



Base paper

made from lightweight, dry or wet creped paper and some non-creped paper, predominantly made from natural fibres. These fibres can be issued from virgin pulp or recycled pulp, a mixture of both, or in some cases non-wood fibres.

The base paper material

is taken from the tissue machine as a single-ply web wound up on a roll/reel. The base paper is intended to manufacture single-ply or multi-ply tissue products. A typical grammage of single ply tissue base paper ranges from 10 g/m² to 50 g/m².

“Mother reel or parent reel”:

“Mother reel or parent reel”: large reel or roll of tissue paper, wound up on the winding station, covering either the full width or part of the width of the tissue machine. When the mother reel/roll covers the full width of the machine it is also called a jumbo reel/roll.

TISSUE PAPER

FOR INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS

Trade statistics:

Consider only the customs codes under CN 4803 (48030010, 48030031, 48030039 and 48030090) for immediate products when reporting trade data.

Tissue paper – product segmentation:

Cellulose wadding, Tissue<25g, Tissue>25g, Other tissue paper

INTERMEDIATE PRODUCTS	PRODCOM			CUSTOMS CODES	
	Main segments	Prodcom codes	Prodcom Description	Customs / Commodity codes	Commodity Description
	Cellulose wadding	17.12.20.30	Cellulose wadding for household or sanitary purposes, in rolls of a width > 36 cm or in rectangular (including square sheets) with at least one side >36 cm in an unfolded state	48030010	Cellulose wadding in rolls of a width > 36 cm or in square or rectangular sheets with one side > 36 cm and the other side > 15 cm in the unfolded state
	Tissue <25g	17.12.20.55	Creped paper and webs of cellulose fibres for household/ sanitary purposes, in rolls, width > 36 cm, rectangular sheets min. one side > 36 cm in unfolded state, weight ≤ 25 g/m ² /ply	48030031	Creped paper for household or sanitary purposes and webs of cellulose fibres "tissues", in rolls of a width > 36 cm or in square or rectangular sheets with one side > 36 cm and the other side > 15 cm in the unfolded state, weighing ≤ 25 g/m ² per ply
	Tissue >25g	17.12.20.57	Creped paper and webs of cellulose fibres for household/sanitary purposes, in rolls, width > 36 cm, rectangular sheets min. one side > 36 cm in unfolded state, weight > 25 g/m ² /ply	48030039	Creped paper for household or sanitary purposes and webs of cellulose fibres "tissues", in rolls of a width > 36 cm or in square or rectangular sheets with one side > 36 cm and the other side > 15 cm in the unfolded state, weighing > 25 g/m ² per ply
	Other paper for domestic use	17.12.20.90	Paper stock for household: others	48030090	Toilet or facial tissue stock, towel or napkin stock and similar paper for household or sanitary purposes, whether or not creped, crinkled, embossed, perforated, surfacecoloured, surfacedecorated or printed, in rolls of a width > 36 cm or in square o...

Corresponding tables between Prodcom codes and customs codes (source Prodcom List 2023 Eurostat)

TISSUE PAPER AND TISSUE PRODUCTS DEFINITION & STATISTICS



Tissue products can be made of

one or several plies of tissue paper prepared as sheets or rolls, folded or unfolded, embossed or unembossed, with or without lamination, printed or not printed and possibly finished by post treatment, e.g. lotion application.

Tissue products have typically high bulk,

absorption and stretch properties compared with most other types of paper. They may in addition have textile like properties such as flexibility and softness.

Tissue products are disposable

and commonly used for hygienic and industrial purposes, in households or commercial and industrial premises.

At home we daily use:

toilet paper, handkerchiefs and facials, kitchen rolls, hand paper towels and napkins.

Away from Home:

Away from Home products and their dispensers are dedicated to hotels, restaurants and catering (HoReCa), offices, industry and the healthcare sector; the products include paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, facial tissue and tissue products used in a working environment.

Nonwovens are not classified as tissue

Disposable absorbent hygiene products are excluded from "tissue products" as they belong to a different product category.



TISSUE PRODUCT

FOR FINISHED / CONVERTED PRODUCTS

Trade statistics:

Consider only the customs codes under CN 4818 (48181010, 48181090, 48182010, 48182091, 48182099 and 48183000) for finished products when reporting trade data.

Tissue products – product segmentation:

Toilet paper, Hand Paper Towels, Kitchen Rolls, other Tissue Wiping, Handkerchiefs, Facials, Napkins, Tablecovers and Placemats, Other tissue products.

FINISHED PRODUCTS	PRODCOM			CUSTOMS CODES	
	Main segments	Prodcom codes	Prodcom Description	Customs / Commodity codes	Commodity Description
	Toilet paper	17.22.11.20	Toilet paper	48181010	Toilet paper in rolls of a width of <= 36 cm, weighing per ply <= 25 g/m ²
	Toilet paper	17.22.11.20	Toilet paper	48181090	Toilet paper in rolls of a width of <= 36 cm, weighing per ply > 25 g/m ²
	Facial tissue	17.22.11.40	Handkerchiefs and cleansing or facial tissues of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres	48182010	Handkerchiefs, cleansing or facial tissues and towels, of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres
	Paper towels	17.22.11.60	Hand towels of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres	48182091	Hand towels of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres, in rolls of a width <= 36 cm
	Paper towels	17.22.11.60	Hand towels of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres	48182099	Hand towels of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres (excl. those in rolls of a width <= 36 cm)
	Tablecloths / Napkins	17.22.11.80	Tablecloths and serviettes of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres	48183000	Tablecloths and serviettes of paper pulp, paper, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres

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