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■ Index of services production – February 2017

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The commentary shows variations of subsections by decreasing contribution to the overall variation. The contribution of a subsection depends on the extent of the change and on its weight.

In February 2017, output fell back in services (–0.7%) after a rise in January (+1.0%).

Services output rose markedly over the last three months

Over the past three months, services production increased by 1.5% compared to the previous three months.

It grew by 1.3% in business support activities, in specialised, scientific and technical activities as well as in administrative and business service activities. It rose sharply in transportation and storage (+3.4%), real estate activities (+1.9%), and household services (+3.4%). It also grew in accommodation and food service activities (+1.7%). By contrast, it declined in information and communication (–0.5%).

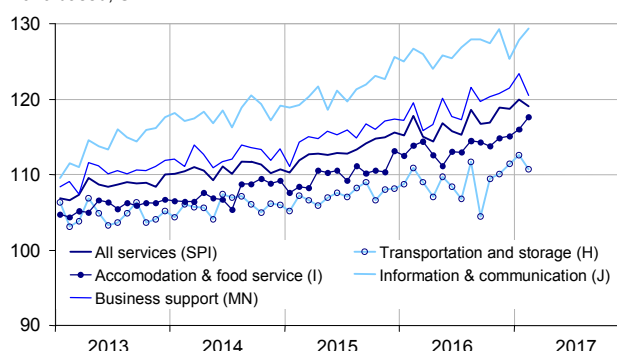
Output grew markedly over a year

In services, output of the last three months rose sharply year on year (+2.6%), with an increase in all sectors.

It went up significantly in business support (+3.2%), notably in administrative and business service activities (+5.0%). It grew sharply in real estate activities (+4.6%). It also rose in transportation and storage (+2.1%), information and communication (+1.4%), food and beverage service activities (+2.7%), and more moderately in household services (+0.6%).

Index of services production

2010 based, SA-WDA



Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Variation in services production

2010 based, SA-WDA

Nace classification	Weight *	Change in %			
		Feb./ Jan.	Jan./ Dec.	q-o-q (1)	y-o-y (2)
Index of services production	10000	–0.7	1.0	1.5	2.6
H Transportation and storage	1601	–1.7	1.0	3.4	2.1
I Accommodation and food service activities	926	1.4	0.8	1.7	2.7
J Information and communication	1745	1.2	2.0	–0.5	1.4
L Real estate activities	1064	–0.2	–2.5	1.9	4.6
M+N Business support	4020	–2.3	1.5	1.3	3.2
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2210	–2.8	2.7	1.3	1.6
N Administrative and business service activities	1810	–1.7	0.2	1.3	5.0
R+S Household services	644	2.2	0.5	3.4	0.6

*Weight (10 000 = H...S excepting K, O, P, Q)

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

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

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Downturn in business support

In February 2017, output in business support activities fell back sharply (–2.3% after +1.5% in January). It shrank significantly in specialised, scientific and technical activities (–2.8% after +2.7% in January), particularly in activities of head offices and management consultancy (–3.8%) and architecture and engineering activities (–4.2%). By contrast, it bounced back in other specialised, scientific and technical activities (+3.8%). Output fell back also in administrative and business support activities (–1.7% after +0.2%), notably in rental and leasing activities (–2.5%) and employment activities (–1.8%).

Drop in transportation and storage

Output in transportation and storage fell back in February (–1.7% after +1.0% in January). In particular, it decreased sharply in warehousing and support for transportation (–3.4%) and air transport (–9.3%). By contrast, it bounced back considerably in water transport (+14.6%).

Further rise in information and communication

In February, output in information and communication rose again (+1.2%) after a significant upturn in January (+2.0%). It grew in telecommunications (+2.8%). It bounced back in motion picture production, sound recording and music publishing activities (+3.3%) and rose sharply in information services (+3.5%). By contrast, it declined markedly in programming and broadcasting activities (–4.7%).

Acceleration in accommodation and food service activities

In February, output gathered pace in accommodation and food service activities (+1.4% after +0.8%). It rose both in food and beverage service activities (+1.4%) and accommodation (+1.3%).

Revisions

The monthly variation rate of the index of services production in January 2017 has been revised downwards by 0.1 points, mainly due to the update of raw data. Initially published at +1.1%, it has been stated at +1.0%.

Variation in services production

2010 based, SA-WDA

	Weight *	Feb. 17	Changes in %		
			Feb./ Jan.	Jan./ Dec.	q-o-q (1)
Index of services production	10000	119.0	–0.7	1.0	1.5
H transportation and storage	1601	110.7	–1.7	1.0	3.4
49 Land transport...	686	115.2	–1.0	2.2	2.1
50 Water transport	63	209.4	14.6	–2.3	28.2
51 Air transport	129	93.5	–9.3	–2.0	1.7
52 Warehousing and support for transportation	563	108.2	–3.4	1.0	2.3
53 Postal and courier activities	161	75.9	–3.6	0.3	–0.6
I Accommodation and food service activities	926	117.6	1.4	0.8	1.7
55 Accommodation	211	109.9	1.3	1.8	2.9
56 Food and beverage service activities	715	119.9	1.4	0.5	1.4
J Information-communication	1745	129.4	1.2	2.0	–0.5
58 Publishing activities	220	100.5	1.4	–1.3	–0.7
59 Motion picture, sound recording, music publishing	124	116.8	3.3	–3.7	1.2
60 Programming and broadcasting activities	68	120.8	–4.7	–0.5	–0.6
61 Telecommunications	558	138.3	2.8	6.4	–2.0
62 Computer programming...	683	132.0	–0.3	0.6	0.1
63 Information services	92	147.9	3.5	1.3	1.3
L Real estate activities	1064	108.0	–0.2	–2.5	1.9
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2210	117.4	–2.8	2.7	1.3
69 Legal and accounting activities	496	117.8	–1.6	3.4	1.6
70 Activities of head offices and management consultancy	665	118.0	–3.8	1.7	1.1
71 Architecture and engineering activities	465	121.9	–4.2	4.6	5.3
72 Scientific research and development	313	100.0	–2.5	2.7	–1.9
73 Advertising and market research	171	110.7	–3.4	3.1	–2.4
74 Other professional, scientific and technical activities	71	167.5	3.8	–2.4	–2.1
75 Veterinary activities	29	125.3	0.7	0.0	–0.9
N Administrative and business service activities	1810	124.3	–1.7	0.2	1.3
77 Rental and leasing activities	545	120.6	–2.5	–2.6	0.2
78 Employment activities	512	130.7	–1.8	3.9	2.9
79 Travel agency, tour operator	45	118.5	–0.2	5.2	2.8
80 Security and investigation	109	124.1	–0.4	1.1	0.0
81 Services to building and landscape activities	248	120.1	–0.8	–0.8	1.6
82 Other administrative and business support activities	351	124.6	–1.5	–1.2	0.5
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	306	133.7	3.9	0.5	4.8
S Other personal services	338	112.6	0.4	0.5	1.9

*Weight (10 000 = H...S excepting K, O, P, Q)

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

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Revision of variations

in percentage points

	Jan. / Dec.	Dec. / Nov.	Nov. / Oct.	Q4 2016 / Q3 2016	2016 / 2015
Services production	–0.12	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.01
Raw series	–0.18	–0.07	–0.01	–0.02	0.02
SA-WDA parameters	0.06	0.12	0.05	0.03	–0.01

How to read: in the services industries, the SA-WDA output variation between January 2017 and December 2016 is revised by 0.12 points: –0.18 points due to the revisions of raw data and +0.06 points due to the update of SA-WDA parameters

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

For further information

- Complementary data (long series) and metadata (methodology, linked internet pages, etc.) are available on the web page of the index : <https://www.insee.fr/en/statistiques?debut=0&theme=30&conjoncture=70>
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