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Main Indicators



■ Enterprise creation - March 2016

Slight rise in business start-ups in March 2016

In March 2016, the number of business births slightly recovered (+0.2% following -0.7% for all enterprises, seasonally and working-day adjusted). The increase in sole proprietorships excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs (+1.4%) was offset by the drop in micro-entrepreneurs' registrations (-1.5%).

+5.7% year-on-year (quarterly basis)

The raw amount of births added up in the first quarter of 2016 went up clearly compared to the same quarter one year before (+5.7%). Over this period, set-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs improved sharply (+14.0% for companies and +11.9% for sole proprietorship start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs). Over the same period micro-entrepreneur's registrations came down by 3.6%. Transportation remained the sector that most contributed to the overall rise.¹

-1.9% year-on-year (twelve months basis)

The raw number of business start-ups totted up during the last twelve months decreased by 1.9% year-on-year. This fall was due to the significant drop in self-managed micro-entrepreneurs' set-ups (-18.4%). Conversely, sole proprietorships creations excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs shoot up (+25.7%) and companies' start-ups grew sharply (+7.5%).

Two business set-ups out of five are self-managed micro-entrepreneur's registrations

In March 2016, micro-entrepreneurs' registrations amounted to 41.5% of business set-ups over the twelve last months. One year before, the share was 49.9%.

Business set-ups distribution by type

% over the twelve last months (raw data)

	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	March 2016
Companies	33,0	33,2	33,4
Sole proprietorships excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	24,9	25,0	25,1
Self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	42,1	41,8	41,5

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

¹ 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 *)

	Dec. 2015	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	March 2016
Excl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	26,106	27,303	26,611	26,972
Variation [m-o-m] %	-0.2	4.6	-2.5	1.4
Incl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	44,911	46,149	45,804	45,875
Variation [m-o-m] %	1.4	2.8	-0.7	0.2

* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

Business start-ups by type

Raw data

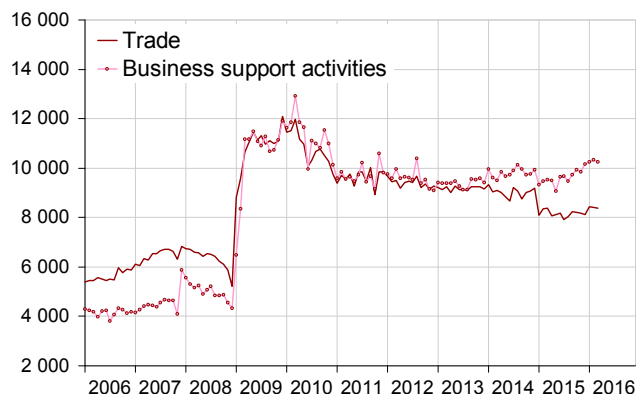
	Moving total % change *		Moving total January-March 2016	Moving total January-March 2015
	over 3 months	over 12 months		
Total	5.7	-1.9	150,460	142,376
Companies	14.0	7.5	50,901	44,659
Sole proprietorships	1.9	-0.6	99,559	97,717
Of which excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	11.9	2.6	38,757	34,643
Of which self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	-3.6	-1.8	60,802	63,074

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

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

• Business set-ups by economic activity

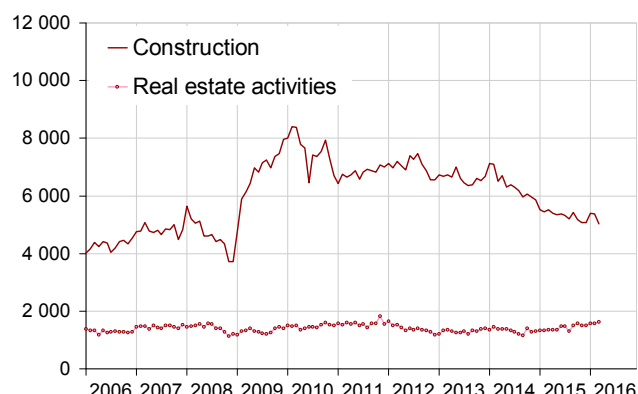
Trade and business support activities start-ups (sa-wda *)



* 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	Jan. 2016	Feb. 2016	March 2016
Total		46,149	45,804	45,875
Industry	BE	2,084	1,817	2,120
Of which Manufacturing	C	1,818	1,691	1,777
Construction	FZ	5,401	5,361	5,019
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	13,214	13,247	13,152
Of which Trade	G	8,427	8,409	8,375
Of which Transportation and storage	H	2,385	2,515	2,720
Of which Accommodation and food service activities	I	2,473	2,476	2,505
Information and communication	JZ	2,305	2,333	2,311
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	1,287	1,382	1,405
Real estate activities	LZ	1,568	1,567	1,622
Business support activities	MN	10,245	10,330	10,253
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	5,768	5,577	5,602
Other services activities	RS	4,278	4,189	4,389

* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

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

In %

	NA	March 16 / Feb. 16	Moving total % change**	
		sa-wda *	over 3 months	over 12 months
Total		0.2	5.7	-1.9
Industry	BE	16.7	0.8	-11.5
Of which Manufacturing	C	5.1	1.5	-13.5
Construction	FZ	-6.4	-4.0	-12.7
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	-0.7	11.0	0.9
Of which Trade	G	-0.4	1.6	-6.6
Of which Transportation and storage	H	8.1	73.2	56.5
Of which Accommodation and food service activities	I	1.2	7.0	-2.6
Information and communication	JZ	-1.0	6.1	-2.3
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	1.7	4.8	6.9
Real estate activities	LZ	3.5	18.5	13.8
Business support activities	MN	-0.8	8.1	1.1
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	0.4	3.4	1.4
Other services activities	RS	4.8	-0.4	-7.1

* 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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