Of the top 5 countries globally accelerating the adoption of 3D printing fastest*, **4 are European**.

In Terms of Current Readiness to Adopt 3D Printing, Germany, UK and Sweden are Leading Europe

With European Readiness to Adopt 3D Printing, Germany, UK and Sweden rank 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

The 6 Dimensions of 3D Printing Readiness

**European rank | (Global rank)**

1. **3D printing adoption**
   1. Germany (1)
   2. UK (2)
   3. Italy (3)

2. **Demand**
   1. Germany (1)
   2. UK (2)
   3. France (3)

3. **Trade**
   1. UK (1)
   2. Spain (2)
   3. France (3)

4. **People**
   1. Germany (1)
   2. Sweden (2)
   3. Czech Republic (3)

5. **Governance**
   1. UK (1)
   2. Germany (2)
   3. Sweden (3)

6. **Technology**
   1. Sweden (1)
   2. UK (2)
   3. Germany (3)

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*The 3D printing year-over-year change index is a measure of how countries’ 3D printing markets and capabilities have changed over time. The ranking is based on the number of 3D printing patent applications filed in the last 12 months.*

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