

Informations Rapides

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Main indicators

Enterprise creation - December 2016

Downturn in business start-ups in December 2016

In December 2016, the number of business births for all enterprises fell back after a rebound in November (-3.0% after +4.5%, seasonally and working-day adjusted). Start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs diminished (-2.7%) as well as micro-entrepreneurs' registrations (-3.4%).

+2.0% year-on-year (quarterly basis)

The raw amount of births added up in the fourth quarter increased compared to the same period one year before (+2.0%). This rise was the result of company births (+5.0%) and sole proprietorship start-ups excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs (+3.0%). Micro-entrepreneurs' registrations went down (-1.0%). Transportation and business support activities remained the sectors that contributed the most to the overall rise¹.

+5.5% over 2016 as a whole

The raw number of business start-ups totted up during the last twelve months kept rising (+5.5% year-on-year after +5.7% in November and +4.7% in October). This dynamism was due to the surge in births of sole proprietorships excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs (+9.9%) and of companies (+9.8%). On the other hand self-managed micro-entrepreneurs' registrations decreased slightly (-0.3% after -1.4% in November and -4.3% in October).

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

In December 2016, micro-entrepreneurs' registrations amounted to 40.2% of the businesses set up over the twelve last months. One year before, the share was 42.2%.

Business set-ups distribution by type

% over the twelve last months (raw data)

	Oct. 2016	Nov. 2016	Dec. 2016
Companies	33.9	34.0	34.1
Sole proprietorships excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	25.7	25.7	25.7
Self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	40.4	40.3	40.2

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 *)

	Sept. 2016	Oct. 2016	Nov. 2016	Dec. 2016
Excl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	28,908	27,404	28,579	27,798
Variation [m-o-m] %	3.2	-5.2	4.3	-2.7
Incl. self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	47,311	45,582	47,617	46,181
Variation [m-o-m] %	2.8	-3.7	4.5	-3.0

* Seasonally and working-day adjusted data

Source: INSEE (Sirene)

Business start-ups by type

	Moving total % change *		Moving total over the year 2016	Moving total over the year 2015
	over 3 months	over 12 months		
Total	2.0	5.5	554,031	525,091
Companies	5.0	9.8	188,843	171,998
Sole proprietorships (SP)	0.5	3.4	365,188	353,093
SP excluding self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	3.0	9.9	142,396	129,624
Self-managed micro-entrepreneurs	-1.0	-0.3	222,792	223,469

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

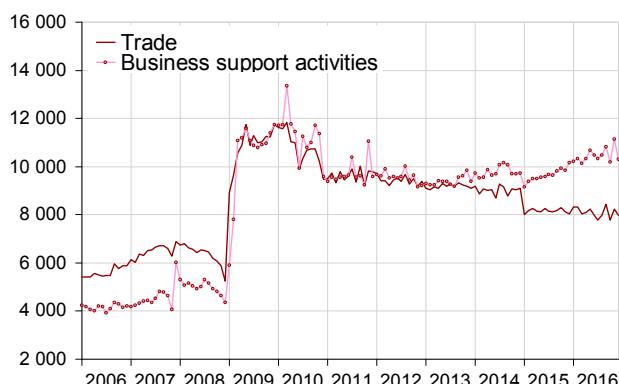
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Revisions

The variation in the overall number of business births in November 2016 has been raised by 0.1 points to +4.5% due to the update of the SA parameters and the revision of raw data.

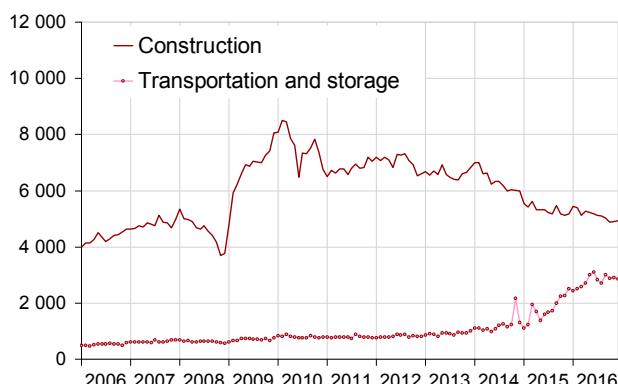
• Business set-ups by economic activity

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



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

**Construction and transportation business set-ups
(sa-wda *)**



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

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

	NA	Oct. 2016	Nov. 2016	Dec. 2016	sa-wda *
Total		45,582	47,617	46,181	
Industry	BE	2,014	2,088	2,090	
Of which Manufacturing	C	1,714	1,801	1,746	
Construction	FZ	4,890	4,904	4,930	
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	13,493	13,917	13,941	
Trade	G	7,770	8,246	7,988	
Transportation and storage	H	2,879	2,915	2,858	
Accommodation and food service activities	I	2,627	2,707	2,759	
Information and communication	JZ	2,192	2,317	2,229	
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	1,388	1,340	1,306	
Real estate activities	LZ	1,596	1,673	1,527	
Business support activities	MN	10,200	11,145	10,295	
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	5,855	6,044	5,855	
Other services activities	RS	3,954	4,190	4,009	

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

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

	NA	Dec. 16 / Nov. 16	Moving total % change**		In %
		sa-wda *	over 3 months	over 12 months	
Total		-3.0	2.0	5.5	
Industry	BE	0.1	0.7	1.9	
Of which Manufacturing	C	-3.0	-3.5	1.7	
Construction	FZ	0.5	-6.6	-3.5	
Wholesale and retail trade, Transport, Accommodation and Food and beverage activities	GI	0.2	3.6	9.3	
Trade	G	-3.1	-4.2	-0.7	
Transportation and storage	H	-2.0	23.5	55.6	
Accommodation and food service activities	I	1.9	9.2	8.5	
Information and communication	JZ	-3.8	2.5	7.6	
Financial and insurance activities	KZ	-2.6	3.0	2.5	
Real estate activities	LZ	-8.7	2.7	10.4	
Business support activities	MN	-7.6	3.7	8.4	
Public administration and defence, education, human health and social work activities	OQ	-3.1	5.4	4.9	
Other services activities	RS	-4.3	-1.8	-0.1	

* 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 build 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 X-12-ARIMA procedure from JDemetra+ 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. The serie sa-wda "total" is the total of the series sa-wda by activity sectors on A10 or A21 of the Naf rév.2, 2008.

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