

Germany, Belgium and Netherlands Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Market Size and Forecast (2021 - 2031), Country Share, Trend, and Growth Opportunity Analysis Report Coverage: By Type (White and Gray), Product Type (EPS Foam, EPS Insulation, EPS Molding, and Others), and End Use (Building and Construction, Electrical and Electronics, Automotive, Medical, Packaging, Sports and Leisure, and Others)

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Abstracts

The Germany, Belgium and Netherlands expanded polystyrene (EPS) market is anticipated to grow from US\$ 776.49 million in 2024 to US\$ 1,180.29 million by 2031; it is expected to register a CAGR of 6.2% from 2024 to 2031.

The expanded polystyrene (EPS) market in Germany, Belgium, and the Netherlands is experiencing steady growth, driven by growing e-commerce, food packaging, and protective packaging sectors. The rapid rise of online shopping, fueled by platforms such as Amazon, Zalando, and Bol.com, has significantly increased the demand for protective EPS packaging to ensure the safe transport of fragile goods, electronics, and appliances. As major logistics and trade hubs, Belgium and the Netherlands, particularly through the Port of Rotterdam, Port of Antwerp, and Brussels Airport Cargo, contribute significantly to EPS consumption, given its lightweight nature, impact resistance, and cost-effectiveness. Additionally, the growing trend of quick-commerce grocery platforms (e.g., Gorillas, Flink, and Getir) in Germany fuels the demand for EPS-insulated packaging for temperature-sensitive food and beverage products.

Europe is experiencing a rise in residential, commercial, industrial, and infrastructural

construction. According to the European Commission, the construction industry contributes ~9% to the gross domestic product (GDP). The industry supports economic growth by assisting the supply chain, which creates several business opportunities and services, thereby increasing employment rates. Moreover, the focus on renovating and remodeling old buildings in the region, along with significant investment to improve public infrastructure, is growing significantly. Rising populations have led to a rapid expansion of cities, requiring more and better infrastructure of roads, housing, and office spaces. Germany is the largest construction market in Europe, where the construction sector in the country is growing significantly. The requirement for residential buildings in the country is increasing due to rising population and a favorable economic environment. There is also an increasing interest in micro-apartments and prefabricated buildings. The Netherlands is another major construction market in Europe where commercial construction activities are rising notably.

Government and private sector investments in EPS collection and recycling programs in Germany, Belgium, and the Netherlands are expected to act as future trends for the recycled EPS market. With increasing regulatory pressures on plastic waste, these countries focus on circular economy initiatives that promote the recovery, reuse, and recycling of EPS materials. Programs such as chemical recycling and closed-loop EPS processing are gaining traction, allowing manufacturers to produce high-quality recycled EPS (rEPS) for construction, packaging, and insulation applications.

Companies that offer eco-friendly, low-carbon EPS solutions can capitalize on growing sustainability trends across industries. Many businesses actively seek environmentally responsible alternatives that maintain EPS's lightweight, insulating, and protective properties while reducing its environmental footprint. Innovations in bio-based EPS, carbon-neutral manufacturing processes, and enhanced recyclability present a strong market potential, especially in construction, logistics, and temperature-sensitive packaging.

A few key players operating in the Germany, Belgium and Netherlands expanded polystyrene (EPS) market are Knauf Digital GmbH, Bewi ASA, BASF SE, Saudi Basic Industries Corp, TotalEnergies SE, ISOSTAR BV, Krautz TEMAX, HSV Group, UNIPOL, and SUNPOR Kunststoff GmbH. Players operating in the market are highly focused on developing high-quality and innovative product offerings to fulfill customers' requirements.

The overall Germany, Belgium and Netherlands expanded polystyrene (EPS) market size has been derived using both primary and secondary sources. Exhaustive

secondary research has been conducted using internal and external sources to obtain qualitative and quantitative information related to the Germany, Belgium and Netherlands expanded polystyrene (EPS) market. Also, multiple primary interviews have been conducted with industry participants to validate the data and gain more analytical insights into the topic. The participants of this process include industry experts, such as VPs, business development managers, market intelligence managers, and national sales managers—along with external consultants, such as valuation experts, research analysts, and key opinion leaders—specializing in the Germany, Belgium and Netherlands expanded polystyrene (EPS) market.

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