

Less dynamic, but still positive half a year

Brussels, 14 July 2016 – The European Tyre and Rubber Manufacturers' Association published today tyre replacements sales of its Members for the first half of 2016.

In '000 units*	2 nd quarter 2015	2 nd quarter 2016	Variation %	Jan-June 2015	Jan-June 2016	Variation %
	48.585	49.293	+1,5%	100.559	102.574	+2%
	1.404	1.410	+0,4%	3.554	3.683	+3,6%
	415	386	-7%	851	784	-7,8%
	2.422	2.665	+10%	5.719	6.102	+6,7%

(source: ETRMA)

* Discrepancies with data previously published is due to periodic data corrections.

The **second quarter of 2016** showed a less dynamic market compared to the first three months of the year, especially with regard to the **consumer and truck tyre segments**. This was particularly the case for the **sale of consumer tyres in the month of June**, which went down by 2%.

When looking at **the first six months**, figures for the consumer and truck segments are positive, although lower than what the industry had expected given the very bright start of 2016.

Sales in the **agricultural segment** remain critically low and consistently decreasing, with a staggering -7% for the second quarter and an even worse -7.8% when looking at the full first semester.

"It will be interesting to see what the rest of the year will bring about" said Ms Cinaralp, Secretary General of ETRMA *"and particularly the sale of winter tyres, which last year performed quite poorly, before we can have a clear picture of the 2016 market"* she concluded.

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ETRMA's membership include the following tyre manufacturers: APOLLO VREDESTEIN, BRIDGESTONE EUROPE, BRISA, COOPER TIRES, CONTINENTAL, GOODYEAR DUNLOP TIRES EUROPE, HANKOOK, MARANGONI, MICHELIN, MITAS, NOKIAN TYRES, PIRELLI AND TRELLEBORG WHEEL SYSTEMS. Furthermore, members include Associations in the following countries: Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and the UK. The industry provides direct employment for more than 360,000 people in the EU and supports another 800000 jobs in related sectors. The sector's turnover in 2015 was estimated at € 73 b, of which up to 5% continues to be invested in R&D, annually.