

Joint Action 2016

Electrical Appliances activity

The Electrical Appliances activity focussed on **three** product categories: Hairdryers, Curling irons and Hair straighteners

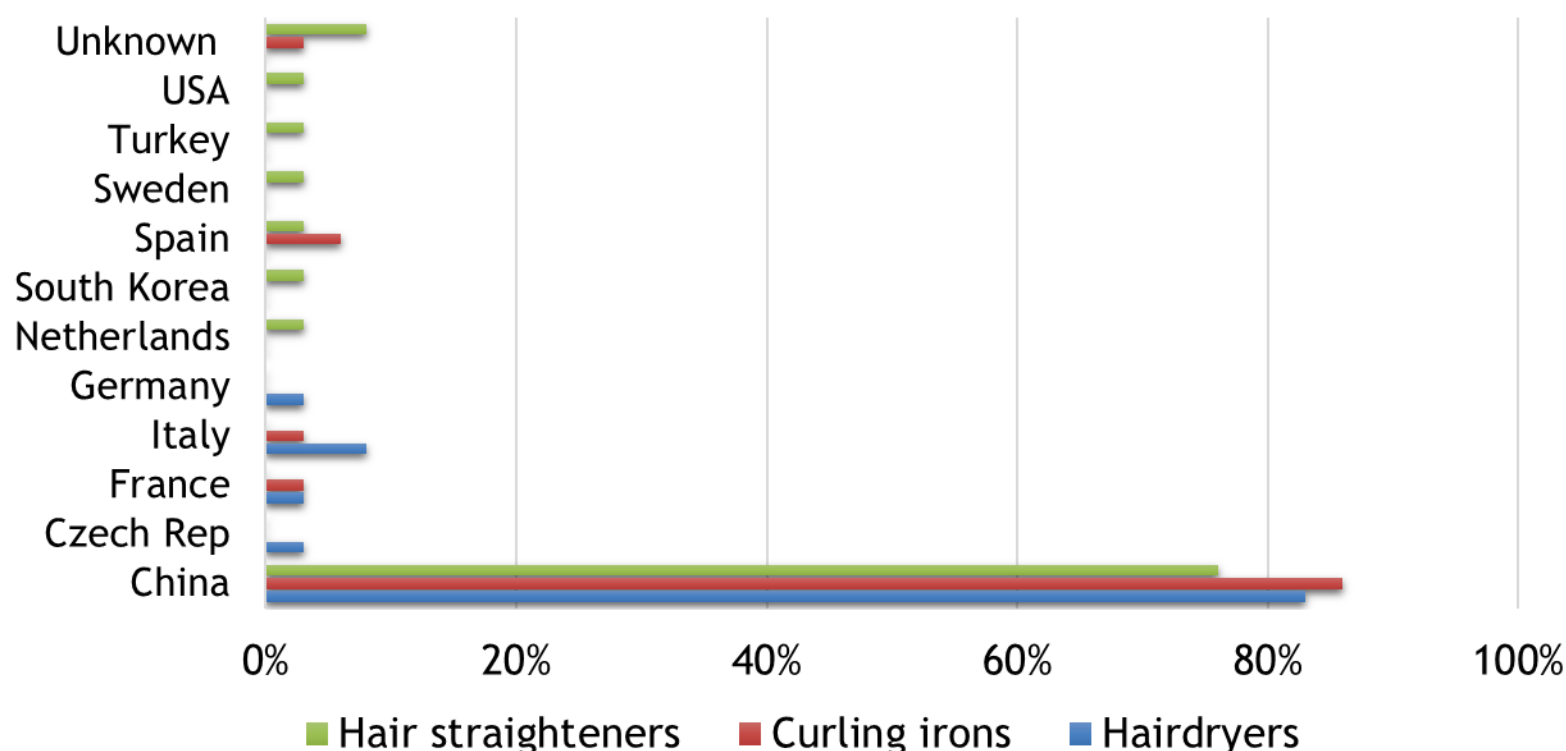
KEY STATS



The products...

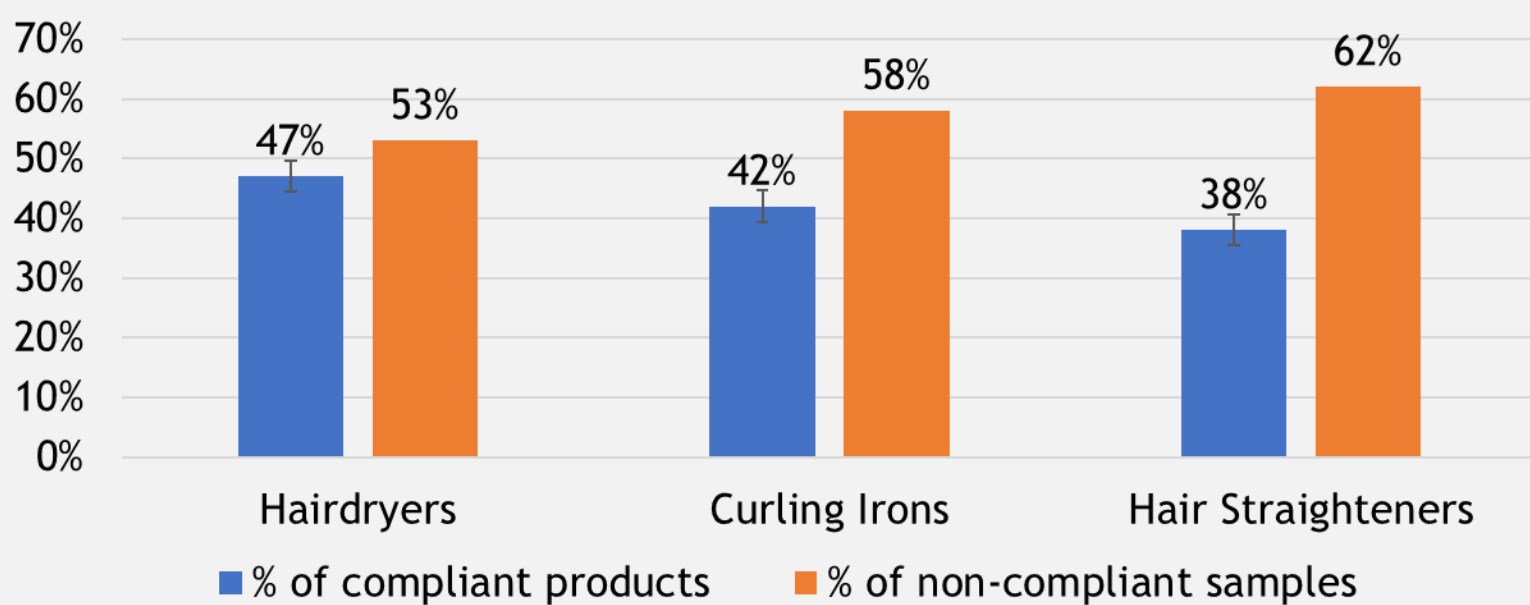
- Hairdryers (not travel types)
- Curling irons (traditional designs with no special features)
- Hair straighteners (traditional designs including those having interchangeable hot plates)

Country of origin for the 109 tested samples



Test Results

Test Results for the 109 Electrical Haircare Products



Types of hazards identified

- ▶ Electric shock
- ▶ Burns
- ▶ Poor safety-standard requirements in user instructions

CONSUMER ADVICE

- ❖ Ensure that hair dryers, curling irons and hair straighteners are unplugged from the mains supply immediately after use.
- ❖ Allow products to cool down on any heat mats or heat proof pouch supplied with the products. Hair straighteners and curling irons reach temperatures above 200°C and may take at least 30 minutes to cool down after use, do not leave them unattended when not in use.
- ❖ Always read the user instructions provided and keep them for future reference.

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