

SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL: THE NORM IN 2015

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The commitment made by the Task Force in 2010 is to purchase 100% sustainable palm oil for the Dutch market by the end of 2015. In 2014, Task Force members took important steps towards this commitment: 72% of the palm oil processed by the Dutch food industry was sustainable. This is an 11% increase compared to the 2013 reporting. Positive developments have led to many sectors processing around 80% sustainable palm oil. Also, the percentage of segregated palm oil has grown with 8%. Furthermore, the feed sector initiated important actions to reach the Task Force commitment.

This report presents the amount of sustainable palm oil processed in the Netherlands. However, many food products produced in the Netherlands are intended for export markets. The monitoring in this report also encompasses these palm oil volumes. The demand for sustainable palm oil outside the Netherlands is therefore also important for the Dutch production. As such, this report covers more than just the Task Force's commitment of '100% sustainable palm oil for the Dutch market'.

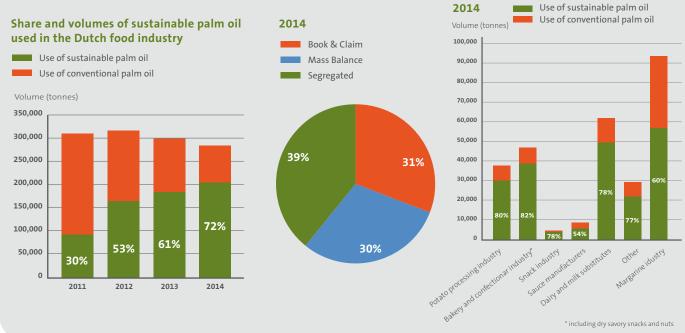
To support the international (European) demand, IDH (The Sustainable Trade Initiative) and MVO - the Netherlands Oils and Fats Industry, recently launched the 'European Sustainable Palm Oil' (ESPO) initiative. The Task Force supports this initiative and its objective to work together on sustainable palm oil on an European level.

SUSTAINABLE PALM OIL

This report defines sustainable palm oil as palm oil produced according to the principles and criteria of the Roundtable Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) or equivalent. Sustainable palm oil is traded according to one of the four RSPO approved trading models: Identity Preserved, Segregated, Mass Balance or Book & Claim. For more information on these trading models see www.rspo.org and www.greenpalm.org.

GENERAL RESULTS

Share and volumes sustainable palm oil in the Dutch food industry per sector



* including dry savory snacks and nuts

FOOD RESULTS 2014

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The Dutch food industry processed 283.837 tonnes of palm oil in 2014. This is a small decrease compared to previous years. Compared to 2013, the overall volume of sustainable palm oil increased with 21.473 tonnes to 204.703 tonnes. The share of 'Segregated' palm oil increased from 31% up to 39%, the share of Mass Balance rose from 28% to 30% and the share of Book & Claim declined from 41% to 31%. The volume of non-sustainable palm oil declined with 38.871 tonnes to 77.190 tonnes.

PER SECTOR

The potato processing and bakery and confectionary industries show good results with an increase of both 59% sustainable palm oil in 2013 to 80% and 82% sustainable palm oil respectively in

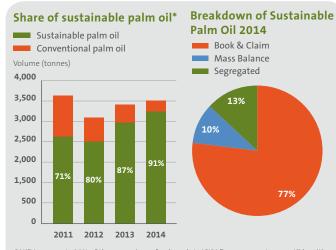
2014. With 78%, the dairy and milk substitutes and snack sector are also well on track.

Compared to these sectors, the margarine sector seems to fall behind with 60% of the palm oil processed being sustainable. However, this percentage presents the sustainable palm oil used for the total production of margarine in the Netherlands. The majority of IMACE-NL (A-brands) products for the Dutch and European markets is based on sustainable palm oil. Export to non-European countries is expected not to contribute to this sustainable share. Finally, the use of palm oil used by sauce manufacturers has declined. The percentage of sustainable palm oil in this sector is 54%.

RESULTS BY TASK FORCE MEMBER



Association for Manufacturers of Convenience Foods (AKSV)

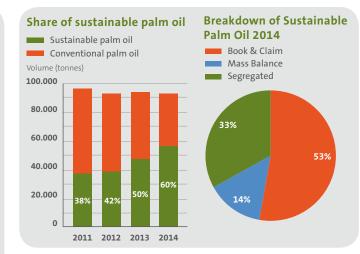


*AKSV represents 80% of the convenience food market, ASKV figures are not compatible with snack industry results.



The European Margarine

The International Margarine Association for the Countries of Europe (IMACE-NL)

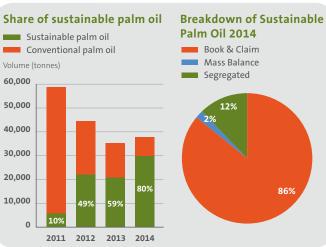


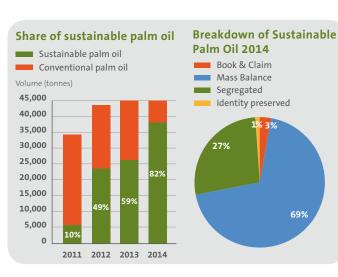


Potato Processors' Association (VAVI)



Association for Bakery and Confectionary Industry (VBZ)







The Dutch Central Food Retail Association (CBL) represents the collective interests of 27 supermarket and foodservice companies. All members have committed themselves to certify all palm oil used for their private label products. CBL members have an important role in increasing the demand for sustainable palm oil.



The Federation of the Dutch Food and Grocery Industry (FNLI) is the umbrella organisation of food producers and industry organisations within the Dutch food industry. It informs its members on the importance of and opportunities in switching to sustainable palm oil. FNLI also focusses on guiding and informing companies on possibilities for improvement within the different trade options and create opportunities for small and medium businesses or companies only using small shares of palm oil to start using sustainable palm oil



The Association of Dutch Producers of Edible Oils and Fats (VERNOF) represents the interests of six companies producing and refining vegetable and animal oils and fats in the Netherlands. VERNOF's objective is to stimulate the demand for sustainable palm oil in the Netherlands. VERNOF members also provide the Task Force with the necessary supply data of palm oil to the Netherlands, used in this monitoring report.

FEED RESULTS 2014



The Dutch feed industry, represented by the **Dutch Feed Industry Association (NEVEDI)**, used 8% sustainable palm oil 2014. The Dutch feed industry takes the lead in Europe using sustainable resources for feed. The present use of sustainable palm oil used in the feed industry is relatively small compared to the percentage used in the food industry. Nevertheless, the feed industry has taken good steps to achieve its commitment of the end of 2015. Nevedi presented its palm oil study¹ executed by the Dutch Agricultural Economic Institute (LEI) to calculate the amount of palm oil used to produce animal products such as meat or eggs. With this information, the sector knows exactly how much palm oil is being processed for the Dutch market. In 2015, Nevedi will collectively take action by integrating sustainable palm oil in feed quality systems. From 2016 onwards, companies will fulfil the commitment individually.

¹⁾www.wageningenur.nl/upload_mm/d/1/5/cd6f1eb9-3615-4d90-ae23-4a46102cb884_14-099%20Hoste%20Nota_v5%200_FD_WEB.pdf

The Task Force Sustainable Palm Oil is a collaboration between: MVO – the Netherlands Oils and Fats Industry, FNLI, Vernof, AKSV, IMACE-NL (former BNMF), VAVI, VBZ, CBL, NEVEDI and IDH, The Sustainable Trade Initiative.



For more information: <u>www.taskforceduurzamepalmolie.nl</u> and <u>www.mvo.nl</u>. Secretary Dutch Task Force on Sustainable Palm Oil: MVO – The Netherlands Oils and Fats Industry

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