

■ Turnover in the wholesale trade and business services - April 2015

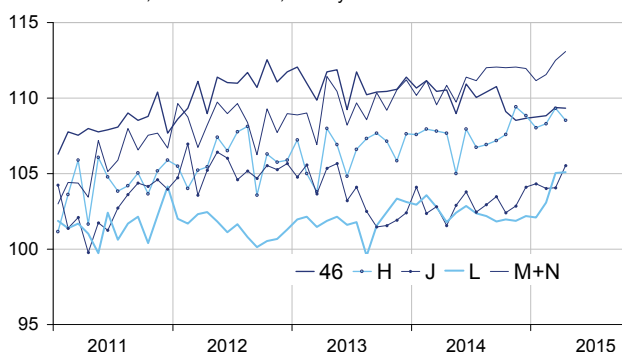
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Every index in this issue is in value (tax excluded), seasonally and working day adjusted (SA-WDA). The commentary shows variations of subsections by decreasing contribution. The contribution of a subsection depends on the extent of the change and on its weight.

In April 2015, the turnover improved in *information and communication* (+1.4%) and in *business support activities* (+0.5%). On the contrary, it diminished in *transportation and storage* (−0.7%). It remained virtually stable in *real estate activities* (+0.1%) and stable in the *wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles*.

Wholesale trade and business services

Turnover indices, SA-WDA value, Base year 2010



Source: INSEE

Stability in the wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles

In April, the turnover of the *wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles* remained steady, after an increase in March (+0.5%). It went down in *other specialised wholesale* (−0.8%), in the *wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals* (−1.5%) and of *information and communication equipment* (−0.8%). Conversely, it increased in the *wholesale on a fee or contract basis* (+0.6%), in the *wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco* (+0.6%) and of *other machinery, equipment and supplies* (+0.6%).

The turnover of the *wholesale trade* improved over the last three months (+0.5%) but declined over the year (−1.4%).

Decrease in transportation and storage

In April, the turnover of *transportation and storage* declined (−0.7%) after two months of increase. It went down in *land transport and transport via pipelines* (−1.0%), in *warehousing and support activities for transportation* (−0.9%) and in *postal and courier activities* (−2.5%). Conversely, it improved in *air transport* (+1.7%) and in *water transport* (+0.7%).

The turnover of *transportation and storage* held steady over the last three months and improved over the year (+0.9%).

Virtual stability in real estate activities

The turnover of *real estate activities* remained almost steady in April (+0.1%) after two months of increase. It increased over the last three months (+2.3%) and over the year (+1.7%).

Variation of the turnover in the wholesale trade and business services

SA-WDA value, Base year 2010

Nace classification	Weight	Change in %			
		April/ March	March /Feb.	q-o-q (1)	y-o-y (2)
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1000	0.0	0.5	0.5	−1.4
H Transportation and storage	1000	−0.7	0.9	0.0	0.9
J Information and communication	1000	1.4	0.1	0.7	2.2
L Real estate activities	1000	0.1	1.9	2.3	1.7
M+N Business support activities	1000	0.5	0.8	0.6	1.7
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	579	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.8
N Administrative and support service activities	421	0.0	0.4	0.2	1.5

(1) Quarter-on-quarter: last three months / previous three months

(2) Year-on-year: last three months / same three months of previous year

The codes correspond to different levels of aggregation of the NACE classification.

Source: INSEE

Increase in information and communication

In April, the turnover of the *information and communication* sector improved (+1.4%) after an almost stability in March (+0.1%). It rebounded sharply in *telecommunications* (+3.3%) and more moderately in *computer programming, consultancy and related activities* (+1.0%). It also increased in *motion picture, video and television programme production* (+0.8%). On the contrary, it declined again in *programming and broadcasting activities* (–1.3%, after –0.6%). It shrunk in *information service activities* (–0.6%) and, very slightly, in *publishing activities* (–0.2%).

The turnover of *information and communication* increased over the three months (+0.7%) as well as over the year (+2.2%).

Third consecutive monthly increase in business support activities

The turnover of *business support activities* improved again in April (+0.5%, after +0.8% in March and +0.4% in February).

The turnover went up in *professional, scientific and technical activities* (+0.9%), thanks to a sharp increase in *activities of head offices* (+4.4%), while the turnover declined markedly in *legal and accounting activities* (–2.8%) and in *advertising and market research* (–2.1%). The turnover in *administrative and support service activities* remained steady: the increase in *office administrative, office support and other business support activities* (+0.6%) offset the decline in *services to buildings and landscape activities* (–0.7%) and in *travel agency, tour operator* (–0.5%).

The turnover of *business support activities* improved over the last three months (+0.6%) and over the year (+1.7%).

• Revisions

The change in March 2015 was revised by +0.2 points in *information and communication* and by –0.2 points in *real estate activities*. That same month, the change was revised by +0.1 point in the *wholesale trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles* and by –0.1 point in *business support activities*. It remained unchanged in *transportation and storage*.

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SA-WDA value, Base year 2010

Nace Classification	Weight	April 2015	Change in %		
			April/ March	March /Feb.	q-o-q (1)
46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1000	109.3	0.0	0.5	0.5
461 Wholesale on a fee or contract basis	152	117.5	0.6	0.0	0.5
462 Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals	54	121.0	–1.5	1.7	6.0
463 Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco	170	112.5	0.6	0.7	0.6
464 Wholesale of household goods	207	107.1	–0.2	–0.5	0.3
465 Wholesale of information and communication equipment	61	98.7	–0.8	0.3	–3.3
466 Wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies	125	112.4	0.6	0.9	0.6
467 Other specialised wholesale	197	100.3	–0.8	1.3	–0.1
469 Non specialised wholesale trade	34	111.5	0.3	0.4	1.2
H Transportation and storage	1000	108.5	–0.7	0.9	0.0
49 Land transport and transport via pipelines	407	108.9	–1.0	1.4	0.6
50 Water transport	73	118.0	0.7	–1.2	–1.5
51 Air transport	91	109.9	1.7	1.0	0.9
52 Warehousing and support activities for transportation	360	108.4	–0.9	1.1	–0.2
53 Postal and courier activities	69	95.7	–2.5	–0.5	–2.8
J Information and communication	1000	105.5	1.4	0.1	0.7
58 Publishing activities	158	105.0	–0.2	1.5	0.9
59 Motion picture, video and television programme production...	76	106.0	0.8	1.3	–0.5
60 Programming and broadcasting activities	61	102.4	–1.3	–0.6	–3.3
61 Telecommunications	396	97.1	3.3	–0.2	1.2
62 Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	251	119.1	1.0	–0.8	1.3
63 Information service activities	58	108.3	–0.6	1.3	1.1
L Real estate activities	1000	105.1	0.1	1.9	2.3
681 Buying and selling of own real estate	96	84.2	–1.7	1.5	1.6
682 Renting and operating of own or leased real estate	691	108.3	–0.2	2.1	2.7
683 Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis	213	104.3	1.6	1.3	1.1
M+N Business support activities	1000	113.1	0.5	0.8	0.6
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	579	113.5	0.9	1.2	0.9
69 Legal and accounting activities	90	108.3	–2.8	4.3	1.8
70 Activities of head offices...	219	123.4	4.4	0.1	1.0
71 Architectural and engineering activities...	151	108.5	–0.7	0.3	0.0
72 Scientific research and development	26	104.9	–1.2	2.7	1.1
73 Advertising and market research	68	102.5	–2.1	2.5	0.9
74 Other professional, scientific and technical activities	19	114.6	–0.3	1.0	2.3
75 Veterinary activities	6	117.5	0.1	0.3	0.4
N Administrative and support service activities	421	112.4	0.0	0.4	0.2
77 Rental and leasing activities	98	111.4	0.0	–0.2	0.1
78 Employment activities	80	110.0	–0.1	0.8	1.0
79 Travel agency, tour operator...	42	103.7	–0.5	–1.1	–0.3
80 Security and investigation activities	21	115.5	–0.9	2.0	1.7
81 Services to buildings and landscape activities	50	111.4	–0.7	1.0	–0.1
82 Office administrative, office support and other business support activities	131	117.4	0.6	0.5	–0.2

(1) Quarter-on-quarter: last three months / previous three months.

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