

Penguin
Random House
UK



Global Forest & Trade Network - UK FOREST PRODUCT REPORTING SUMMARY FOR 2015

Penguin Random House UK has been a participant in WWF's Global Forest & Trade Network (GFTN) in the UK since 2014.

All GFTN participants commit to progressively sourcing forest products from well-managed sources.

Penguin Random House UK undertakes due diligence to assess and mitigate any risk of illegal and unwanted forest products entering into the UK market from our supply chain. We collect as much information on supply chain sources as possible, and systematically work to eliminate poor sources which may not positively benefit forests as a future resource for people and nature.

To highlight our progress towards meeting our commitments to source well-managed and recycled materials, we're publishing the status of our current supply chain for various categories of forest goods, as defined by the GFTN.

We hope the transparency of the UK GFTN members about their performance on forest sourcing will prompt others in the sector to follow suit. We also encourage all forest certification systems to continuously improve their performance in delivering responsible forest management.

At present, WWF and GFTN participants believe FSC represents the gold standard and a credible benchmark for other forest certification schemes to match. Our preference is to source increasingly from credibly-certified forests or verified recycled sources.

The European Timber Regulation aims to limit the trade in illegal timber. It provides a baseline of legality as a minimum for forest goods entering the European market and reaching consumers. GFTN participants want to make sure they're playing their part in reducing the UK footprint on global forest resources, by sourcing sustainably – going beyond a compliance-only approach.

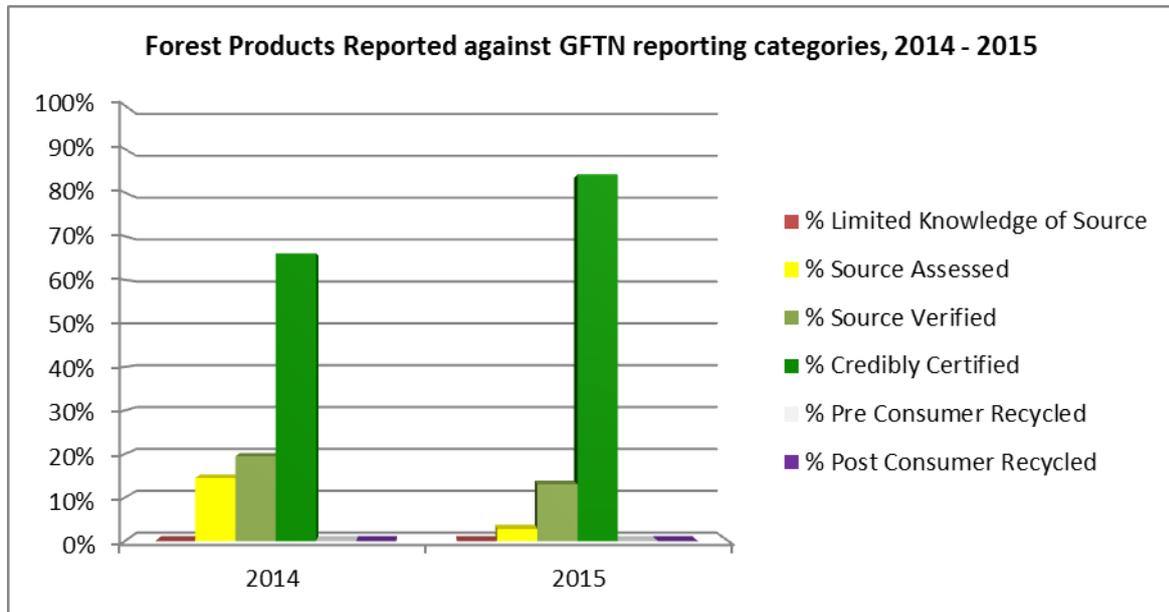
Our forest products reported for the 2015 calendar year are as follows:

2.72% Source Assessed

13.05% Source Verified (including e.g. PEFC purchased with Chain of Custody)

84.23% Credibly Certified (e.g. FSC purchased with Chain of Custody)

In the past 3 years, our procurement of forest products, towards more responsible sourcing, has progressed as shown in the chart below.



Scope of reporting

All text papers used in the manufacture of Penguin Random House UK and DK branded products.

Challenges

- We are actively seeking tools that will help us to understand the carbon impact and wider social implications of deforestation in our supply chain.
- Identifying a methodology for measuring post-consumer recycled materials in the cover and board materials used on our products.

Priorities

- Extending FSC Chain of Custody to the DK Office in Germany.
- Increasing our usage of credibly sourced paper stock.

Our Policy

Penguin Random House UK Paper Sourcing Policy:

<https://www.penguinrandomhouse.co.uk/about-us/creative-responsibility/sustainability/>

DK – Paper Sourcing Policy:

<http://www.dk.com/uk/information/about-dk/social-responsibility/>