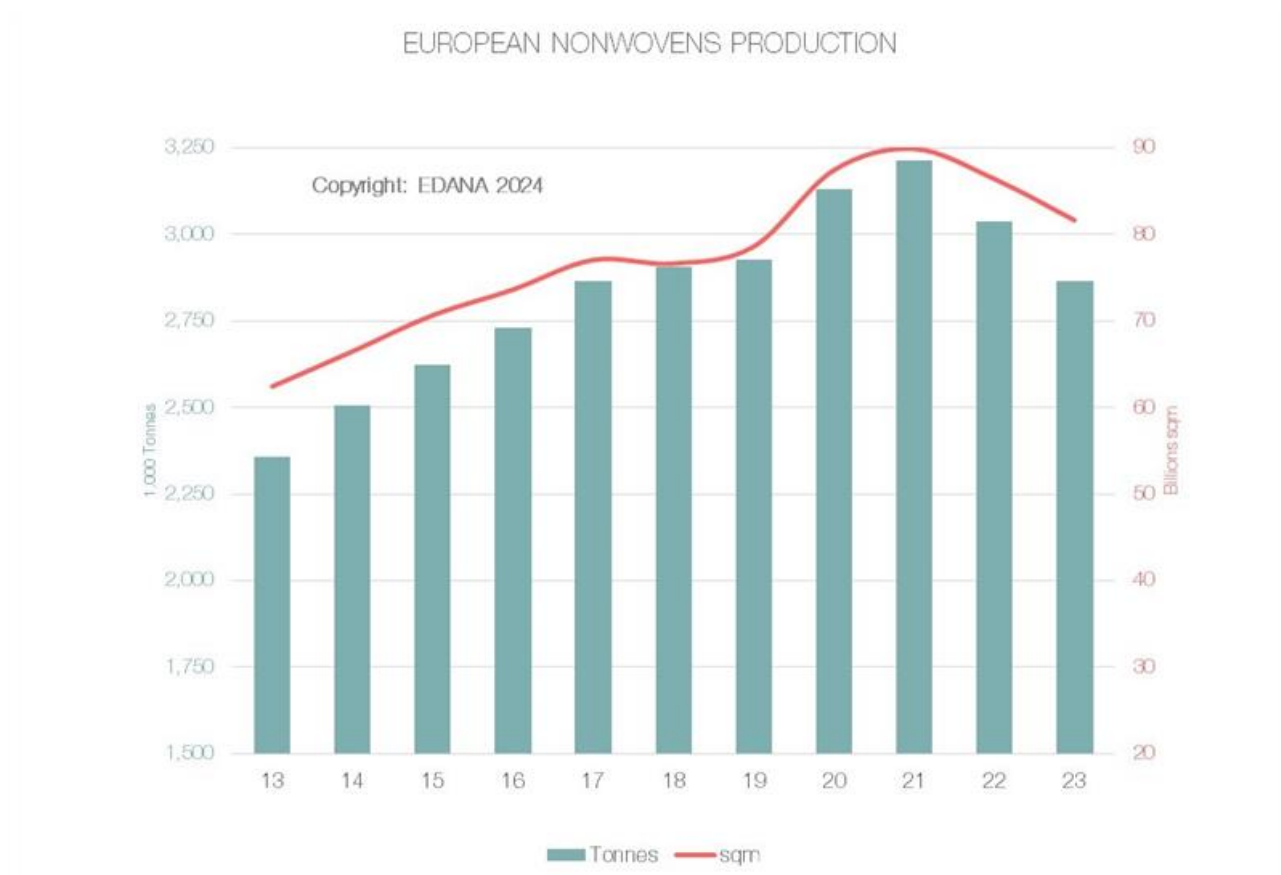


In 2023, European Nonwovens Production Decreased by 5.7%

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EDANA, the leading global association advocating the benefits of nonwovens for society, released today an overview of the high-level figures from the EDANA Statistics Report on Nonwovens Production and Deliveries for 2023.



In 2023, compared to data from 2022, nonwovens production in Greater Europe decreased in volume by 5.7% to 2,864,840 tonnes, and by 5.5% in surface area resulting in 81.7 billion square metres of nonwovens being manufactured. However, differing trends were observed at the national level when comparing production between Greater European countries, and also when assessing the various production processes of nonwovens and market segments.

Jacques Prigneaux, EDANA's Market Analysis and Economic Affairs Director, further expanded on the data: "European nonwovens production recorded its second consecutive decline since it peaked in 2021, however, it is necessary to refine the data further and assess the trends according to the different production processes. For drylaid, the production of thermally and chemically bonded nonwovens both demonstrated a double-digit decline. The production of spunbond nonwovens, which accounted for 40% of total production in 2023,

