	1,680	1,579	1,545	1,807	1,872	1,728	1,770	2,004	2,036
Exports	CSIL	€ million	1,645	1,621	1,489	1,505	1,675	1,657	1,400	1,390	1,462	1,295

Table 3 Manufacture of furniture in Belgium

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	2,354	1,987	1,938	1,885	1,905	1,782	2,269	2,260	2,227	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	15,551	15,063	14,202	14,144	12,925	13,024	13,103	12,388	12,159	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.4	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	0.9	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	2,063	2,042	2,069	2,104	2,177	2,194	1,958	1,971	2,000	1,953
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	652	707	689	708	683	698	703	669	667	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	2,516	2,631	2,884	2,979	3,122	3,123	2,792	2,819	3,024	3,007
Imports	CSIL	€ million	2,023	2,163	2,374	2,416	2,617	2,595	2,242	2,244	2,357	2,326
Exports	CSIL	€ million	1,570	1,573	1,559	1,542	1,672	1,666	1,409	1,396	1,333	1,273

Table 4 Manufacture of furniture in Bulgaria

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	1,278	1,412	1,501	1,600	1,847	2,192	2,407	2,253	2,189	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	18,860	21,558	23,555	25,301	27,352	27,678	23,992	20,879	20,564	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.3	4.5	4.3	4.1	4.0	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.7	1.6	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	212	247	248	239	263	265	182	216	242	268
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	45	57	72	86	118	134	110	99	100	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	147	166	178	191	244	286	166	160	148	154
Imports	CSIL	€ million	44	57	82	110	160	195	126	118	114	115
Exports	CSIL	€ million	109	138	152	158	179	174	143	175	208	229

Table 5 Manufacture of furniture in Cyprus

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	520	517	395	390	386	373	375	366	346	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	2,011	1,873	1,533	1,554	1,531	1,383	1,301	1,281	1,134	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.6	5.2	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.1	3.9	3.8	3.5	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.2	3.2	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.4	2.3	1.9	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	120	113	115	110	110	116	95	108	88	82
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	42	46	40	42	41	44	37	37	28	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	185	195	207	222	247	261	221	224	192	156
Imports	CSIL	€ million	74	90	103	120	144	151	131	124	108	83
Exports	CSIL	€ million	9	9	10	8	7	5	5	9	4	9

Table 6 Manufacture of furniture in Croatia

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	750	750	750	750	750	750	818	1,077	1,051	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	12,706	12,706	12,706	12,706	12,706	12,706	11,205	11,384	10,994	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.2	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	315	325	396	425	462	439	381	403	389	369
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	144	148	137	142	154	173	138	139	131	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	378	375	447	482	520	520	440	394	380	350
Imports	CSIL	€ million	219	227	244	298	328	332	258	218	229	219
Exports	CSIL	€ million	157	177	193	240	270	251	199	228	238	238

Table 7 Manufacture of furniture in Czech Republic

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	5,587	5,304	4,669	4,576	4,498	5,213	5,881	7,114	8,250	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	32,127	31,777	30,249	29,832	29,531	27,755	24,858	22,887	21,732	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.7	2.7	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.0	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	1,276	1,291	1,387	1,470	1,549	1,666	1,504	1,430	1,475	1,459
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	310	344	365	376	410	468	385	386	374	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,142	1,163	1,233	1,364	1,450	1,600	1,495	1,378	1,397	1,382
Imports	CSIL	€ million	290	351	403	481	557	643	495	509	532	566
Exports	CSIL	€ million	423	479	556	587	656	709	505	560	609	642

Table 8 Manufacture of furniture in Denmark

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	657	655	637	609	598	403	412	429	437	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	18,973	17,966	17,582	17,412	16,925	14,168	10,707	9,250	n.a.	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	4.5	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.2	2.8	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.8	3.9	3.7	3.6	3.3	2.8	2.6	2.2	2.0	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	2,633	2,730	2,748	2,776	2,802	2,541	2,040	2,019	2,039	2,147
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	991	1,022	1,005	1,018	1,029	905	714	646	n.a.	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,432	1,457	1,614	1,793	1,900	1,902	1,507	1,616	1,605	1,587
Imports	CSIL	€ million	851	861	976	1,134	1,248	1,185	959	1,090	1,077	1,080
Exports	CSIL	€ million	2,052	2,134	2,110	2,117	2,151	1,824	1,492	1,492	1,511	1,640

Table 9 Manufacture of furniture in Estonia

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	358	366	414	481	513	516	555	581	568	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	12,008	11,134	10,522	10,104	9,615	8,650	7,000	7,221	7,311	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	9.7	8.9	8.4	7.9	7.6	7.2	7.2	7.6	7.4	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	6.9	6.3	5.9	5.5	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.5	4.0	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	313	333	323	339	363	370	286	325	370	373
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	87	85	94	106	118	105	81	93	102	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	166	188	187	208	232	226	140	139	160	165
Imports	CSIL	€ million	47	53	62	84	105	93	56	61	68	71
Exports	CSIL	€ million	194	198	198	214	237	237	202	246	279	279

Table 10 Manufacture of furniture in Finland

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	1,229	1,226	1,224	1,209	1,201	1,175	1,142	1,061	1,034	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	10,826	10,537	9,938	9,560	10,317	9,937	8,956	8,010	7,962	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.2	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	1,183	1,246	1,263	1,268	1,336	1,337	908	901	936	929
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	423	445	439	438	459	463	339	338	351	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,244	1,309	1,397	1,461	1,552	1,592	1,159	1,205	1,264	1,291
Imports	CSIL	€ million	308	314	351	404	453	490	375	420	443	468
Exports	CSIL	€ million	246	251	217	211	237	235	124	117	115	106

Table 11 Manufacture of furniture in France

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	16,256	16,205	16,089	15,905	15,909	14,200	12,199	12,592	12,052	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	80,353	77,533	73,307	71,431	68,894	57,524	53,007	53,642	62,936	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.7	1.8	2.1	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.0	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	7,817	7,815	8,041	8,259	8,627	8,600	8,256	7,943	8,265	7,929
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	3,010	3,011	2,917	2,890	2,876	2,699	2,441	2,415	2,318	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	9,949	10,361	11,029	11,303	12,048	12,123	11,541	12,047	12,322	12,079
Imports	CSIL	€ million	4,147	4,587	5,017	5,220	5,790	5,908	5,233	5,850	5,791	5,854
Exports	CSIL	€ million	2,014	2,041	2,030	2,176	2,369	2,384	1,948	1,746	1,733	1,704

Table 12 Manufacture of furniture in Germany

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	8,758	8,211	9,342	10,215	10,976	8,243	6,458	9,126	9,070	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	147,229	143,167	142,054	139,424	142,145	144,268	129,419	138,221	132,915	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.9	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	15,492	15,677	16,000	17,100	18,100	18,379	16,321	16,630	17,590	17,738
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	6,110	6,199	6,388	6,989	7,084	6,959	5,972	6,745	6,540	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	17,343	17,152	17,316	18,001	18,502	18,569	17,208	17,994	18,821	18,794
Imports	CSIL	€ million	7,130	7,251	7,425	7,798	8,257	8,321	7,901	8,968	9,736	9,539
Exports	CSIL	€ million	5,279	5,776	6,109	6,897	7,855	8,131	7,015	7,605	8,505	8,483

Table 13 Manufacture of furniture in Greece

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	6,963	6,944	7,183	7,288	7,381	7,506	7,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	12,166	11,630	12,400	12,960	13,055	13,375	13,438	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	4.1	3.9	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.4	n.a.	2.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	1,113	1,204	1,350	1,458	1,578	1,538	1,170	955	763	532
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	345	390	284	426	348	n.a.	441	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,408	1,650	1,762	1,920	2,160	2,159	1,657	1,350	1,042	715
Imports	CSIL	€ million	326	477	442	501	628	679	528	441	327	219
Exports	CSIL	€ million	30	30	29	38	46	58	41	46	48	36

Table 14 Manufacture of furniture in Hungary

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	4,121	4,055	3,825	3,596	3,512	3,466	2,923	2,844	2,709	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	23,882	23,062	21,423	20,408	19,950	20,203	17,709	16,115	15,688	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.4	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	869	953	977	1,070	1,156	1,120	863	905	952	1,017
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	154	162	174	173	189	213	175	168	171	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	537	655	694	762	834	782	520	462	435	432
Imports	CSIL	€ million	358	404	412	446	457	445	297	274	309	329
Exports	CSIL	€ million	691	701	695	753	779	783	641	717	826	915

Table 15 Manufacture of furniture in Ireland

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	475	428	426	404	521	573	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	6,346	5,898	5,898	6,180	6,944	6,179	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.8	3.1	3.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	0.6	0.6	n.a.	0.7	0.7	0.7	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	520	535	518	561	568	543	443	418	390	376
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	244	258	n.a.	326	363	309	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	761	849	890	1,005	1,076	925	666	636	573	560
Imports	CSIL	€ million	335	406	472	583	619	477	298	293	258	257
Exports	CSIL	€ million	94	91	100	140	111	94	74	76	76	73

Table 16 Manufacture of furniture in Italy

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	28,034	27,742	27,497	26,981	26,739	23,761	21,825	20,567	18,883	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	169,195	163,453	157,330	157,116	157,167	152,674	141,983	135,838	121,879	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.0	3.6	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.0	3.1	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.5	2.3	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	19,338	19,964	19,673	20,512	20,954	20,706	17,724	18,039	17,480	15950
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	6,333	6,351	6,616	6,780	7,444	6,546	5,748	5,025	5,349	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	11,836	12,497	12,636	13,194	13,281	13,217	11,981	12,064	11,208	9414
Imports	CSIL	€ million	1,051	1,231	1,405	1,627	1,918	1,831	1,543	1,786	1,792	1596
Exports	CSIL	€ million	8,553	8,698	8,442	8,944	9,591	9,320	7,285	7,761	8,064	8131

Table 17 Manufacture of furniture in Latvia

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	411	486	538	629	628	689	662	601	565	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	9,315	10,870	10,934	11,542	10,033	8,284	6,531	5,794	5,511	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	6.1	6.9	6.9	7.4	6.7	5.9	6.0	5.4	5.0	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.7	4.2	4.1	4.5	3.8	3.1	3.2	2.6	2.4	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	193	209	211	236	234	204	159	160	165	188
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	52	68	70	92	85	64	47	42	44	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	135	141	159	207	245	196	120	118	119	148
Imports	CSIL	€ million	61	61	76	113	155	121	65	83	91	118
Exports	CSIL	€ million	120	129	129	141	144	130	104	125	137	159

Table 18 Manufacture of furniture in Lithuania

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	445	466	864	1,057	1,159	1,310	1,146	1,122	1,142	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	18,487	20,143	22,636	24,325	23,927	23,968	19,041	19,047	21,032	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	7.2	8.0	9.1	9.8	9.9	10.8	10.3	10.9	11.6	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	4.8	4.6	4.4	4.9	5.7	5.2	5.8	5.4	5.0	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	420	536	599	690	815	822	696	762	915	1,090
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	109	128	138	170	238	172	180	206	n.a.	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	167	234	256	292	355	351	198	146	172	175
Imports	CSIL	€ million	51	68	85	115	156	151	85	80	105	111
Exports	CSIL	€ million	304	369	428	513	615	623	584	697	849	1,026

Table 19 Manufacture of furniture in Luxembourg

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	35	33	36	35	39	40	40	40	37	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	159	167	164	171	158	182	175	168	176	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	n.a.
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	7.6	7.6	7.7	6.5	7.7	8.3	8.9	7.6	7.5	n.a.

Table 20 Manufacture of furniture in Malta

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	55	53	45	46	48	48	49	51	46	41
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	81	82	82	81	90	87	87	92	86	78
Imports	CSIL	€ million	29	33	42	40	48	43	42	43	42	39
Exports	CSIL	€ million	3	3	5	6	5	4	4	2	1	2

Table 21 Manufacture of furniture in the Netherlands

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	4,220	4,571	4,362	4,717	4,466	4,629	5,017	6,004	6,047	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	25,525	23,191	22,911	21,598	22,355	21,988	20,663	19,786	18,713	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.1	3.2	3.1	3.0	3.0	2.8	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.5	1.3	1.1	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	2,250	2,361	2,430	2,652	2,805	2,688	2,191	2,217	2,146	2,119
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	1,213	1,113	1,163	1,119	1,217	1,262	1,174	1,107	1,062	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	3,224	3,374	3,483	3,705	4,008	3,988	3,283	3,352	3,243	3,030
Imports	CSIL	€ million	1,852	1,931	2,066	2,159	2,459	2,554	2,178	2,366	2,320	2,147
Exports	CSIL	€ million	877	918	1,012	1,106	1,256	1,254	1,086	1,231	1,223	1,236

Table 22 Manufacture of furniture in Poland

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	9,850	10,680	9,345	9,512	10,196	10,790	14,692	14,336	14,421	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	116,907	142,572	140,678	139,697	150,718	145,144	148,047	142,484	139,089	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.9	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.2	6.6	6.5	6.4	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.7	3.0	3.0	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	4,393	5,116	5,886	6,736	7,667	8,036	6,457	7,329	8,018	8,323
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	1,140	1,320	1,472	1,667	1,924	2,166	1,941	1,997	2,033	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,612	1,825	2,164	2,586	3,106	3,362	2,387	2,503	2,569	2,749
Imports	CSIL	€ million	532	576	672	749	923	1,093	851	875	956	938
Exports	CSIL	€ million	3,313	3,867	4,394	4,898	5,485	5,767	4,921	5,701	6,404	6,513

Table 23 Manufacture of furniture in Portugal

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	6,302	6,582	7,229	6,911	6,817	6,390	5,719	5,798	5,533	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	41,779	46,059	44,229	40,303	39,666	38,792	35,509	31,975	30,782	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.0	5.7	5.3	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.8	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.7	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	1,402	1,402	1,401	1,577	1,596	1,607	1,283	1,364	1,376	1,354
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	563	604	567	536	562	535	492	500	440	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	1,119	1,081	1,136	1,332	1,315	1,359	1,015	1,022	965	803
Imports	CSIL	€ million	397	446	451	563	627	656	572	593	602	501
Exports	CSIL	€ million	680	766	716	808	908	904	840	935	1,012	1,052

Table 24 Manufacture of furniture in Romania

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	2,970	3,435	3,836	4,043	4,233	4,425	4,396	3,717	3,303	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	98,064	99,094	96,229	90,583	86,829	80,376	65,041	59,810	59,947	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.0	5.9	5.8	5.5	5.3	5.2	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.2	2.9	3.0	2.7	2.4	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	923	1,136	1,266	1,380	1,536	1,524	1,232	1,303	1,510	1,594
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	278	304	358	400	484	518	420	388	404	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	354	466	605	712	851	922	567	548	562	550
Imports	CSIL	€ million	120	152	228	296	420	483	295	289	325	320
Exports	CSIL	€ million	689	822	889	964	1,104	1,085	960	1,044	1,273	1,363

Table 25 Manufacture of furniture in Slovakia

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	233	181	275	321	316	368	275	1,600	1,508	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	10,088	10,133	11,182	12,368	13,876	14,077	12,379	13,063	13,215	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.3	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.2	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	522	576	654	688	828	850	800	863	892	928
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	82	109	137	167	141	169	159	204	215	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	340	361	400	402	486	537	524	579	644	646
Imports	CSIL	€ million	119	141	163	183	233	292	259	237	283	260
Exports	CSIL	€ million	301	356	417	469	575	606	536	521	531	542

Table 26 Manufacture of furniture in Slovenia

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	1,023	1,038	971	990	962	1,080	1,065	1,094	1,082	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	11,619	11,444	11,034	10,849	10,798	11,941	9,861	8,823	7,413	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.0	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.6	2.6	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	843	890	900	916	909	912	659	656	653	619
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	187	193	179	185	201	226	158	152	133	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	248	240	267	302	345	386	328	341	316	284
Imports	CSIL	€ million	176	237	357	438	501	519	470	556	548	520
Exports	CSIL	€ million	771	887	991	1,052	1,064	1,044	801	871	885	855

Table 27 Manufacture of furniture in Spain

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	18,557	18,392	18,135	17,916	17,396	17,091	15,155	15,577	14,758	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	120,458	121,665	120,860	119,100	111,274	103,875	81,586	78,998	67,190	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.0	4.7	4.6	4.1	4.1	3.7	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.6	1.3	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	7,157	7,275	7,511	8,073	8,494	7,396	5,693	5,348	5,043	4,611
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	3,187	3,499	3,610	3,733	3,620	3,426	2,507	2,422	1,998	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	7,104	7,618	8,059	8,785	9,710	8,540	6,371	6,353	5,766	5,074
Imports	CSIL	€ million	1,386	1,736	1,967	2,099	2,756	2,636	1,909	2,271	2,042	1,771
Exports	CSIL	€ million	1,439	1,394	1,419	1,388	1,540	1,492	1,232	1,267	1,318	1,308

Table 28 Manufacture of furniture in Sweden

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	2,134	2,155	2,178	2,225	2,249	2,273	2,280	2,289	2,335	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	17,907	17,629	17,139	17,817	17,198	16,759	15,236	14,915	15,414	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.6	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.5	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	2,443	2,543	2,639	2,785	2,860	2,809	2,398	2,651	2,861	3,021
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	772	814	793	859	980	956	704	828	919	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	2,330	2,398	2,523	2,663	2,771	2,694	2,126	2,471	2,609	2,715
Imports	CSIL	€ million	1,126	1,179	1,294	1,468	1,615	1,591	1,160	1,409	1,498	1,477
Exports	CSIL	€ million	1,239	1,324	1,411	1,589	1,704	1,705	1,433	1,590	1,751	1,783


Table 29 Manufacture of furniture in the United Kingdom

	Source	Measure Unit	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Number of enterprises	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	6,684	6,666	6,584	6,539	6,535	6,397	6,384	6,207	6,130	n.a.
Employees	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	Unit	114,054	109,677	102,049	99,573	103,908	93,181	90,654	62,466	79,115	n.a.
Share of employees in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	3.4	3.4	3.3	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.6	2.5	3.2	n.a.
Share of production value in manufacturing total	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	%	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.3	n.a.
Production	CSIL	€ million	8,850	9,294	9,048	9,189	9,355	8,258	6,440	6,197	6,531	7,022
Value Added	CSIL Processing on Eurostat data	€ million	4,708	4,979	5,088	5,015	6,155	4,427	2,740	3,254	2,910	n.a.
Consumption	CSIL	€ million	12,620	13,709	13,437	13,852	14,475	12,855	10,057	10,384	10,340	11,144
Imports	CSIL	€ million	4,796	5,502	5,490	5,849	6,361	5,630	4,378	5,047	4,770	5,109
Exports	CSIL	€ million	1,025	1,087	1,100	1,186	1,241	1,033	761	860	961	986

ANNEX 3 - SUMMARY TABLES: FURNITURE PRODUCT SPECIFIC SCHEMES IN FORCE IN EU MEMBER STATES

Mandatory schemes


Summary table 1 Decree on Trade in furniture products, France

Scheme identification		
Country	FRANCE	
Scheme	<i>Décret sur le commerce des produits d'ameublement</i> (Decree on Trade in furniture products)	
Issuing body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prime minister - Ministry for the Economy and Finance 	
Typology of act/ official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application decree (secondary legislation) - Circular (secondary legislation) 	
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Décret n°86-583 du 14 mars 1986 portant application de l'article L. 214-1 du code de la consommation en ce qui concerne les produits d'ameublement</i> (Decree No. 86-583 of 14 March 1986 on the application of Article L. 214-1 of the Consumer Code regarding furniture products; former Decree No. 86-583 of 14 March 1986 applying the Act of 1 August 1905 on adulteration and dishonest presentation of goods and services to the sale of furniture) - <i>Circulaire du 2 octobre 1989 relative à l'application du décret n° 86-583 du 14 mars 1986 concernant les objets d'ameublement</i> (Circular of 2 October 1989 on implementation of Decree No 86-583 mentioning, in particular, certain standards applying to the furniture sector) 	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Décret n°86-583 du 14 mars 1986</i> (Decree No. 86-583 of 14 March 1986) - <i>Circulaire du 2 octobre 1989</i> (Circular of 2 October 1989) 	
Date of entry into force	14 March 1986	
Main web reference	http://www.economie.gouv.fr/dgccrf/Publications/Vie-pratique/Fiches-pratiques/Etiquetage-des-meubles-neufs	
Main features		
Rationale	Informing and protecting consumers	
Scope of information	General information scheme	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New furniture and furnishings 	
Geographic area	France (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory	
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers (label) and purchasers at any stage of the value chain (identification card)	

Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Retailers (label) + any seller (identification card)
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Retailers (label) + manufacturers or importers (identification card)
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Price - Dimensions - Self-assembly/assembled - Items included - New/second-hand/antique - Clear indication of the style imitated - Material used - Clear indication of material imitated - Production process applied - Compliance with safety requirements - Instructions and/or precautions on use (only for identification card) - Instructions on maintenance (only for identification card) - Other (Transport included/excluded; Specific wording to be used)
Means of information	Label attached to the product and/or packaging or identification card delivered when the product is purchased.
Other information	<p>The label is mandatory, but can be replaced by an identification card issued by the manufacturer or the importer and containing all the mandatory information.</p> <p>The same information contained in the label must be included in all marketing and advertising materials whenever price is mentioned.</p> <p>Information provided should not be deceitful or misleading.</p>

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the "Institute Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois Construction Ameublement" (FCBA).


Summary table 2 Decree on applying the Consumer Code to certain leather products and certain similar products, France

Scheme identification	
Country	FRANCE 
Scheme	<i>Décret portant application du code de la consommation à certains produits en cuir et à certains produits similaires</i> (Decree applying the Consumer Code to certain leather products and certain similar products)
Issuing body	- Prime minister
Typology of act/ official document	- Application decree (secondary legislation)
Name of act/official document	- <i>Décret n° 2010-29 du 8 janvier 2010 portant application de l'article L. 214-1 du code de la consommation à certains produits en cuir et à certains produits similaires</i> (Decree No 2010-29 of 8 January 2010 implementing Article L. 214-1 of the Consumer Code for certain leather products and certain similar products)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	- <i>Décret n° 2010-29 du 8 janvier 2010</i> (Decree No 2010-29 of 8 January 2010)
Date of entry into force	1 February 2011
Main web reference	http://goo.gl/fmvZPp
Main features	
Rationale	Informing and protecting consumers
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	- Finished and semi-finished products in leather (including shoes) - Furniture covered in leather or split leather
Geographic area	France (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers (label) and purchasers at any stage of the value chain (commercial documents accompanying raw materials)
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Retailers (label)
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Leather or split leather suppliers (commercial documents accompanying raw materials)

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Name and/or address of the manufacturer or distributor or where impossible, name of the retailer accompanied by a specific indication issued by the competent authority to trace the manufacturer or distributor - The name of the animal or the name of the animal species (only for leather products, applies to all types of articles) - The type of finish (applies both to leather and split leather furniture) - The surface texture (applies only leather furniture)
Means of information	Label (legible and indelible).
Other information	<p>The decree applies to all finished and semi-finished products that are entirely or partially made of leather or of materials having the appearance of leather.</p> <p>The use of the word "leather" is forbidden for any other material than the one obtained from animal skin using a tanning or impregnation process that preserves the natural shape of the fibres of the skin.</p> <p>Commercial documents accompanying leather for the furniture industry have to indicate the name of the leather, the animal species, the type of tanning, the surface texture, and the type of finish.</p> <p>Commercial documents accompanying split leather for the furniture industry have to indicate the name of the split leather, the type of tanning, and the type of finish.</p> <p>The provisions do not apply to product manufactured or sold in another EU Member State, a Member of the EEA and in Turkey.</p>

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 3 Industrial research and standards (fire safety) (domestic furniture) order, Ireland


Scheme identification		
Country	IRELAND	
Scheme	Industrial research and standards (fire safety) (domestic furniture) order, 1995	
Issuing body	Minister for Enterprise and Employment	
Typology of act/ official document	Statutory Instrument	
Name of act/official document	S.I. No. 316/1995: Industrial research and standards (fire safety) (domestic furniture) order, 1995	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	S.I. No. 316/1995	
Date of entry into force	1 January 1996	
Main web reference	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/1995/en/si/0316.html	
Main features		
Rationale	Promoting greater safety by ensuring that furniture is designed, manufactured, and constructed to a particular standard so as not to endanger persons or property.	
Scope of information	Specific information scheme	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Upholstered furniture - Furniture with filling material or permanent cover 	
Geographic area	Ireland (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory	
Intended recipients of the information	All customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use)	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Any seller	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers	
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Material used - Flammability - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing - Name and/or address of the importer - Date of importation - Other (Specific wording to be used on the label) 	
Means of information	Label attached to the product	

Other information

Furniture manufactured or assembled in, or imported into, another Member State of the EU and complying with the fire safety requirements relating to such furniture of that Member State can be accompanied by a certificate replacing the mandatory label and stating that the product complies with those requirements and has a level of safety equivalent to those ensured by S.I. No. 316/1995.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 4 Product sheet, Italy

Scheme identification		
Country	ITALY	
Scheme	No specific name (the document/card containing the product information required by law is commonly known as “ <i>scheda prodotto</i> ” – “product sheet”)	
Issuing body	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Italian Parliament b. Italian Ministry of Industry, Trade and Crafts & Italian Ministry of Justice c. Italian Ministry of Productive Activities d. Italian Government 	
Typology of act/ official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Law b. Inter-ministerial decree (secondary legislation) c. Circular (secondary legislation) d. Law decree 	
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Legge n.126 10 Aprile 1991 “Norme per l’informazione al consumatore”</i> (Law No. 126 of 10 April 1991 "Regulations for consumer information", repealed and replaced by D.Lgs. 206/2005 “<i>Codice del Consumo</i>”) b. <i>Decreto Interministeriale n.101 dell’8 Febbraio 1997 “Regolamento attuazione della legge 10 Aprile 1996, n.126, recante norme per l’informazione del consumatore”</i> (Inter-Ministerial Decree No. 101 of 8 February 1997, “Regulation implementing the law no.126 of 10 April, laying down rules for consumer information”) c. <i>Circolare del 3 agosto 2004, n.1 - Indicazioni per la compilazione e la distribuzione della scheda identificativa dei prodotti in legno e del settore legno-arredo (Legge n. 126 del 10 aprile 1991 e decreto ministeriale n. 101 dell’8 febbraio 1997)</i> [Circular 3 August 2004 No. 1 - Guidelines for the compilation and distribution of the identification card of wood and wood-furniture products (Law no. 126 of 10 April 1991 and Ministerial Decree No. 101 of 8 February 1997)] d. D.Lgs. 206/2005 “<i>Codice del Consumo</i>” (Law Decree 206/2004 “Consumer Code”) 	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. L. 126/91 b. <i>Decreto Interministeriale 8 febbraio 1997, n.101</i> c. <i>Circolare 3 agosto 2004, n.1 – Ministero delle Attività Produttive (Gazzetta Ufficiale No. 41 of 19 February 2004)</i> d. D.Lgs. 206/2005 	

Date of entry into force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 16 April 1991 b. 8 February 1997 c. 3 August 2004 d. 8 October 2005 (implementing rules are still required for consumer information obligations listed in article 6)
Main web reference	n.a.
Main features	
Rationale	Informing and protecting consumers
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wood and wood-furniture products (Circular 3 August 2004 No. 1 applies only to this range of products; no specific definition for wooden furniture is provided) - Any kind of consumer product*
Geographic area	Italy (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Only consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers/Exporters + Wholesalers + Retailers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Material used (when affecting the quality of products*) - Indication of material imitated - Hazardous substances contained in the product* - Production process applied (when affecting the quality of products)* - Instructions and/or precautions on use* - Instructions on cleaning - Instructions on maintenance - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Origin of the product (if extra-EU)* - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Name and/or address of the importer
Means of information	Product card + label attached to the product and/or to the packaging and displayed where the product is displayed

Other information

Article 6 of Law Decree 206/2004 “Consumer Code” sets out new consumer information obligations for all kind of consumer products and repeals previous relevant legislation, including the law No. 126 of 10 April 1991, the Inter-Ministerial Decree No. 101 of 8 February 1997, and Circular 3 August 2004 No. 1.

Nonetheless, according to Article 10 of Law Decree 206/2004 “Consumer Code”, the entry into force of article 6 requires additional implementing rules. Absent these rules, which had not been enacted at the time of writing, previous legislation is still in force and all the information items marked with an asterisk in this summary table are not yet mandatory.

Note: *Items marked with an asterisk are not yet into force (see other information in the summary table for further details).

Source: Authors’ elaboration on data provided by FederlegnoArredo.

Summary table 5 The Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations, United Kingdom

Scheme identification	
Country	UNITED KINGDOM 
Scheme	The Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 (as amended in 1989, 1993 and 2010)
Issuing body	Secretary of State
Typology of act/ official document	Statutory Instrument
Name of act/official document	The Furniture and Furnishings (Fire) (Safety) Regulations 1988 (as amended in 1989, 1993 and 2010)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Statutory Instrument 1988/No. 1324 - Statutory Instrument 1989/No. 2358 - Statutory Instrument 1993/No. 207 - Statutory Instrument 2010/No. 2205
Date of entry into force	1 November 1988
Main web reference	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/all?title=furniture%20and%20fire
Main features	
Rationale	Ensuring that upholstery components and composites used for furniture supplied in the UK meet specified ignition resistance levels and are suitably labelled
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Furniture including filling material other than mattresses, bed-bases, pillows and cushions - Furniture including upholstery other than mattresses and bed-bases
Geographic area	United Kingdom (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Retailers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers or importers + Retailers

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Items included - Material used - Flammability - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing - Name and/or address of the importer - Date of importation - Other (Specific wording to be used)
Means of information	Label attached to the product
Other information	<p>Suppliers can decide either for an extensive label or for a shorter version. In case of short label, retailers need to ensure that the manufacturers or importers provide additional information to be shown to the enforcement authority, on request.</p>

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Voluntary schemes


Summary table 6 Austria Quality Seal, Austria

Scheme identification	
Country	AUSTRIA 
Scheme	Österreichisches Gütezeichen (Austria Quality Seal)
Issuing body	ÖQA – Österreichische Arbeitsgemeinschaft zur Förderung der Qualität (Austrian Workgroup for Promoting Quality, a non-profit and independent association federally authorised to grant and monitor the Austria Quality Seal)
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines
Name of act/official document	a. Regulativ für die Verleihung des Rechtes zur Führung der Austria Gütezeichen der ÖQA (Regulation to award the right to use the Austria Quality Seal of ÖQA) b. Güterrichtlinie für Möbel (Quality guidelines for furniture)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	a. Dok.Nr.0002/V2.0 b. Güterrichtlinien für Möbel Teil 1-7
Date of entry into force	a. 1 January 2010 b. 17 November 2003
Main web reference	http://www.qualityaustria.com/
Main features	
Rationale	Signalling for high quality products of Austria
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Storage furniture - Seating - Tables - Upholstered furniture - Beds and bed bases - Mattresses
Geographic area	Austria (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use)
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Durability of use and resistance to “wear and tear” - Origin of the product - Others (Registration number of the label)
Means of information	Standardized label attached to the product
Other information	<p>The right to use the Austria Quality Seal is contingent on compliance with quality guidelines. The Seal is granted for a fixed period. Accredited or state-licensed testing and inspection authorities continuously monitor compliance with the guidelines. Application, testing and verification, and annual fees are required to obtain and use the seal.</p>

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the Association of the Austrian Wood Industry (Austrian Furniture Industry).


Summary table 7 ÖNORM A 1650 tested, Austria

Scheme identification		
Country	AUSTRIA	
Scheme	ÖNORM A 1650 geprüft (ÖNORM A 1650 tested)	
Issuing body	Österreichisches Normungsinstitut (Austrian Standards – the Austrian competence centre for standards)	
Typology of act/ official document	National standard	
Name of act/official document	Chairs and tables for general school education - Additional requirements to ÖNORM EN 1729-1 and ÖNORM EN 1729-2, marking of conformity	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	ÖNORM A 1650:2007 02 01	
Date of entry into force	1 February 2007 (18-month period of transition; ÖNORM A 1650:2004 was previously in force)	
Main web reference	https://www.austrian-standards.at/	
Main features		
Rationale	Compliance with the requirements of ÖNORM A 1650:2007	
Scope of information	Specific information scheme	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seating for general school education - Tables for general school education 	
Geographic area	Austria (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers	
Information provided to consumers*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with safety requirements - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Instruction on cleaning - Instruction on maintenance - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing 	
Means of information	Product card + standardized label attached to the product and displayed where the product is displayed	
Other information	n.a.	

Note: *Please note that although the scheme applies to products that are rarely purchased by consumers, the information provided is directed also to the final consumer, such as students and teachers.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the Association of the Austrian Wood Industry (Austrian Furniture Industry).

Summary table 8 Czech Quality – Furniture, Czech Republic

Scheme identification	
Country	CZECH REPUBLIC 
Scheme	<i>Ceska kvalita–Nabytek</i> (Czech Quality – Furniture)
Issuing body	<i>Asociace Ceskych Nabytkaru</i> (Association of Czech Furniture Manufacturers)
Typology of act/ official document	Statute of the Association of Czech Furniture based on a Government Resolution
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Statut Asociace Ceskych Nabytkaru pro udelovani znacky kvality "ceska kvalita"</i> (Statute of the Association of Czech Furniture Manufacturers to award the quality label " Czech Quality") - <i>Narodni politika kvality</i> (National Quality Policy of the Czech Republic, Headed by the Ministry of Industry and Trade)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	- <i>Usnesenim vlady c. 685/2002</i> (Government Resolution No. 685/2002)
Date of entry into force	15 July 2006
Main web reference	http://www.ceska-kvalita-nabytek.cz/
Main features	
Rationale	Supporting quality products and providing simple information to consumer
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	- All furniture
Geographic area	Czech Republic (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchaser for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Self-assembly/assembled - Dimensions - Weight - Weight-bearing capacity - Items included (if they can be sold separately) - Hazardous substances contained in the product - Instructions on cleaning - Instructions on maintenance - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Origin of the product - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing
Means of information	Product card and label attached to the packaging
Other information	<p>The scheme is part of a government project to support quality products and services (National Quality Policy). An annual fee is required to use the card/label.</p>

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the Association of Czech Furniture Manufacturers (Asociace Ceskych Nabytkaru).


Summary table 9 German Furniture Quality Association - The Golden M, Germany

Scheme identification	
Country	GERMANY 
Scheme	<i>Deutsche Gütegemeinschaft Möbel - Das Golden M</i> (German Furniture Quality Association - The Golden M)
Issuing body	<i>RAL Deutsches Institut für Gütesicherung und Kennzeichnung e.V.</i> (German Institute for Quality Assurance and Certification)
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RAL-GZ 430: <i>Möbel</i> (Furniture) - RAL-GZ 430/1: <i>Schrankmöbel</i> (Wardrobes) - RAL-GZ 430/10: <i>Außenmöbel</i> (Outdoor furniture) - RAL-GZ 430/2: <i>Küchen- und Badmöbel</i> (Kitchen and bathroom furniture) - RAL-GZ 430/3: <i>Tische, Stühle, Eckbänke</i> (Table, chairs, and corner seats) - RAL-GZ 430/4: <i>Polstermöbel</i> (Upholstered furniture) - RAL-GZ 430/5: <i>Polsterbetten</i> (Upholstered beds) - RAL-GZ 430/6: <i>Matratzen</i> (Mattresses) - RAL-GZ 430/7: <i>Wasserbetten</i>(Water beds) - RAL-GZ 430/8: <i>Büro- und Objektmöbel</i> (Office and commercial furniture) - RAL-GZ 430/9:<i>Schulmöbel</i> (School furniture)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	RAL-GZ430
Date of entry into force	n.a.
Main web reference	http://www.ral-guetezeichen.de/gutezeichen-einzelanzeige.html?&gz_id=32
Main features	
Rationale	Selecting and signalling furniture producers that fulfil special quality and environmental requirements
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	- Furniture
Geographic area	Germany (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchaser for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers

Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hazardous substances contained in the product - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Compliance with safety requirements - Environmental friendliness - Others (Quality checks)
Means of information	Standardized product card + standardized label attached to the product and displayed where the product is displayed
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by *Verband der deutschen Möbelindustrie.V.* (VDM).

Summary table 10 Simbolo Calidad, Spain

Scheme identification		
Country	SPAIN	
Scheme	<i>Símbolo Calidad</i> (Quality Mark)	
Issuing body	AIDIMA – <i>Instituto tecnologico mueble, madera, embalaje y afines</i>	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	<i>Manual de Identidad Corporativa del Símbolo Calidad</i> (Corporate identity manual of the Quality Mark)	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.	
Date of entry into force	n.a.	
Main web reference	http://www.simbolocalidad.com/	
Main features		
Rationale	Certifying and signalling those quality furniture products that pass tests at AIDIMA laboratories and are characterized by a special fitness for use	
Scope of information	General information scheme	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wood products - All furniture - Related materials and components 	
Geographic area	Spain (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use)	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers	
Information provided to consumers*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimensions - Weight-bearing capacity - Materials used - Hazardous substances contained in the product - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Compliance with safety requirements - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Other (Formaldehyde emissions, Wearing parts) 	
Means of information	Standardized label attached to the product	


Other information

AIDIMA provides also a product certificate where all the standard and rules applied are listed.

*Note:**Please note that furniture fulfilling these requirements can be labelled with the *Simbolo Calidad* label; hence, customers are informed only indirectly on the listed requirements.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 11 Mobelfakta, Sweden

Scheme identification		
Country	SWEDEN	
Scheme	Mobelfakta	
Issuing body	Swedish Furniture Industry Association (TMF)	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	Mobelfakta	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	Mobelfakta criteria version 10-2013	
Date of entry into force	n.a.	
Main web reference	http://www.mobelfakta.se/	
Main features		
Rationale	<p>Providing a reference and labelling system for furniture, based on three sets of requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quality - Environment - Social responsibility 	
Scope of information	General information scheme	
Product range	<p>Five “use classes” of furniture :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Domestic, including furniture for kitchen and bathroom - Non-domestic, including furniture for kitchen and bathroom - Office - Outdoor - School 	
Geographic area	Sweden (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain (architects, procurers – public and private – and retailers)	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers	


Information provided to consumers*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimensions - Weight-bearing capacity - Materials used - Hazardous substances contained in the product - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Compliance with safety requirements - Flammability - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Instructions on cleaning - Instructions on maintenance - Origin of the product - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing - Environmental friendliness (both of material used and of the final product) - Conformity to fair labour conditions (compliance with worker safety and work environment standards and regulations, respect for human rights and worker rights, based on UN's code of conduct "The Global Compact") - Other (Sustainable wood procurement, Wood traceability, Formaldehyde contents, Flame-retardant contents, Other chemical contents, Surface treatments, Wearing parts, Packaging, Product maintenance, Recycling and disposal)
Means of information	<p>Standardized label attached to the product. All Mobelfakta approved furniture is listed on www.mobelfakta.se.</p>
Other information	<p>Furniture that fulfils the requirements listed above may be labelled with Mobelfakta, where a short description of the three sets of requirements is provided.</p> <p>To be granted the Mobelfakta label, at least one person involved in the production process has to take part in a special training course.</p> <p>Furniture approved by Mobelfakta is tested by third parties. Tests are based on corresponding EN-standards.</p>

*Note:**Please note that furniture fulfilling these requirements can be labelled with the Mobelfakta label; hence, customers are informed only indirectly on the listed requirements. Further information is available on the Mobelfakta website.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the Swedish Furniture Industry Association (TMF).

ANNEX 4 - SUMMARY TABLES: ECO-LABELS FOR FURNITURE PRODUCTS IN FORCE IN EU MEMBER STATES

Summary table 12 Austrian Eco-label, Austria

Eco-label identification		
Country	AUSTRIA	
Scheme	Österreichisches Umweltzeichen (Austrian Eco-label)	
Issuing body	Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft (Federal Ministry for Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water)	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Österreichisches Umweltzeichen (Austrian Eco-label) b. Richtlinie UZ 06 Möbel (Furniture) c. Richtlinie UZ 34 Büroarbeitsstühle und Bürostühle (Office chairs and seating) d. Richtlinie UZ 54 Emissionsarme Polstermöbel (Low-emission upholstered furniture) e. Richtlinie UZ 55 Matratzen (Mattresses) 	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.	
Date of entry into force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. n.a. b. July 2010 c. July 2011 d. January 2010 e. January 2011 	
Main web reference	http://www.umweltzeichen.at/cms/home233/content.html	
Involved parties		
Granting body	Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft (Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Environment and Water Management)	
Assessing body	VKI Verein für Konsumenteninformation (Association for Consumer Information)	
Applicants	Manufacturers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers	

Main features	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Furniture - Office chairs and seats - Upholstered furniture - Mattresses
Geographic area	Austria (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary
Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with worker safety and work environment standards and regulations - Sustainable wood procurement - Wood traceability - Biocides contents - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Hazardous substance contents - Surface treatments - Coating systems - Wearing parts - Plastic parts - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Service provided to consumers - Product description - Information provided to consumers - Information appearing on the eco-label - Instructions on use - Instructions on maintenance - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Recycling and disposal - Separability of component materials - Waste minimization
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol) attached to the product
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Testing and verification fee - Annual fee
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the Association of the Austrian Wood Industry (Austrian Furniture Industry).

Summary table 13 Nordic Ecolabelling, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden


Eco-label identification	
Country	DENMARK, FINLAND, and SWEDEN (+ ICELAND and NORWAY)* 
Scheme	Nordic Ecolabelling (Svanen)
Issuing body	Nordic Ecolabelling organisation
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)
Name of act/official document	Nordic Ecolabelling of Furniture and fitments
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.
Date of entry into force	n.a.
Main web reference	http://www.nordic-ecolabel.org/
Involved parties	
Granting body	<i>Miljømærkning Danmark</i> (Ecolabelling Denmark) <i>Motiva Services</i> (Ecolabel Finland) <i>Umhverfisstofnun</i> (The Environment Agency of Iceland) <i>Miljømerking</i> (Ecolabelling Norway) Ecolabelling Sweden
Assessing body	Granting bodies + Independent testing institutions
Applicants	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers + Retailers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers
Main features	
Product range	All furniture Fitments Doors Lamp for indoor use
Geographic area	A group of countries (Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary

Requirements to be fulfilled	Quality management certification (e.g., ISO 9000) Compliance with worker safety and work environment standards and regulations Production process applied Energy consumption of the production processes Wood traceability Biocides contents Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions Nano material/particle contents Hazardous substance contents Other chemical contents Surface treatments Coating systems Lighting equipment Plastic parts Glass and mirror parts Packaging Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety and stability) Instructions on use Recycling and disposal Separability of components materials Waste minimization
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol and text) attached to the product or to the packaging
Fees	Application fee Annual fee
Other information	The Nordic Ecolabel was established by the Nordic Council of Ministers in 1989.

Note: *This eco-label applies also to Norway and Iceland, which are EEA countries.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 14 NF Environment, France

Eco-label identification		
Country	FRANCE	
Scheme	NF Environment	
Issuing body	ANFOR Certification / <i>Institut Technologique</i> FCBA	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	<i>NF environnement ameublement</i> (NF Environment Furnishings) NF217	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	NF 217 - MQ CERT 12-334- version 9	
Date of entry into force	*	
Main web reference	http://www.nf-environnement-ameublement.com/fr/	
Involved parties		
Granting body	ANFOR Certification / <i>Institut Technologique</i> FCBA	
Assessing body	<i>Institut Technologique</i> FCBA	
Applicants	Manufacturers + Importers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers	
Main features		
Product range	- All furniture	
Geographic area	France (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	
Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quality management certification (e.g., ISO 9000) - Production process applied - Energy consumption of the production process - Life cycle assessment of the product - Wood species - Sustainable wood procurement - Wood traceability - Genetically modified wood - Biocides contents - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Flame-retardants contents - Nano material/particle contents - Hazardous substance contents - Other chemicals contents - Recycled material contents - Coating systems 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lighting equipment - Plastic parts - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Advertising and marketing rules - Service provided to consumers - Product description - Information provided to consumers - Information appearing on the packaging - Information appearing on the eco-label - Instruction on maintenance - Instruction on disposal or recycling - Recycling and disposal - Separability of component materials - Waste minimization - Space optimizing during transportation or storage
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol and text) attached to the product
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee - Testing and verification fee - Annual fee - Inspection fee - Promotion/marketing fee
Other information	n.a.

Note: *According to FCBA, the scheme entered into force more than 15 years ago.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the "Institute Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois Construction Ameublement" (FCBA).

Summary table 15 EU Ecolabel for wooden furniture, EU and EEA

Eco-label identification		
Country	EUROPE	
Scheme	EU Ecolabel for wooden furniture*	
Issuing body	European Parliament, European Council, European Commission	
Typology of act/ official document	Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision of the European Commission	
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel** - Commission Decision of 30 November 2009 on establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the Community ecolabel for wooden furniture 	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 - 2009/894/EC 	
Date of entry into force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19 February 2010 - 20 November 2009 	
Main web reference	http://ec.europa.eu/environment/ecolabel/	
Involved parties		
Granting body	Competent bodies designated at Member State level	
Assessing body	Competent bodies designated at Member State level	
Applicants	Manufacturers + importers + wholesalers + retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	The applicant party	
Main features		
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wooden furniture: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The product shall be made of at least 90 % w/w*** solid wood or wood-based materials - The weight of any individual material, other than solid wood and wood-based materials, shall not exceed 3% of the total weight of the product and the total combined weight of such materials shall not exceed 10% of the total weight of the product 	
Geographic area	EU (all Member States) + EEA countries	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	

Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wood species - Sustainable wood procurement - Wood traceability - Genetically modified wood - Biocides contents - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Flame-retardant contents - Hazardous substance contents - Other chemical contents - Recycled material contents - Surface treatments - Plastic parts - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Product description - Information provided to consumers - Information appearing on the packaging - Information appearing on the eco-label - Instructions on use - Instructions on maintenance - Product maintenance - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Recycling and disposal - Separability of component materials - Other (Metal parts, Volatile Organic Compounds)
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol and, optionally, text) attached to the product together with the EU Ecolabel registration number
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee - Testing and verification fee - Annual fee - Inspection fee
Other information	The EU Ecolabel registration number also appears on the product

Notes: *The EU Ecolabel for wooden furniture is currently under revision. At the moment of this writing, discussion is still open. An expansion of the product range is expected, by allowing higher mass fractions of other non-wood materials. Accordingly, current criteria will be revised and additional criteria for other materials will be included. **Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 repealed Regulation (EC) No 1980/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 on a revised Community eco-label award scheme that entered into force on 24 September 2000. *** W/w stands for weight/weight referring to the percentage of substances by weight.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 16 EU Ecolabel for bed mattresses, EU and EEA

Eco-label identification		
Country	EUROPE	
Scheme	EU Ecolabel for bed mattresses*	
Issuing body	European Parliament, European Council, European Commission	
Typology of act/ official document	Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision of the European Commission	
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel** - Commission Decision of 9 July 2009 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the Community Ecolabel for bed mattresses*** 	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 - Decision 2009/598/EC 	
Date of entry into force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19 February 2010 - 9 July 2009 	
Main web reference	http://ec.europa.eu/environment/ecolabel/	
Involved parties		
Granting body	Competent bodies designated at Member State level	
Assessing body	Competent bodies designated at Member State level	
Applicants	Manufacturers + importers + traders + retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	The applicant party	
Main features		
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bed mattresses - Materials filling the bed mattresses - Wooden bed bases - Spring mattresses which are defined as an upholstered bed base and mattresses fitted with covers 	
Geographic area	EU (all Member States) + EEA countries	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	

Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wood species - Sustainable wood procurement - Wood traceability - Biocides contents - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Flame-retardant contents - Hazardous substance contents - Other chemical contents - Surface treatments - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Information appearing on the packaging - Information appearing on the eco-label - Other (Wire and springs, Volatile Organic Compounds)
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol and, optionally, text) attached to the product together with the EU Ecolabel registration number
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee - Testing and verification fee - Annual fee - Inspection fee
Other information	The EU Ecolabel registration number also appears on the product

Notes: *A revised set of EU Ecolabel criteria for bed mattresses was recently scrutinised by the European Parliament and the Council. The scrutiny period ended on 9 April 2014 and will be followed by adoption by the European Commission and publication in the Official Journal. At the time of writing, a formal Decision was not yet published by the European Commission. A contraction of the product range is expected (exclusion wooden and upholstered bed bases, inflatable mattresses and water mattresses, as well as mattresses classified under Council Directive 93/42/EEC). Accordingly, current criteria will be revised. In particular, all requirements that concern wood (species, sustainable procurement, traceability, formaldehyde emissions, etc.) are going to be waived, while additional criteria on materials used to make mattresses (latex foam, PUR foam, coconut fibres, etc.) and on design (possibility to disassemble and recover materials) are going to be added.**Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 repealed Regulation (EC) No 1980/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 on a revised Community eco-label award scheme that entered into force on 24 September 2000. *** Decision 2009/598/EC replaced Commission Decision 2002/740/EC of 3 September 2002 establishing revised ecological criteria for the award of the Community eco-label to bed mattresses.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 17 The Blue Angel - Environmental Label Jury, Germany

Eco-label identification		
Country	GERMANY	
Scheme	<i>Der Blaue Engel – Jury Umweltzeichen</i> (The Blue Angel - Environmental Label Jury)	
Issuing body	<i>RAL Deutsches Institut für Gütesicherung und Kennzeichnung e.V.</i> (German Institute for Quality Assurance and Certification)	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	a. Low-Emission Furniture and Slatted Frames made of Wood and Wood-Based Materials b. Low Emission Upholstered Furniture	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	a. RAL-UZ 38 b. RAL-UZ 117	
Date of entry into force	n.a.	
Main web reference	http://www.blauer-engel.de/	
Involved parties		
Granting body	<i>Umweltbundesamt</i> (Federal Environmental Agency), <i>Bundesministerium für Umwelt</i> (Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety), RAL	
Assessing body	RAL	
Applicants	Manufacturers + Importer/Exporter + Wholesaler	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	n.a.	
Main features		
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wood and wood-based products for indoor use - Upholstered furniture 	
Geographic area	Germany (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	

Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Environmental management certification (e.g., ISO 14001) - Energy consumption of the production processes - Life cycle assessment of the product - Wood traceability - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Hazardous substance contents - Other chemical contents - Coating systems - Wearing parts - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Advertising and marketing rules - Information appearing on the packaging - Information appearing on the eco-label - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Recycling and disposal
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol) attached to the packaging
Fees	n.a.
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by Verband der deutschen Möbelindustrie.V. (VDM).


Summary table 18 Milieukeur certification scheme for furniture, the Netherlands

Eco-label identification		
Country	THE NETHERLANDS	
Scheme	<i>Certificatieschema Milieukeur Meubelen</i> (Milieukeur certification scheme for furniture)	
Issuing body	<i>Stichting Milieukeur</i> (SMK) [Milieukeur Foundation]	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	<i>Certificatieschema Milieukeur Meubelen</i>	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	MEU.12 MK.33	
Date of entry into force	22 December 2012	
Main web reference	http://www.milieukeur.nl/19/home.html	
Involved parties		
Granting body	<i>Stichting Milieukeur</i> (SMK)	
Assessing body	Independent certifying bodies (<i>certificatie-instellingen</i> , CI)	
Applicants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Manufacturers - Importer/Exporters - Wholesalers - Retailers 	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	n.a.	
Main features		
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seats - Tables and desks - Cupboards and shelves - Kitchens - Beds, bedsteads and cradles - Bathroom furniture 	
Geographic area	The Netherlands (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	

Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sustainable wood procurement - Formaldehyde contents/emissions - Flame-retardant contents - Other chemical contents - Surface treatments - Coating systems - Production process applied - Plastic parts - Packaging - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Information provided to consumers - Product maintenance - Recycling and disposal - Separability of component materials - Other (Volatile Organic Compounds, raw materials for metals, textile parts, leather parts, repairability, assembling/disassembling)
Means of information	Standardized label (symbol and, optionally, text) attached to the packaging
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee - Annual fee
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 19 EU Eco-label for bed mattresses (national implementation), Romania


Eco-label identification		
Country	ROMANIA	
Scheme	EU Eco-label for bed mattresses (national implementation)	
Issuing body	a. Romanian Government b. European Parliament and European Council	
Typology of act/ official document	a. Government decision – national law implementing an European Regulation b. European regulation	
Name of act/official document	a. Government Decision No 661/2011 Regarding the Measures to Ensure Enforcement at the National Level of the Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel b. Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	a. HG No 661/2011 b. Regulation (EC) No 66/2010	
Date of entry into force	a. 5 August 2011 b. 20 February 2010	
Main web reference	n.a.	
Involved parties		
Granting body	The Romanian Ministry of Environment	
Assessing body	The Romanian Ministry of Environment (during the process the Ministry of Environment cooperates with the National Commission for EU Eco-Label – <i>Comisia pentru eticheta ecologica</i> - and the National Authority for Consumer Protection – ANPC-, which are both appointed by law as consultative bodies in the process)	
Applicants	Manufacturers + Importers/Exporters + Wholesalers + Retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	The applicants + Independent assessment bodies	
Main features		
Product range	- Bed mattresses	
Geographic area	Romania (the entire country) – The EU Eco-label applies in the European Union	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	

Requirements to be fulfilled	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biocides contents - Formaldehyde contents and/or emissions - Flame-retardant contents - Hazardous substance contents - Other chemicals contents - Surface treatments - Coating systems - Fitness for use (durability, strength, safety, and stability) - Product description - Information appearing on the packaging - Information appearing on the eco-label
Means of information	Label (symbol + text) attached to the product and/or packaging and to a booklet or other document that accompany a bed mattress at purchasing
Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Application fee - Testing and verification fee - Annual fee - Inspection fee
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by Romanian Furniture Manufacturers Association /Asociatia Producatorilor de Mobila din Romania (APMR).

ANNEX 5 - SUMMARY TABLES: ONGOING FURNITURE PRODUCT SPECIFIC INITIATIVES IN EU MEMBER STATES

Summary table 20 Environmental labelling, France

Scheme identification		
Country	FRANCE	
Scheme	<i>Affichage environnemental</i> (environmental labelling)	
Proponent body	President of the Republic	
Typology of act/ official document	Law	
Name of act/official document	<i>LOI n° 2009-967 du 3 août 2009 de programmation relative à la mise en œuvre du Grenelle de l'environnement, article 54</i> (Law No. 2009-967 of 3 August 2009 relating to the implementation of the <i>Grenelle de l'environnement</i> , article 54)	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	LOI n° 2009-967 du 3 août 2009	
Date of entry into force	Not in force. Implementing regulations are required.	
Main web reference	goo.gl/wj7dZj (short URL for the website)	
Main features		
Rationale	Disclosing environmental impacts of products.	
Scope of information	Specific information scheme	
Product range	- Home furniture	
Geographic area	France (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	Not in force. Only part of the scheme is expected to be mandatory.	
Intended recipients of the information	Only consumers	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers	

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Environmental friendliness - Environmental impacts of the products on the following dimensions will be disclosed*: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Climate change (greenhouse gas emissions) - Air acidification (emissions of ammonia, nitrogen oxides, and sulphur) - Eutrophication (nitrogen and phosphate contents) - Production of photochemical oxidants (Volatile Organic Compounds – VOC - contents) - Consumption of non-renewable natural resources - Non-hazardous waste
Means of information	Standardized product card + label
Other information	Discussion is still open on several details of the initiative. No additional fees are expected to be charged to companies.

*Note:** While information on impacts on climate change is always required, additional information is required only for particular categories of furniture products.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the "Institute Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois Construction Ameublement" (FCBA).

Summary table 21 Labelling of volatile pollutants, France

Scheme identification	
Country	FRANCE 
Scheme	<i>Etiquetage des polluants volatils</i> (labelling of volatile pollutants)
Proponent body	President of the Republic
Typology of act/ official document	Law
Name of act/official document	<i>LOI n° 2009-967 du 3 août 2009 de programmation relative à la mise en œuvre du Grenelle de l'environnement, article 40</i> (Law No. 2009-967 of 3 August 2009 relating to the implementation of the <i>Grenelle de l'environnement</i> , article 40)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	LOI n° 2009-967 du 3 août 2009
Date of entry into force	Not in force. Implementing regulations are required.
Main web reference	goo.gl/wj7dZj (short URL for the website)
Main features	
Rationale	Enabling consumers to make well-informed choices when purchasing furniture products.
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range	- Home furniture
Geographic area	France (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	Not in force. Only part of the scheme is expected to be mandatory*.
Intended recipients of the information	Only consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers
Information provided to consumers	- Formaldehyde emissions - Volatile organic compound emissions - Other volatile pollutant emissions
Means of information	Standardized label + standardized product card
Other information	Manufacturers must test their products in laboratories accredited to ISO/EC 17025.

*Note:**Reportedly, at a preliminary stage the scheme will be mandatory only for children furniture.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the "Institute Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois Construction Ameublement" (FCBA).

Summary table 22 Labelling of furniture, Germany

Scheme identification		
Country	GERMANY	
Scheme	Labelling of furniture	
Proponent body	Consumer Council of DIN, the German Institute for Standardization	
Typology of act/ official document	Preliminary study	
Name of act/official document	<i>Kennzeichnung von Möbeln – Beispielhaft für die Produktgruppe Polstermöbel</i> (Labelling of furniture – Example for upholstered furniture)	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.	
Date of entry into force	Not in force. The initiative, based on a study commissioned by DIN Consumer Council and issued in February 2013, is in the process of being discussed	
Main web reference	goo.gl/9335rZ (short URL for the website)	
Main features		
Rationale	Displaying a standardized set of information for comparison purposes at the point of sale	
Scope of information	General information scheme	
Product range	- Upholstered furniture (an extension to all categories of furniture is envisaged)	
Geographic area	Germany (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	Not in force. A mandatory approach would be preferred, but a voluntary approach is envisaged	
Intended recipients of the information	Only consumers	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers + Retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Retailers	
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Material used - Flammability - Instructions on cleaning - Instructions on maintenance - Environmental friendliness (compliance with relevant eco-labels) - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Other (information on comfort criteria) 	

Means of information	Standardized product card + standardized label attached to the product and displayed where the product is displayed
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by DIN Consumer Council.

ANNEX 6 - SUMMARY TABLES: FURNITURE PRODUCT SPECIFIC SCHEMES IN SELECTED EXTRA-EU COUNTRIES

Summary table 23 Mobelfakta.no, Norway


Scheme identification		
Country	NORWAY	
Scheme	Mobelfakta.no	
Issuing body	Mobelfakta.no	
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines (criteria catalogue)	
Name of act/official document	Handbook for Mobelfakta.no	
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.	
Date of entry into force	January 2010	
Main web reference	http://www.mobelfakta.no/?lang=en_GB	
Main features		
Rationale	Selecting furniture producers that fulfil special quality (performance) and environment requirements, thus strengthening their competitiveness both nationally and internationally	
Scope of information	General information scheme	
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tables - Office tables/desks - Seating - School and children's furniture - Storage furniture - Beds and mattresses 	
Geographic area	Norway (the entire country)	
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary	
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain	
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers (that are members of Mobelfakta.no and whose products are granted the Mobelfakta.no label) + Exporters + Retailers	
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Exporters + Retailers + Mobelfakta.no	

Information provided to consumers*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimensions - Weight-bearing capacity - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Compliance with safety requirements - Flammability - Environmental friendliness (compliance with requirements of the Environmental Product Declaration or the Nordic Ecolabelling for final products and with ISO 14001 or <i>Miljøfyrtårn</i>/Eco-Lighthouse for company operations) - Other (Features of glass and mirror parts)
Means of information	Standardized label attached to the product.
Other information	<p>Furniture produced by Mobelfakta.no members and fulfilling the requirements listed above may be labelled with Mobelfakta.no.</p> <p>The backside of the label contains a short text informing that the product is made by a manufacturer which has environmentally certified its business/production processes, and the furniture has passed stringent quality tests complying with Mobelfakta.no requirements. The labels front side contains the web address where finding further information about the certifications granted to the product.</p> <p>All members of Mobelfakta.no are also entitled to use the Mobelfakta.no-logo in their own marketing materials. A user manual to adopt the Mobelfakta.no-logo is provided.</p> <p>Application, test and verification, and annual fees are charged to Mobelfakta.no members.</p>

*Note:**Please note that furniture fulfilling these requirements can be labelled with the Mobelfakta.no label; hence, customers are informed only indirectly on the listed requirements. Further information is available on the Mobelfakta.no website.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by NorskIndustri, Mobelfakta.no.

**Summary table 24 Ordinance on the Declaration for Timber and Timber Products,
Switzerland**


Scheme identification	
Country	SWITZERLAND 
Scheme	<i>Ordonnance sur la déclaration concernant le bois et les produits en bois</i> (Ordinance on the Declaration for Timber and Timber Products)
Issuing body	Federal Council
Typology of act/ official document	Federal Order (National Law)
Name of act/official document	<i>Ordonnance sur la déclaration concernant le bois et les produits en bois du 4 juin 2010</i> (Ordinance of 4 June 2010 on the Declaration for Timber and Timber Products)
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	944.021
Date of entry into force	1 October 2010
Main web reference	http://www.admin.ch/opc/fr/classified-compilation/20092250/index.html
Main features	
Rationale	Regulating and verifying information to declare to consumers
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range	- Wood and wood products (only solid wood)
Geographic area	Switzerland (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Any seller
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Any seller
Information provided to consumers	- Material used - Origin of the product's component materials - Other (Wood species; specific wording to be used)
Means of information	Label or product card attached to the product or to the packaging or displayed where the product is displayed

Other information

In case it is not possible for technical reasons to put the notice on the product itself, in its immediate proximity, or on its packaging, the species and place of origin of the timber may be indicated in some other easily accessible and easily legible form. Information has to be provided in one of the official languages of the Swiss Confederation.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 25 Technical regulation of the customs union on safety of furniture, Belarus, Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation

Scheme identification	
Country	BELARUS, KAZAKHSTAN, and THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION 
Scheme	Technical regulation of the customs union on safety of furniture
Issuing body	Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission
Typology of act/ official document	Technical regulation
Name of act/official document	Technical regulation of the customs union on safety of furniture
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	TR CU 025/2012
Date of entry into force	1 July 2014
Main web reference	n.a.
Main features	
Rationale	Ensuring the protection of life and/or human health, property, environment, and life and/or animal and plant health as well as the protection of consumers from misleading information
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	- Home furniture and furniture for public spaces
Geographic area	A group of countries (Belarus, Kazakhstan, and the Russian Federation)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use)
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers + Retailers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers + Wholesalers + Retailers
Information provided to consumers*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with safety requirements** - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Origin of the product - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Date of manufacturing - Name and/or address of the importer - Other (name of the product, warranty period, lifetime established by the manufacturer, installation instructions for disassembled furniture***)
Means of information	Label attached to the product**** (in Russian*****)

Other information


The Technical Regulation of the Custom Union is set out in accordance with the Agreement on common principles and rules of technical regulation in the Republic of Belarus, Kazakhstan, and the Russian Federation of 18 November 2010.

The Member States of the Customs Union ensure the circulation in their countries of furniture complying with safety requirements included in the Technical Regulation. Furniture products that comply with those requirements and have passed the conformity assessment set out in the Technical Regulation (including certifications issued by accredited bodies) are labelled with the mark of products circulating in the market of the Customs Union. This mark has to be placed on non-removable part of each piece of furniture and an all the documentation accompanying the product.

Notes: * Additional standardized information has to be included in labels of children and student furniture. **The mark of products circulating in the market of the Customs Union is required and is a signal of compliance with safety requirements listed in the Technical Regulation. ***Instructions have to be included in the product package. ****For disassembled furniture, the label is attached to the packaging. *****Information can be provided also in the official language of another state that is member of the Customs Union; trade name of the product and name of the manufacturer can be written in the Latin alphabet.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 26 Safety standard for entrapment hazards in bunk beds, USA

Scheme identification	
Country	USA 
Scheme	Safety standard for entrapment hazards in bunk beds
Issuing body	Consumer Product Safety Commission
Typology of act/ official document	Federal Regulations
Name of act/official document	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 16 CFR 1213 - Safety standard for entrapment hazards in bunk beds - 16 CFR 1500.18 - Banned toys and other banned articles intended for use by children - 16 CFR Part 1513 - Requirements for bunk beds
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 16 CFR 1213 - 16 CFR 1500.18 - 16 CFR Part 1513
Date of entry into force	19 June 2000
Main web reference	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/granule/CFR-2011-title16-vol2/CFR-2011-title16-vol2-part1213
Main features	
Rationale	Prescribing requirements for bunk beds to reduce or eliminate the risk that children will die or be injured from being trapped between the upper bunk and the wall, in openings below guardrails, or in other structures in the bed
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bunk beds
Geographic area	USA (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compliance with safety requirements - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Name and/or address of the importer - Other (specific warnings for safe use)
Means of information	Specific warning label and a label or marking attached to the product.

Other information

ASTM F 1427-96, a voluntary standard entitled “Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Bunk Beds,” contains other requirements for the design and performance of bunk beds.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 27 Flammability of Mattresses and Mattress Pads, USA

Scheme identification	
Country	USA 
Scheme	Flammability of Mattresses and Mattress Pads
Issuing body	Consumer Product Safety Commission
Typology of act/ official document	Federal Regulations
Name of act/official document	16 CFR 1632 - Standard for the Flammability of Mattresses and Mattress Pads
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	16 CFR 1632
Date of entry into force	1 July 2007
Main web reference	http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/granule/CFR-2012-title16-vol2/CFR-2012-title16-vol2-part1632/content-detail.html
Main features	
Rationale	Compliance with flammability standards
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mattress - Mattress pads
Geographic area	USA (the entire country)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Importers
Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Items included (if they can be sold separately) - Compliance with safety requirements - Flammability - Instructions and/or precautions on use - Origin of the product - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Name and/or address of the importer
Means of information	Permanent label attached to the product
Other information	n.a.

Source: Authors' own elaboration.

Summary table 28 Uniform Law Label, Canada and USA


Scheme identification	
Country	Canada and USA  
Scheme	Uniform Law Label
Issuing body	International Association of Bedding and Furniture Law Officials (IABFLO)
Typology of act/ official document	n.a.
Name of act/official document	na
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	na
Date of entry into force	n.a. (the legislation is into force, no specific date made available)
Main web reference	http://iabflo.org/
Main features	
Rationale	Providing uniform information to consumers, informing consumers on "hidden contents/ filling materials" inside bedding and furniture and promoting a form of fair competition among manufacturers
Scope of information	Specific information scheme
Product range*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Filled bedding - Upholstered furniture - Sleeping bags - Toys (containing concealed stuffing materials)
Geographic area	A group of countries (USA, 31 States + Canada)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely mandatory
Intended recipients of the information	Consumers
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers

Information provided to consumers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimensions - Weight - Material used - Flammability - Origin of the product - Origin of the product's component materials - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Name and/or address of the importer - Name and/or address of the wholesaler - Name and/or address of the retailer - Other (specific wording to be used, federal register number)
Means of information	Standardized label attached to the product
Other information	<p>Thirty-one states in the USA have established laws requiring labelling of bedding and upholstered furniture. The products requiring law labels in each state vary, as do the labelling requirements. In order to simplify compliance with the various state bedding and upholstered furniture labelling laws IABFLO established a uniform law labelling system to assist manufacturers.</p> <p>Products made from all new material use a law tag that is white in colour. Products made from second-hand material use a law tag that varies in colour based on the state they are located in. No advertising or company logo is permitted on the law label.</p>

Note: *Product range varies in each state.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by the International Association of Bedding and Furniture Law Officials (IABFLO).

Summary table 29 level® - the sustainability certification program for furniture, Canada and USA

Scheme identification	
Country	Canada and USA  
Scheme	level® - the sustainability certification program for furniture (ANSI/BIFMA e3 Furniture Sustainability Standard)
Issuing body	The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) + Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association (BIFMA)
Typology of act/ official document	Guidelines
Name of act/official document	level® Program Guidelines
Reference number of the act/official document where the scheme is included	n.a.
Date of entry into force	n.a. (the scheme is into force, specific date of entry not available)
Main web reference	http://levelcertified.org/
Main features	
Rationale	Providing a pathway toward production of increasingly sustainable furniture
Scope of information	General information scheme
Product range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All business and institutional furniture - Related materials and components
Geographic area	A group of countries (USA + Canada)
Mandatory/voluntary	The scheme is entirely voluntary*
Intended recipients of the information	All the customers (purchasers for personal and/or business use) and other actors of the furniture supply/value chain (especially with regard to certified materials and components)
Parties responsible for providing information to consumers	Manufacturers + Importers/exporters + Wholesalers + Retailers
Parties responsible for correctness and reliability of information	Manufacturers + Certification bodies accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

Information provided to consumers**	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Material used - Hazardous substance contained in the product - Durability of use and resistance to "wear and tear" - Production process applied - Compliance with safety requirements - Flammability - Instructions on disposal or recycling - Origin of the product - Origin of the product's component materials - Name and/or address of the manufacturer - Environmental impacts*** - Conformity to fair labour conditions
Means of information	<p>Product card attached to the packaging or displayed where the product is displayed. The level® logo, which includes a symbol and a text, can be included.</p>
Other information	<p>In order to achieve a level® certification, a manufacturer has to contract with an authorized, independent, third-party certification body. That certification body then uses the ANSI/BIFMA e3 Furniture Sustainability Standard to conduct the audit function, measure all required information, verify compliance and certify the specific product with the level conformance mark.</p> <p>In the level® certification process, not only the product, but the facility(-ies) that produced it, and the organization itself are all scored according to sustainability criteria in four impact areas: i) Materials; ii) Energy & Atmosphere; iii) Human & Ecosystem Health; and iv) Social Responsibility. In order to be level® certified, products must meet certain minimum requirements in each impact area. A product can be rated level 1, 2 or 3 with “level 3” meaning the product has collected a higher number of points than a level 1 or level 2 certified product.</p> <p>This simple information is sufficient to make more informed choices for most customers. Availability of these products is posted on the level® website in a database showing all certified products.</p>

*Notes:** Please note that various federal, state, and provincial agencies have specified the standard for purchasing purposes (public procurement) in the U.S. and Canada, thus buying only certified furniture; in several circumstances, level ® certified furniture is required. ** Please note that furniture fulfilling these requirements can be labelled with the level® logo; hence, customers are informed only indirectly on the listed requirements. A wider set of information can currently be secured directly from manufacturers through a product contact listed on the Product Detail list of the official database available on the level® website. ***As regards environmental claims, the use of the word friendliness is not allowed under FTC Green Guide requirements.

Source: Authors' elaboration on data provided by Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association (BIFMA).

ANNEX 7 – FURNITURE INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS CONTACTED TO COMPARE NATIONAL MEASURES PROMOTING QUALITY FURNITURE PRODUCTS

Table 1 EU furniture industry associations and organisations involved in the survey*

#	Association	Country	Website
1	<i>AFI - Austrian Furniture Industry</i>	<i>Austria</i>	<i>www.moebel.at</i>
2	<i>Fedustria</i>	<i>Belgium</i>	<i>www.fedustria.be</i>
3	<i>BCWFI - Bulgarian Branch Chamber of Woodworking and Furniture Industry</i>	<i>Bulgaria</i>	<i>www.timberchamber.com</i>
4	<i>CEA - Croatian Employers' Association</i>	<i>Croatia</i>	<i>www.hup.hr</i>
5	<i>ACN – Asociace Ceskych Nabytkaru</i>	<i>Czech Republic</i>	<i>www.czechfurniture.com</i>
6	<i>TMI - Danish Association of Woodworking and furniture Industries</i>	<i>Denmark</i>	<i>tmi.di.dk</i>
7	<i>EESTI - Estonian Woodworking Federation</i>	<i>Estonia</i>	<i>www.furnitureindustry.ee</i>
8	<i>AFWFI - Finnish woodworking association</i>	<i>Finland</i>	<i>www.puuteollisuusyrittajat.fi</i>
9	<i>UNIFA - Union Nationale des Industries Francaises de l'Ameublement</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>www.unifa.org</i>
10	<i>FCBA - Institut Technologique Forêt Cellulose Bois-construction Ameublement</i>	<i>France</i>	<i>www.fcba.fr</i>
11	<i>VDM - Germany furniture association</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>www.hdh-ev.de</i>
12	<i>DIN – Deutsches Institut für Normung</i>	<i>Germany</i>	<i>www.din.de</i>
13	<i>Association of Hungarian Furniture and Woodworking Industries</i>	<i>Hungary</i>	<i>www.butorszovetseg.hu</i>
14	<i>Irish Kitchen & Bedroom Association</i>	<i>Ireland</i>	<i>www.ikba.ie</i>
15	<i>Federlegnoarredo</i>	<i>Italy</i>	<i>www.federlegnoarredo.it</i>
16	<i>Latvian Forest Industry Federation (Latvian Furniture)</i>	<i>Latvia</i>	<i>www.latvianwood.lv</i>
17	<i>Lithuanian Forest Cluster</i>	<i>Lithuania</i>	<i>www.lietuvosmediena.lt</i>
18	<i>CBM - Central Union of Furniture manufacturers</i>	<i>Netherlands</i>	<i>www.cbm.nl</i>
19	<i>OIGPM - The Polish Chamber of Commerce of Furniture Manufacturers</i>	<i>Poland</i>	<i>www.oigpm.org.pl</i>
20	<i>APIMA – Associação Portuguesa das Indústrias de Mobiliário e Afins</i>	<i>Portugal</i>	<i>www.apima.pt</i>
21	<i>AIMMP – Associação das Indústrias de Madeira e Mobiliário de Portugal</i>	<i>Portugal</i>	<i>www.aimmp.pt</i>
22	<i>APMR - Romanian Furniture Manufacturers' Association</i>	<i>Romania</i>	<i>www.apmob.ro</i>
23	<i>ZSD SR - Slovak Association of Wood Processors</i>	<i>Slovakia</i>	<i>www.zsdsr.sk</i>
24	<i>ANIEME - Spanish Association of Furniture Manufacturers and Exporters</i>	<i>Spain</i>	<i>www.anieme.com</i>
25	<i>Confemadera (Federmueble)</i>	<i>Spain</i>	<i>www.federmueble.org</i>
26	<i>TMF - Swedish trade and employers' association of the wood processing and furniture industry</i>	<i>Sweden</i>	<i>www.tmf.se</i>
27	<i>BFM - British Furniture Manufactures</i>	<i>UK</i>	<i>www.bfm.org.uk</i>

Notes: * Respondents are in italics.

Source: Authors' own elaboration

Table 2 Extra-EU furniture industry associations and organisations involved in the survey*

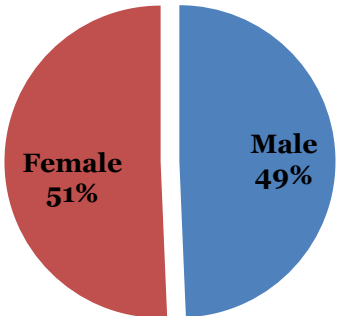
#	Association	Country	Website
1	China National Furniture Association	China	www.cnfa.com.cn
2	<i>Mobelfakta.no</i> **	<i>Norway</i>	<i>www.mobelfakta.no</i>
3	NFM - The Association of Norwegian Furniture Manufacturers**	Norway	www.norskindustri.no/Bransjer/ Mobelinterior/ insidenorway.no
4	Amedoro - Association of furniture and woodworking enterprises of Russia	Russia	eng.amedoro.com
5	ANSA – Association suisse du négoce de l'ameublement	Switzerland	www.moebelfachverband.ch
6	Verband Schweizer Möbelindustrie	Switzerland	www.möbelschweiz.ch
7	<i>BIFMA - Business + Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>www.bifma.org</i>
8	AHFA - American Home Furnishings Alliance	USA	www.ahfa.us
9	CFMA - California Furniture Manufacturers Association	USA	www.cfma.com
10	FAFM - Florida Association of Furniture Manufacturers	USA	www.fafm.org
11	<i>IABFLO - The International Association of Bedding and Furniture Law Officials</i>	<i>USA & Canada</i>	<i>www.iabflo.org</i>
12	NAHFA - North America Home Furnishings Association	USA	www.nahfa.org
13	NFA - National Furniture Association	USA	www.nationalfurnitureassociation.com

Notes: *Respondents are in italics. **Mobelfakta.no and NFM are both part of Norsk Industri - Möbel + Interior, the furniture department of the Federation of Norwegian Industries. This list includes the main national associations for each selected country. Please note that a larger number of actors was selected for the US market, as it is the second largest producer worldwide, after China (see Chapter 2), and has a long tradition in terms of trade associations both at federal and state level in this sector.

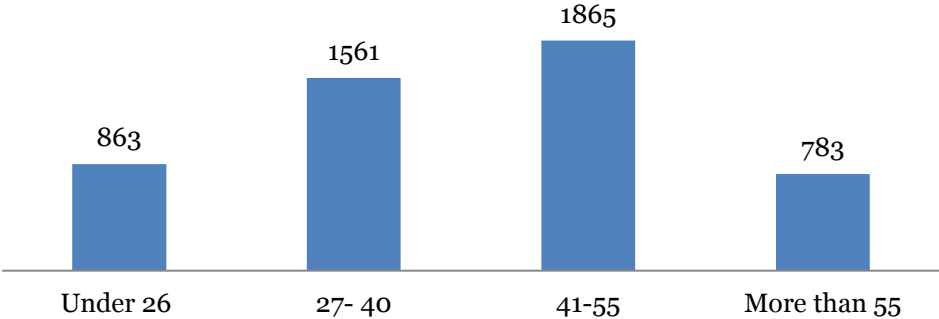
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ANNEX 8 – CONSUMER SURVEY: ADDITIONAL DATA

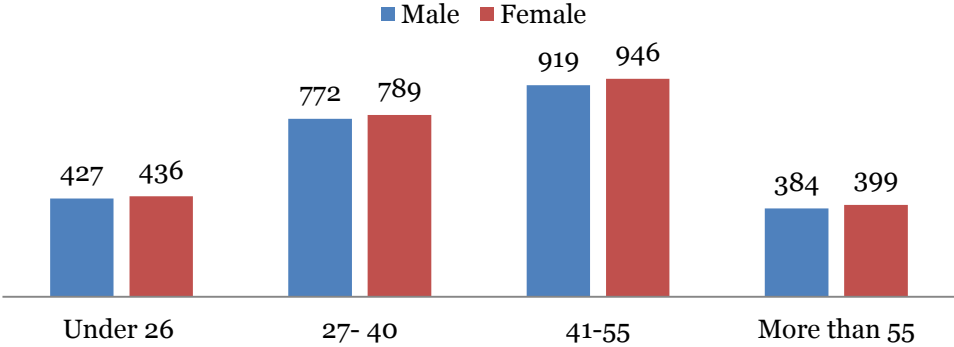
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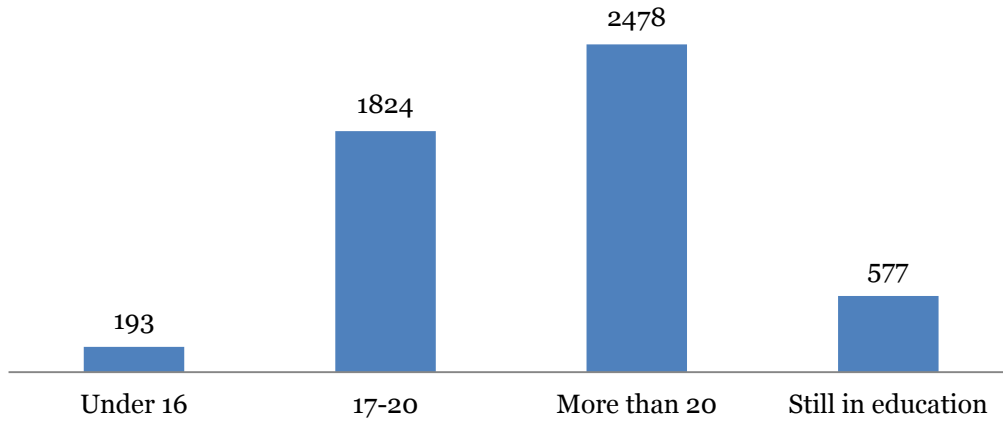
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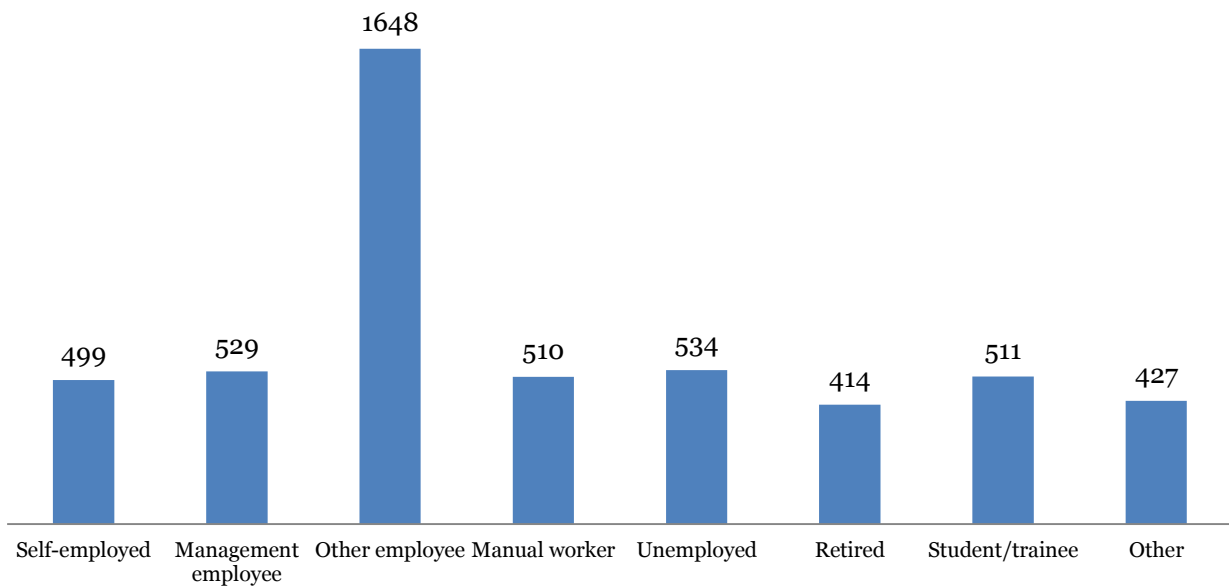
Q2 – What is your age group (years)? - Breakdown per gender



Q3 – At what age did you complete your education (years)?

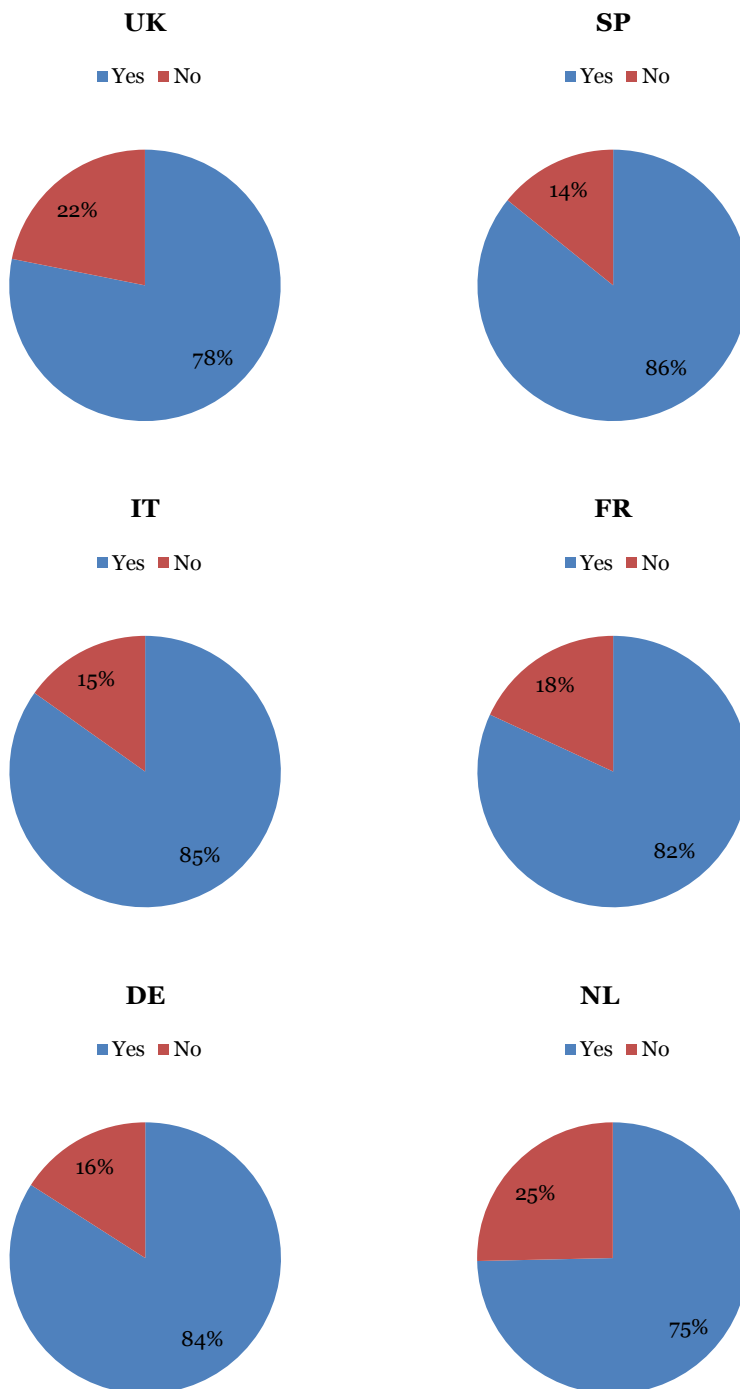


Q4 – What is your occupation?



Q5 – Did you buy any furniture product over the last three years or are you planning to buy some in the coming 12 months?

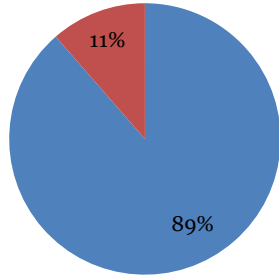
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¹ This Report uses the following country abbreviations: AT (Austria); DE (Germany), FR (France); IT (Italy); NL (The Netherlands); PL (Poland); RO (Romania); SE (Sweden); SP (Spain); UK (United Kingdom).

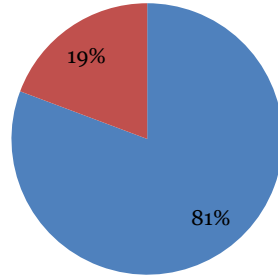
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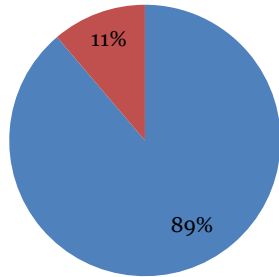
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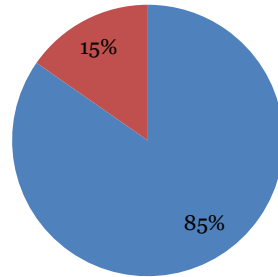
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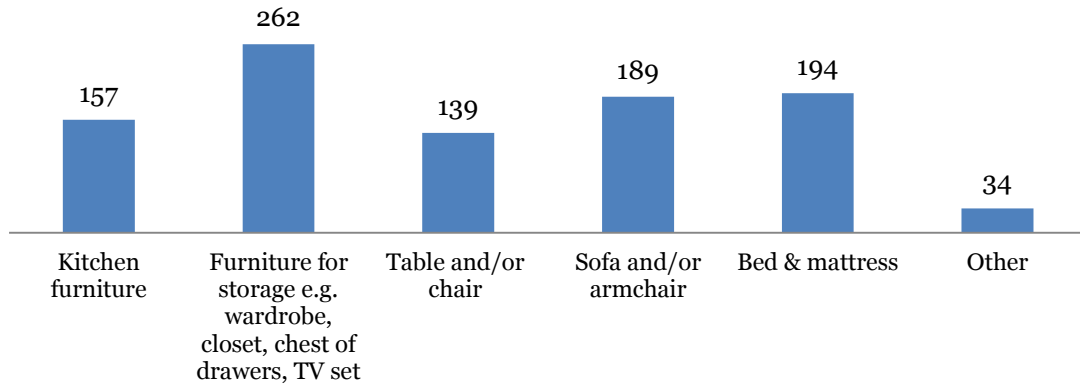
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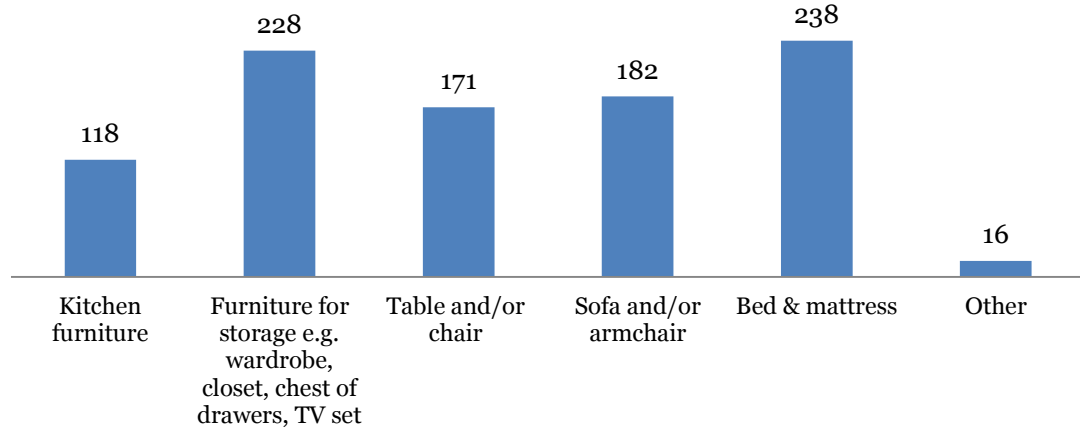
Q6 – Which furniture product(s) did you buy over the last three years and/or intend to buy within the coming 12 months?

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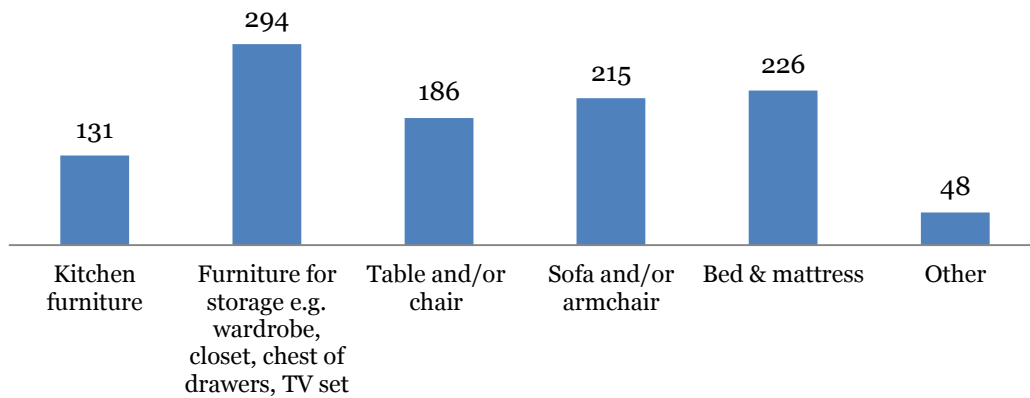
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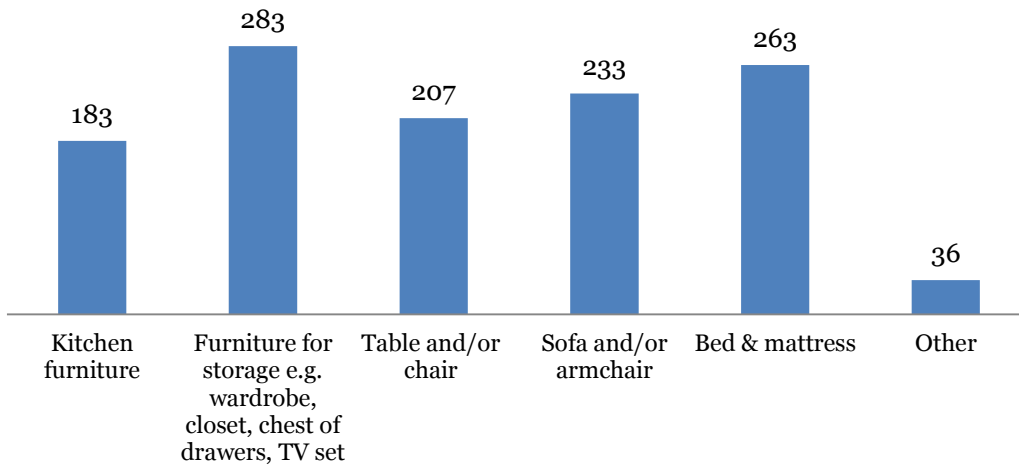
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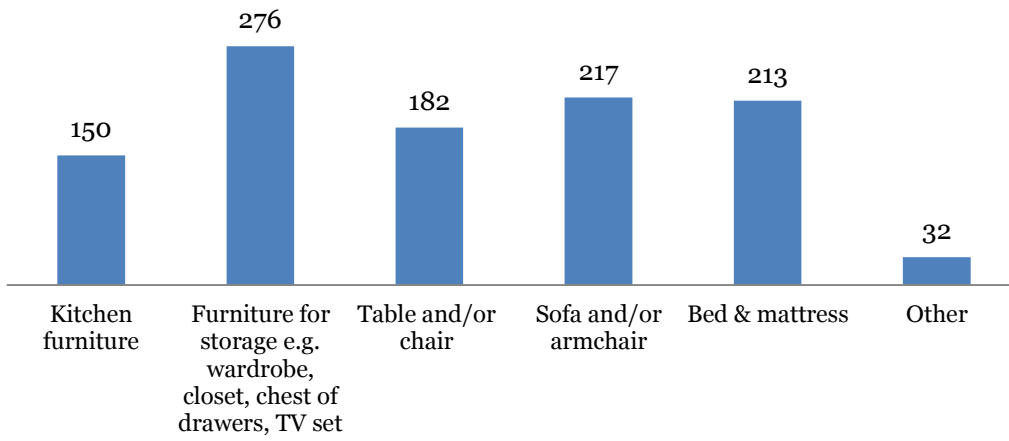
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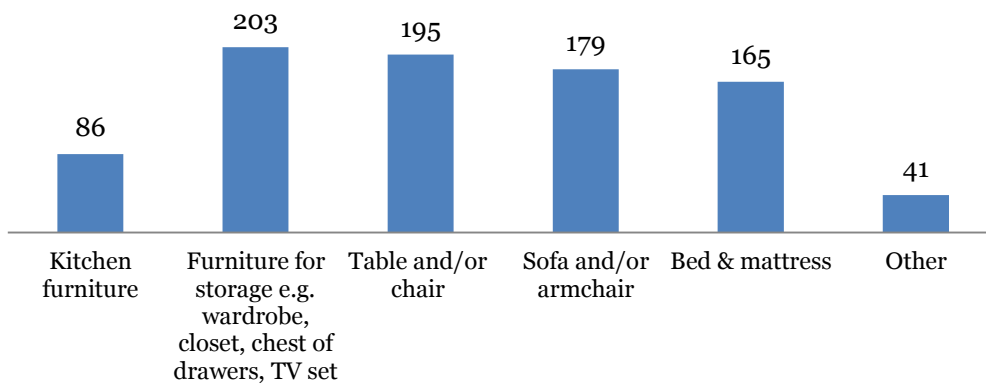
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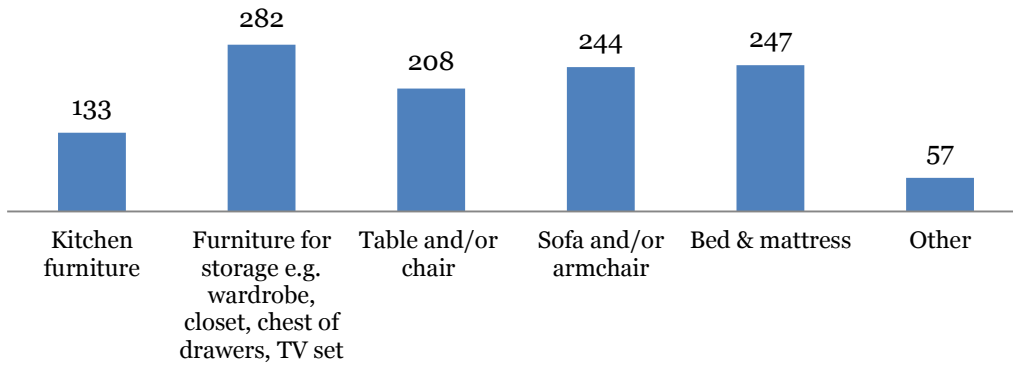
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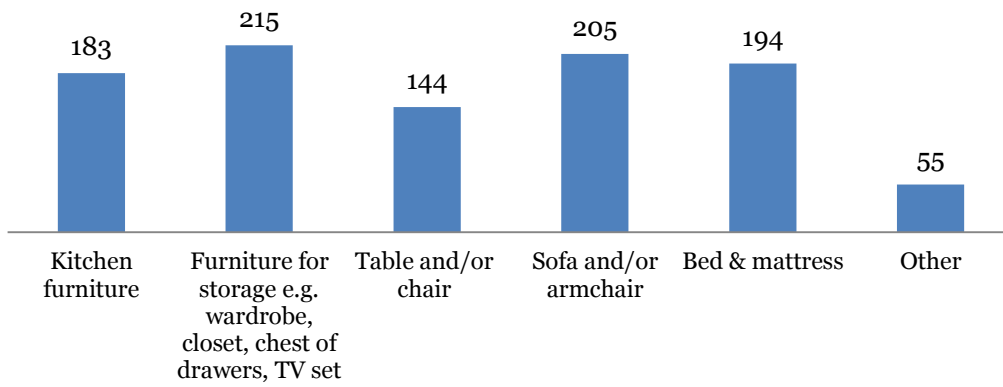
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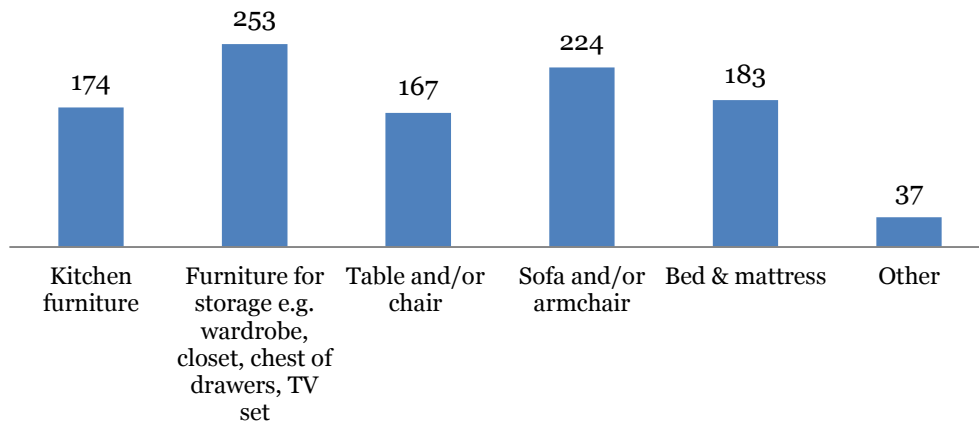
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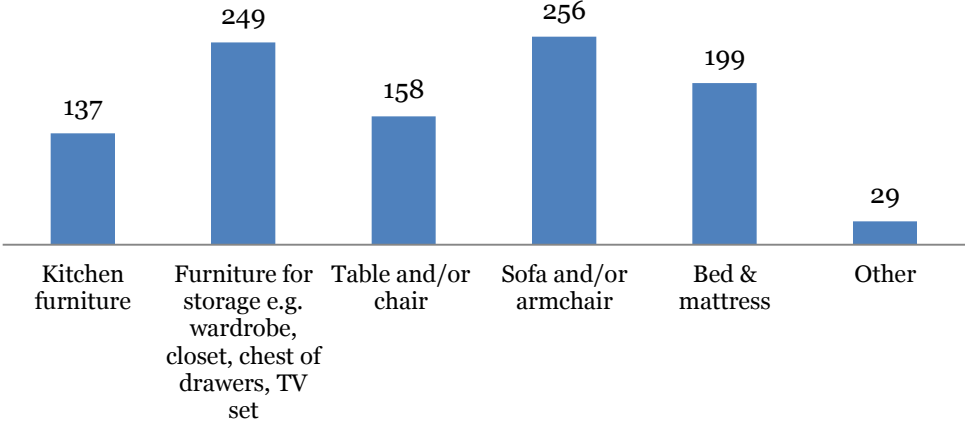
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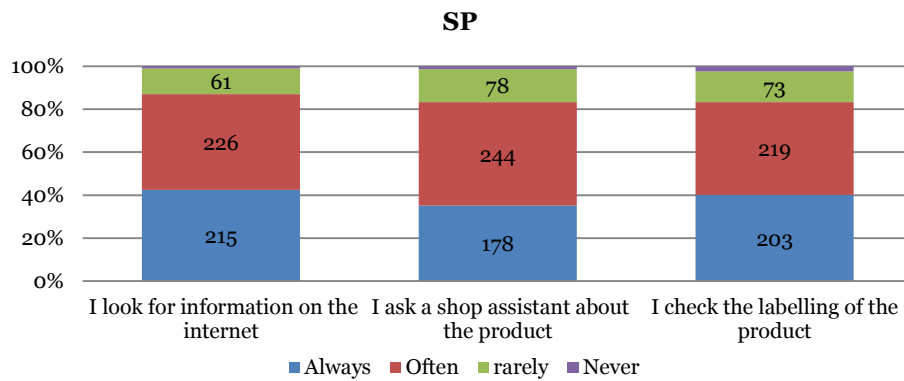
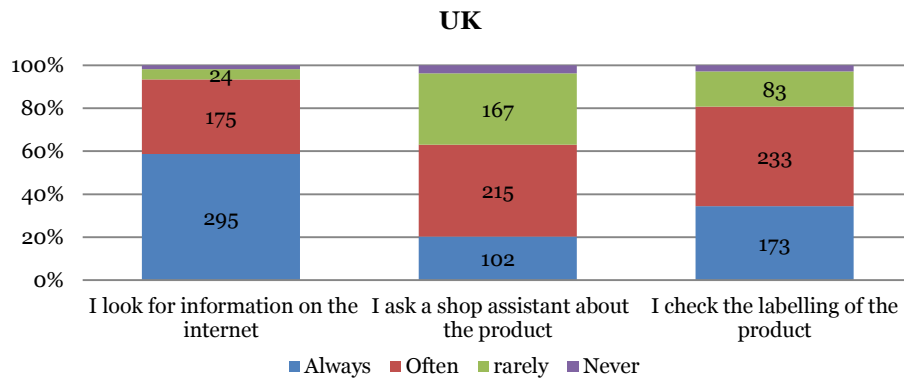
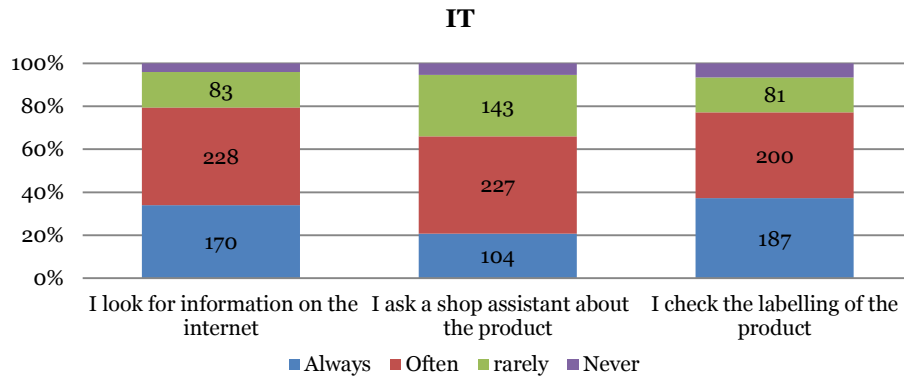


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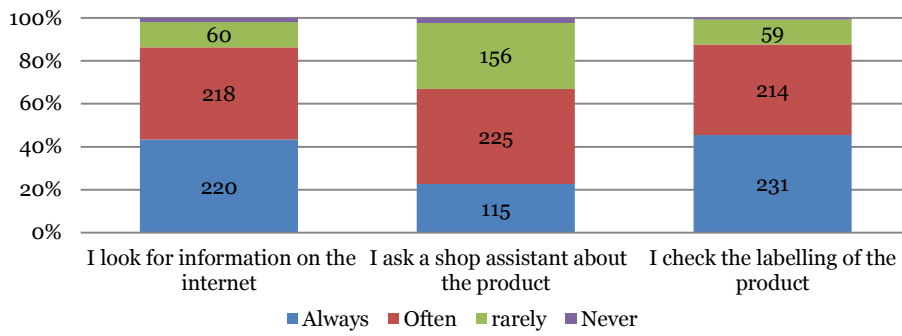


Q7 – Do you use the following sources to get more information about the furniture product before its purchase?

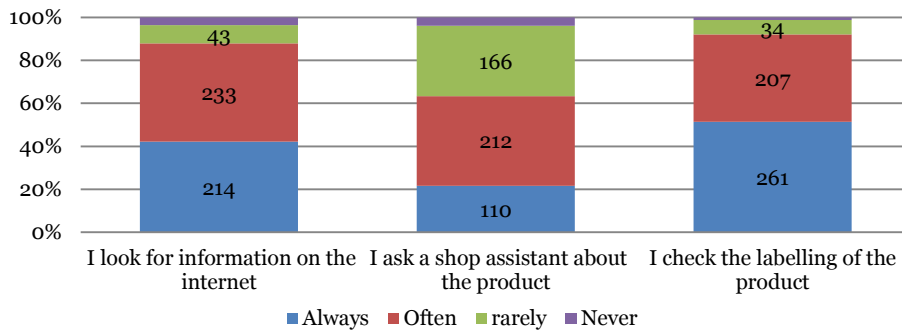
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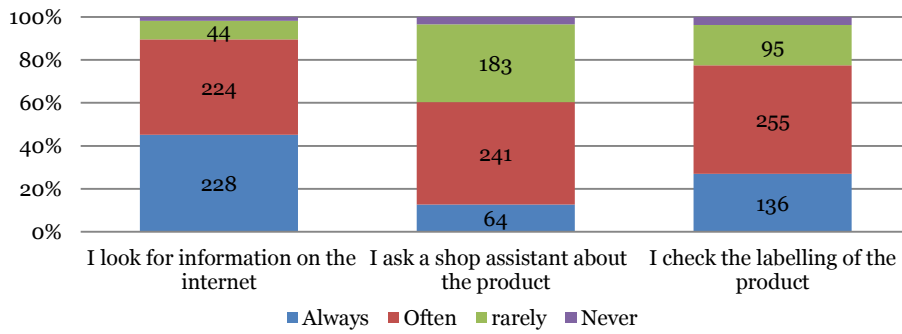
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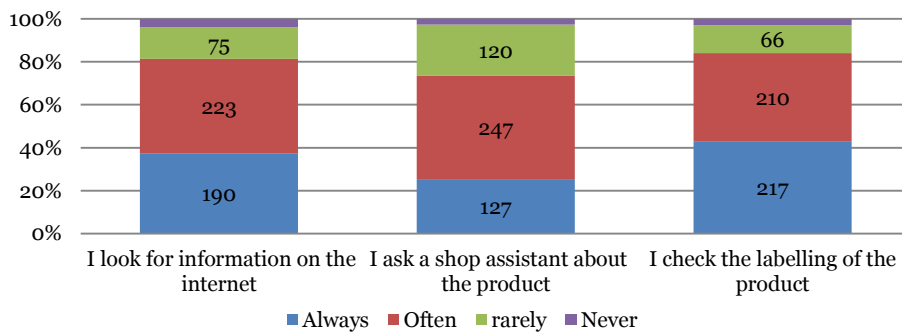
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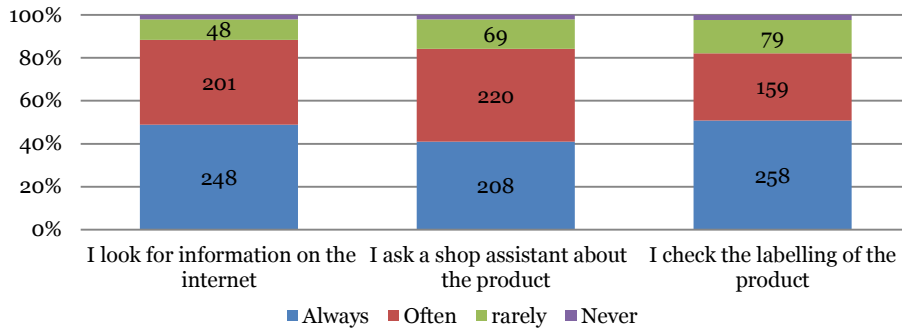
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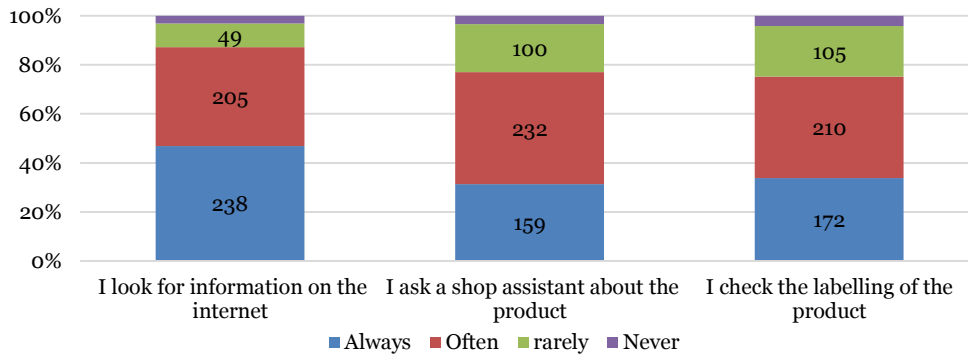
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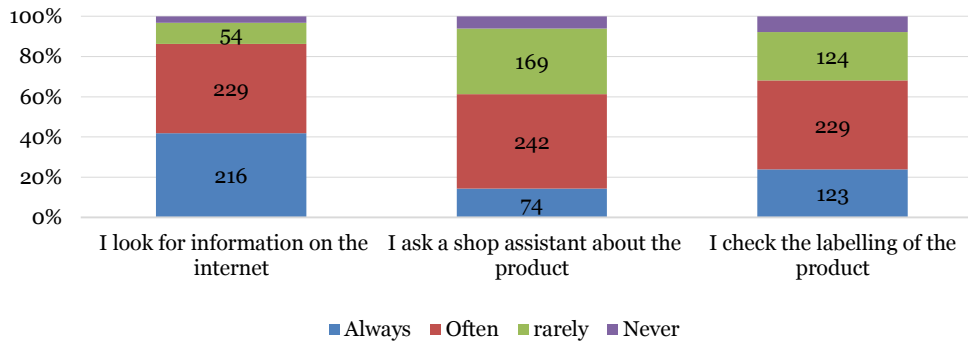
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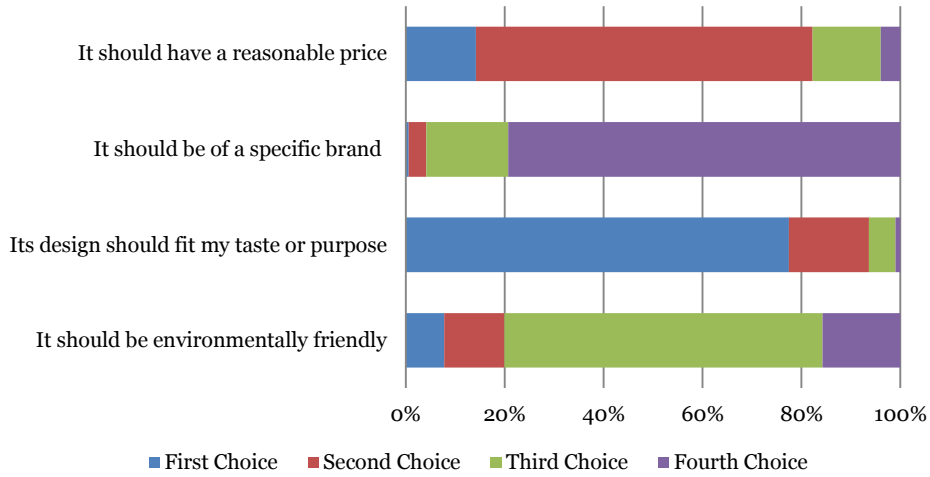
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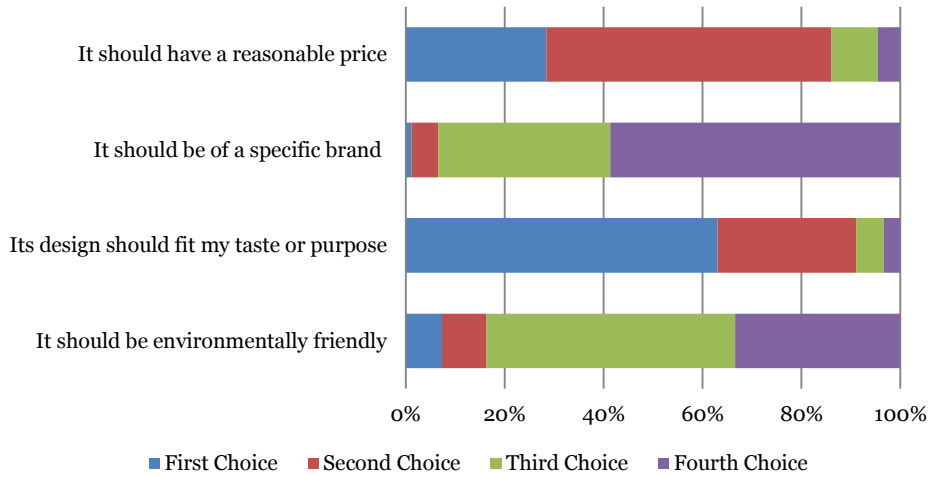
Q8 – When you buy furniture, how do you rank the following aspects of the product from the most to the least important?

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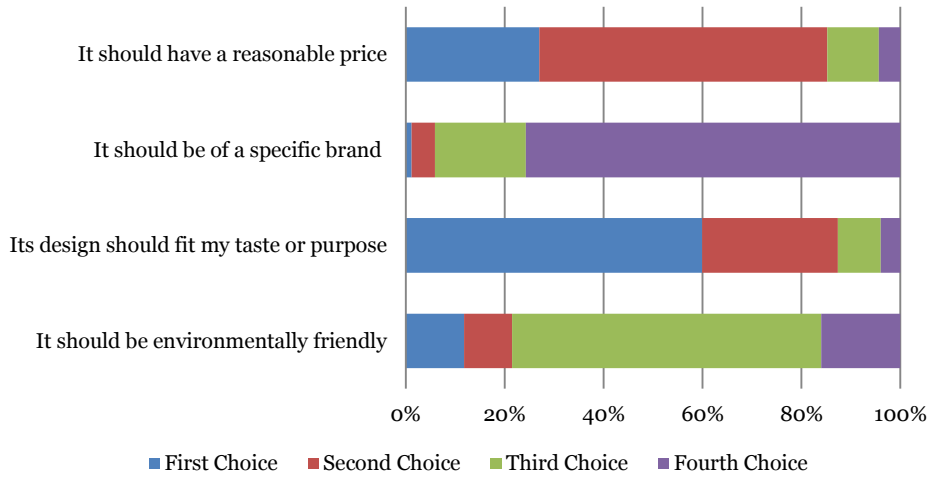
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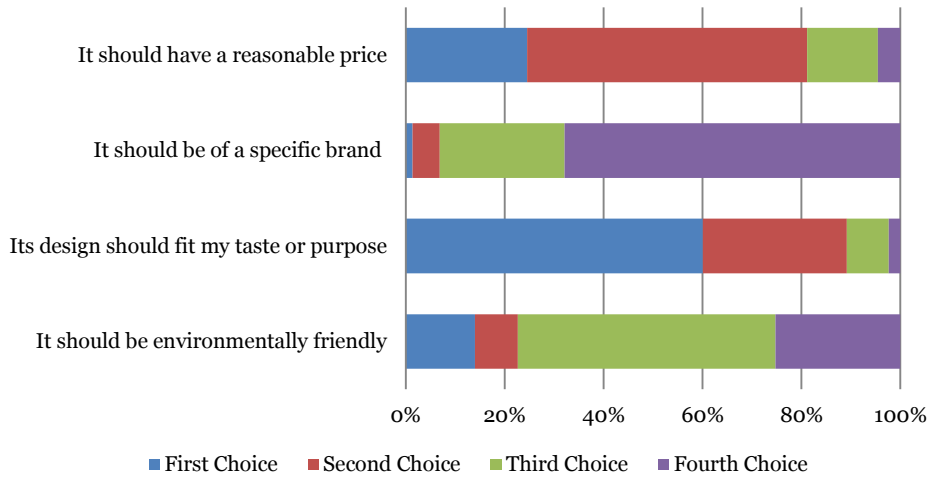
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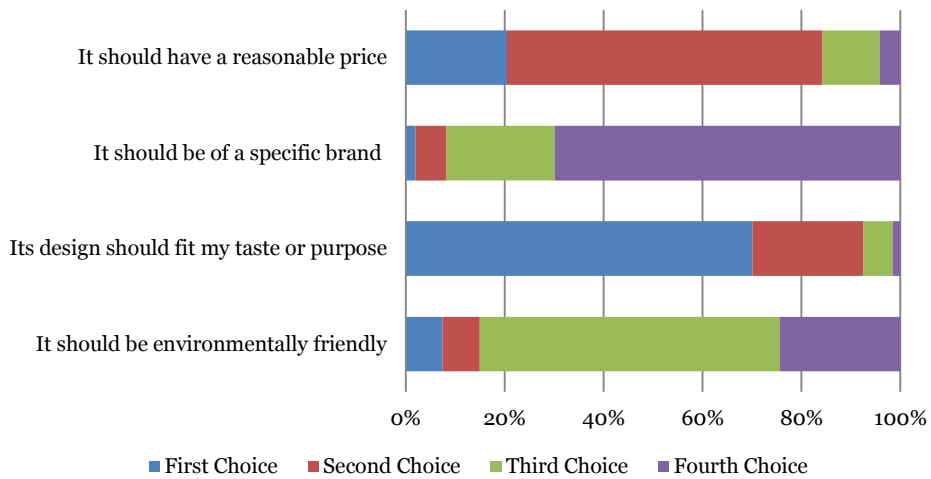
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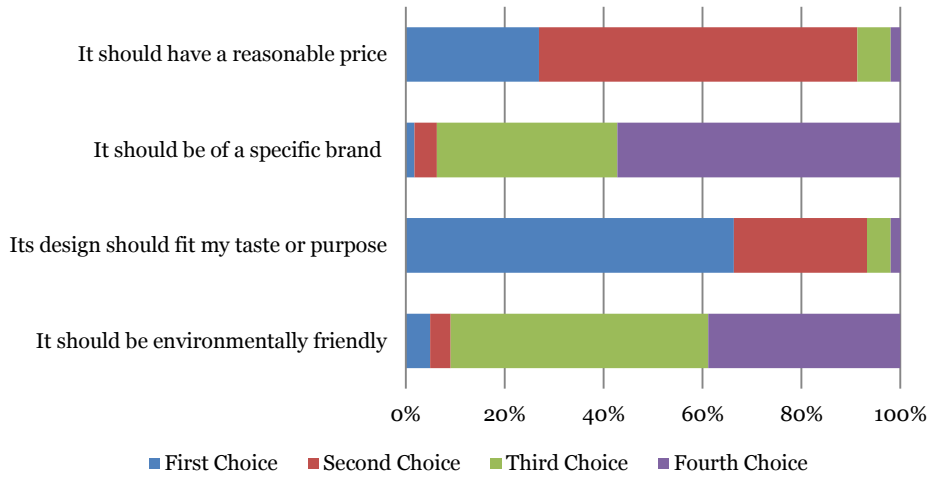
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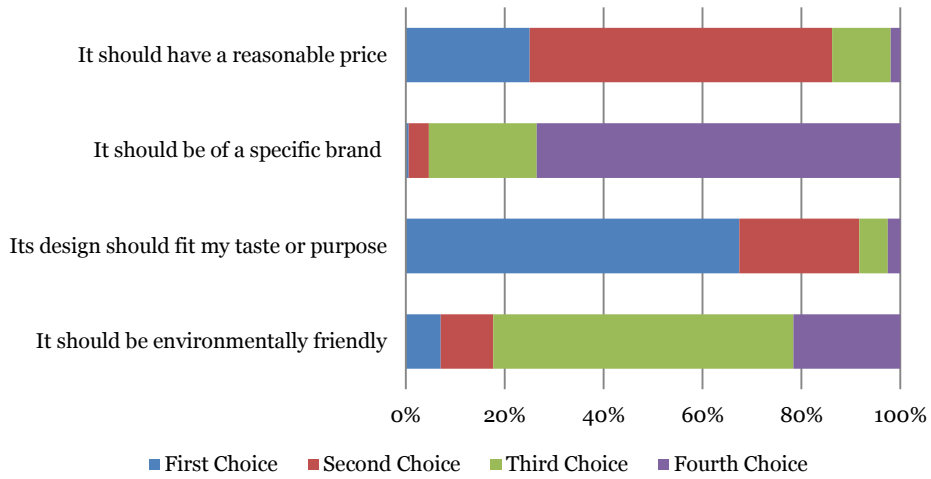
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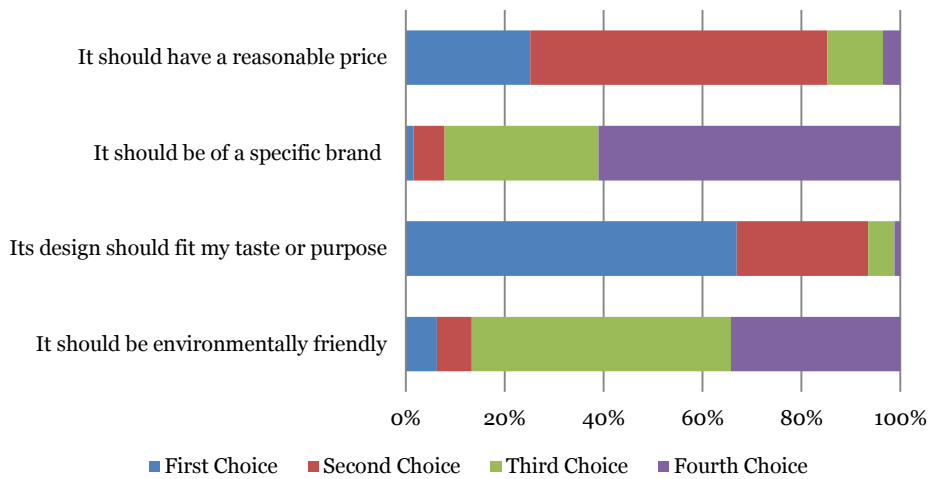
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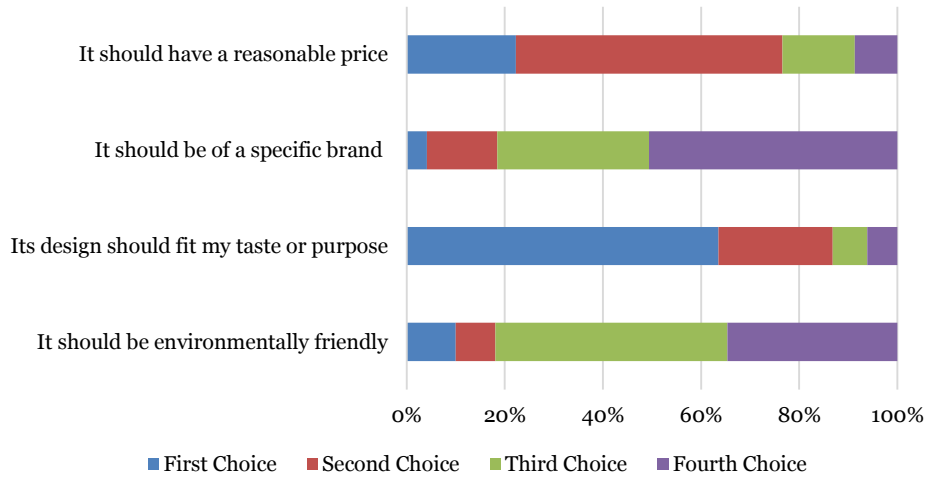
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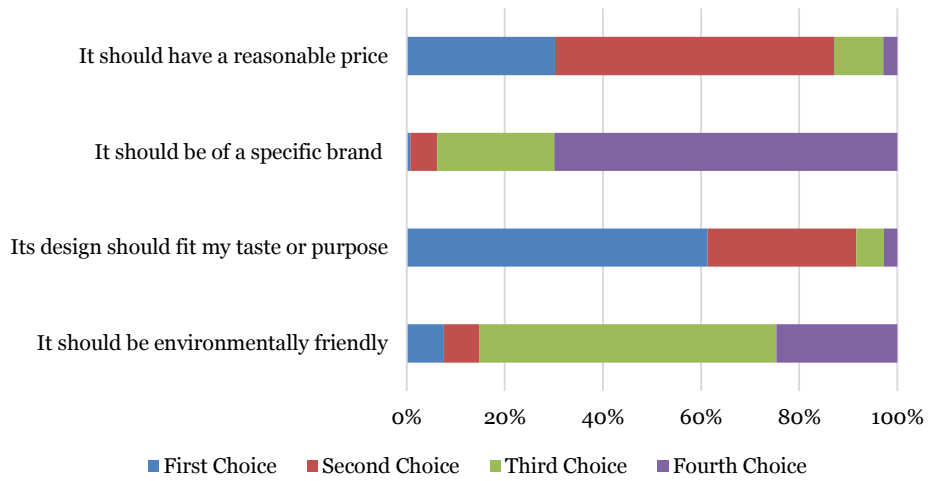
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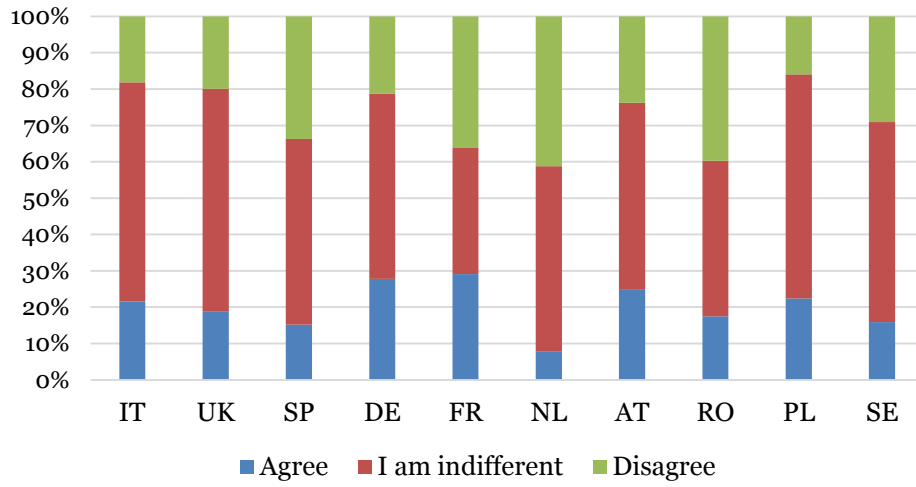


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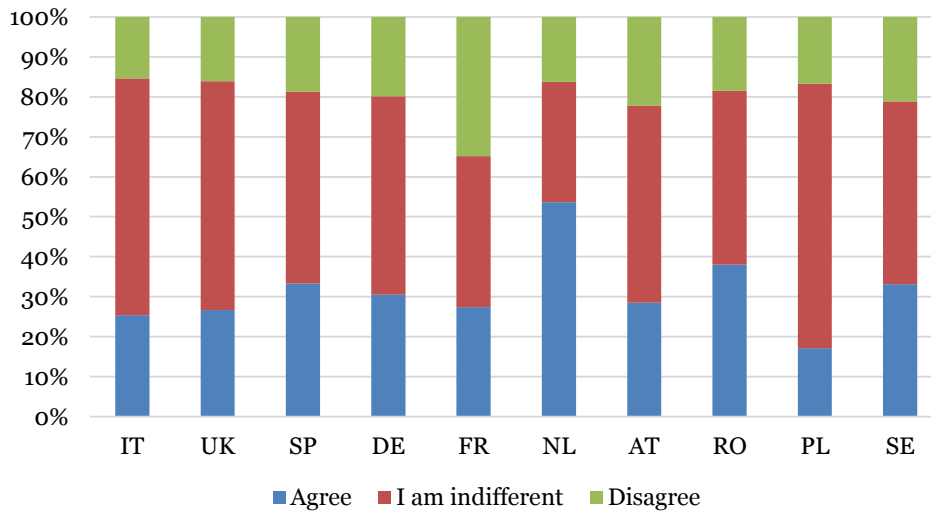


Q9 – I am willing to pay more for a furniture product if:
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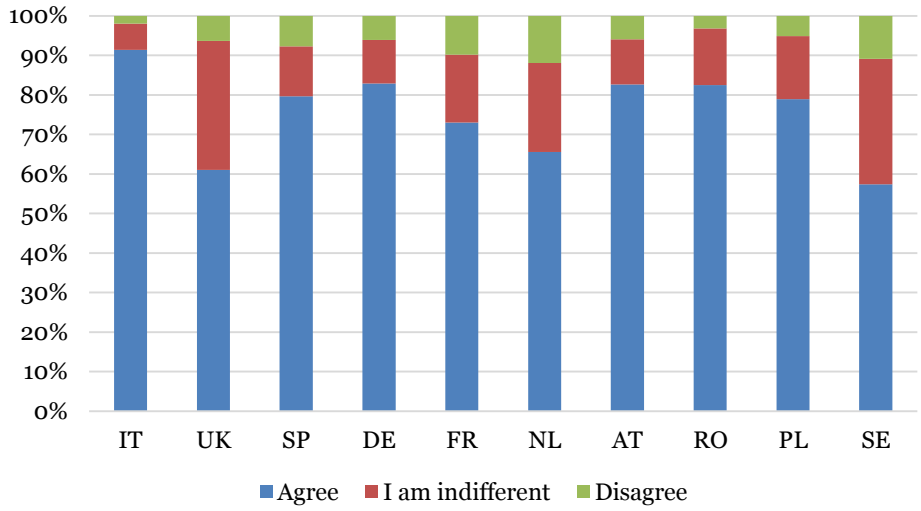
The product is from the country of origin I want



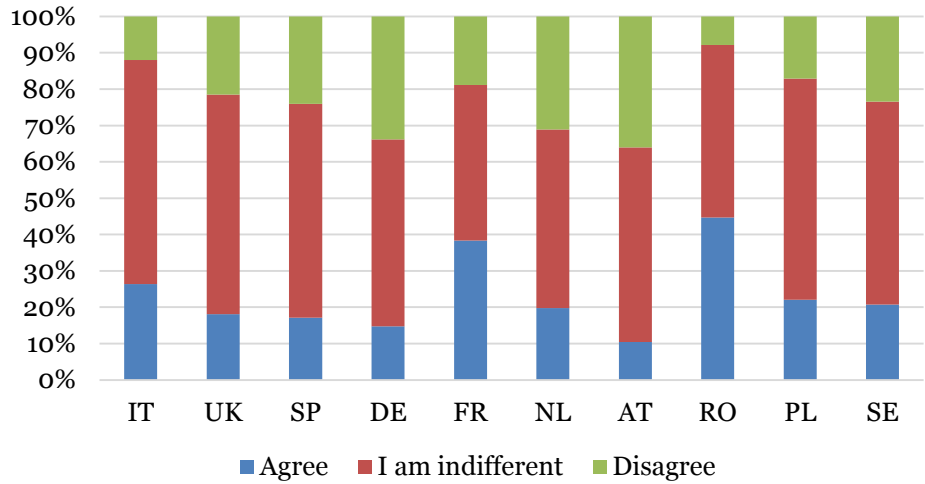
The product's component materials are from the origin I want



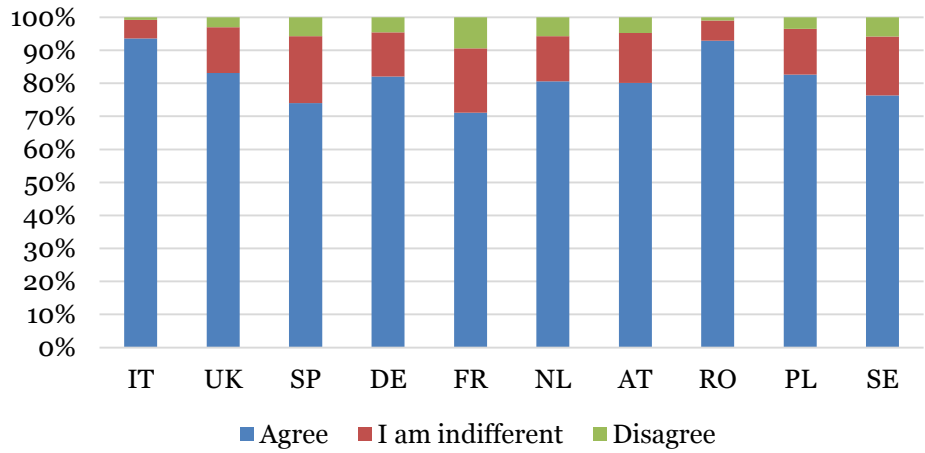
The product is friendly to human health



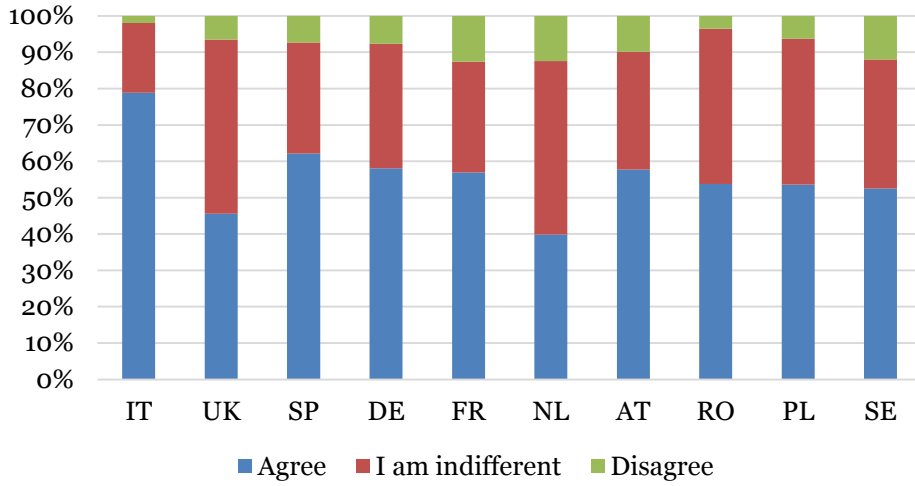
The product has protected design rights



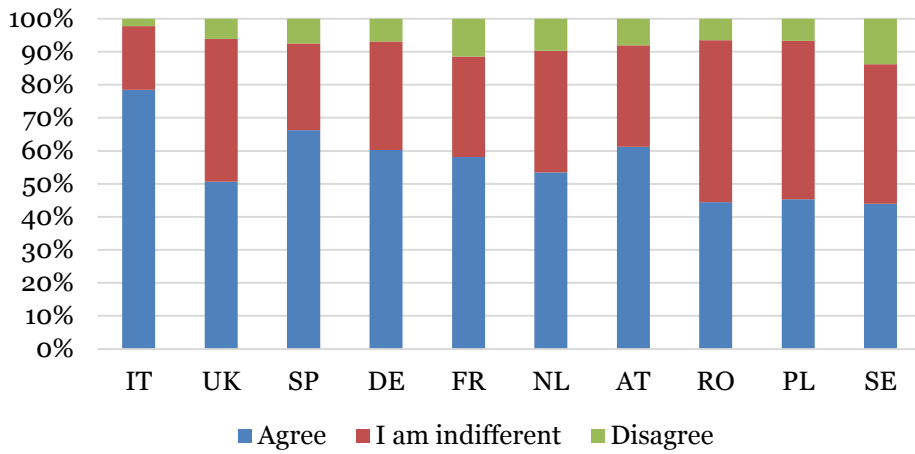
The product conforms to high standards of durability



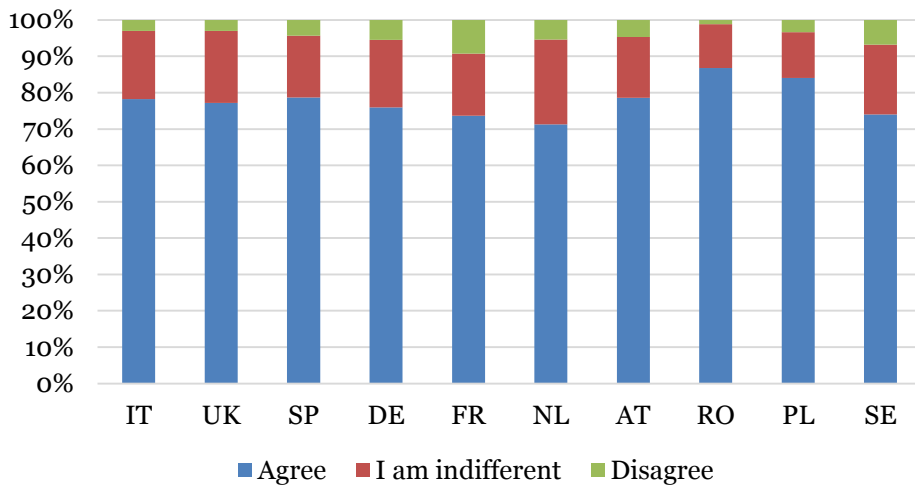
The product is environmentally friendly



The product process conforms to fair labour conditions

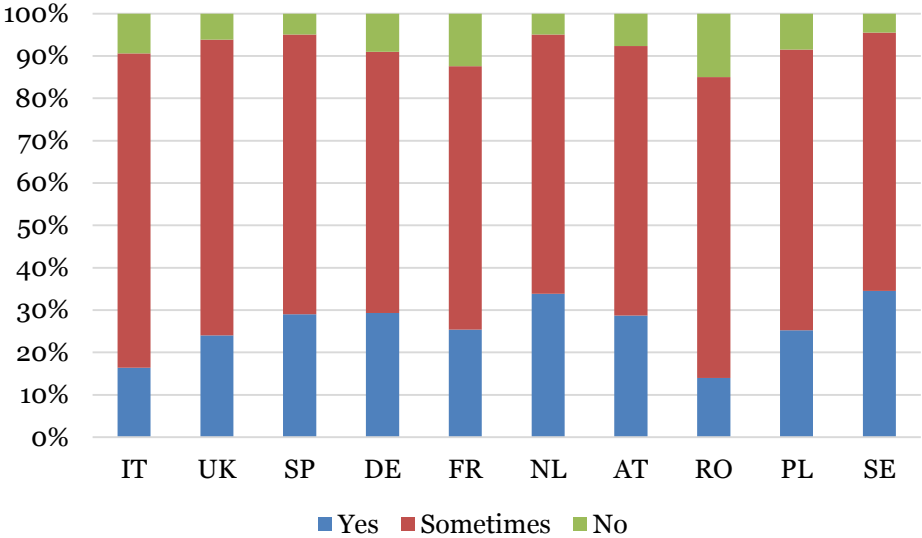


The product is easy to maintain



Q10 – When you buy furniture, is the product information displayed in the store sufficient?

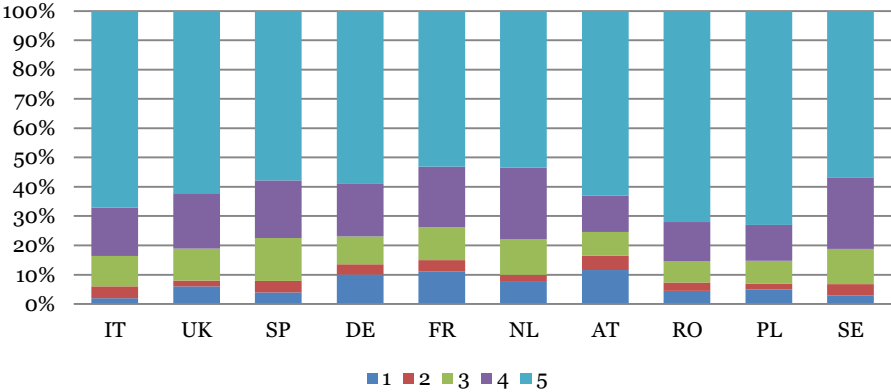
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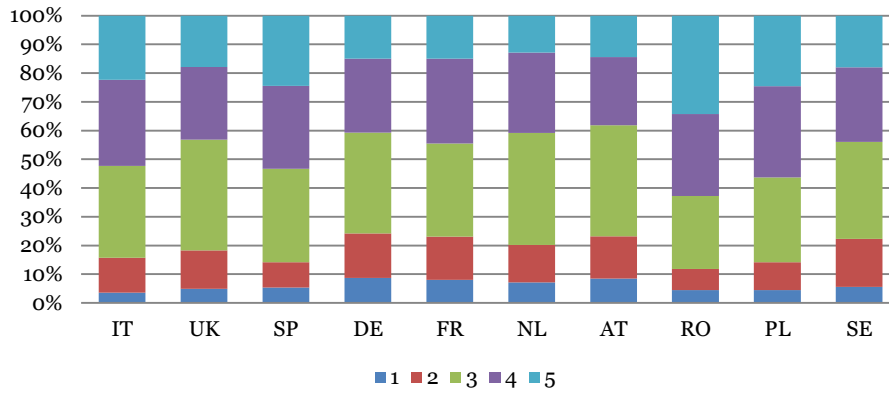
Q11. How important is it for you to receive the following information?
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[Response choice: from 1-not important to 5-very important]

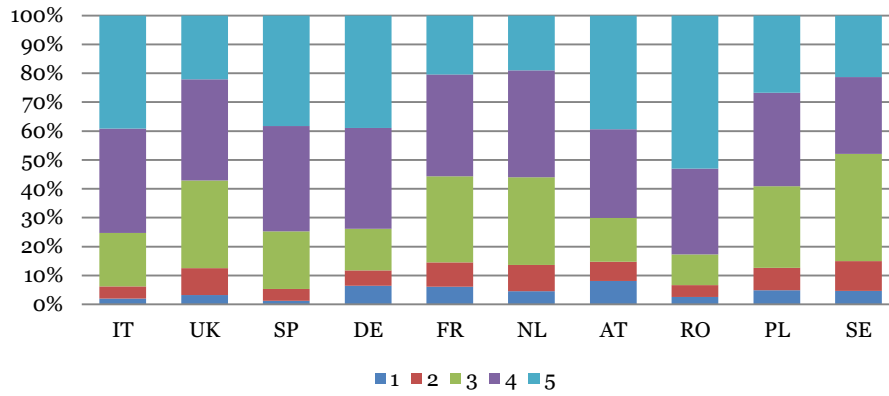
Dimensions



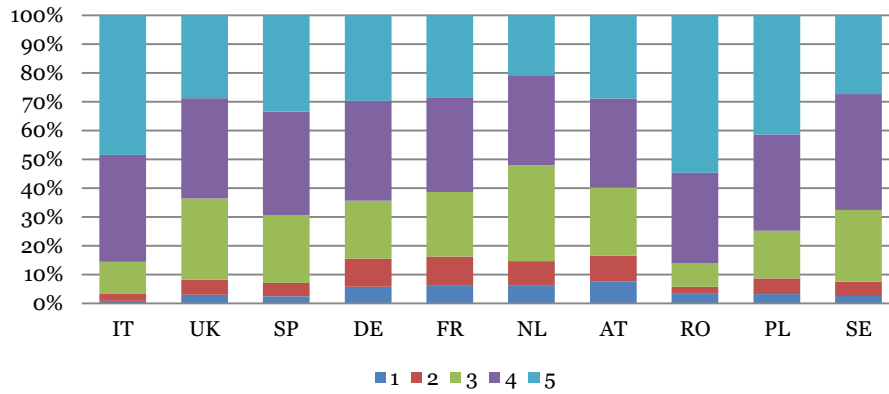
Weight



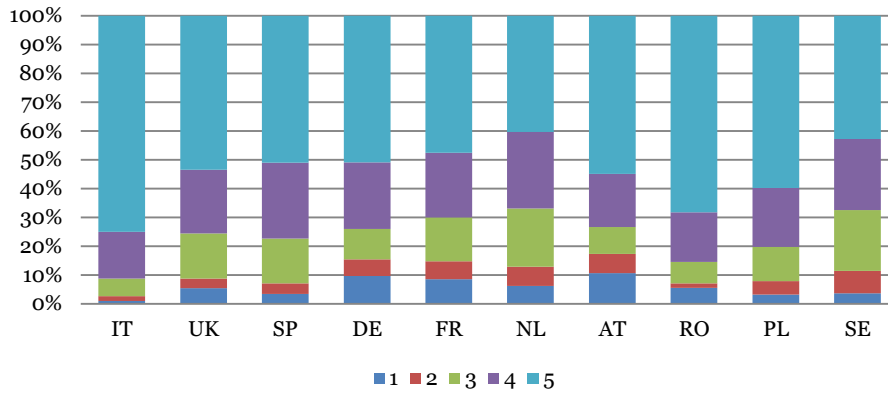
Weight bearing



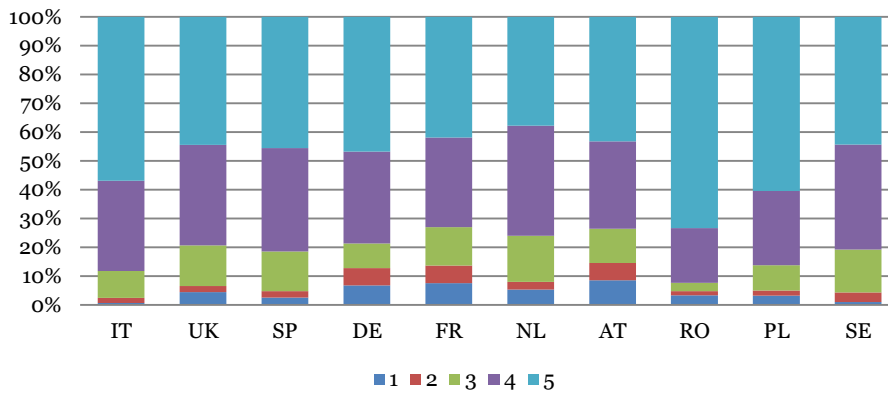
Material used



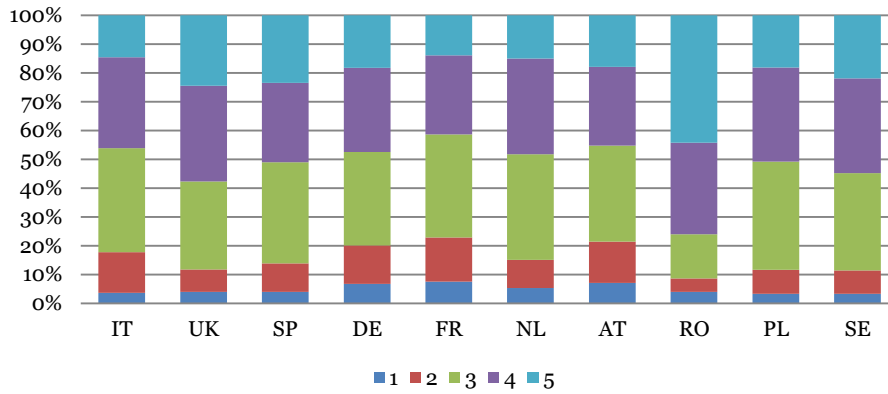
Hazardous substances contained in the product



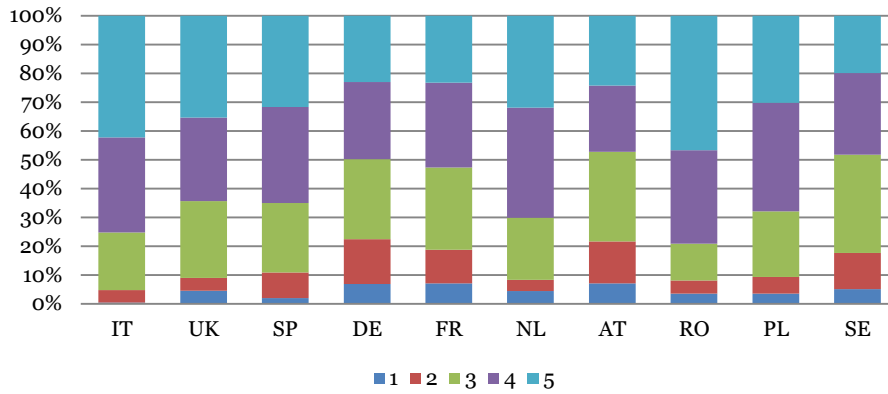
Resistance to wear and tear



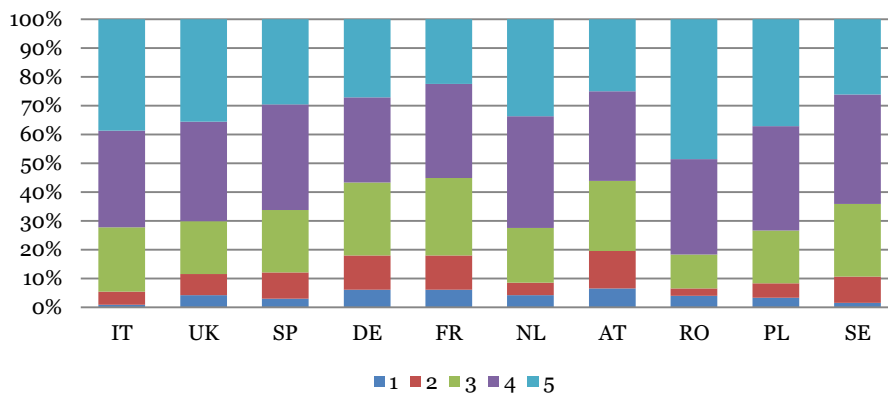
Quality of the production process



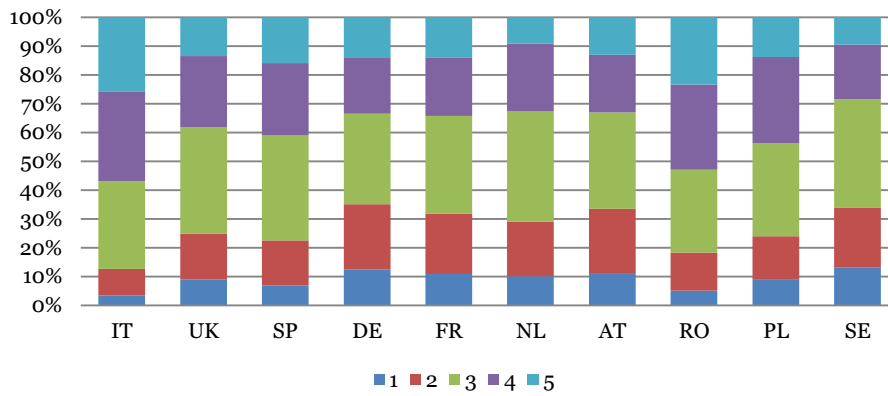
Safety information



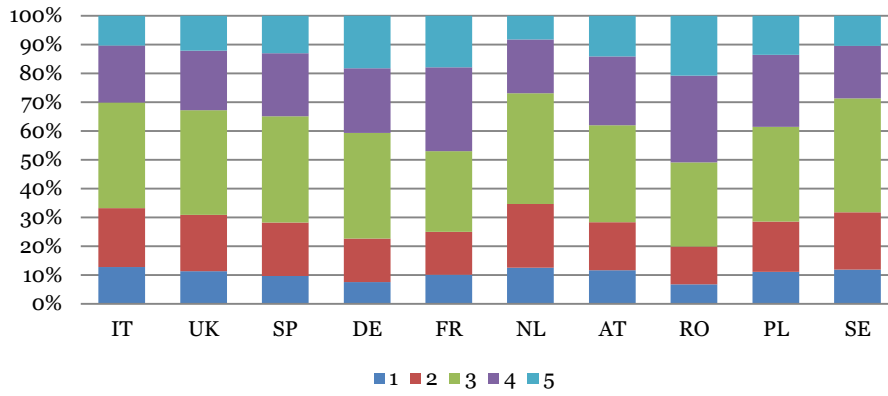
Instructions on cleaning and maintenance



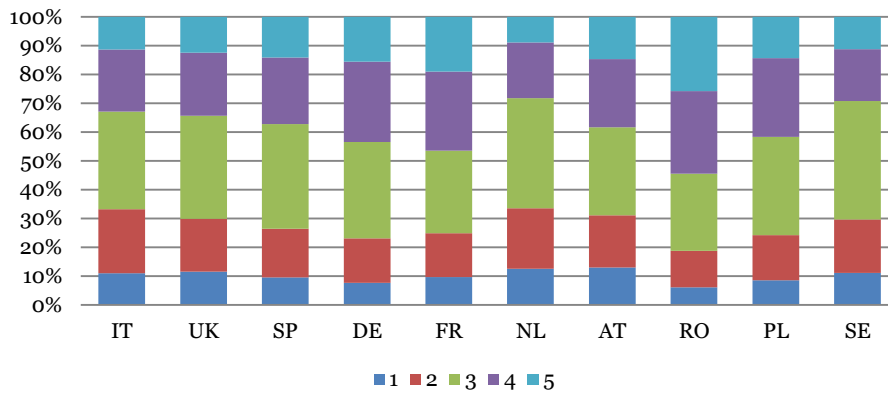
Instructions on recycling



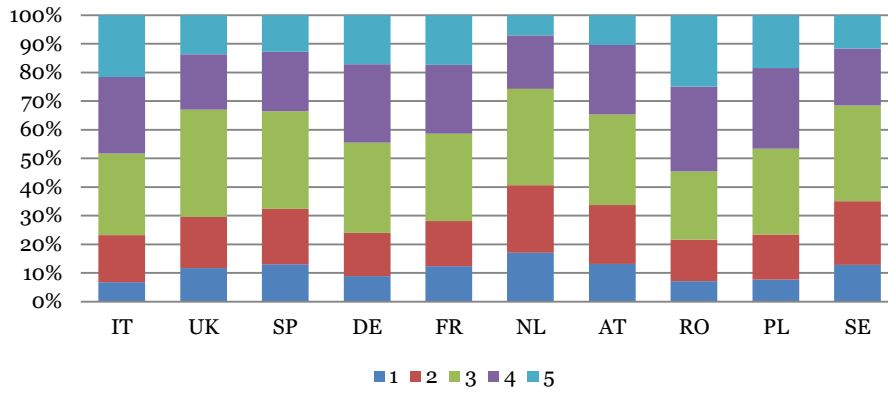
Origin of the product



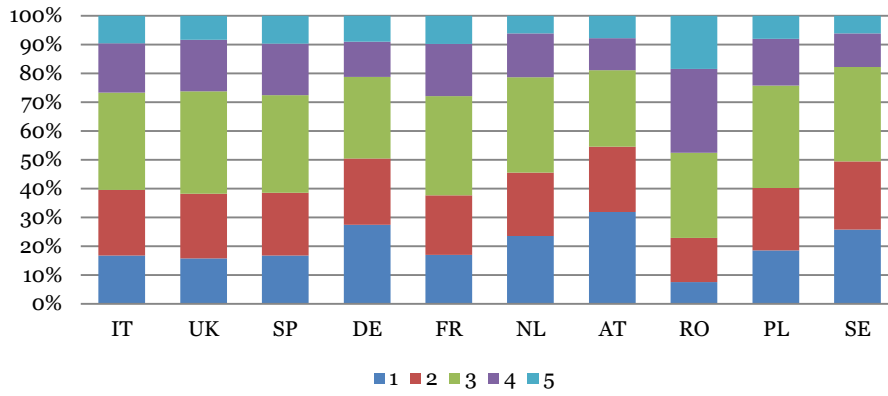
Origin of material used



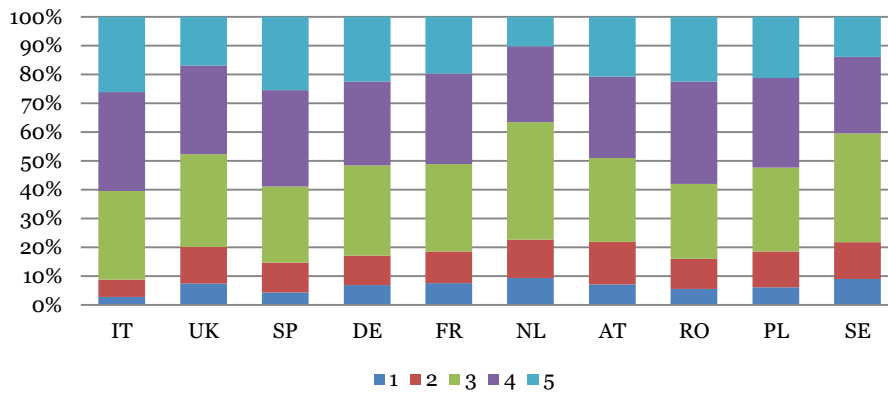
Name and/or address of the producer and/or importer



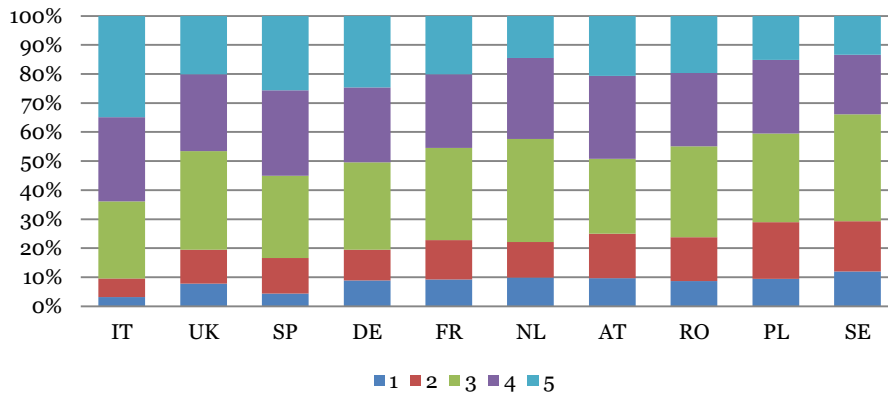
Identification of design



Environmental protection



Fair labour conditions



Q12 – Would it be important for you to have such information provided in a standardised format, in order to allow for comparison between furniture products?

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