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## ■ Enterprise creation - February 2016

### Near stability in business start-ups in February 2016

In February 2016, the number of business births was almost unchanged (−0.1% following +1.4% for all enterprises, seasonally and working-day adjusted). The downturn in start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs (−1.7%) was offset by a new rise in micro-entrepreneurs' registrations (+2.2%).

#### +3.5% year-on-year (quarterly basis)

The raw amount of births added up in the last three months went up by 3.5% compared to the same months one year before. Over this period, company set-ups (+12.5%) and even more sole proprietorship start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs (+17.2%) shoot up. By contrast, micro-entrepreneur's registrations fell by 9.8% over the same period. Transportation was the sector that most contributed to the overall rise<sup>1</sup>.

#### −2.1% year-on-year (twelve months basis)

The raw number of business start-ups totted up during the last twelve months was down by 2.1% year-on-year due to the sharp drop of self-managed micro-entrepreneurs' set-ups (−19.0%). Conversely, sole proprietorships creations excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs took off (+28.2%) and companies' start-ups increased markedly by 6.8%.

#### The share of self-managed micro-entrepreneur's registrations has continued to decrease

In February 2016, micro-entrepreneurs' registrations amounted to 41.8% of business set-ups over the twelve last months. One year before, the share was 50.5%.

#### Business set-ups distribution by type

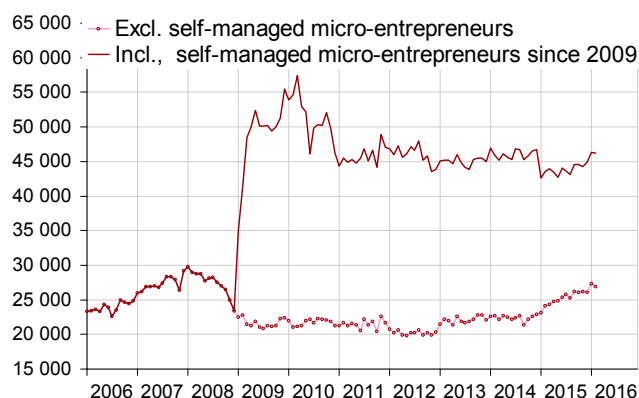
% over the twelve last months (raw data)

	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016
Companies	32.8	33.0	33.2
Sole proprietorships excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	24.7	24.9	25.0
Self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	42.6	42.1	41.8

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

<sup>1</sup> The contribution of a sector to the overall variation is the observed variation of this sector, weighted by the share of this sector in the total number of births.

#### Business start-ups (SA-WDA \*)



\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

#### Business set-ups by month (SA-WDA \*)

	Nov. 2015	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016
Excl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	26,164	26,083	27,340	26,879
Variation [m-o-m] %	0.3	-0.3	4.8	-1.7
Incl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	44,285	44,864	46,269	46,220
Variation [m-o-m] %	-0.6	1.3	3.1	-0.1

\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

#### Business start-ups by type

	Moving total % change *		Moving total January-February 2016	Moving total January-February 2015
	over 3 months	over 12 months		
Total	3.5	-2.1	97,282	91,889
Companies	12.5	6.8	33,066	28,774
Sole proprietorships	-0.8	-6.0	64,216	63,115
Excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	17.2	28.2	25,101	22,123
Self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	-9.8	-19.0	39,115	40,992

\* Total of business start-ups during the last 3 or 12 months compared with the same months a year earlier

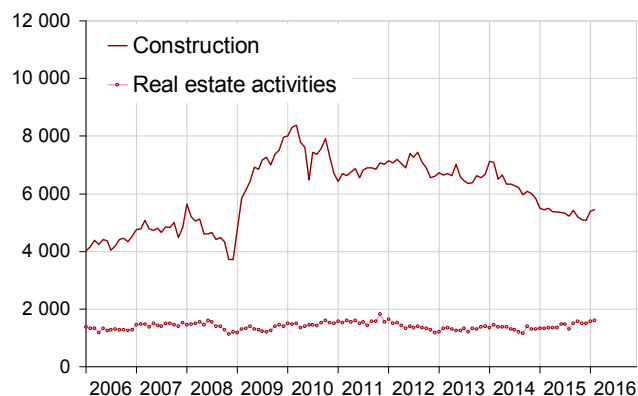
Source: INSEE (Sirene)

## Trade and business support activities start-ups (SA-WDA \*)



\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data  
Source : Insee, Sirene

## Construction and real estate business set-ups (SA-WDA \*)



\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data  
Source : Insee, Sirene

### Number of business set-ups (incl. self-managed micro-enterprises)

		sa-wda *		
	NA	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016
<b>Total</b>		<b>44,864</b>	<b>46,269</b>	<b>46,220</b>
Industry	BE	1,948	2,050	1,947
Of which Manufacturing	C	1,725	1,809	1,674
Construction	FZ	5,067	5,407	5,441
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	13,235	13,278	13,357
Of which Trade	G	8,143	8,485	8,489
Of which Transportation and storage	H	2,522	2,385	2,522
Of which Accommodation and food service activities	I	2,387	2,480	2,480
Information and communication	JZ	2,190	2,293	2,325
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	1,163	1,289	1,385
Real estate activities	LZ	1,507	1,584	1,592
Business support activities	MN	10,167	10,320	10,436
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	5,505	5,780	5,597
Other services activities	RS	4,082	4,268	4,140

\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data  
Source: INSEE (Sirene)

### Fluctuation in the number of business set-ups (incl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs)

		In %		
	NA	Feb. 16 / Jan. 16	Moving total % change**	
		SA-WDA*	over 3 months	over 12 months
<b>Total</b>		<b>-0.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>-2.1</b>
Industry	BE	-5.0	-6.9	-13.2
Of which Manufacturing	C	-7.5	-7.7	-15.4
Construction	FZ	0.6	-5.8	-12.9
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	0.6	10.9	0.7
Of which Trade	G	0.1	-0.6	-6.9
Of which Transportation and storage	H	5.7	103.8	62.3
Of which Accommodation and food service activities	I	0.0	2.0	-3.1
Information and communication	JZ	1.4	2.7	-2.2
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	7.4	2.2	8.8
Real estate activities	LZ	0.5	18.3	12.2
Business support activities	MN	1.1	6.4	0.6
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	-3.2	0.1	1.9
Other services activities	RS	-3.0	-5.4	-7.7

\* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

\*\* Total of business start-ups during the last 3 or 12 months compared with the same months a year earlier

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

## For more information:

### Source and definitions

The business start-ups data are built from Sirene register information. The definition of creation adopted by INSEE is based on the concept defined by EUROSTAT, to harmonize and compare European data.

The appearance of a legal operating unit with no predecessor is considered to be a newly created enterprise by Eurostat. This concept of creation relies on new production resources. The business start-up statistics include applications for start-ups as micro-entrepreneurs, starting from the data relating to January 2009.

### Raw data and sa-wda

The raw data are observed data. Raw data for a given month may undergo slight modifications during the processing of the following month(s) but become final on the third issue. To allow monthly comparisons, the number of business start-ups is seasonally (sa) and working-day adjusted (wda) with the X12 procedure from SAS software.

**N.B.:** The series of business start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs and micro-entrepreneurs are adjusted independently of each other, for each sector activity. However, for the self-managed micro-entrepreneurs in the sectors "Financial and insurance activities", "Real estate activities" or "Transportation and storage" raw data are similar to seasonally adjusted data, due to a low number of registrations and difficulty identifying a seasonal trend. The series sa-wda "total" is the total of the series sa-wda by activity sectors on A10.

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