Summary – As stated in Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 of 19 December 1991 “the Commission must have full, up-to-date and reliable information on industrial production in the Community”. Where fashion is concerned, a dedicated online database was created to this end. Publicly available, the Fashion Database covers different consumer products and fashion-related industrial sectors including: clothing, textile, footwear, leather and manmade fibres. The Fashion Database relies on the latest Eurostat production and trade indicators to provide detailed reports on import and export quantities of products between Europe and extra-EU, production quantities in European countries, etc. The Fashion Database is hosted on the European Commission’s CIRCABC (Communication and Information Resource Centre for Administrations, Businesses and Citizens) and provides standard search and download features offered by this open-source platform.

I. Meeting the Interface

[ URL: https://circabc.europa.eu/w/browse/c9c4b16e-48e6-4222-b5bc-935c462a6cd2 ]

The main page of the Fashion Database on CIRCABC looks as follows:
The Spaces section presents the different domains for which reports can be consulted (with the possibility for more domains may be added in the future):

A further selection is then offered based on the selected nomenclature:

If you select NC as nomenclature: Chapters identified by 2, 4 or 6-digit numeral codes

If you select PRODCOM as nomenclature: Estimations of Structural Date, Sold and Total

The lower Content section changes dynamically based on the domain-nomenclature-level selection that you make in the upper Spaces section:

- Before any domain is selected, the Content section provides generic, yearly and quarterly cross-domain outlooks on production growth, import and export performances. These are high-level reports including comments and analyses made by unit E3:
Once a domain is selected, the Content section provides a document showing *correspondences* between PRODCOM and NC codes relating to the selected domain:

If you select a domain and you choose a nomenclature, an **NC product definition** document becomes available for the selected industry domain in the Content section:

Actual reports are available in the Content section when the lowest selection level is reached in the Spaces section — in other words: once you have selected either the PRODCOM nomenclature or one of the three levels in the NC nomenclature. Please note that the EU aggregate refers to EU-27 (i.e. the 27 EU Member States) until June 2013 included; as of July 2013 it refers to EU-28 (joining of Croatia).

Available reports include:

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| **PRODCOM** | **Estimations of structural data reports** | Information regarding annual industry structural statistics, including employment, value added at factor costs and turnover of goods. Please note that estimated data is highlighted in a yellow background and red font. Estimations are based on statistics from the previous year and application of a growth index provided by Eurostat. |

| **Production sold reports** | Year-over-year sold values and quantities of each textile-related product class. Different reports are available based on the product classification used, i.e. either: — the 4-digit NACE (Nomenclature statistique des activités économiques dans la Communauté européenne / Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Union) code classification, — the 6-digit CPA (Classification of Products by Activity) code or — the complete 8-digit PRODCOM code. Production sold reports also provide information about the related annual sold production, balances and growth rates. |

| **Production total reports** | Year-over-year total (sold + not sold) production quantities of each textile-related product class. Different reports are available based on the product classification used, i.e. either: — the 4-digit NACE (Nomenclature statistique des activités économiques dans la Communauté européenne / Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Union) code classification, or — the complete 8-digit PRODCOM code. Production total reports also provide information about the related total annual production, balances and growth rates. |

>>> See next section for details on consulting reports.
II. Consulting Reports

Reports available in the Fashion Database are aggregated by industry domains and concern either trade or production data:

- **Trade data**: monthly/yearly/year-to-date reports on the imports and exports of specific NC products/product groups within the European Union (i.e. so-called intra-EU trade) or with non-member countries (i.e. so-called extra-EU trade) in value and quantity terms. Trade reports also include indicators of trade balances per domain, as well as year-over-year growth rates.

- **Production data**: PRODCOM statistics concerning the annual production of fashion-related manufactured goods within the European Union, the respective shares of imports and exports in the sold or total production, as well as year-over-year production growth.

To consult a report:

1. From the Spaces section on the Library home page, click on the domain folder for which you wish to consult a report:

   ![Image of Spaces section](image1.png)

   **Result**: A second level of details opens for you to select the desired nomenclature for the report:

   ![Image of nomenclature selection](image2.png)

   **Available nomenclatures**:

   - **NC**: Eurostat’s Combined Nomenclature. Used for collecting, exchanging and publishing data on EU international trade statistics.
   - **PRODCOM**: Eurostat’s survey for the collection and dissemination of statistics on the production of industrial goods, both in value and quantity terms, in the European Union (EU).

   **Result**: You are now presented with a new folder structure for selecting the nomenclature level for which you wish to obtain a report. For example (NC):

   ![Image of NC report selection](image3.png)

   2. Select the desired level (and report type for NC).

   **Result**: A list of reports available for the selected nomenclature appears in the lower Content section:
3. To open the desired report from the list (see overview on next page), click on its title.

**Result:** The report opens as a PDF in a new window. For example:

**Navigation:** Please note that you can quickly navigate between sections in a report by clicking the expand icon in the left hand-side bookmark panel.

**Missing data in a report?** Please note that certain quantities may be missing in the reports. This is because some data available in Eurostat are expressed in different units of measures, causing mismatches.
III. Searching the CIRCABC Fashion Library

CIRCABC is an online platform used by the European Commission to create collaborative workspaces where communities of users can work together over the web and share information and resources. The Fashion Database is one of these workspaces. Using the standard Search box or the Advanced Search hyperlink provided by the CIRCABC platform in the left hand-side menu bar, you can quickly find specific reports based on their titles or properties.

IV. Downloading Reports

Whether you retrieve a report by searching or by drilling down from the list of domains in the Spaces section, you can not only consult the related reports online but also download them locally. To do so:

1. Click the Download icon in the Actions column next to the desired report.
2. Pull down the Save button and select where you want to download the report.

V. Support

For any functional/applicative issue concerning the CIRCABC Fashion Library, please contact the IT Service Desk:

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For technical issues concerning the data, please send an email to:

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