

# TEXTILE ECOSYSTEM



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# Textile ecosystem

- Textile & clothing
- Leather
- Footwear



# Figures for the ecosystem



**€198 billion** in turnover

**212.000** companies (mostly SMEs) and employment of **1.93 million** (more than 70% women in the textile sector)

## EU textile and clothing sector

- Turnover, number of companies and employment had started to stabilise
- Textile producers are finding niche markets
- Main interests are in high-end clothing and technical textile for automotive applications, medical textile, agro textile and protective clothing



## Facts and figures

**How much do Europeans spend for their clothes per year?**

- **Luxembourg: €1200**
- **Italy: € 900**
- **Spain: € 500**
- **Slovakia: € 200**



**Top EU producers:**

- **Italy produces 42% of all clothes made in the EU.**
- **25% of all technical textile produced in Germany.**
- **27% of EU carpets are produced in Belgium.**
- **Spain is the second largest exporter of clothes.**

## **Covid Health Bulletin for the sector**

- ❖ The ecosystem has been hard hit**
- ❖ Estimated losses in turnover of 30% in 2020**
- ❖ During lockdown 80% of companies were laying off workers**
- ❖ Sales are time sensitive: a summer season cannot be postponed or recovered; it is simply lost.**

# Investments for recovery

- **Green**
- **Digital**





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