



Hungarian Light Industry

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Wood and furniture industries



Historical background



- Development started from the 19th century
- Main subsectors
 - Engineered lumber
 - Tie manufacturing for heavy railway construction
 - Barrel and match manufacturing
- Furniture manufacturing in the 19th century:
 - Steam bent furniture factories (Thonet)
 - Lingel cabinet
- 20th century: major loss of production, capacity, raw materials and markets due to Trianon Peace Treaty after WWI -> rebuilding





Current situation



- Most important export markets: EU countries
(*Germany, Austria, Great-Britain, Italy*)



- Sectorial highlights

- Lamparquet and pallet production
- High-value natural leather covering material
- Floorboards application with natural hardwax oil in different colours
- High-quality thinboard and chipboard production

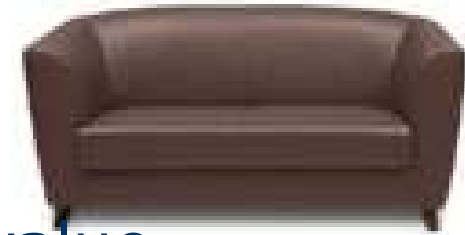




Woodworking and furniture sector in numbers

■ *Position in economy (2008)*

- 2,3% of total GDP
- 2,5 billion EUR total production value
- 0,6 billion EUR export



- Employed:
60 000 employees
- Number of companies:
6000





Looking for business partners in wood and furniture?

- www.fagosz.hu - Hungarian Federation of Forestry and Wood Industries
 - www.butorszovetseg.hu - Association of Hungarian Furniture and Woodworking Industries
 - www.kanizsatrend.hu - the largest upholstery manufacturer in Hungary
 - www.trusthungary.hu - Trust barrels made exclusively from Hungarian oak sourced from mixed forests throughout Hungary
 - www.hungarobinia.hu - Robinia wood and wood products from Hungary
 - www.garzon.hu Furniture - Office Hospital Education Hotel
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