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**The European kitchen market
Channels and competition**

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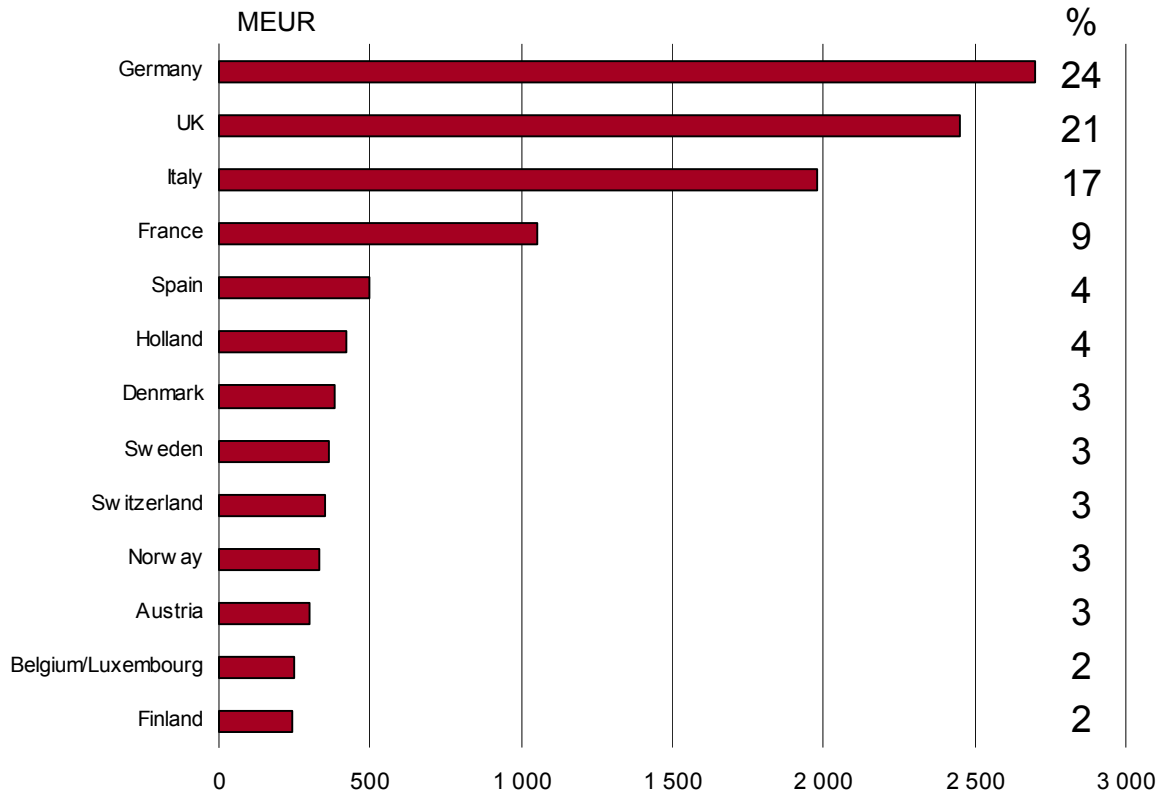


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The European Kitchen Market 2001

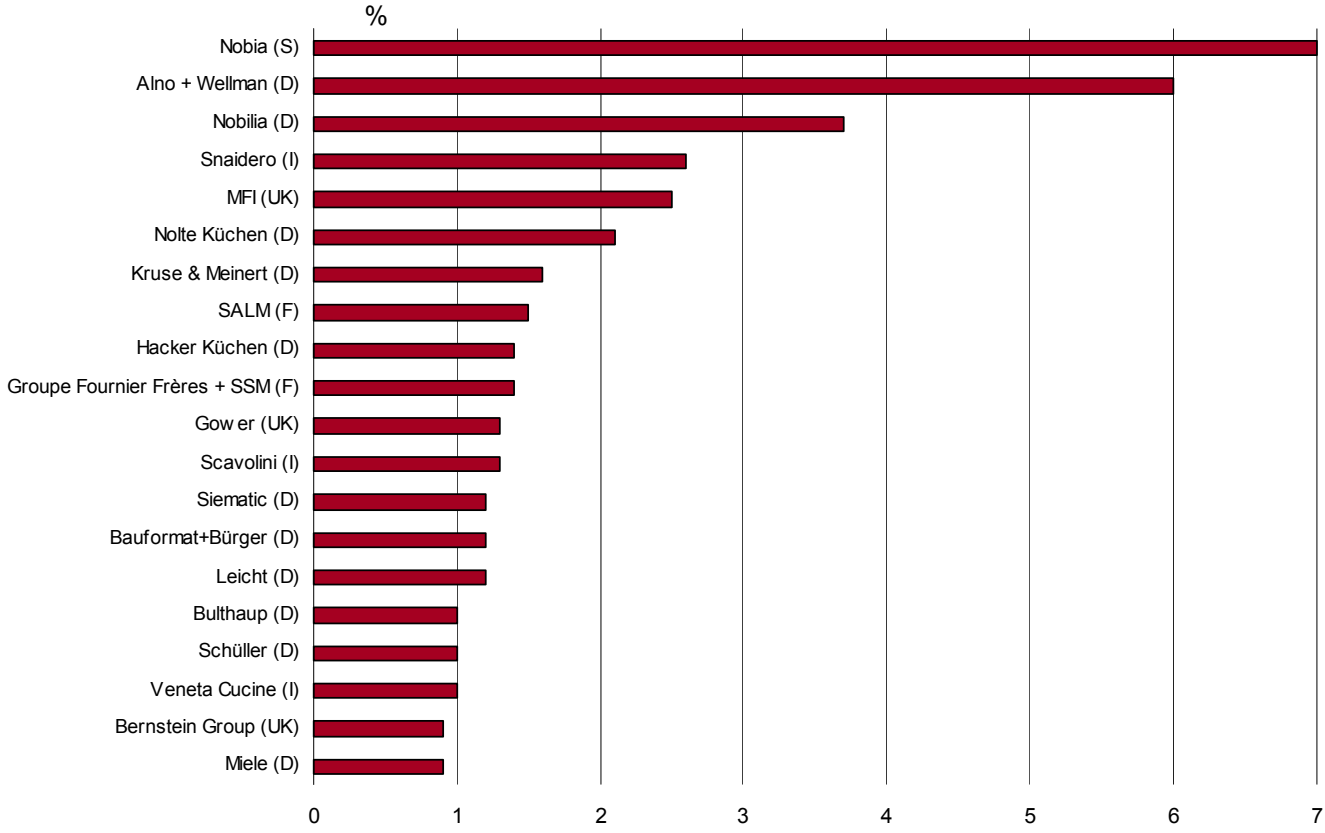


- The total European market amounts to approx. EUR 11.4 bn at MSP
- The four largest markets, Germany, UK, Italy, and France account for approx. 70% of the market.
- Scandinavia accounts for approx. 10% of the market

Source: Nobia



Market shares 2001



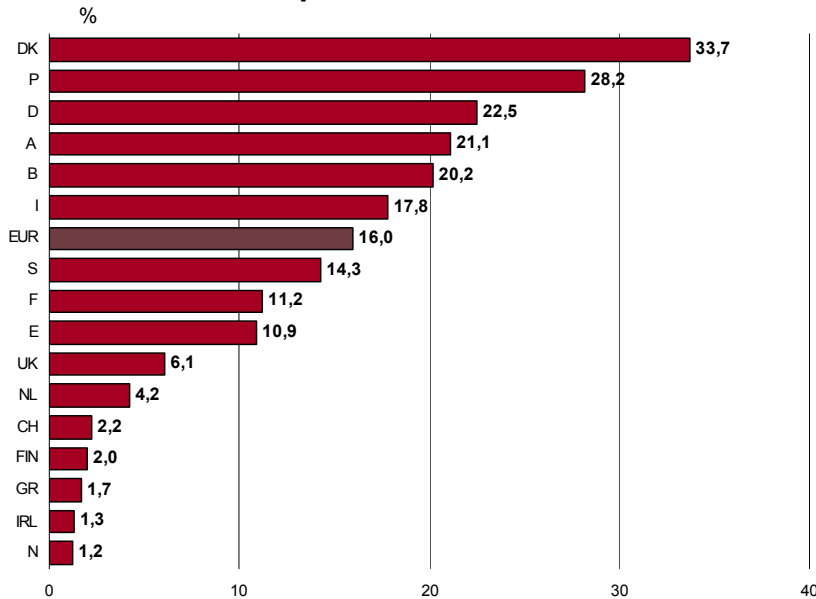
- The five largest companies account for approx. 22% of the market
- No. 6-20 in size account for approx. 19% of the market

Source: CSIL, Prognoscentret, and Nobia



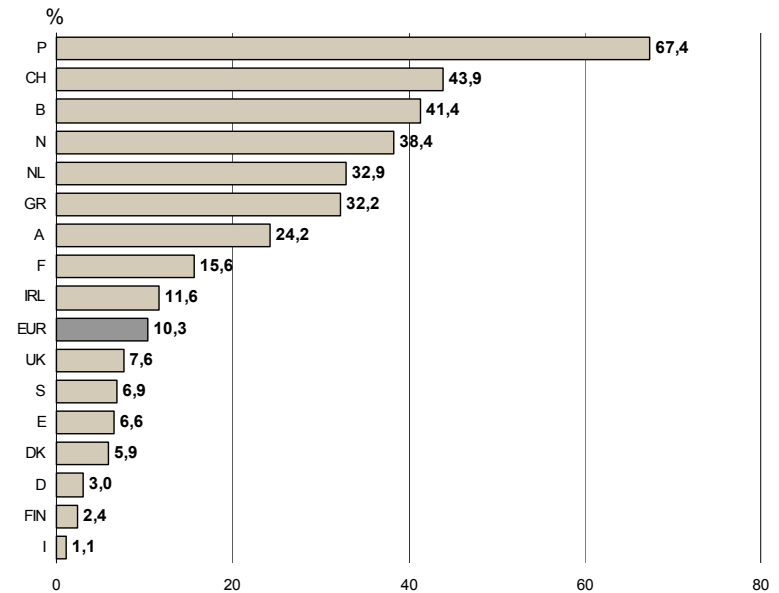
Kitchen Furniture Export and Import in Europe

Export/Production



Germany and Italy are the largest export countries. Together they account for approx. 70 % of the European Export trade.

Import/Consumption



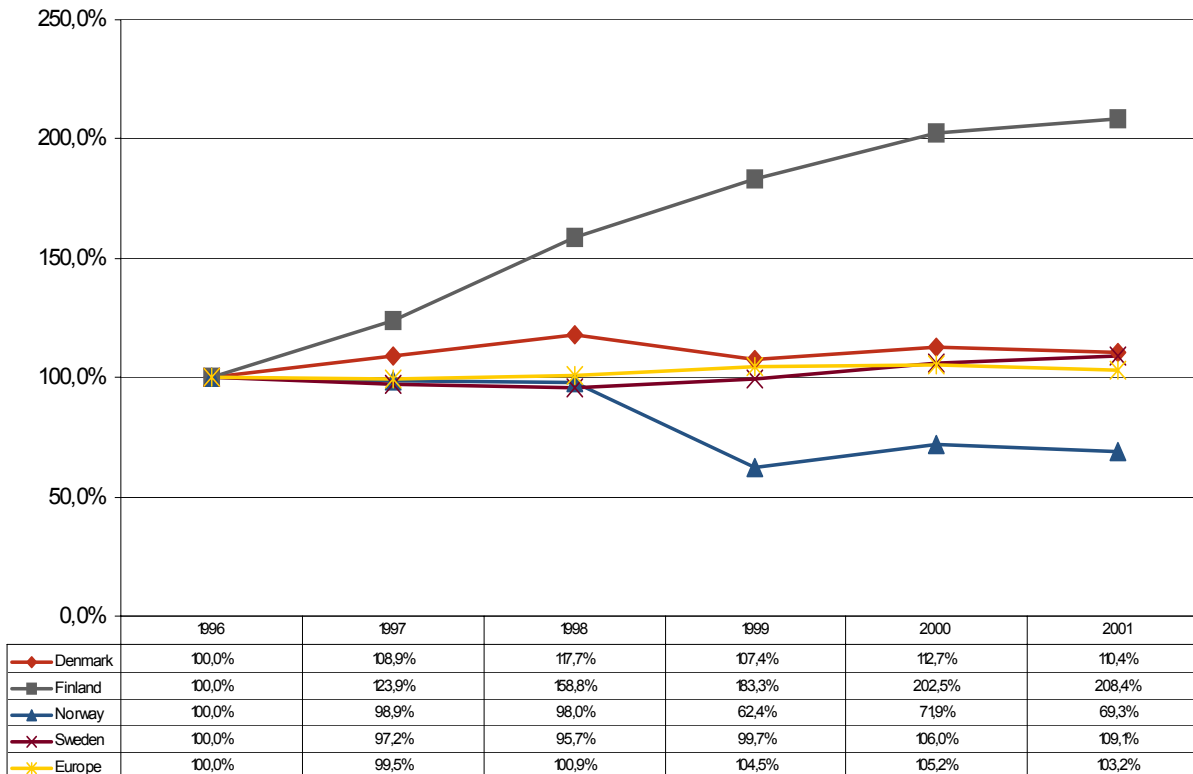
France, Switzerland and the Netherlands are the largest import countries. Together they account for approx. 45% of the European import trade.

Source: CSIL



Kitchen Furniture Consumption, Nordic

Annual % changes at constant prices, index 1996=100



Factors influencing kitchen demand:

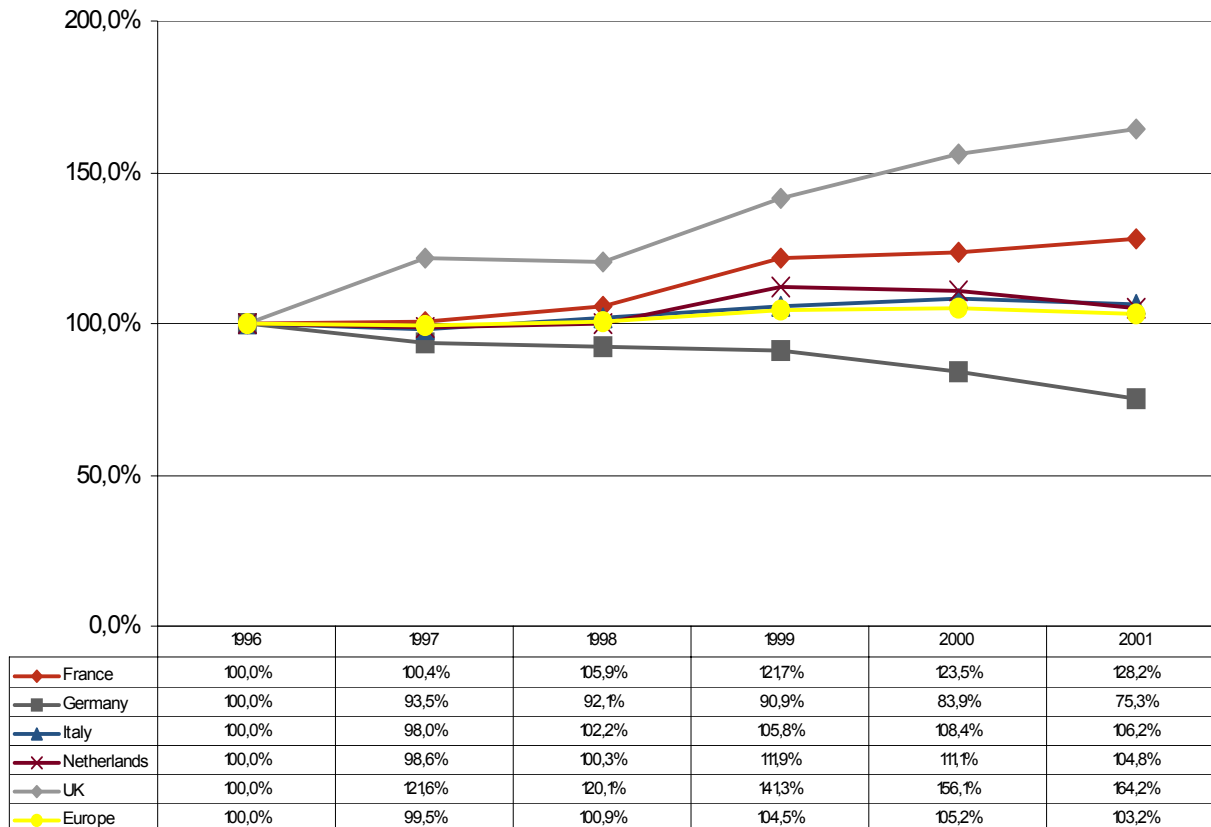
- Consumer confidence
- Housing transactions
- New-home construction & renovation
- Interest rates

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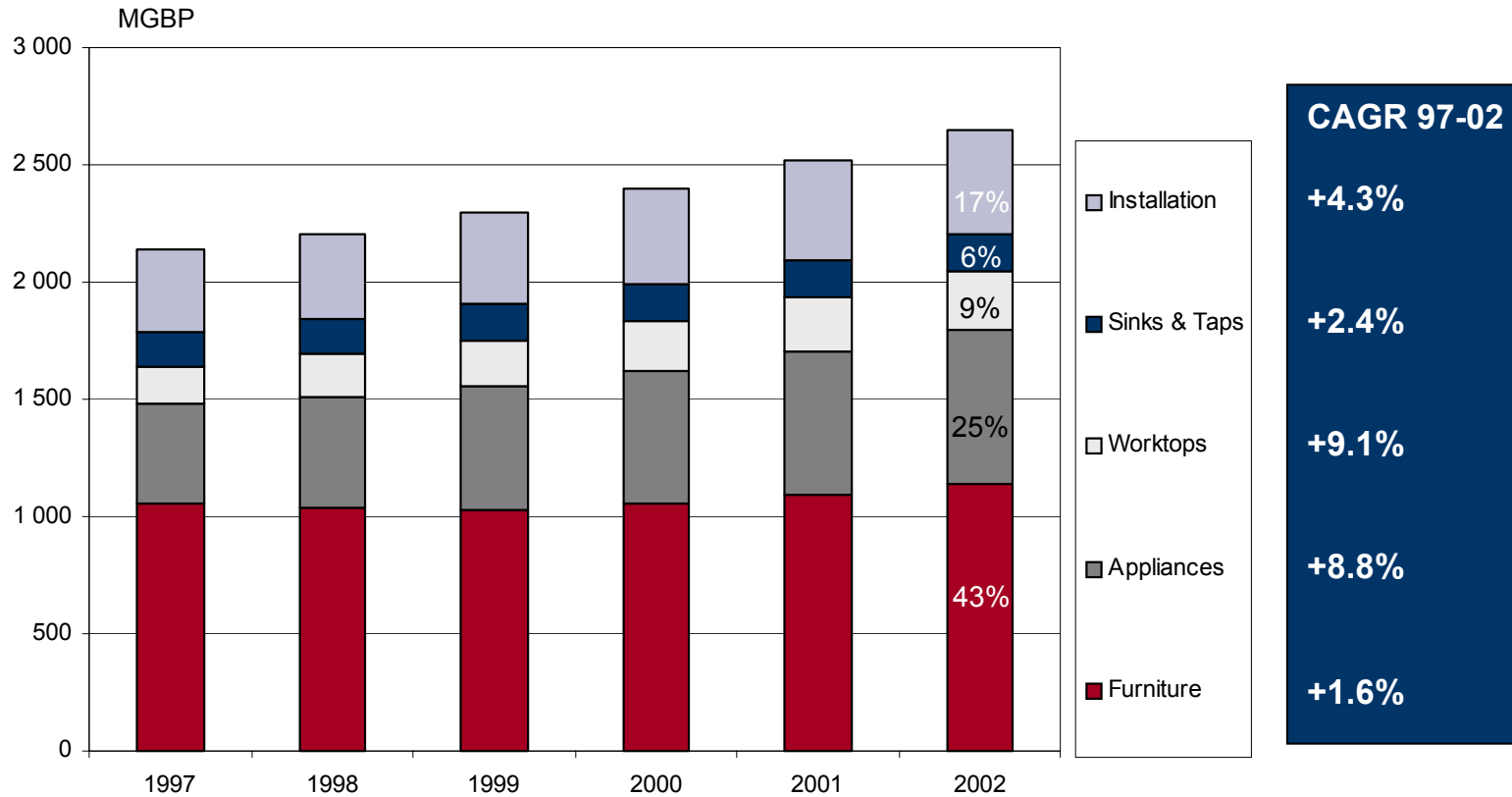
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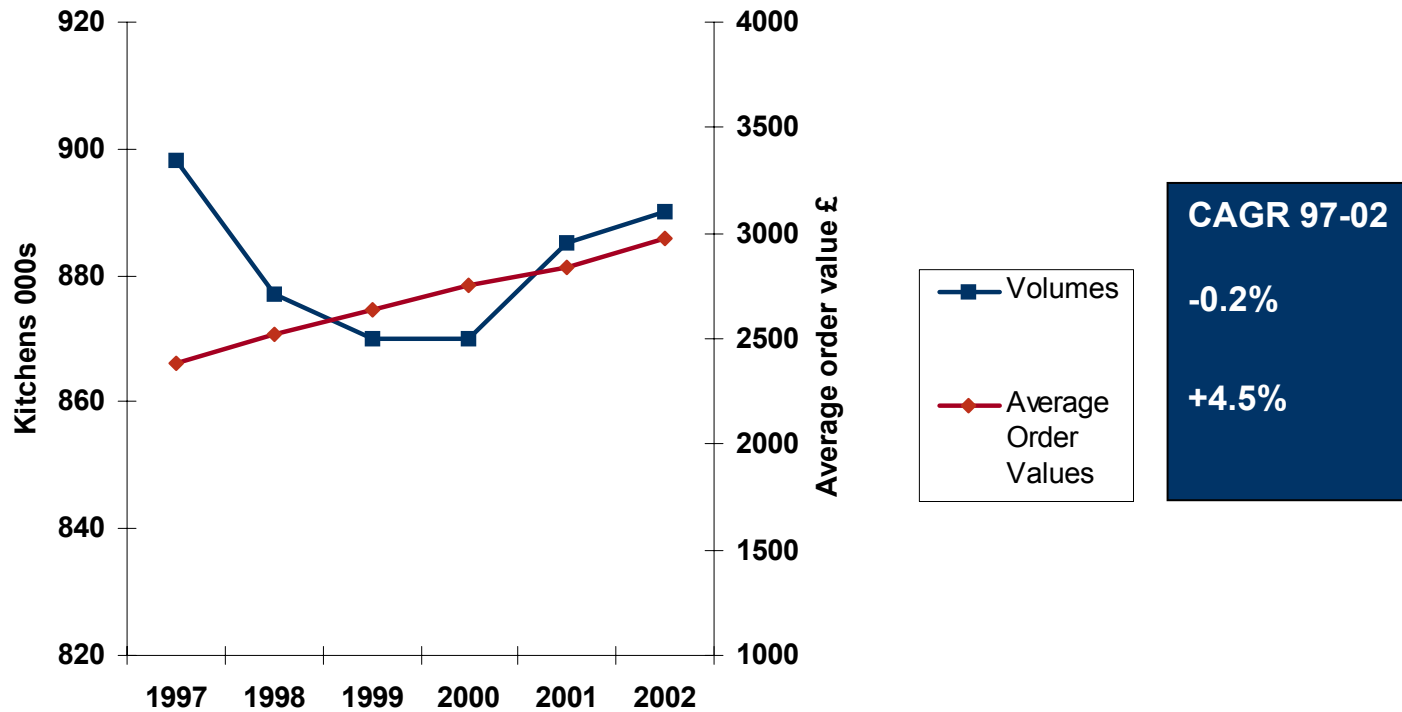
The UK Market

UK Kitchen Market at RSP



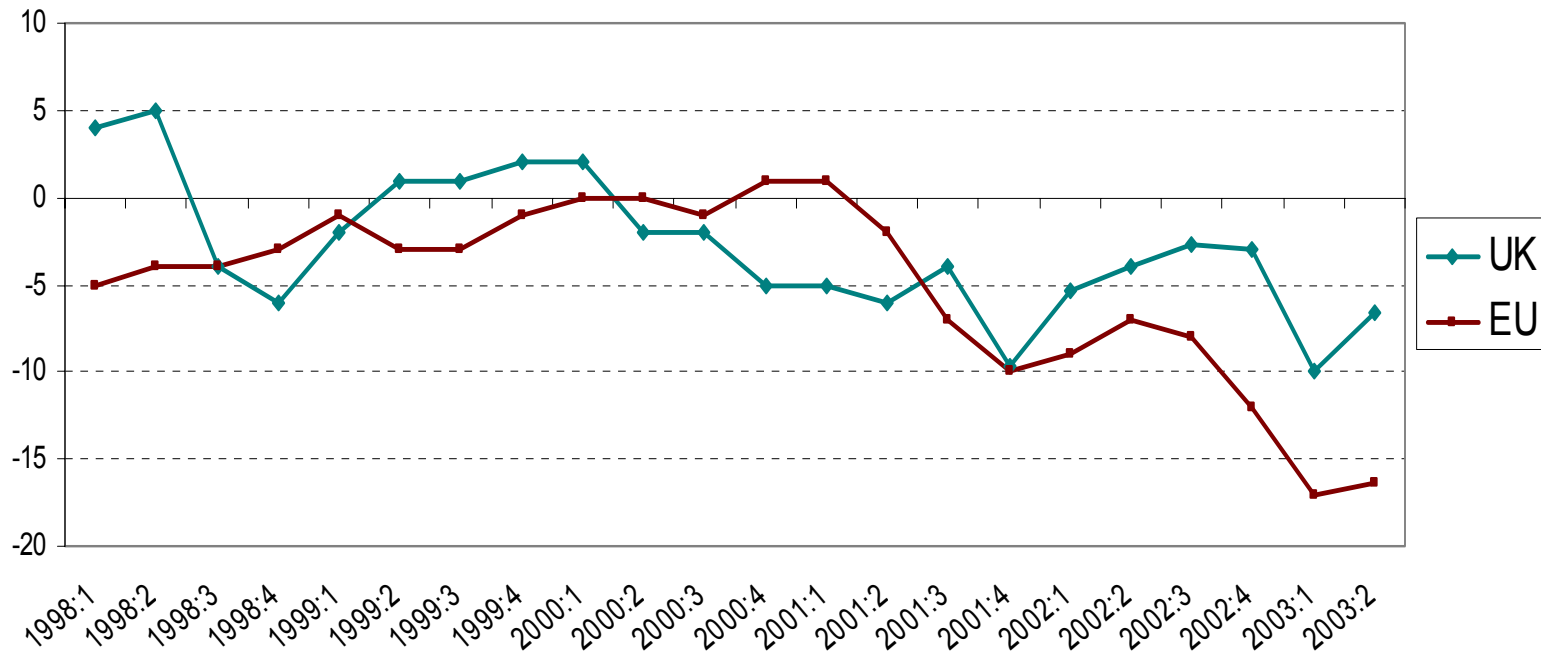
Source: JKMR, Magnet

UK Kitchen Market Volumes and AOV (RSP)



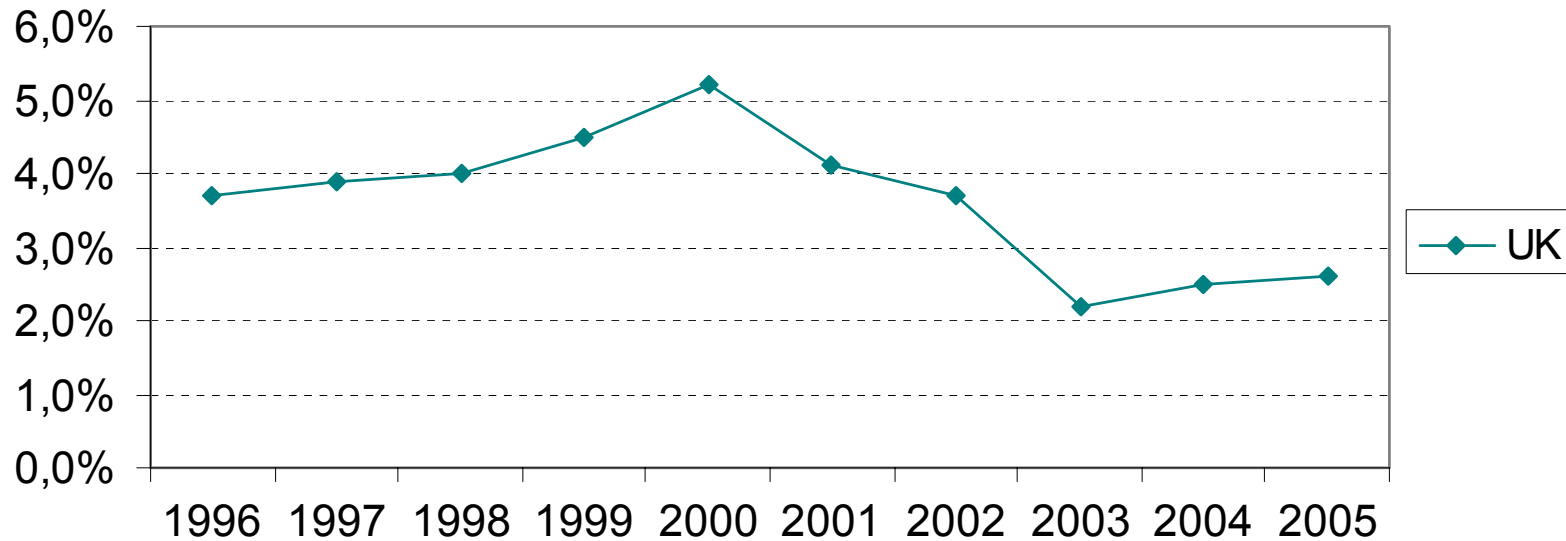
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Consumer Confidence Indicator UK-EU



Source: European Commission

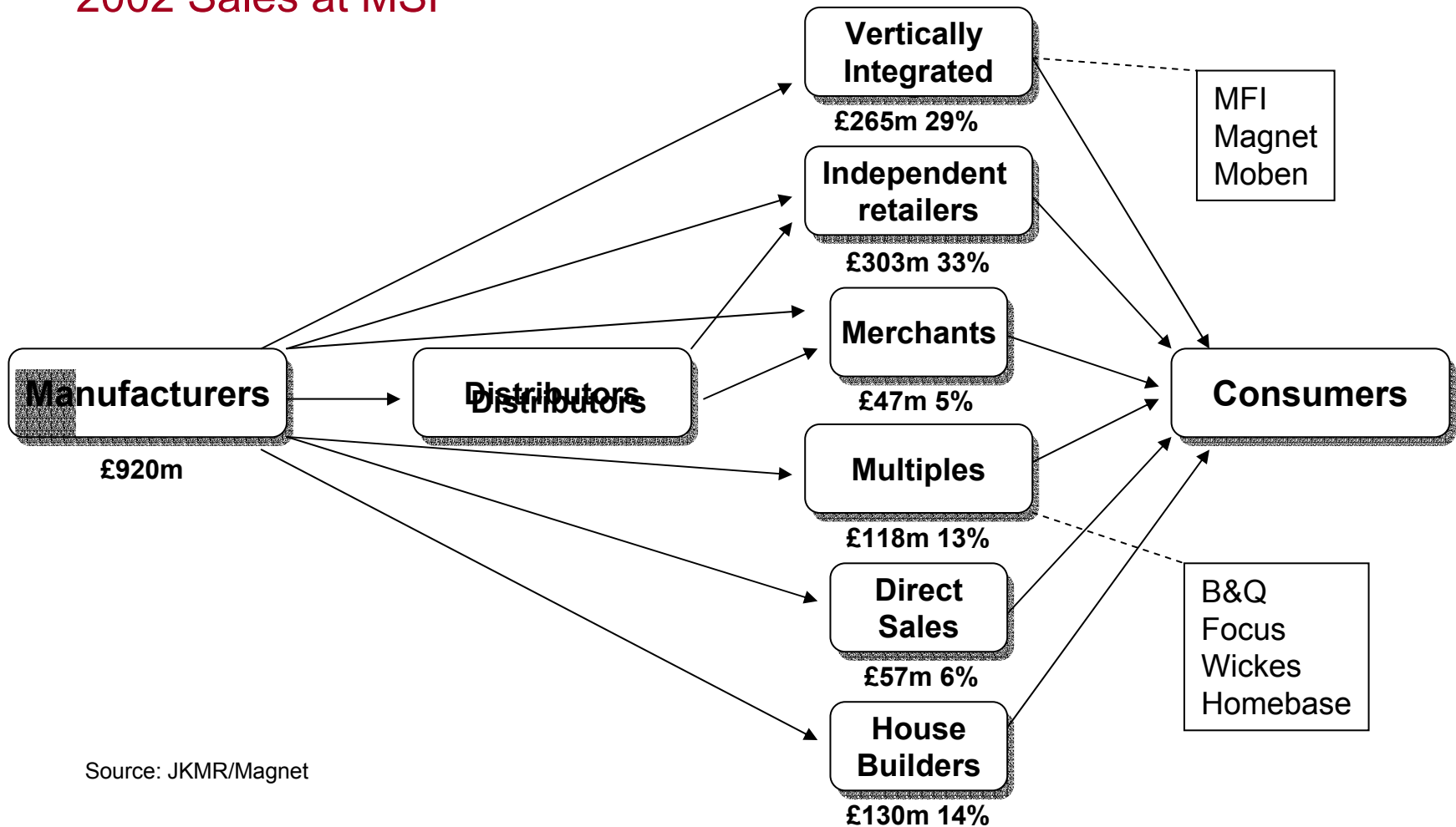
Private consumption, annual growth rate UK



Source: EUROCONSTRUCT

UK Kitchen Furniture Market Channel Map

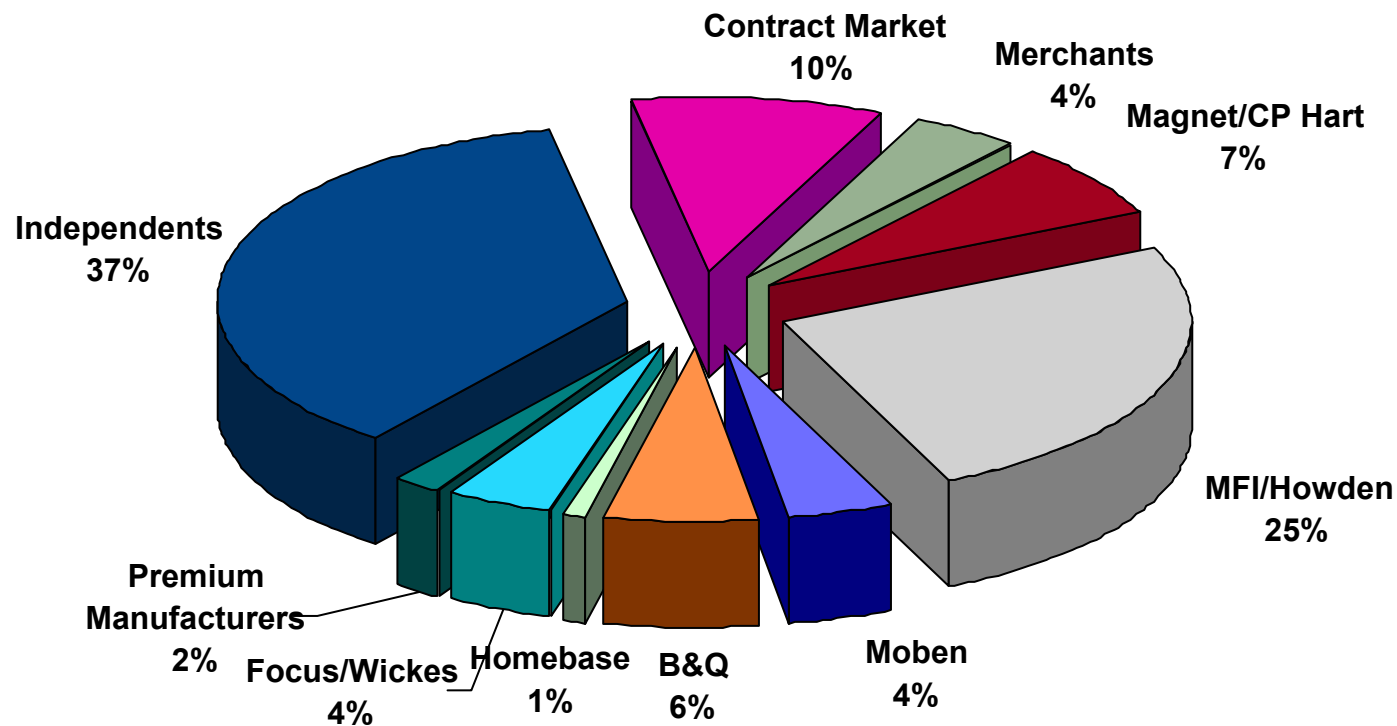
2002 Sales at MSP



Source: JKMR/Magnet

Overall UK Market by Distribution Channel 2002 Sales at RSP

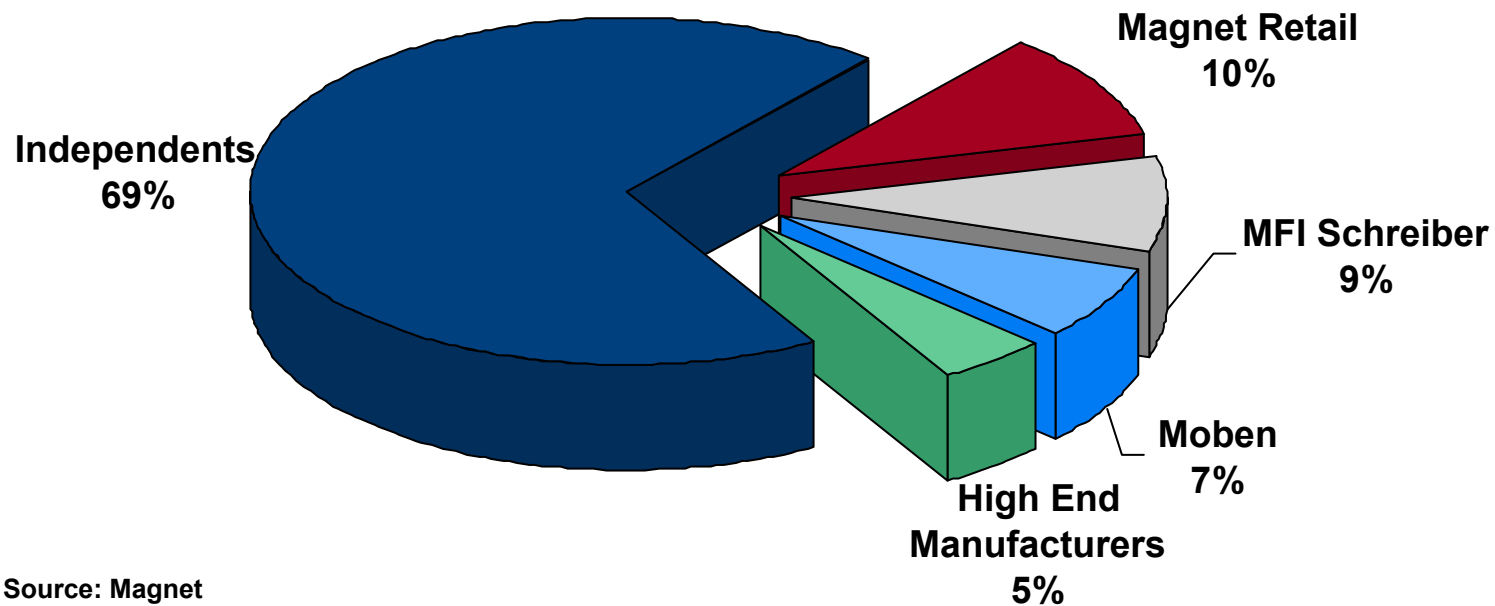
The UK Kitchen market is dominated by five companies accounting for over half of the retail market. MFI/Howden is the largest retailer in the UK.



Source: Magnet

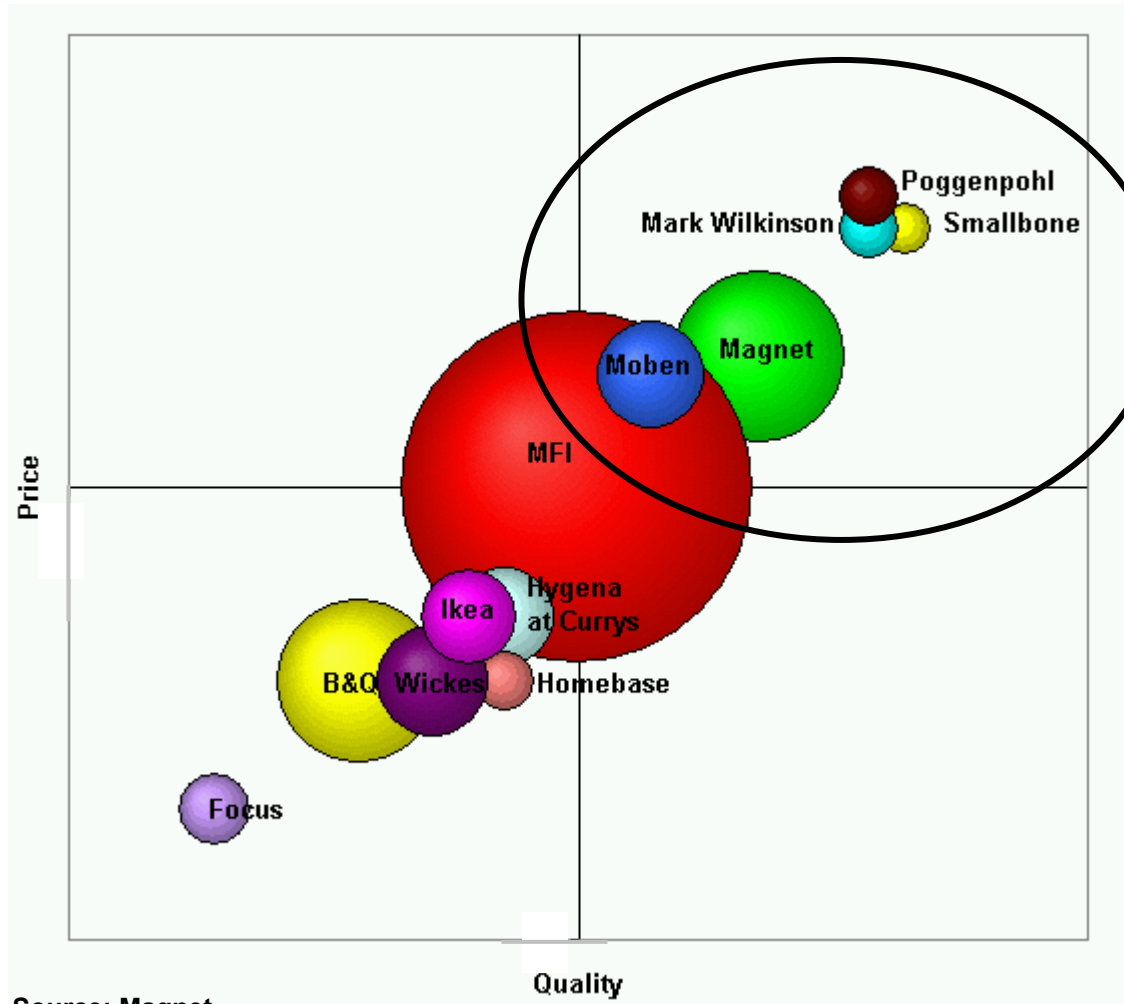
Upper & upper-middle Market 2002 sales at RSP

The upper & upper-middle sector accounts for around half of the UK market and is dominated by the independent sector. Magnet is the leading retailer in this sector.



Source: Magnet

UK Kitchen Retailers



Source: Magnet

Magnet is the leading company in the upper-middle sector

Main competitors in the UK upper-middle market

- MFI:
 - vertically integrated manufacturer with its own store network
 - Strategic priorities:
 - refurbishment of MFI out-of-town stores
 - roll-out of Howden joinery stores
 - extension of product offer to every room in the house
- Moben
 - limited role of store network
 - sales mainly through direct sales force
- Independent retailers
 - very fragmented structure
 - mainly local and small business supplied by a variety of local manufacturers and import companies

Main competitors in the UK flat-pack market

- The flat-pack market is dominated by DIY-chains and builders' merchants
- B&Q
 - 320 points of sale
 - supplied by a few manufacturers
 - part of the Kingfisher Group
- Focus Wickes
 - 440 points of sales
 - supplied by Gower
 - owned by financial investors and management
- Homebase
 - 270 points of sale
 - supplied by Magnet/Optifit
 - owned by the GUS Group
- Jewson/Graham
 - 650 points of sale
 - supplied by Gower
 - part of the StGobain Group

Profile - UK Market

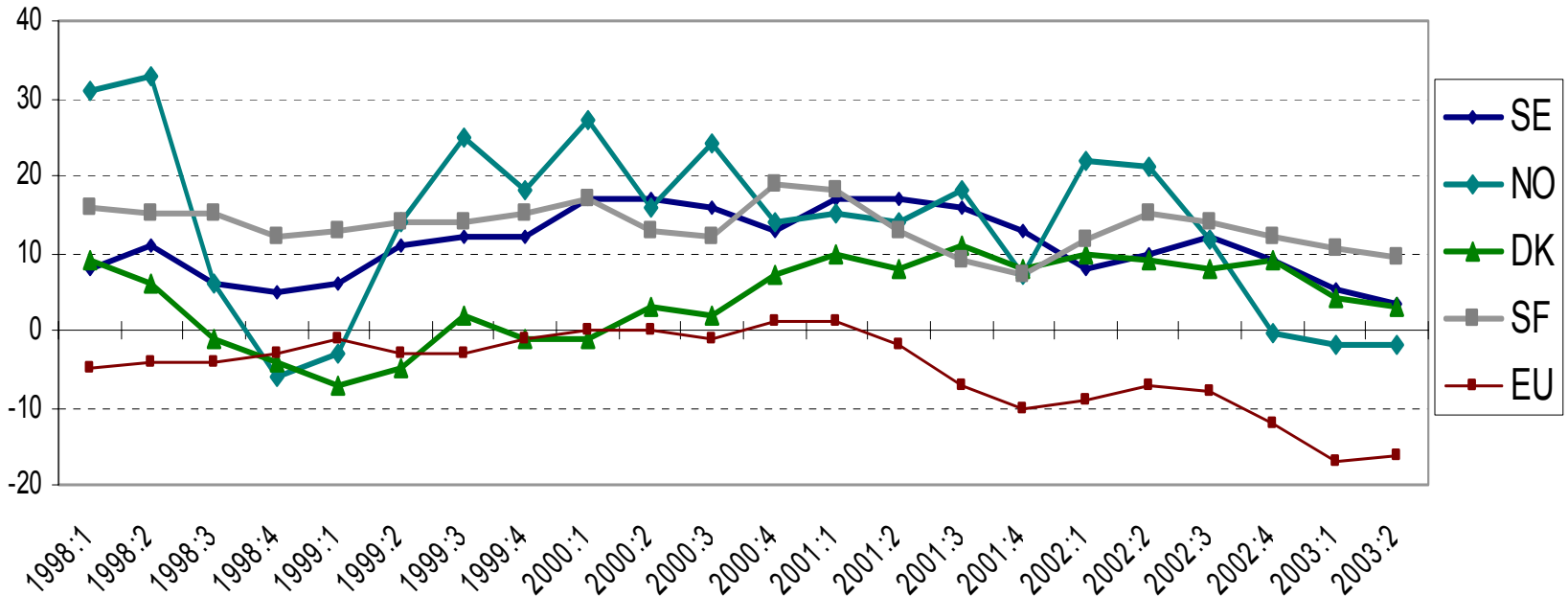
- The UK market has achieved strong growth in the past five years, particularly prior to the millennium
- Vertically integrated manufacturers and a few large DIY-multiples occupy 50% of the market
- The distribution structure at the upper & upper-middle sector remains fragmented
- Upper & upper-middle sector is dominated by independents. Magnet (retail) is the largest individual retailer in this market
- Vertically integrated manufacturers and DIY-multiples have grown the number of outlets and gained market share at the expense of the independent sector
- The manufacturing structure is well consolidated with six manufacturers holding more than 50% of the market
- Small import and export trade



The Nordic Market

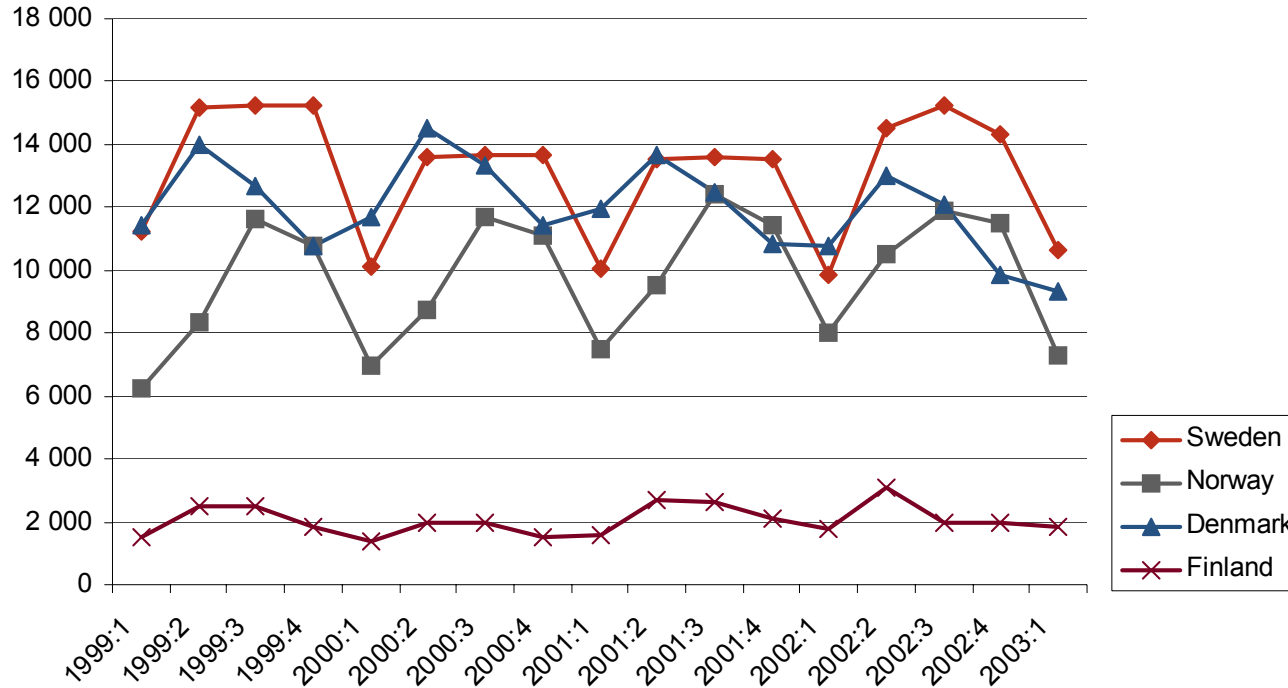
Consumer Confidence Indicator

Nordic - EU



Source: European Commission

Housing Transactions, Nordic



Number of housing transactions per quarter, 1+2 family homes.

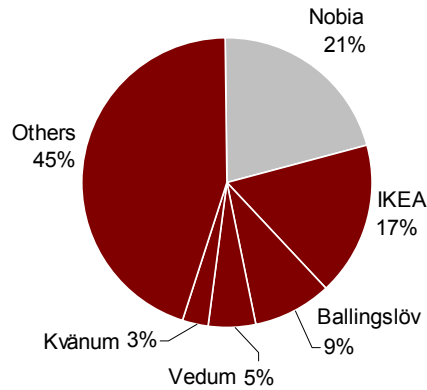
Source: Prognoscentret

Market Share, Nordic

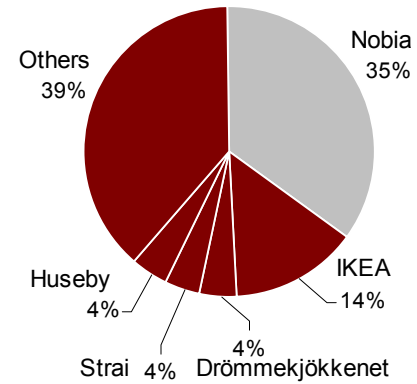
Nobia combined market share approx. 28% in 2002:

- Sweden 21%
- Norway 35%
- Denmark 28%
- Finland 29%

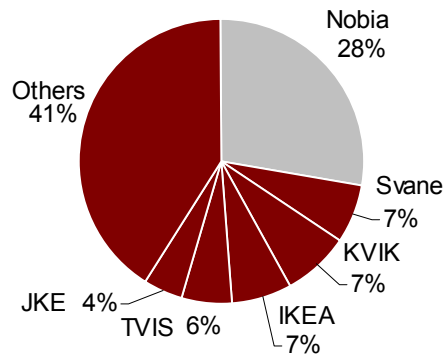
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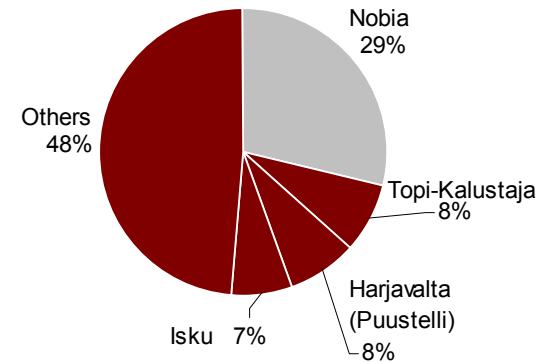
Norway



Denmark



Finland



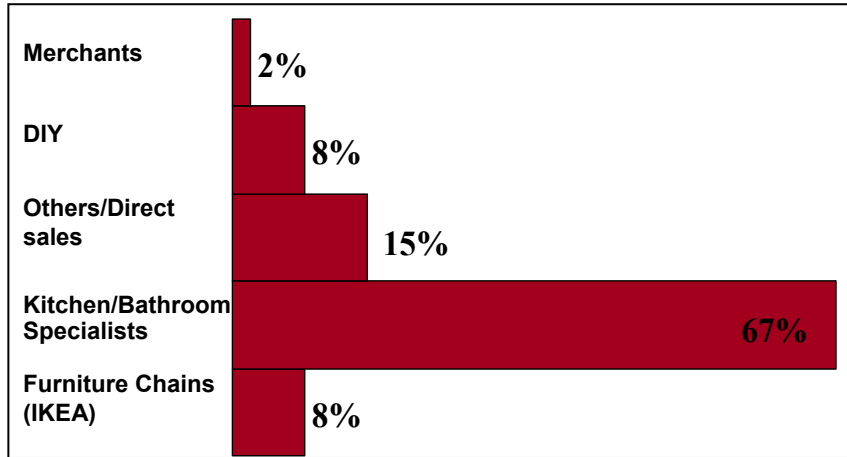
Main competitors in the Nordic market

- The Nordic countries each have approx. 5-10 local actors
- Ikea and HTH are brands that operate in all Nordic countries
- Nobia's main competitors per country are:
 - Sweden: Ballingslöv, Kvänum, Vedum and Ikea
 - Denmark: JKE (Ballingslöv), Kvik, Tvis and Ikea
 - Norway: Drømmekjökken (Ballingslöv), Strai, Huseby and Ikea
 - Finland: Harjavalta (Puustelli), Isku and Topi-Kalustaja

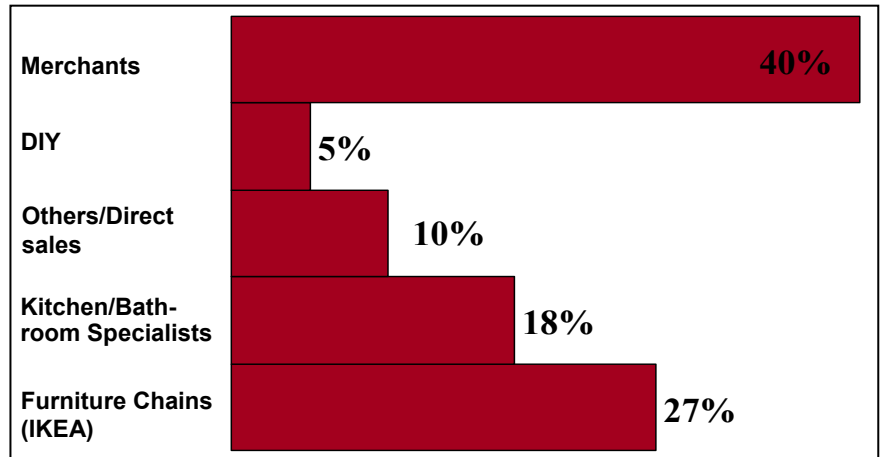
Distribution Structure Overview - Nordic

Turnover shares in per cent

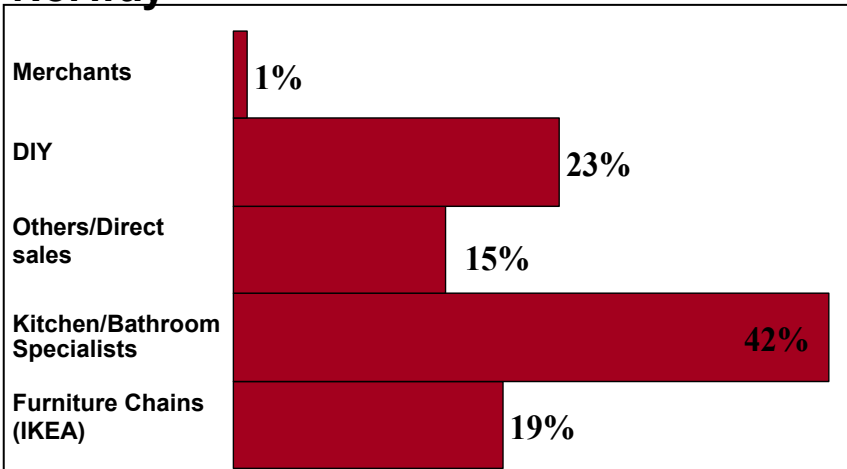
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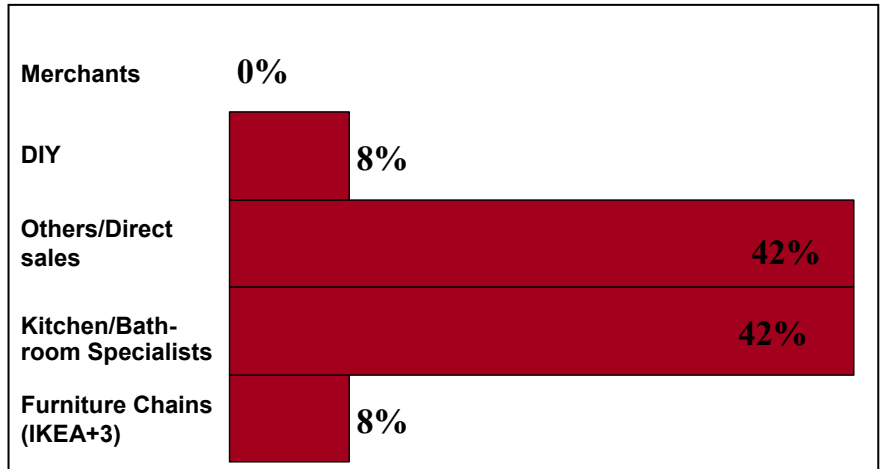
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Source: KMC Research, Interviews



Profile - Nordic Markets

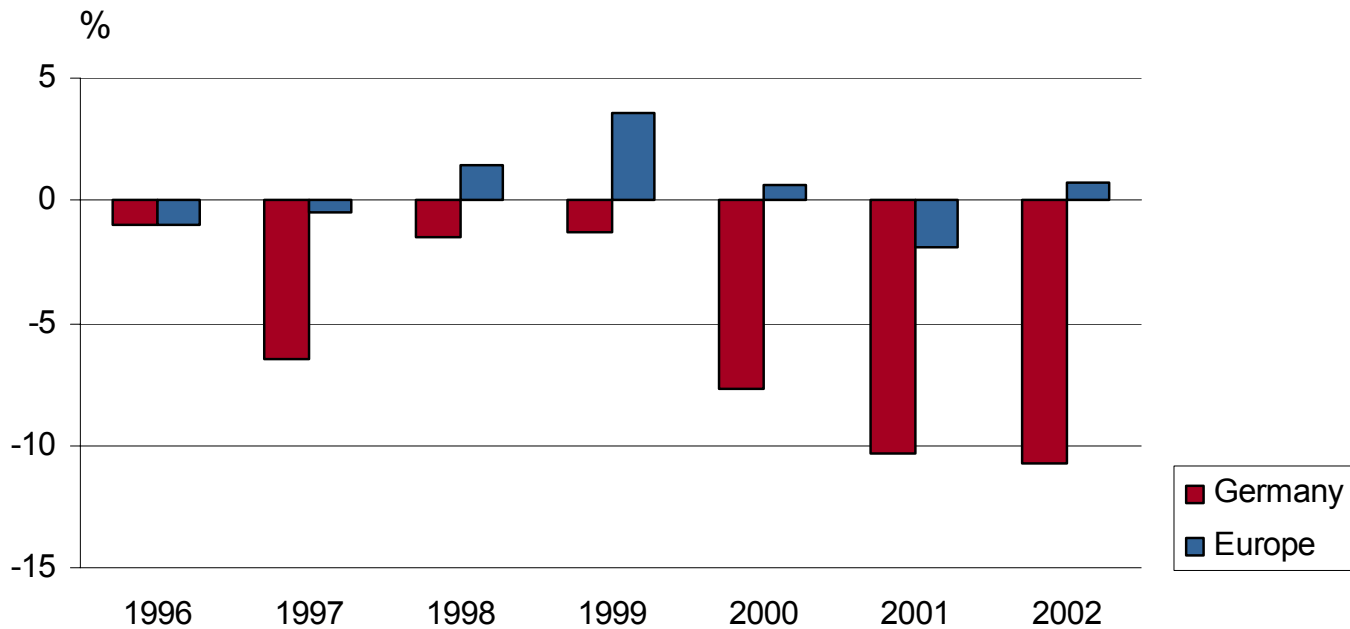
- Stable overall YOY in total over the past years with variations between countries
- The Nordic market consists of four countries with different distribution structures
 - kitchen specialists leading channel in Denmark
 - Builders' merchants leading channel in Sweden
- Nobia, Ikea and Ballingslöv are active in several Nordic countries
- Ikea and HTH are the only pan-Nordic brands
- Manufacturing structure reasonably well consolidated
- Import/export trade mainly from Denmark to Norway



The German and Dutch markets

Kitchen Furniture Consumption

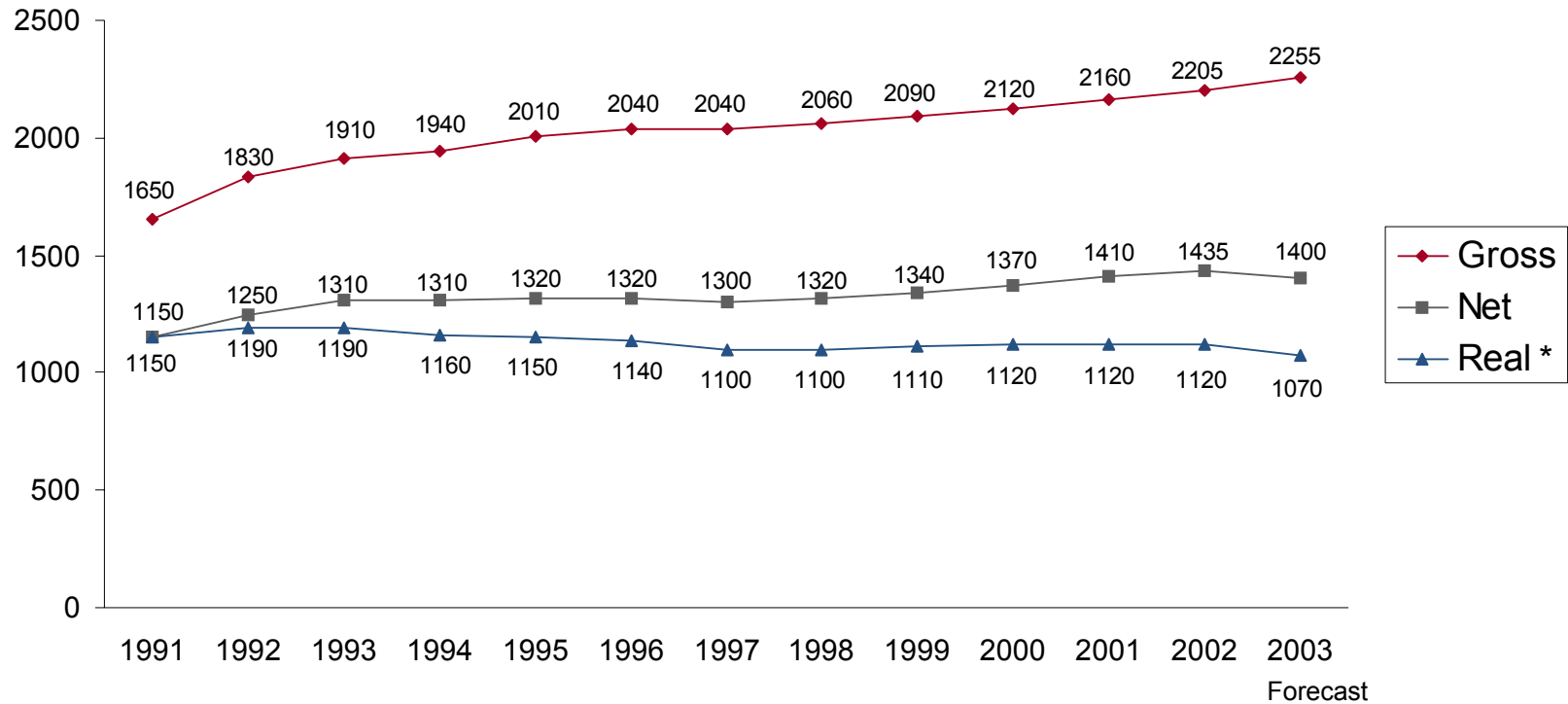
Kitchen furniture, actual consumption.
Annual % changes at constant prices.



Source: CSIL, Nobia

Disposable Income

Average monthly income per employee in Germany (EUR)

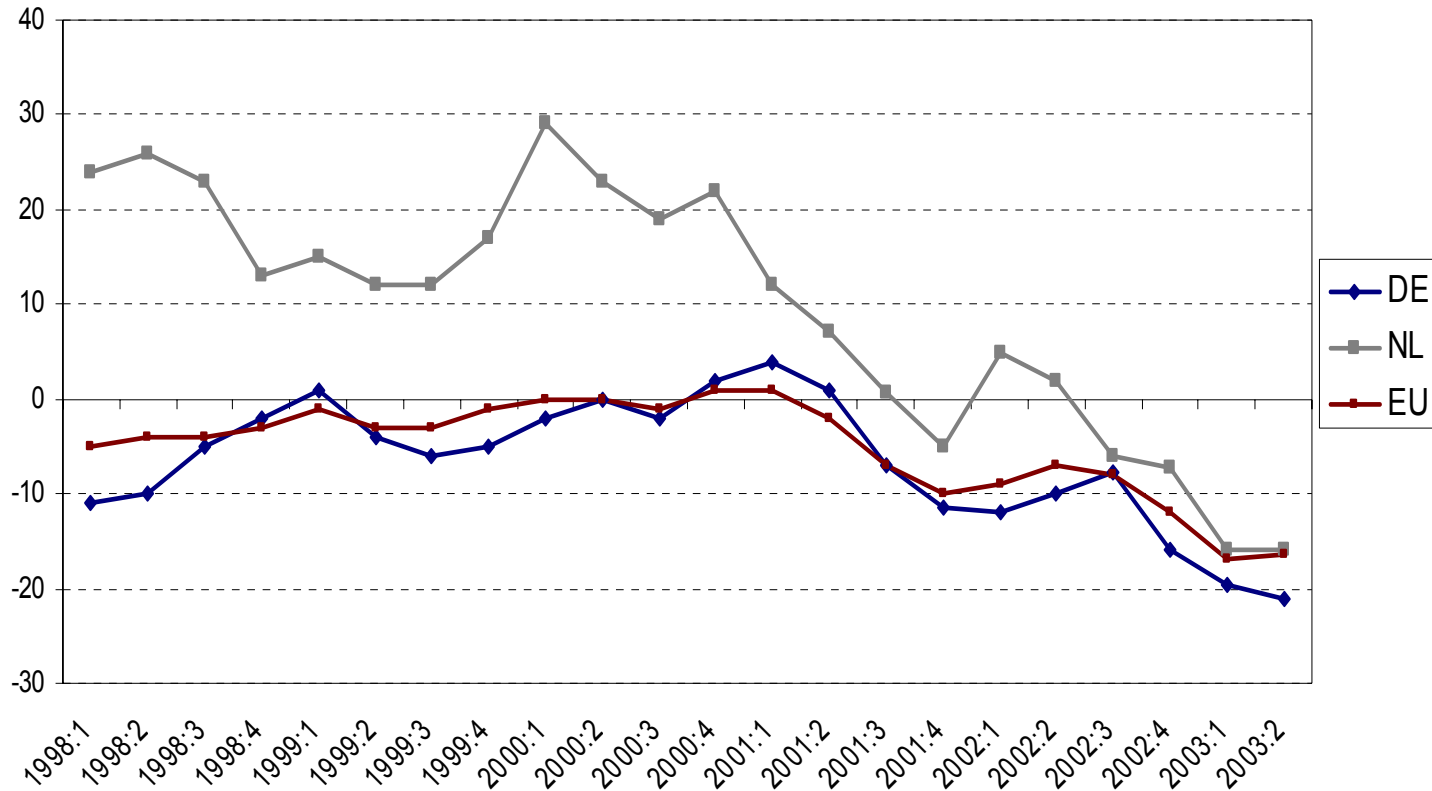


* Purchasing power from 1991 (after deducting price increases)

Source: GfK

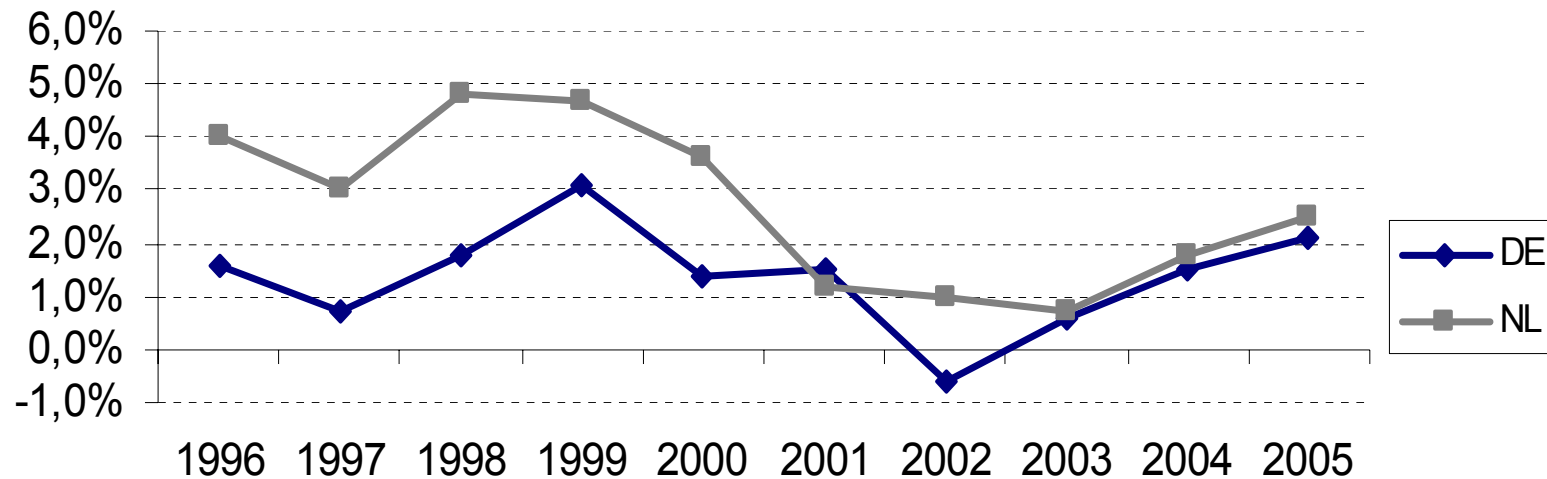
Consumer Confidence Indicator

Germany - Netherlands - EU



Source: European Commission

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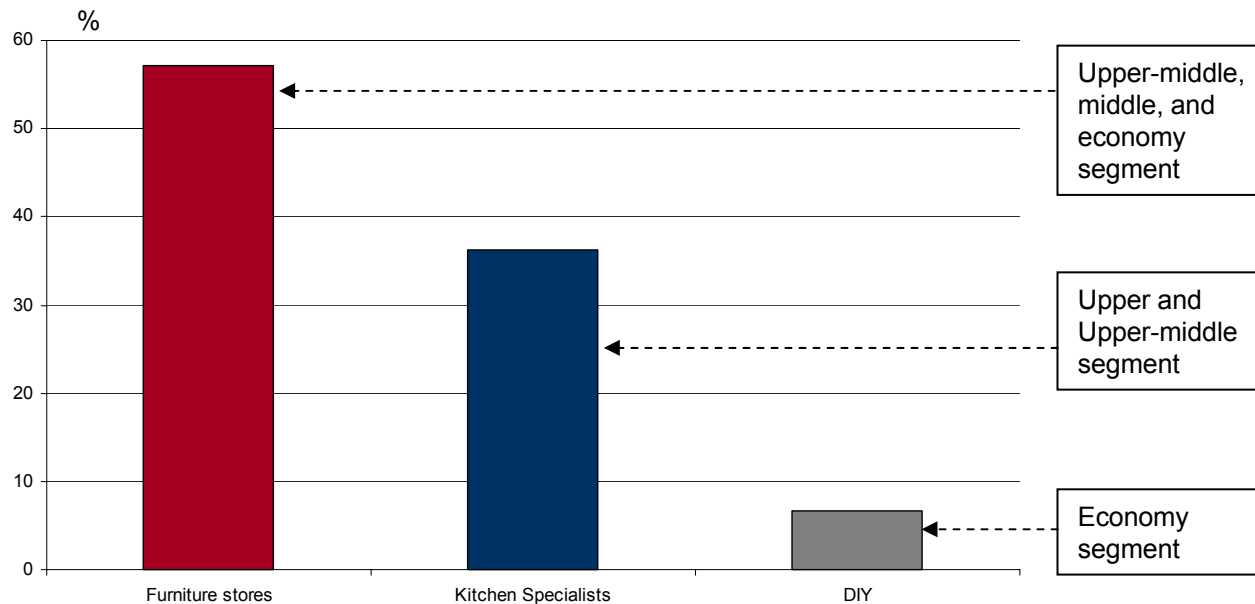


Source: EUROCONSTRUCT

Sales Channels in Germany

Kitchen % distribution per sales channel in Germany

Strong power is being exercised through co-ordinated purchasing by all channels

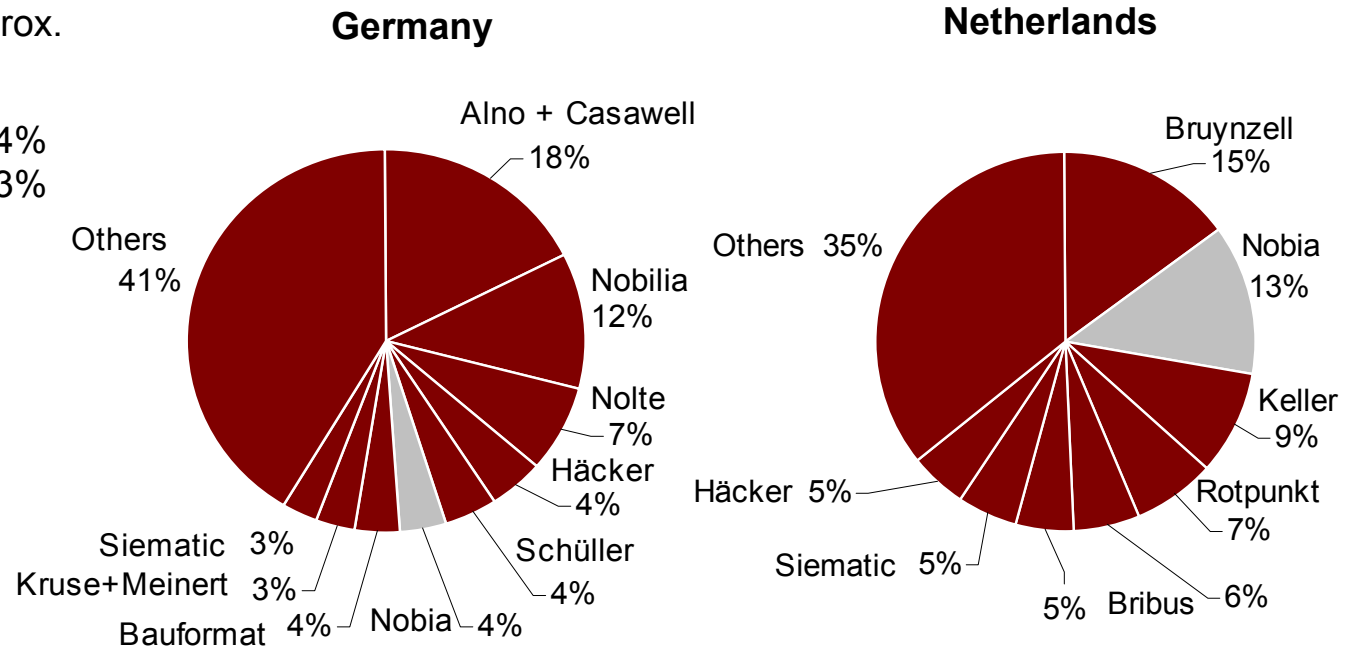


Source: GfK

Market Share, DE & NL

Nobia's combined market share in Germany and the Netherlands was approx. 5 per cent in 2002:

- Germany 4%
- Netherlands 13%



Main competitors in the German and NL markets in the upper-middle segment

- The “Einkaufsverbände” is the dominating distribution channel for kitchens within the upper middle segment
- The largest “Einkaufsverbände” are MHK, Der Kreis and VKG who together operate 4000 stores in Germany
- Nobia’s main competitors are those manufacturers who supply these chains and the upper/middle segment of the market
- Main competitors are Häcker, Schüller, Leicht and Siematic
- The furniture chain is the overall dominating distribution, but it focuses on the middle and economic segment
- The largest manufacturers in Germany dominate the supply of furniture chains and the middle and economic segments of the market
- These manufacturers are Alno/Casawell, Nobilia, Nolte, K&M



Profile - German Market

- Market decline since 1995
- Distribution dominated by large purchasing associations for kitchen specialists and furniture stores
- Kitchens are re-branded by the retail chains
- Trend towards lower AOV in recent years
- Fragmented manufacturing structure (130 manufacturers)
- Consolidation among manufacturers and reduction of production capacity ongoing
- Large export trade and small import trade
- The Netherlands is by far the largest export market for German kitchen manufacturers

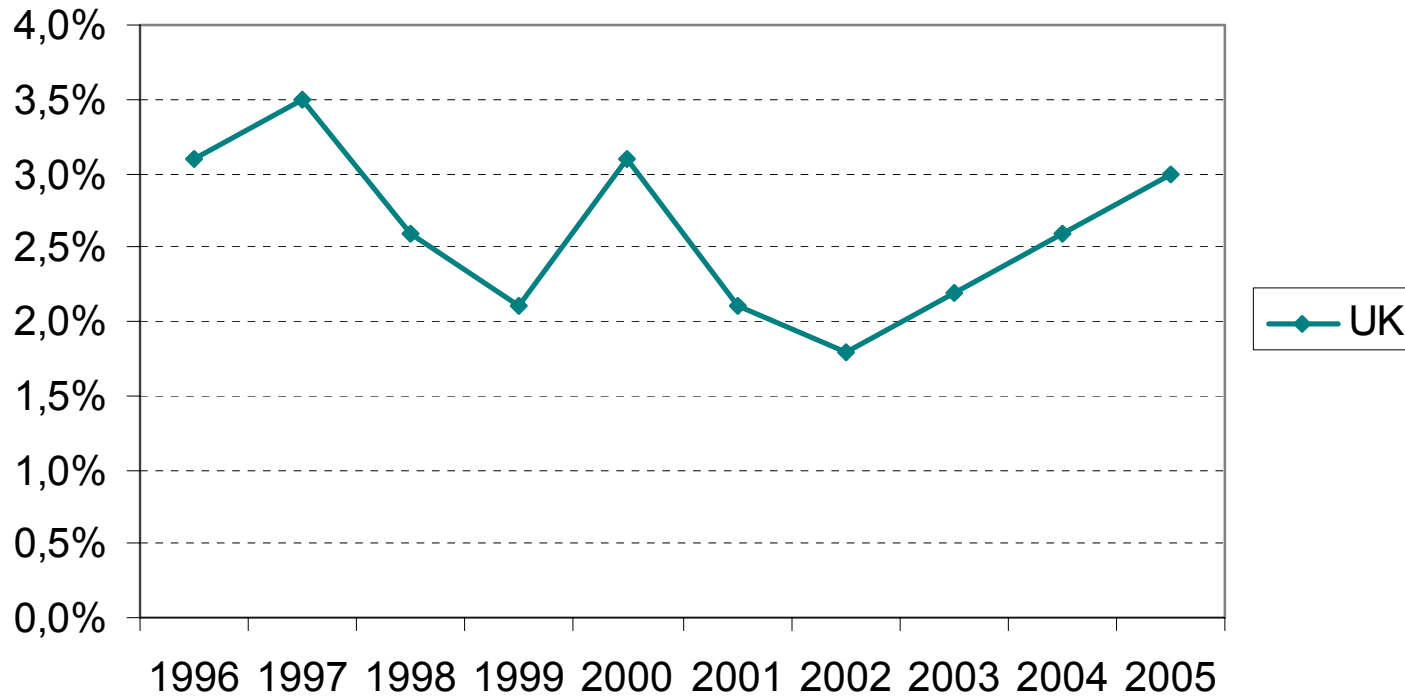
A man in a white sweater is holding a wooden tray filled with breakfast items, including bread, jam, and fruit. In the background, a woman is working at a kitchen counter. The scene is set in a bright, modern kitchen with white cabinets and shelves. A semi-transparent grey box with red text is overlaid on the image.

Thank you for listening!



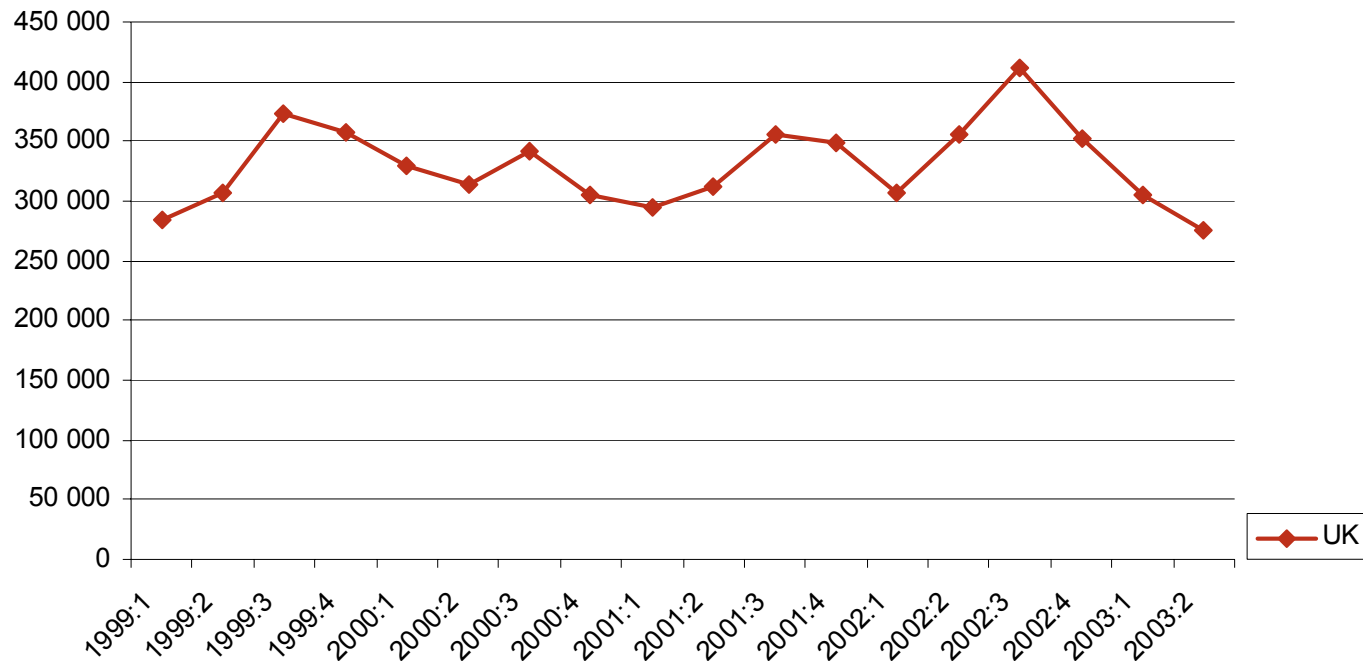
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GDP annual growth rate – UK



Source: EUROCONSTRUCT

Housing Transactions - UK

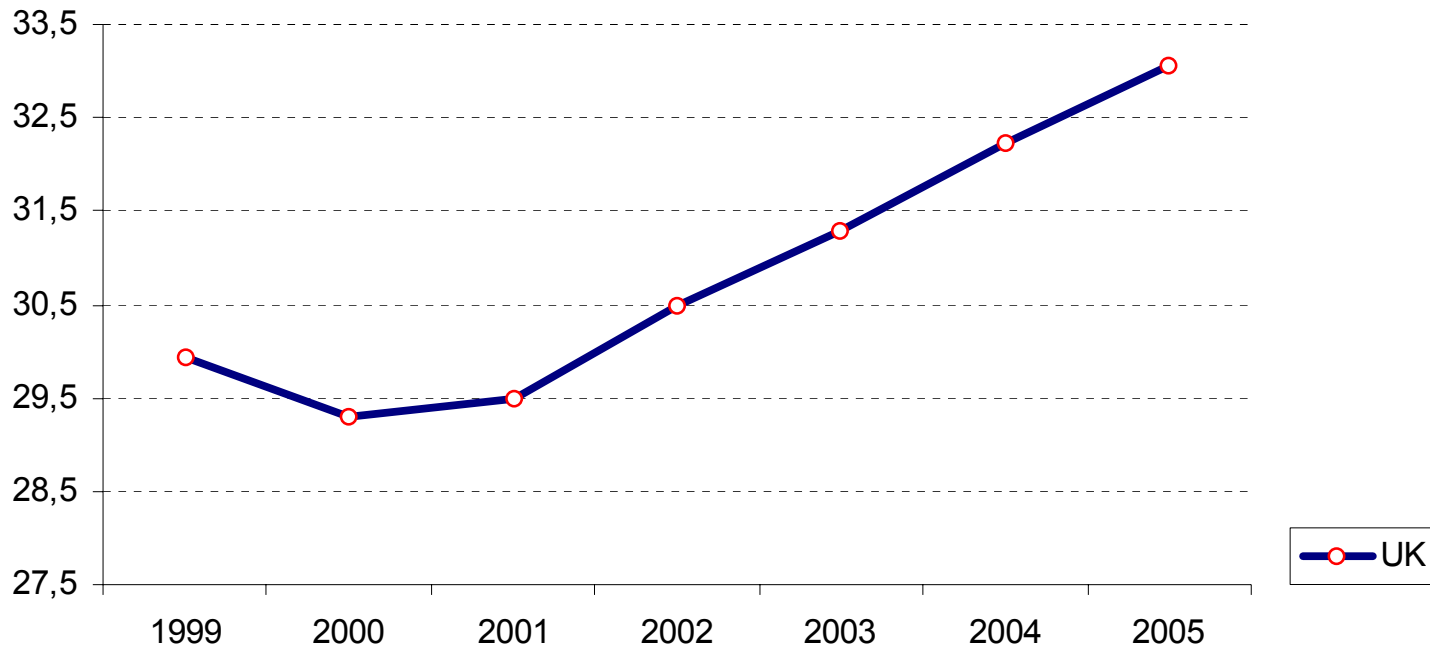


90% of all housing transactions, estimated to be the residential share of total property transactions.

Source: Prognoscentret

R&M Residential Buildings – The UK

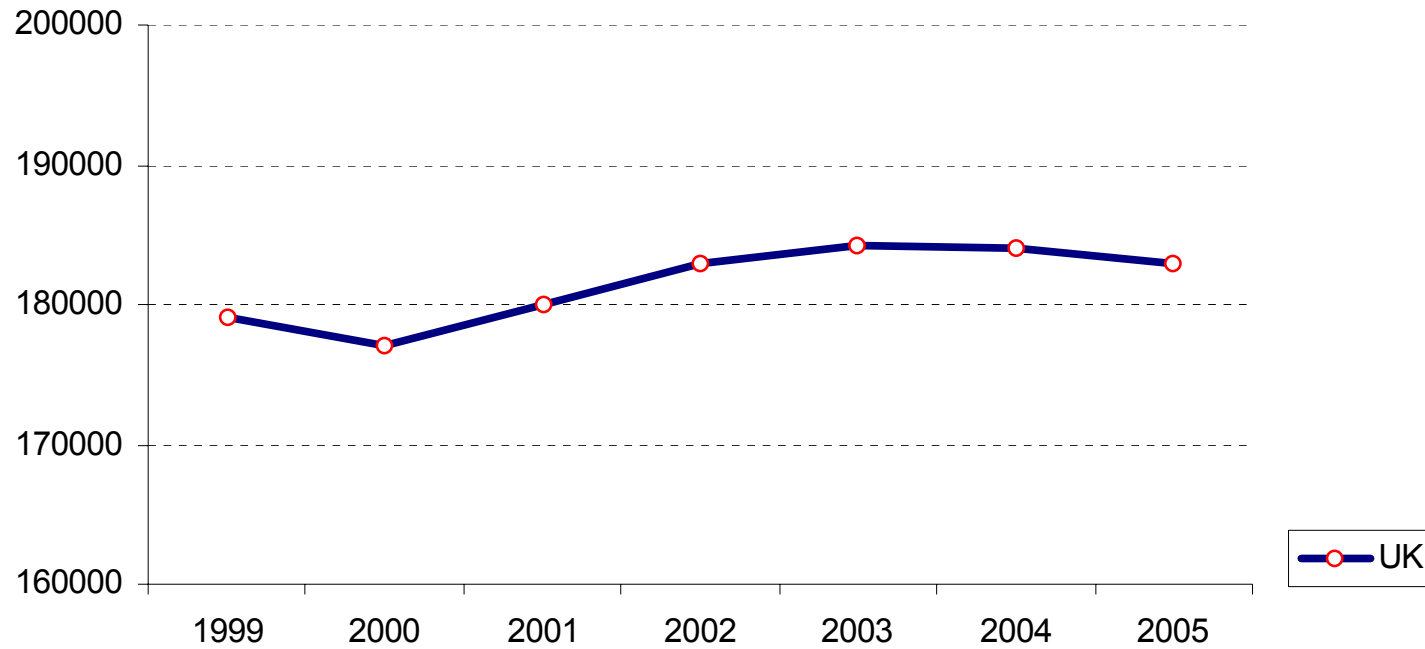
Building Investments 1999 – 2005 (EUR bn in 2002 prices)



Source: Euroconstruct - CFR.

New Residential Buildings – The UK

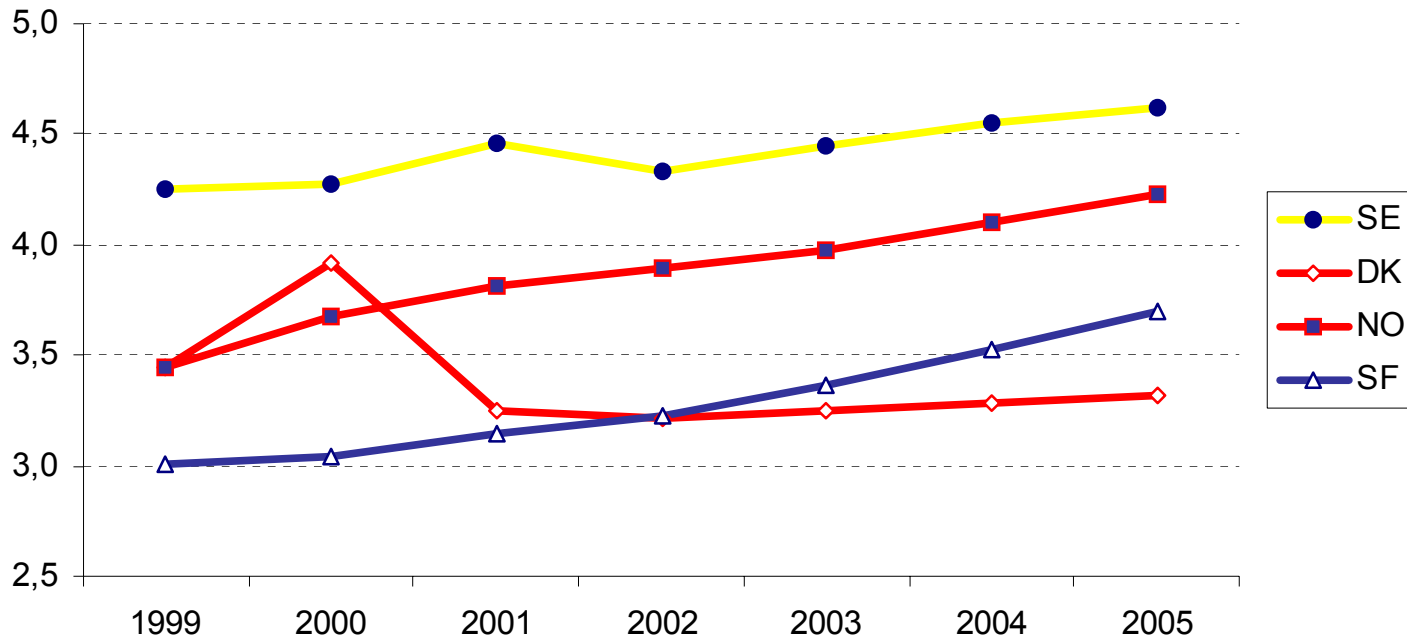
Housing starts 1999 - 2005



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R&M Residential Buildings – Nordic Area

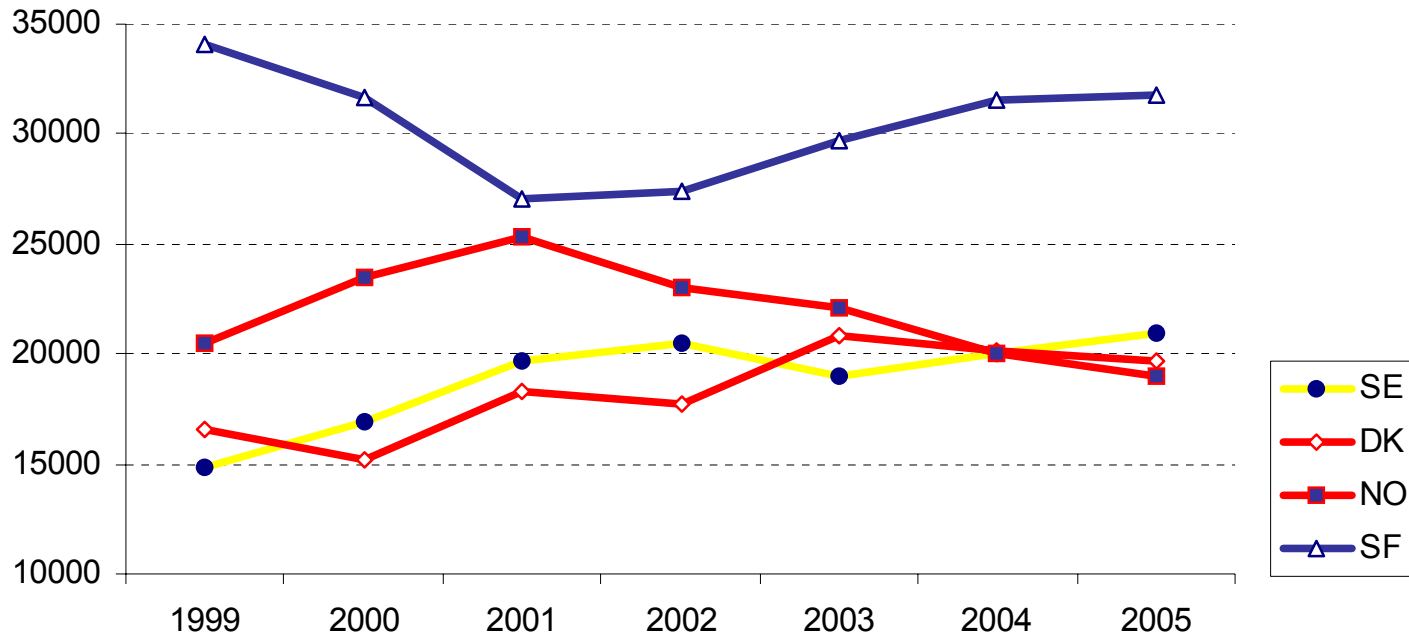
Building Investments 1999 – 2005 (Bill. EUR in 2002 prices)



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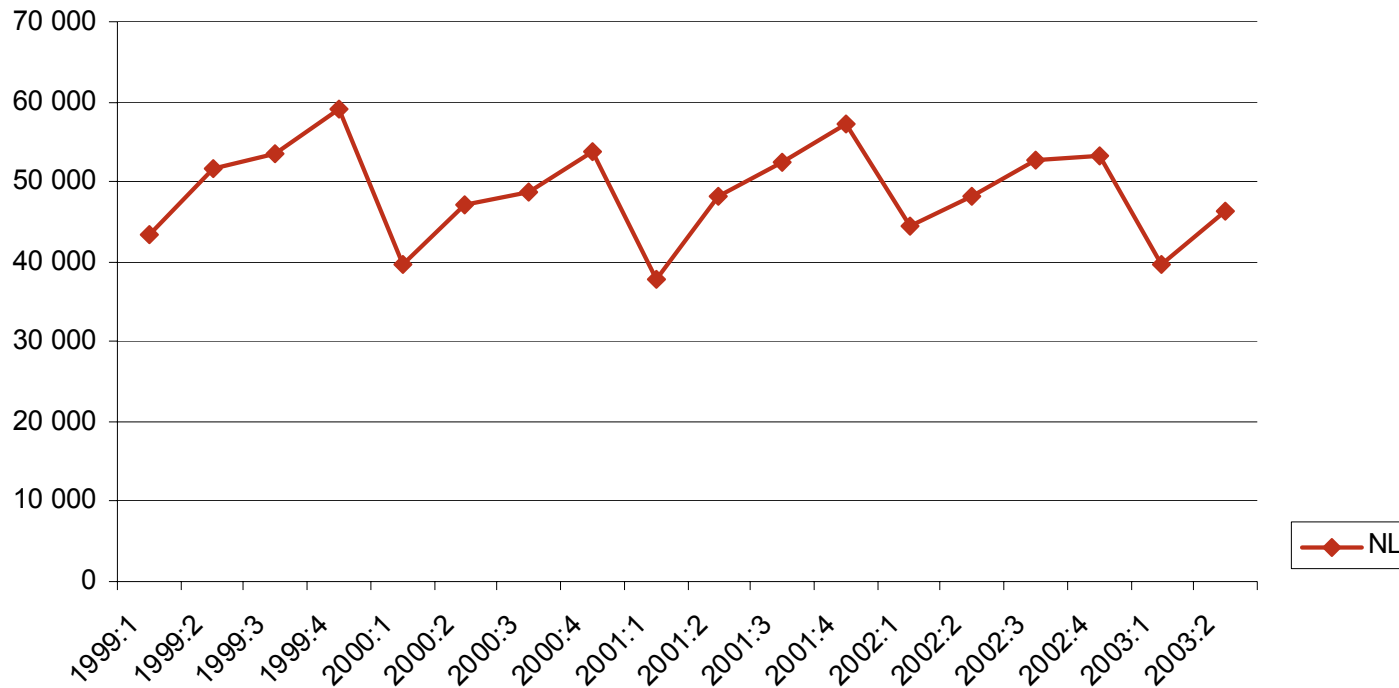
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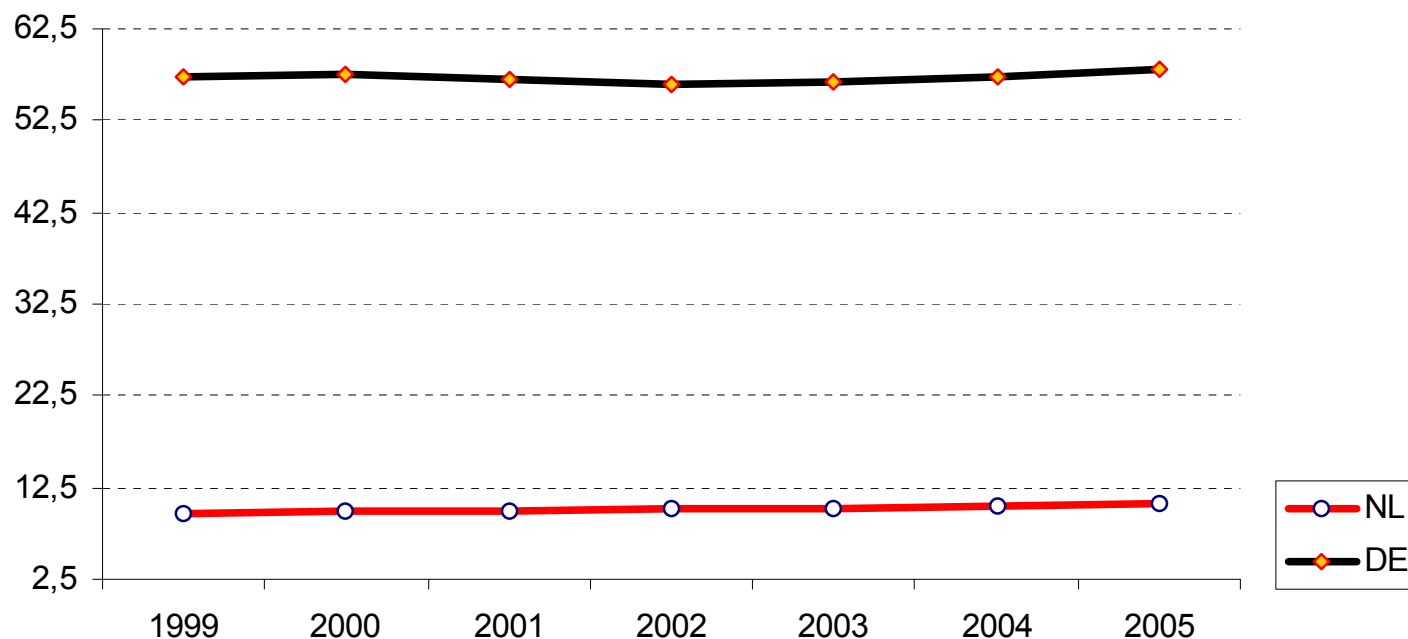


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 Figures for Germany not available.

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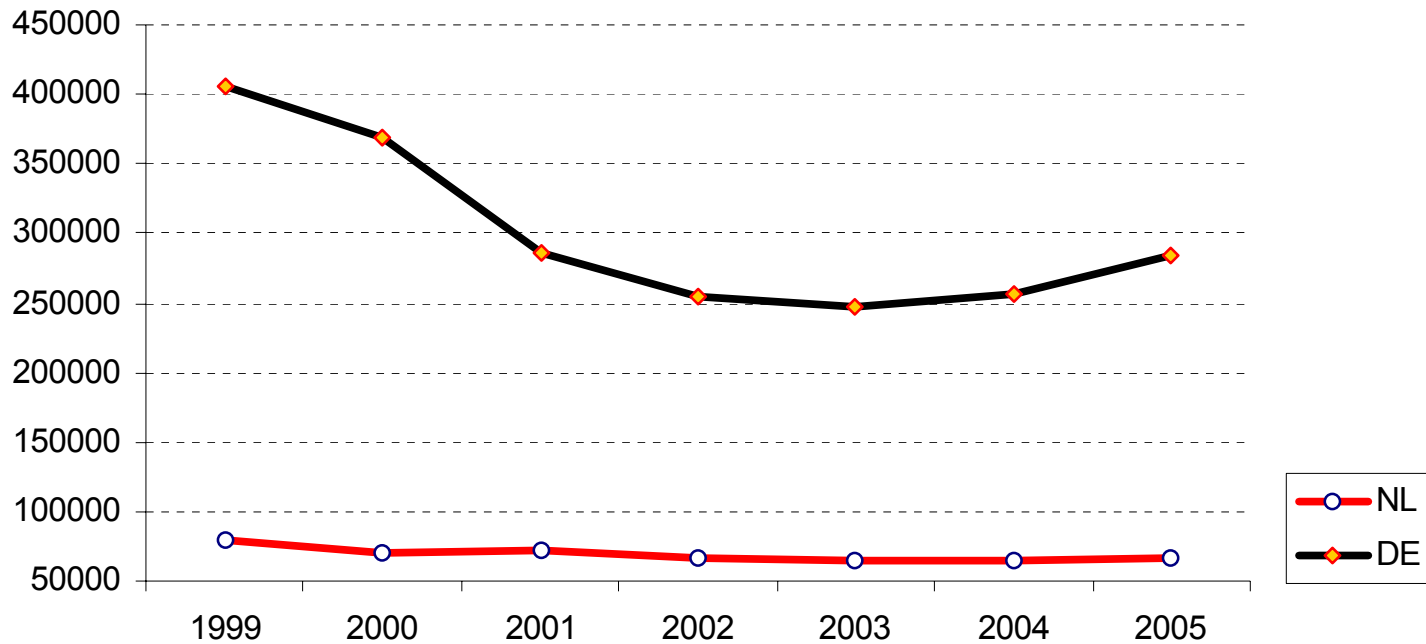
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