

- The first nine months of 2013 confirm the positive shift of the European tyre market
- Statistics Report 2013 released!

Brussels, 15 October 2013 – The European Tyre and Rubber Manufacturers' Association (ETRMA) published today figures about the tyre replacement sales of the first nine months of 2013.

After a very weak start of the year, the third quarter of 2013 showed figures above 2012 in all product segments. As a result, when cumulating these results to those of the previous months, signs of recovery can be detected and the figures for the first nine months of 2013 are now almost at the same level as those of 2012, for the same period.

Replacement tyre market Europe Jan.-Sept. 2013 (in 000 units)

	Jan.–Sept. 2012	Jan.–Sept. 2013	% variation
Consumer	151.956	148.798	-2%
Truck	6.065	6.477	+7%
Agro	1.353	1.349	~
Moto/Scooter	6.784	6.773	~

(source: Europool ETRMA)

ETRMA also released today the 2013 Edition of its [Statistics Report](#).

The European tyre and rubber manufacturing industry remains a significant contributor to the European economy as a whole, even though 2012 was a particularly tough year for both sectors. This 2013 Edition of the Statistics Report provides key figures regarding production, sales, trade and end of life trends.

More detailed information can be found in the full report available on [ETRMA's website](#).

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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. ETRMA members' turnover in 2012 is estimated to € 46 b, of which up to 5% continues to be invested in R&D, annually.