

FACTS &
FIGURES
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Build
together,
live together



Jean Cocteau Museum,
Menton (France).

Vicat is a French company founded nearly 170 years ago in the footsteps of Louis Vicat. Today, working in 12 countries, the Group lays out a top-class offering of mineral and bio-based construction materials, along with services that meet the needs of the construction trades. Wherever it has cement plants, aggregate quarries, concrete batching plants, and factories manufacturing finishing products for the building industry, Vicat strives to produce locally and in so doing develop employment and the local economy. For some years now, under its commitment to ecological transition, the Group has been reducing the carbon impact of all its businesses and putting the virtues of circular economy into practice. Still family-run, the company cultivates a relationship of confidence with customers, partners, and employees on a daily basis.

LOUIS VICAT DEMYSTIFIED ARTIFICIAL CEMENT IN 1817



Through the research and experiments he conducted while working on the construction of a bridge in Souillac, in south-west France, Louis Vicat, a young graduate of France's prestigious Polytechnique and Ponts et Chaussées engineering schools, unveiled the secrets of artificial cement. This discovery, for which Louis Vicat chose not to file a patent, was the starting point for the prodigious development of cement. In 1853, Joseph Vicat, a Polytechnique engineer like his father, Louis, fired clayey limestone he believed to be suitable for manufacturing artificial cement. The results proved him right, and he built a cement plant in Genevrey de Vif, in France's Alpine region. The long history of the Vicat group had begun.



The Louis Vicat corporate foundation chaired by Sophie Sidos was created in 2017 in connection with the bicentennial commemoration of the invention of artificial cement, as a form of memorialization. It targets three things:

- promotion of scientific and technical culture, in line with the work of Louis Vicat;
- preservation and showcasing of heritage assets;
- education, social cohesion and inclusion.

Three issues that steer our choices

Ecological and energy transition must keep the rise in the average temperature at the Earth's surface by 2100 below 2°C.

Against the backdrop of today's demographic growth and health crisis, it is urgent that we change our means of production in order not to exhaust resources and cause too great a temperature rise, which would be disastrous for the planet.

Challenges ahead

- Develop low-carbon construction materials, particularly cements.

- Supersede imported and fossil fuels at our cement plants with local waste-fuel streams.
- Optimize our facilities to reduce energy consumption and preserve natural resources.
- Deploy hydrogen projects to significantly reduce our carbon footprint.

Urban transformation must meet the needs of demographic growth in terms of housing and infrastructures.

By 2050, Earth's population will be 10 billion, and 75% of its inhabitants will live in urban environments. Its sustainability, abundance, low cost, and ease of use make cement the unrivaled material for the construction of the smart cities of tomorrow.

Challenges ahead

- Develop bio-based construction products and solutions.
- Propose new, increasingly high-performance concretes.
- Be on top of the entire logistics chain, including transport.

Digital transformation is disrupting models of corporate organization and inducing the emergence of new, innovative services.

Accelerated by the health crisis, the digitization of society is transforming the construction business in the same way that our lifestyle has become increasingly connected, collaborative, and interdependent.

Challenges ahead

- Establish a digital offering serving customer requirements.
- Offer new high-value-added services based on the use of data.
- Adapt our manufacturing processes.

AMBITION FOR 2050
Be net-zero carbon throughout our value chain.

Cement plants and the energies of tomorrow

Several ambitious decarbonization projects harnessing the potential of hydrogen are taking shape. In this field, Vicat is working on two links in its value chain:

- the harnessing and reuse of CO₂ emitted during the manufacture of cement;
- the replacement of fossil fuels with carbon-free hydrogen for hauling raw materials and finished products.

CO₂ emitted during the manufacture of cement can be reused to produce synthetic energy resources which benefit the community by reducing the total emissions of cement plants, industry, and transport.

● H₂ • Hydrogen
 ● E-fuel
 ● Heat
 ● O₂ • Oxygen
 ● CO₂ • Carbon dioxide



Vicat in numbers

3.123

billion euros sales

2/3 of which was generated outside France

12

countries

NEARLY

9,500

employees

3

main businesses

CEMENT



16 cement plants
5 milling plants
28 million tons sold

CONCRETE



267 batching plants
10 million cubic meters sold

AGGREGATE



72 aggregate quarries
24 million tons sold

Meeting the needs of many different markets

We propose innovative, sustainable constructive solutions to meet the requirements of our customers and overcome the challenges of construction for a low-carbon world.



1 Bellecombe aggregate quarry (French Alps).

2 Vernon concrete batching plant, California (United-States).

3 New carbon-zero binder (France).

4 Baştaş cement plant (Turkey).

5 Papers from Papeteries de Vizille (France).

CEMENT



Cement, a highly popular and unrivaled construction material, is used principally to make concrete. Vicat manufactures a wide range of artificial cements, together with a natural quick-setting cement (Prompt), to meet the needs of all those involved in construction.

CONCRETE



Be it decorative, self-consolidating, pervious, or bio-based, for 3D printing, roads, complex architecture, bridges or tunnels, and everything in between, Vicat has a thorough offering of ready-mixed concrete to meet the specific needs of any project and every imperative relating to environmental, quality, and safety concerns.

AGGREGATE



Whether virgin or recycled, aggregate is a raw material for sustainable construction. It is vital for making concrete and road pavements.

OTHER PRODUCTS & SERVICES



In some countries Vicat also has complementary businesses that generate value-added for its customers. These include transport, paper production, construction chemicals and finishing products for the construction industry in France, and the manufacture of bags in both France and India.

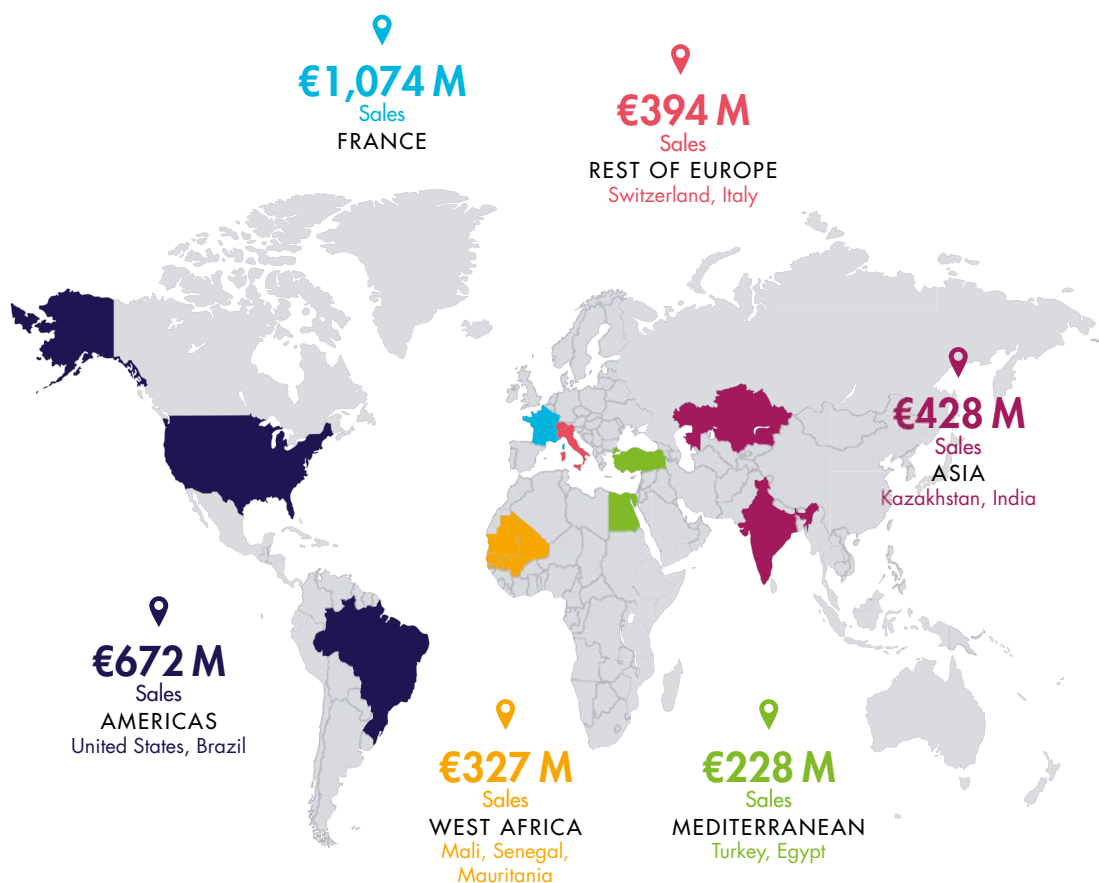
LOW-CARBON SOLUTIONS



Rising to meet the issues of ecological transition, Vicat continues to work on new low-carbon solutions to add to those already developed, i.e. carbon-zero binder, Biosys bio-based blocks, cement based on activated clay or pozzolan, green mobility, etc.

Vicat throughout the world

6 zones, 12 countries



	Sales	Employees	Cement plants	Batching plants	Aggregate quarries	Milling plants
AMERICAS	22%	2,161	3	56	2	
FRANCE	34%	3,071	5	151	45	2
REST OF EUROPE	13%	725	1	18	17	1
WEST AFRICA	10%	950	1	1	2	2
MEDITERRANEAN	7%	1,353	3	41	5	
ASIA	14%	1,216	3		1	



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