

## Intellectual property in figures

Did you know? that industries using Intellectual Property Rights intensively account for...

in jobs in Europe



of total EU economic activity



90% # 40%





of the EU's trade with the rest of the world

and pay wages that are 40% higher than other industries

Not everyone knows just how important intellectual property is for our economy - but most Europeans do place high value on it...

of Europeans agree that protecting intellectual property is important

feel that buying counterfeit goods ruins businesses and reduces jobs

agree that IP improves the quality of products and services

feel that innovation and intellectual property go hand-in-hand

of EU industries are intensive in intellectual property rights

These industries use an above average number of patents, trademarks, designs, copyrights and geographical indications per employee.

Some of the most intellectual property right intensive industries are engineering, financial and insurance activities, motor vehicles manufacturing, retail, computer consultancy and programming, and pharmaceuticals.











Compared with a similar study carried out in 2012 by the US Patent and Trademark Office, intellectual property right intensive industries have a greater impact in Europe on GDP and on direct employment than in the US.





39% 6 35%

fremployment GDP



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Most Europeans value intellectual property for its contribution to the economy and to society, but sometimes intellectual property can be considered differently from an individual perspective.

Purchasing counterfeit goods





34%

of Europeans agree that buying counterfeits can be justified as a "smart purchase"



38%

agree that buying counterfeits is "an act of protest against a market driven economy"



50%

of the younger generation (age 15-24) agrees that buying counterfeits is an "act of protest"

Illegal downloading



42%

of EU citizens tolerate illegal downloading when it is for **personal use** 

22%

consider it acceptable when there is no legal alternative in their country

## Legal downloading



Awareness of legal offers varies significantly by content type. The percentages below represent the number of citizens who know where to download content legally.

65%

56%

51%

music

movie

iv serie

44%

21%

live sports

video games

Intellectual property plays an important role in people's lives. However...



11%

of Europeans believe that the primary beneficiaries of intellectual property are citizens like themselves 43%

of Europeans believe that the primary beneficiaries of intellectual property are big business and show business In 2013, the Europena Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), acting through the European Observatory on Infringements of intellectual property rights, published two independent studies.



"European Citizens and Intellectual Property: Perception, Awareness and Behaviour"



"Intellectual Property Rights Intensive Industries: contribution to economic performance and employment in the EU"

The full studies can be found here: https://euipo.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/web/observatory/observatory-publications