

## ■ Turnover in the wholesale trade and business services – June 2016

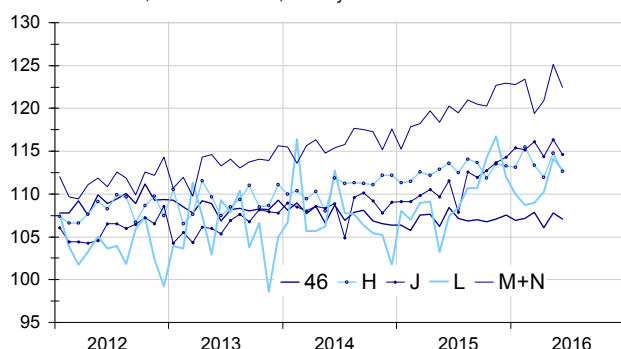
### In June 2016, the turnover fell back in the wholesale trade and in business services

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 June 2016, the turnover fell back in *wholesale trade, except for motor vehicles and motorcycles* (–0.6%). It shrank also in *business support activities* (–2.1%): in *transportation and storage* (–1.8%), in *information and communication* (–1.4%) and in *real estate activities* (–1.2%).

#### Wholesale trade and business services

Turnover indices, SA-WDA value, Base year 2010



Source: INSEE

#### Downturn in wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles

In June 2016, the turnover of the *wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles* shrank (–0.6%), after a rebound in May (+1.6%). It declined sharply for *wholesalers on a fee or contract basis* (–4.8%) and, to a lesser extent, for *wholesalers of other specialised wholesale* (–1.6%) and *wholesalers of food, beverages and tobacco* (–0.6%). By contrast, it increased for *wholesalers of other machinery, equipment and supplies* (+1.8%), *wholesalers of household goods* (+0.9%) and for *wholesalers of information and communication equipment* (+2.2%).

The turnover of the *wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles* sector decreased slightly in Q2 2016 compared to Q1 2016 (–0.3% q-o-q) and compared to Q2 2015 (–0.4% y-o-y).

#### Significant decline in business support activities

In June, the turnover of *business support activities* slipped back sharply (–2.1% after +3.5%).

It shrank strongly in *administrative and support service activities* (–3.1% after +5.2%), more particularly in *rental and leasing activities* (–4.7% after +6.5% in May), in *office administrative, office support and other business support activities* (–2.9% after +4.8%) and in *employment activities* (–2.6% after +5.6%).

The turnover in *professional, scientific and technical activities* declined also (–1.3% after +2.3%): it fell back particularly in *advertising and market research* (–4.3% after +4.0%), in *architectural and engineering activities* (–1.3% after +3.5%), and in *activities of head offices and management consultancy activities* (–0.8% after +1.1%). On the other hand, it advanced again strongly and in *scientific research and development* (+5.7% after +3.7%).

The turnover in *business support activities* rose over the second quarter (+0.8% q-o-q) and over the year (+2.8% y-o-y).

#### Variation in the turnover in the wholesale trade and business services

SA-WDA value, Base year 2010

Nace classification	Weight	Change in %			
		June/ May	May/ April	q-o-q (1)	y-o-y (2)
<b>46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>–0.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>–0.3</b>	<b>–0.4</b>
<b>H Transportation and storage</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>–1.8</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>–0.7</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>J Information and communication</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>–1.4</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>–0.4</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<b>L Real estate activities</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>–1.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>M+N Business support activities</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>–2.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.8</b>
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	579	–1.3	2.3	0.9	2.8
N Administrative and support service activities	421	–3.1	5.2	0.6	2.9

(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

## Marked decline in transportation and storage

In June, the turnover of *transportation and storage* went down sharply (−1.8% after +2.5% in May). It declined strongly in *land transport* (−4.5%) and, to a lesser extent, in *warehousing and support activities for transportation* (−1.4%). By contrast, the turnover bounced back markedly in *water transport* (+4.7%) and in *air transport* (+2.6%). It increased again in *postal and courier activities* (+1.7%).

Although the turnover of *transportation and storage* shrank over the second quarter (−0.7%), it increased slightly over the year (+0.2%).

## Drop in information and communication

The turnover in *information and communication* fell back in June (−1.4% after +1.7% in May). Almost all sectors were down, in particular *publishing activities* (−2.9%), *information service activities* (−7.4%) and *motion picture, video and television programme production* (−5.0%). It levelled off in *computer programming, consultancy and related activities*.

The turnover decreased over the second quarter (−0.4%) whereas it increased over the year (+4.1%).

## Fall in real estate activities

The turnover of *real estate activities* slipped back in June (−1.2%) after three months in a row of increase (+1.6% on average between March and May). It surged over the second quarter (+2.9% q-o-q) and over the year (+5.5% y-o-y).

### • Revisions

The variation in the turnover for May 2016 has been revised upwards by 0.4 points in *the wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles* and in *real estate activities* and by 0.3 points in *transportation and storage*. It has been lowered by 0.4 points in *information and communication*. It remained unchanged in *business support activities*. These revisions are due to those of raw data (inclusion of late responses from businesses, changes of sector) and to the updating of the coefficients used for the adjustment of seasonal and working-day variations (SA-WDA).

## Variation of the turnover in the wholesale trade and business services


SA-WDA value, Base year 2010

Nace Classification	Weight	June 2016	Change in %		
			June/ May	May/A pril	q-o-q (1)
<b>46 Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>107.1</b>	<b>−0.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>−0.3</b>
461 Wholesale on a fee or contract basis	152	114.5	−4.8	7.4	0.7
462 Wholesale of agricultural raw materials and live animals	54	109.8	−0.1	0.9	−1.8
463 Wholesale of food, beverages and tobacco	170	111.6	−0.6	2.4	−1.5
464 Wholesale of household goods	207	106.8	0.9	1.4	−0.6
465 Wholesale of information and communication equipment	61	104.8	2.2	−0.1	1.3
466 Wholesale of other machinery, equipment and supplies	125	112.1	1.8	−5.9	−0.9
467 Other specialised wholesale	197	90.8	−1.6	2.5	0.5
469 Non specialised wholesale trade	34	133.7	1.1	1.5	0.2
<b>H Transportation and storage</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>112.7</b>	<b>−1.8</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>−0.7</b>
49 Land transport and transport via pipelines	407	113.4	−4.5	5.6	−1.2
50 Water transport	73	132.5	4.7	−1.2	−0.1
51 Air transport	91	95.0	2.6	−7.7	−3.9
52 Warehousing and support activities for transportation	360	114.8	−1.4	1.7	0.0
53 Postal and courier activities	69	99.7	1.7	4.5	1.1
<b>J Information and communication</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>114.6</b>	<b>−1.4</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>−0.4</b>
58 Publishing activities	158	105.4	−2.9	2.2	−0.4
59 Motion picture, video and television programme production...	76	102.7	−5.0	0.9	−2.7
60 Programming and broadcasting activities	61	109.7	−2.0	1.0	−0.5
61 Telecommunications	396	107.7	−0.2	−0.8	−0.5
62 Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	251	131.3	0.0	3.7	0.2
63 Information service activities	58	133.5	−7.4	7.5	0.5
<b>L Real estate activities</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>112.8</b>	<b>−1.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.9</b>
681 Buying and selling of own real estate	96	120.5	−5.3	6.9	3.0
682 Renting and operating of own or leased real estate	691	111.0	−1.4	4.1	3.5
683 Real estate activities on a fee or contract basis	213	116.9	2.1	−0.1	0.6
<b>M+N Business support activities</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>122.5</b>	<b>−2.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>M Professional, scientific and technical activities</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>120.2</b>	<b>−1.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>0.9</b>
69 Legal and accounting activities	90	117.6	−1.6	1.8	−0.1
70 Activities of head offices...	219	123.1	−0.8	1.1	1.5
71 Architectural and engineering activities...	151	118.1	−1.3	3.5	−0.7
72 Scientific research and development	26	120.6	5.7	3.7	6.7
73 Advertising and market research	68	104.2	−4.3	4.0	−0.4
74 Other professional, scientific and technical activities	19	160.8	−4.1	4.3	6.2
75 Veterinary activities	6	128.8	0.3	0.1	0.3
<b>N Administrative and support service activities</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>125.8</b>	<b>−3.1</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>
77 Rental and leasing activities	98	117.8	−4.7	6.5	1.8
78 Employment activities	80	133.1	−2.6	5.6	0.7
79 Travel agency, tour operator...	42	117.9	−1.3	3.9	−2.2
80 Security and investigation activities	21	129.8	−2.1	4.8	−1.1
81 Services to buildings and landscape activities	50	119.4	−2.7	3.3	−0.9
82 Office administrative, office support and other business support activities	131	133.4	−2.9	4.8	1.2

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

Source: INSEE

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