



EUROPEAN  
RECALL & NOTIFICATION INDEX



Q2  
2017

# Automotive



Motor vehicle recalls and notifications decreased 16% in Q2 to 103 - still the fourth highest quarter in RAPEX history. Machinery recalls and notifications also declined to 11, which is still higher than 8 of the last 9 quarters.



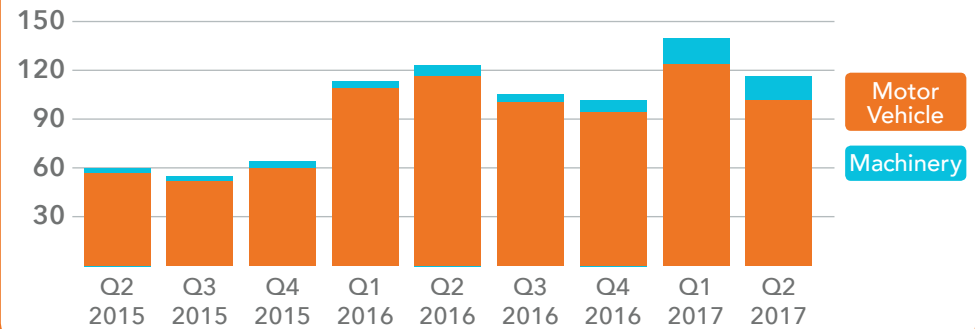
## INJURIES STAY THE COURSE

Injuries were again the top hazard, accounting for **94** recalls and notifications, or **82.5%**.

## CONNECTING THE DOTS

1. Germany was the top notifying country with 66 recalls and notifications, or 57.9%. No other country surpassed 20.
2. 64 recalls and notifications were in the passenger vehicles category.
3. 21.9% of passenger vehicle recalls and notifications were due to air bags, down from 41.4% the previous quarter.

## AUTO RECALLS & NOTIFICATIONS BY TYPE



## TOP AUTO HAZARDS BY % OF RECALLS



Passenger Vehicle  
**62.1%**



Lorry / Bus  
**19.4%**



Equipment  
**7.8%**



Van  
**4.9%**



Motorcycle  
**3.9%**



ATV  
**1.9%**

## TOP PASSENGER VEHICLE RECALL CAUSES

Air Bag



Steering



Fuel Related



## # OF AUTO RECALLS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN



Germany  
**42**



France  
**24**



China  
**11**



Italy  
**9**



United States  
**7**

# Consumer



Consumer recalls and notifications increased 7% over Q1 2017 to 389 - higher than six of the last eight quarters.



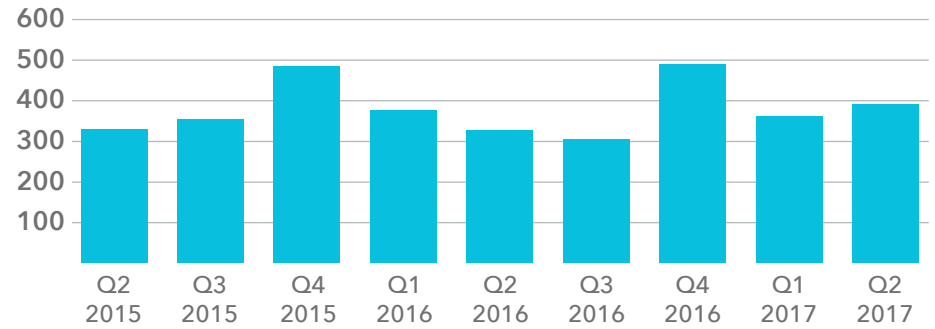
## NOT TOYING AROUND

Toys were once again the top category with **43.7%** of recalls and notifications, up from **38.2%** the previous quarter.

## CONNECTING THE DOTS

1. China was the country of origin for 276 recalls and notifications, or 71%. No other country exceeded 15 recalls and notifications.
2. Spain, Hungary and Germany were the top notifying countries, accounting for 50.9% of recalls and notifications.
3. Chemical and choking risks were the top hazards, accounting for 53.7% of recalls and notifications. Chemical hazards have been a leading category for the past six quarters.

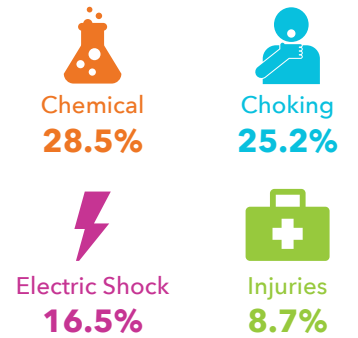
## CONSUMER RECALLS & NOTIFICATIONS



## TOP CONSUMER CATEGORIES BY # OF RECALLS



## TOP CONSUMER HAZARD BY % OF RECALLS



## CHINA LEADS AS COUNTRY OF ORIGIN FOR 5/5 RECALL HAZARD CATEGORIES FOR THE FOURTH STRAIGHT QTR.



# Food & Beverage



Recalls and notifications increased 24% to 959 – the third highest total since at least 1999.



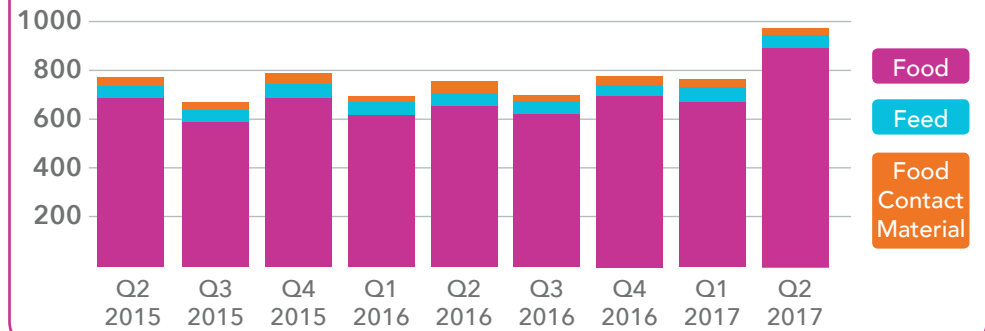
## CRYING FOWL

The leading category was poultry meat and poultry meat products, marking the first time it has ranked in the top three since **2002**.

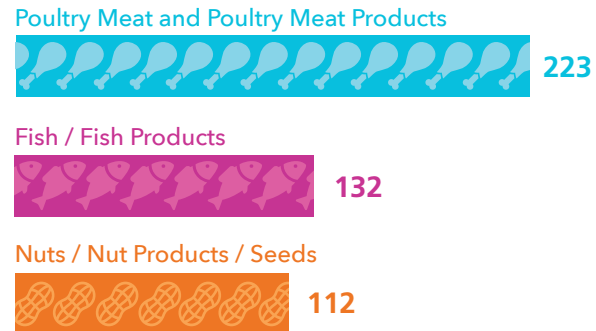
## CONNECTING THE DOTS

1. Bacterial contamination was the top cause of food recalls for the second quarter in a row.
2. The top country of origin was Brazil, with 114 more recalls and notifications than the second highest country. By contrast, this gap was just nine in Q1.
3. The top notifying countries were the Netherlands, Italy and the United Kingdom, accounting for 41.7% of recalls and notifications.

## FOOD RECALLS & NOTIFICATIONS BY TYPE



## TOP FOOD CATEGORIES BY # OF RECALLS



## # OF FOOD RECALLS BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN



## TOP FOOD RECALL CAUSES



# Stericycle ExpertSOLUTIONS & the Recall & Notification Index Explained

Stericycle ExpertSOLUTIONS is a global leader in product recalls, retrievals, returns, audits and sustainability services. ExpertSOLUTIONS offers bespoke solutions for a wide range of industries that are designed to aid companies in protecting and enhancing their brands.

## The Compilation of the European Recall & Notification Index

The European Recall and Notification Index gathers and tracks cumulative data from the primary European agencies that track recall notifications in the region. This data is segmented into multiple definitions of notifications and alerts, but collated into a central figure for the purpose of analysis.

### RAPEX

Rapid alert system for the exchange of information on measures taken to prevent or restrict the marketing of dangerous consumer products with the exception of food, pharmaceutical and medical devices, which are covered by other mechanisms.

### RASFF

The RASFF provides food and feed control authorities with an effective tool to exchange information about measures taken responding to serious risks detected in relation to food or feed. The Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed tracks all food and drink recalls.

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