

# EUROPEAN HANDYMAN MONITOR 2024



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### GOAL

The European Handyman Monitor provides key insights that help manufacturers and merchants to understand the business and behaviour of European handymen in the European building construction sector.

### RECURRING RESEARCH TOPICS

### 2024 IN-DEPTH RESEARCH TOPICS

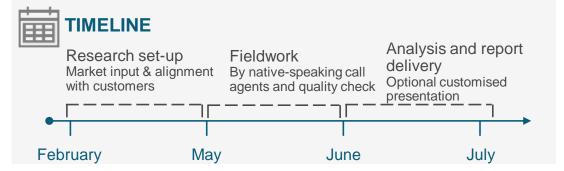
- Profiling Handymen
- Bi-annual brand performance scan for selected product groups<sup>1</sup>

- Branding
- Brand funnel



### **170-200** telephone interviews per year per country among professional handymen across **7** European countries.







[including a biannual brand scan report]

Reviewing the questionnaire and providing input is possible.

Additional client specific analysis may be subject to additional costs

<sup>1</sup>In order to ensure reliable measurements brand performance scans cover only a few selected product groups. Each product group performance is tracked biannually in order to see reliable changes in the data, because B2B markets tend to move slowly; B2B sales cycles are long, and it takes time to shift perceptions. JSP

# WHY EUROPEAN HANDYMAN MONITOR?



A handyman is **broadly defined as a person** who is skilled in a variety of general construction, repair and maintenance works and who does this as a profession or as a hobby. Professional handyman companies are generally categorised under small general building contractors (standard European NACE code 41.2).

European Handyman Monitor targets **registered small building contractors** as well as the **publicly available records** matching the local term **for handyman** that are found on local platforms.

Interviewed companies must have a max. of 4 full-time employees (including the owner) and are involved in at least 3 building construction activities.



WHAT IS IN IT FOR YOU?

Professional handymen are **a rarely researched target group** and there is very little known about their business and behaviour.

However, **European handymen are too relevant to neglect**, because they are key stakeholders in the residential renovation market with a **buying power**, fully booked with jobs and work with a wide range of product groups.

By profiling the handymen, this monitor helps you to understand **where and how to target** the handyman for your business.

**Cross-country comparisons** will help you to assess the different conditions in each market since each country develops in a different pace.



### **HOW DO WE WORK?**

We work together with you to implement research questions in the monitor which you consider as **need-to-know information**. Each quarter a key trend will be investigated with your input.

We **utilize our research network** to get contractors to discuss their professional work, and **our expertise to deliver you insights and recommendations** that are based on reliable and comparable data.

# **RESEARCH CONTENT**

#### **Chapter 1: Key insights Chapter 2: Profiling the Chapter 3: Theme chapter Chapter 4: Brand performance** Handyman scans (bi-annual) This section provides key insights into the Every edition delves into various topics, This is a **recurring** chapter that provides This section will provide brand performance European construction sector based on the carefully chosen for their relevance and key information and specific insights on the of key players in the selected product results, and recommendations based on practicality for your business. These European handyman profile. Each edition categories. This will be done using a brand our market knowledge. You will get a real themes undergo thorough exploration, with profiles handyman in terms of company funnel model with a focus on spontaneous in-depth look in what to expect from the variations from year to year. Certain size, project segmentation and business awareness, usage and most used brands. subjects may be revisited to track trends results. activity and outlook. This chapter is delivered as a separate and advancements over time. report.

IN-DEPTH TOPICS	IN-DEPTH TOPICS	IN-DEPTH TOPICS		
2022	2023	2024		
		Branding & brand funnel		
Activities and Product usage Purchase behaviour	<ul><li>Behavioural segmentation</li><li>&amp; Media Usage</li></ul>	Branding & Brand runner		

# A SNEAK PEEK INTO HANDYMAN MONITOR 2022

Chapter 1: Key insights



### Key insights

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# European handymen are too relevant to neglect

### A key stakeholder in the residential renovation market with a buying power

Handymen are a large population in each key market and the majority work independently as main contractor for private homeowners.

### Fully booked with jobs

They have full order book portfolios up to 6 months and they are very optimistic about their business. The majority indicates that business is great and the orderbook has never been so full.

### They work with a wide range of product groups

They are on average involved in 8.9 activities, meaning that they use different product groups relevant to different activities.

### Keep in mind some interesting differences per local market though

For instance, being the largest population in Europe, UK handymen are involved in the largest variety of activities (12.1 on average), whereas German handymen, as the lowest population, are involved in 5.1 different activities, making them the least generalist handymen population.



### An average European handyman

- is 49 years old,
- is self-employed or works with another handyman
- has a turnover below 200K.
- works as a main contractor on private homeowners' renovation and maintenance.
- Has a fully booked portfolio for the upcoming 6 months and is optimistic about their business.
- buys from traditional professional channels
- feels that they are taken serious by professional channels

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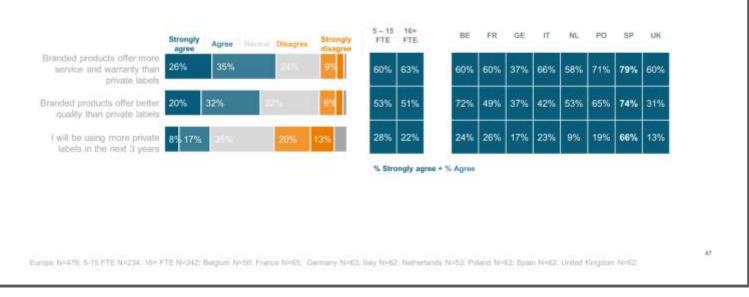


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 Branded products offer more service and warranty, but also better quality than private labels. The usage of private labels will not increase a lot in the next 3 years

To what extend do you agree with the following statements?



Example from European Contractor Monitor

# ABOUT THE HANDYMAN

Chapter 2: Profiling the Handyman



### **Crafting Success in Europe**

### **Company Size Matters**

Gain valuable insights into the diverse spectrum of handyman enterprises, ranging from small-scale operations to larger companies. Understand how company size influences decision-making, resource allocation, and the overall approach to projects.

### **Project Segmentation Unveiled**

Explore the nuanced world of project segmentation among European handymen. We look at the types of projects undertaken, allowing you to tailor your offerings to meet the specific needs of handymen engaged in various sectors.

### **Business Activity Dynamics**

Dive into the dynamic realm of business activity within the handyman industry. Understand the scope, scale, and specialization that handymen bring to their projects. This knowledge empowers you to align your products with the practical requirements of their day-to-day operations.

### **Outlook into the Future**

Anticipate the future landscape of European handymen by exploring their business outlook. Discover the trends, challenges, and opportunities that shape their vision for the industry. Stay ahead of the curve by aligning your products with the evolving needs and aspirations of the modern handyman.

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# **ABOUT BRANDING**

Chapter 3: Theme chapters

### Navigating the Dynamics of Branding in Today's Market

Dive in the world of branding and consumer preferences. Understand the shifting paradigms, emerging trends, and values that drive the choices of European Handymen. Gain a strategic advantage by aligning your brand with contemporary expectations, ensuring that your identity resonates with authenticity and relevance in the minds of your audience.

### **Exploring Contemporary Branding**

Explore the diverse landscape of branding in the modern era. Learn how handymen preferences and market dynamics shape brand perceptions among European audiences. Adapt your branding strategies to reflect evolving trends and consumer insights, positioning your brand as a beacon of innovation and trust.

# To provide insights into handymen's Branding, we looked at this topic from various angles and mapped out:

- Understanding the level of recognition and familiarity handymen have with different brands within the construction sector.
- Identifying trends in brand preferences among European handymen, including factors driving brand adoption and loyalty.
- Mapping out how specific products or categories are associated with different brands, discerning which brands resonate most strongly in various product areas.

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Chapter 3: Theme chapters



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	83% 76% 78% 80% 85% 85% 89% 76%	Fixing materials	14%	
		insulation material	12%	
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		Bathroom (equipment)	270	
		Other	575	
		Don't know/np opinion	23%	
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Example from European Contractor Monitor

## PRODUCT CATEGORIES INCLUDED FOR BRAND PERFORMINGS SCANS Chapter 4: Brand performance scans



Paint products



Façade products



Flooring



Roofing products



Insulation material



Tiles

# PRODUCT CATEGORIES INCLUDED FOR BRAND PERFORMINGS SCANS

Chapter 4: Brand performance scans



Power tools



Sanitary products



**Electrical materials** 



Tapes



Adhesives and sealants



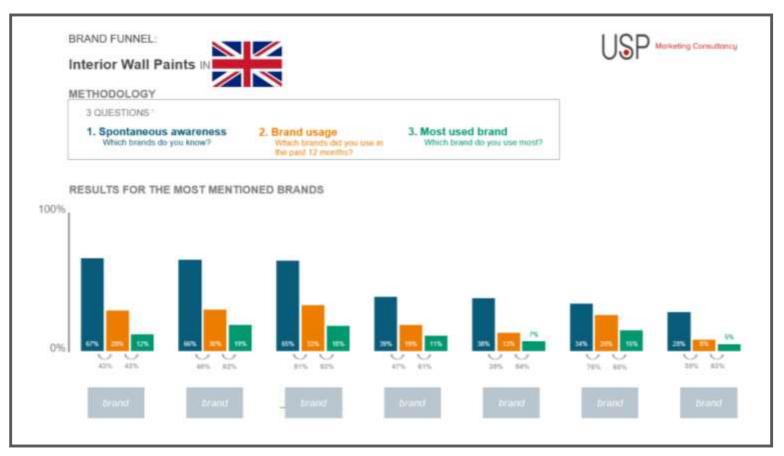
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Chapter 4: Brand performance scans





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