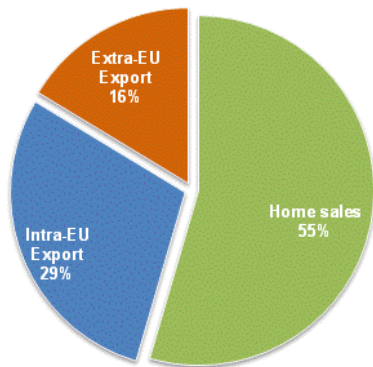




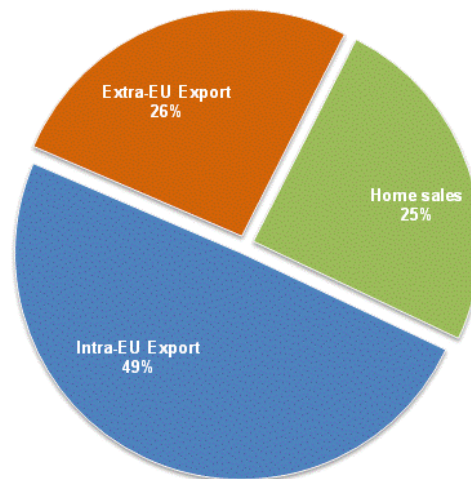
Chemical Industry Profile

EU chemical industry sales structure

1995 (share %), € 336 billion



2009 (share %), € 449 billion



Source: Cefic Chemdata International

By 2009, intra-EU sales - excluding domestic sales – accounted for nearly half of total chemical sales by the sector in the European Union. While intra-EU sales are rising, the importance of domestic sales is decreasing, however, only accounting for 25 per cent of EU sales. Twenty-six per cent of chemicals sales are exported outside of the EU market. The NAFTA trade bloc, EU neighbour countries and Asia are the key markets.