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New national standard for household locks Took effect

China's new national standard GB 21556.2-2025 for household locks officially came into force on March 1, 2026. The regulation categorizes anti-theft locks into mechanical and electronic types, each with three ascending security levels: A, B, and C. For smart locks, the standard imposes stringent comprehensive requirements covering both physical construction and digital security defenses. **(Netease news)**

China's furniture industry profits decline narrows significantly in 2025

China's furniture industry saw its profit decline ease substantially in 2025, recording total profits of 32.81 billion yuan (\$4.7 billion), down 12.1% year-on-year. While still in negative territory, the decline narrowed dramatically by 10.6 percentage points compared to the January-November period, indicating relieved profitability pressure. **(China National Furniture Association)**

Over 50 LED manufacturers announce price hikes amid raw material surge

China's LED lighting industry is experiencing a sustained wave of price increases in 2026, with over 50 companies officially announcing adjustments in the first quarter. The price hikes span the entire value chain from upstream chips to downstream applications, seeing increases of 3% to 15%. The root cause traces back to soaring metal raw material costs, which account for over 70% of LED packaging expenses. **(TrendForce, China LED Industry Report)**

China's furniture industry investment growth slows while returns surge in 2025

China's furniture manufacturing sector recorded a 1.5% year-on-year increase in fixed asset investment for 2025, marking 12 consecutive months of positive growth, though the pace narrowed by 3.3 percentage points from January-November period, signaling a clear deceleration trend. Investment returns staged a dramatic recovery, with total investment income reaching 11.09 billion yuan (\$1,44 billion), up 24.0% year-on-year. **(China National Furniture Association)**

Zhejiang furniture industry profits surge 38.4% despite output decline in 2025

Zhejiang Province, the powerhouse of China's furniture manufacturing, achieved a 38.4% year-on-year surge in total profits in 2025 despite recording an industrial output value of 114.12 billion yuan (\$1,67 billion), down 3.9% year-on-year. Export markets remained challenging with total export delivery value reaching 44.33 billion yuan (\$6.33 billion), marking a 10.6% decline. **(Zhejiang Furniture Association)**