



# REPORT ON PLASTICS RECYCLING STATISTICS 2020

# PLASTICS RECYCLING INDUSTRY IN EUROPE

## FACTS & FIGURES

**+600**  
COMPANIES



**+20 000**  
EMPLOYEES



**+8.5Mt**  
INSTALLED  
CAPACITY

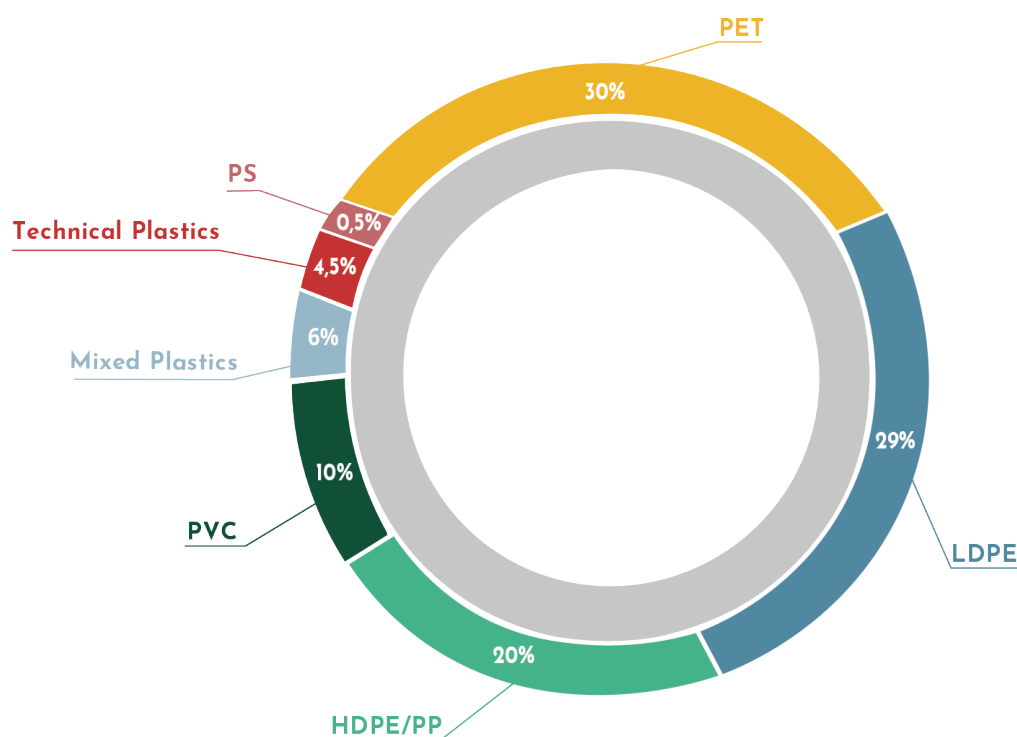


**+€3bn**  
TURNOVER





# SHARE OF INSTALLED RECYCLING CAPACITY PER POLYMER TYPE



## KEY FACTS

**80%**

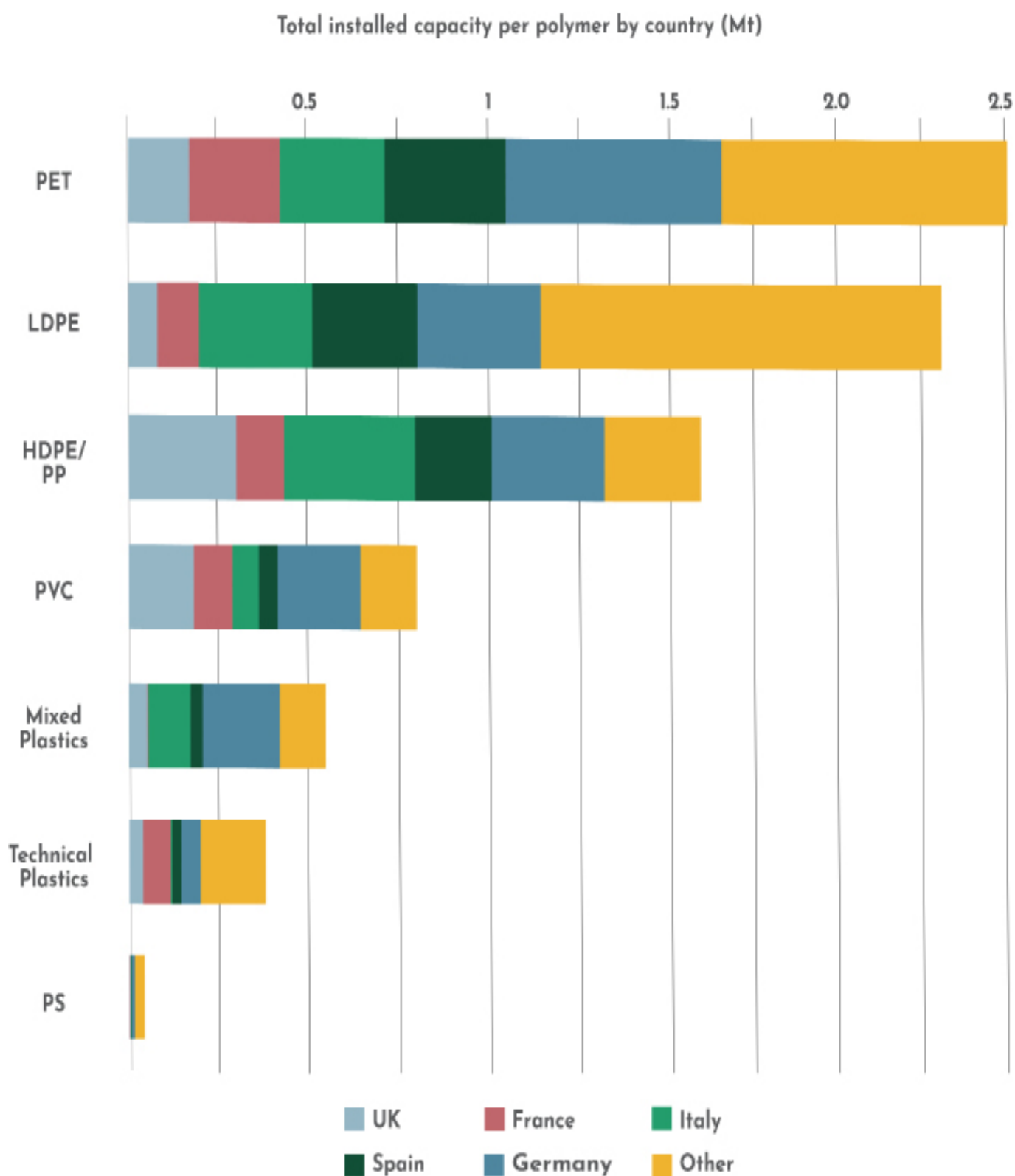
OF THE TOTAL  
CAPACITY IN EUROPE  
IS, ROUGHLY,  
COVERED BY PET,  
LDPE, & RIGID  
POLYOLEFINS (HDPE/  
PP)

**5** EUROPEAN  
COUNTRIES COVER

**67%** OF THE  
TOTAL RECYCLING  
CAPACITY



## TONNAGES OF INSTALLED CAPACITY PER POLYMER TYPE & PER COUNTRY



## COUNTRY WITH THE HIGHEST INSTALLED RECYCLING CAPACITY PER POLYMER TYPE

**2.6Mt**  
**PET**



**25%**

**10%**



**14%**

**7%**



**12%**

**32%**

Other

**2.4Mt**  
**LDPE**



**15%**

**12%**



**14%**

**8%**



**13%**

**38%**

Other

**1.7Mt**  
**RIGID  
POLYOLEFINS  
(HDPE/PP)**



**23%**

**13%**



**20%**

**9%**

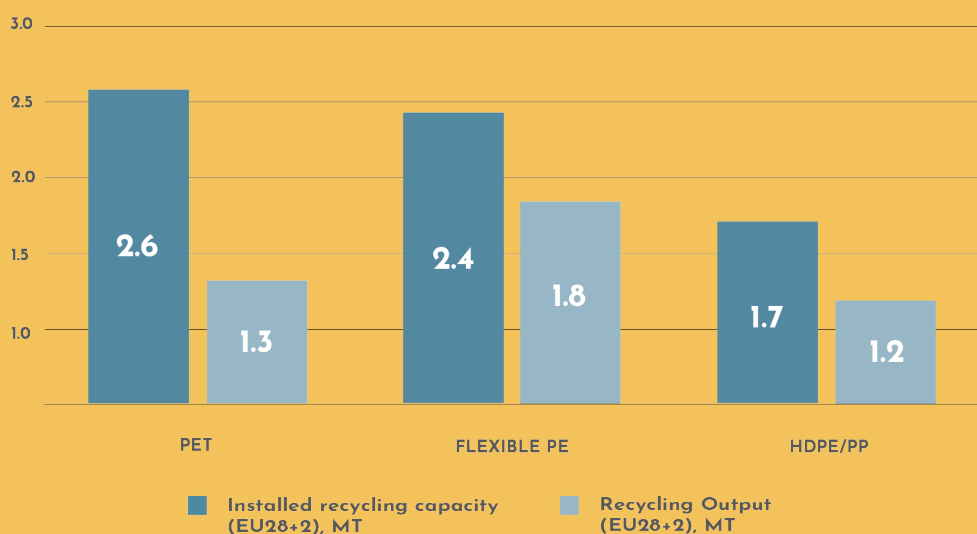


**19%**

**16%**

Other

## THE CURRENT MARKET: PET, FLEXIBLE PE, HDPE/PP\*



\*Source of the graphic and data: Eunomia 2018-2020, PRE

**Installed Recycling Capacity**

- <50kt
- between 50kt and 250kt
- between 250kt and 0.5Mt
- between 0.5Mt and 1Mt
- between 1Mt and 1.5Mt
- >1.5Mt

**8.5MT**  
EU Total Installed  
Recycling Capacity

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