



# comieco

Consorzio Nazionale Recupero e Riciclo  
degli Imballaggi a base Cellulosica

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## **ABOUT COMIECO**

Comieco is the National Consortium for the Recovery and Recycling of Paper and Board Packaging.

The main goal of the Consortium is to achieve the recovery and recycling targets set by the European rules – which provide for a minimum 85% recycling of paper and board by 2030 – through a strict policy for prevention and development of the separate collection of the paper and board packaging available for consumption. Comieco, upon agreement with CONAI (the National Packaging Consortium), operates the collection, recycling, and recovery system thereof.

Established in 1985 as a voluntary initiative of a group of private entrepreneurs in the paper manufacturing sector, Comieco was incorporated as the National Consortium for the Recovery and Recycling of Paper and Board Packaging through the implementation in Italy of Directive 94/62/EC on packaging and packaging waste with Legislative Decree No. 22/97, and its statute was approved with Ministerial Decree of July 15, 1998.

## **COMIECO NUMBERS**

(reference year:  
2021)

### **MEMBERS**

Comieco has approximately 3,200 members, including packaging paper and board manufacturers and importers, processors, packaging importers, and paper processing plants.

### **PACKAGING**

Apparent paper and board packaging consumption: 5.2 million tons

### **RECYCLING AND RECOVERY**

Results achieved by Comieco: Recovery: 91.4 % Recycling: 85.1%

### **SEPARATE COLLECTION**

Separate paper and board collection in Italy: over 3.6 million tons  
Each Italian citizen collected separately approximately 60.8 kg of paper and board within the home-based collection circuit

Total collection of paper for recycling in Italy (of household and industrial origin): approximately 7 million tons