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International Sourcing 2015-2017

## 6.6% of the companies carried out International Sourcing in the period 2015-2017

In the period 2015-2017, 6.6% of the companies with 50 or more persons employed carried out International Sourcing, mostly to other companies located in the EU15 countries (79.9%). More than 80% of the companies that carried out International Sourcing were part of an economic enterprise group.

Among the companies with 100 or more persons employed, in the more recent years, there was a downward trend in the delocalization of business functions to foreign countries (9.6% in the period 2015-2017, -5.7 pp comparing with 2009-2011), after a period of growth of this phenomenon (15.3% in 2009-2011, + 3.1 pp compared to 2001-2006).

Nevertheless, despite this decrease, there was a growth in the proportion of companies that have delocalized business functions to the EU15 countries.