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Some highlights from the Report:

**European tyre production**
- recovered 26% compared to the previous year
- is still -11,7% down compared to 2007

**European tyre market**
- car and light truck tyre sales surpassed the level of 2007
- ETRMA share of the market has steadily come down throughout the period 2003-2010
- truck tyre retreading saw some recovery from the crisis but failed to reach the level of 2007

**Tyre trade**
- imports to the EU have outweighed exports from the EU throughout the past decade
- gap in trade balance has widened since 2007 also in terms of value signalling most likely that imports to the EU have started to include more premium tyres
- car and light truck tyre imports from China were 14 times the size of exports to China

**European General Rubber Goods production**
- recovered 23% from the crisis level of 2009
- remained below the level of 2000-2008

**General Rubber Goods trade**
- EU Exports recovered moderately by 8,3 % reaching a value of € 3,9 bn
- EU imports grew much faster with a 20 % increase up to € 3,6 bn
- trade balance became less positive

**Tariffs**
- Export and import tariffs with major tyre and GRG trading partners

Sources: Europool, IRSG, Eurostat, ETRMA

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