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■ Index of services production – April 2018

In April 2018, services output increased sharply (+2.7%)

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 April 2018, output increased sharply in services (+2.7%) after a near-stability in March.

Services output rose over the last three months

Over the last three months (February to April), services production increased by 0.5% compared to the previous three months.

It grew by 1.0% in business support activities, be it in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+1.1%) or in administrative and business service activities (+0.8%). It rose sharply in information and communication (+1.6%) and more slightly in accommodation and food services activities (+0.3%) and transportation and storage (+0.2%). However, it decreased in household services (–2.7%) and in real estate activities (–0.2%).

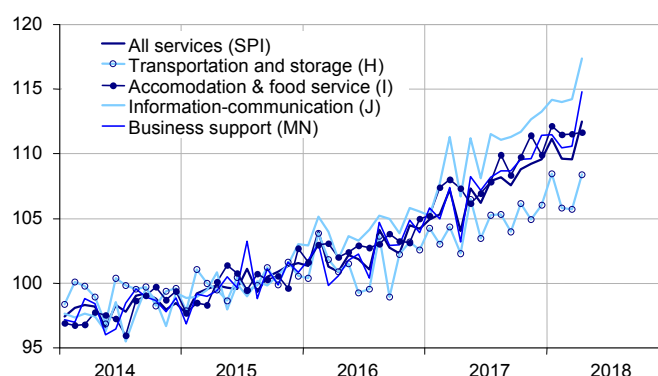
Output grew sharply over a year

In services, output of the last three months rose sharply over a year (+4.8%), with an increase in all sectors.

It went up strongly in business support (+6.4%), be it in administrative and business service activities (+7.5%) or in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+5.7%). It also grew sharply in information and communication (+6.1%), transportation and storage (+3.3%), accommodation and food service activities (+3.7%) and household services (+1.7%). It increased more moderately in real estate activities (+0.7%).

Index of services production

2015 based, SA-WDA



Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Variation in the services production

2015 based, SA-WDA

Nace classification	Weight (1)	Change in %			
		Apr./ Mar.	Mar./ Feb.	q-o-q (2)	y-o-y (3)
Index of services production	10000	2.7	–0.1	0.5	4.8
H Transportation and storage	1504	2.5	–0.1	0.2	3.3
I Accommodation and food service activities	870	0.1	0.0	0.3	3.7
J Information and communication	1635	2.8	0.2	1.6	6.1
L Real estate activities	964	1.8	–1.8	–0.2	0.7
M+N Business support	4289	3.8	0.1	1.0	6.4
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2540	3.4	–0.6	1.1	5.7
N Administrative and business service activities	1748	4.4	1.0	0.8	7.5
R+S Household services	738	0.2	0.4	–2.7	1.7

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

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

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

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Strong rebound in business support

In April 2018, output in business support activities grew strongly (+3.8%) after a virtual stability in March (-0.1%).

It went up sharply in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+3.4% after -0.6% in March), particularly in activities of head offices and management consultancy (+4.2% after -1.4%), scientific research and development (+3.0 after +1.0%), architecture and engineering activities (+3.2% after -0.8%) and advertising and market research (+8.1% after -1.3%). Output also expanded strongly in administrative and business support activities (+4.4% after +1.0%), notably in other administrative and business support activities (+7.5%), employment activities (+4.1%) and services to building and landscape activities (+5.3%).

Marked acceleration in information and communication

Output in information and communication accelerated markedly in April (+2.8% after +0.2%), due to computer programming (+3.6%) and edition (+6.7%).

Large increase in transportation and storage

After a virtual stability In March, output in transportation and storage increased considerably in April (+2.5%), notably in warehousing and support for transportation (+4.4%) and land transport (+2.1%). By contrast, it declined in air transport (-5.3%).

Slight rise in household services

Output in household services rose again slightly in April (+0.2% after +0.4% in March). It still grew in other personal services (+0.7% after +1.1%) but went down in arts, entertainment and recreation (-0.2% after a virtual stability in March).

Virtual stability in accommodation and food service activities

As in March, output in accommodation and food services was virtually stable in April (+0.1% after 0.0%). It increased again in food and beverage service activities (+0.4% after +0.4%) but it also decreased again in accommodation (-1.0% after -1.2%).

Revisions

The month-on-month variation rate of the index of services production in March 2018 has been revised upwards by 0.1 points, mainly due to raw series updating. Initially published at -0.2%, it has been stated at -0.1%.

Variation in the services production

2015 based, SA-WDA

	Weight (1)	Apr. 18	Change in %		
			Apr./ Mar.	Mar./ Feb.	q-o-q (2)
Index of services production	10000	112.5	2.7	-0.1	0.5
H transportation and storage	1504	108.4	2.5	-0.1	0.2
49 Land transport...	715	110.7	2.1	-0.4	-0.2
50 Water transport	36	126.7	7.8	1.3	3.5
51 Air transport	115	96.2	-5.3	2.1	-1.8
52 Warehousing and support for transportation	504	110.4	4.4	0.1	0.8
53 Postal and courier activities	135	93.9	2.3	-1.8	0.3
I Accommodation and food service activities	870	111.6	0.1	0.0	0.3
55 Accommodation	205	105.6	-1.0	-1.2	0.8
56 Food and beverage service activities	664	113.5	0.4	0.4	0.2
J Information-communication	1635	117.4	2.8	0.2	1.6
58 Publishing activities	208	109.1	6.7	-3.8	-2.1
59 Motion picture, sound recording, music publishing	119	110.0	2.2	0.6	-0.3
60 Programming and broadcasting activities	71	109.9	6.1	-8.7	-0.3
61 Telecommunications	415	100.0	-1.5	1.6	1.3
62 Computer programming...	720	129.8	3.6	1.1	3.1
63 Information services	102	130.9	3.1	1.3	2.0
L Real estate activities	964	102.0	1.8	-1.8	-0.2
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2540	111.6	3.4	-0.6	1.1
69 Legal and accounting activities	502	114.3	1.6	0.2	0.7
70 Activities of head offices and management consultancy	739	112.7	4.2	-1.4	0.1
71 Architecture and engineering activities	491	109.6	3.2	-0.8	1.7
72 Scientific research and development	559	106.8	3.0	1.0	1.5
73 Advertising and market research	146	109.9	8.1	-1.3	0.9
74 Other professional, scientific and technical activities	79	132.1	3.7	-5.0	6.6
75 Veterinary activities	26	111.7	0.8	0.2	1.7
N Administrative and business service activities	1748	119.5	4.4	1.0	0.8
77 Rental and leasing activities	526	114.8	2.2	1.6	0.0
78 Employment activities	502	133.1	4.1	1.8	2.1
79 Travel agency, tour operator	35	101.6	2.0	-5.1	-0.9
80 Security and investigation	104	116.9	6.9	1.3	-0.4
81 Services to building and landscape activities	245	114.5	5.3	-1.7	0.2
82 Other administrative and business support activities	336	112.8	7.5	1.2	0.8
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	460	114.6	-0.2	0.1	-4.1
S Other personal services	278	105.8	0.7	1.1	-0.3

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

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Revision of variations

in percentage points

	Mar./ Feb.	Feb./ Jan.	Jan./ Dec.	Q1 2018/ Q4 2017	2017/ 2016
Services production	0.13	-0.05	0.07	0.23	0.02
Raw series	0.04	0.04	-0.06	-0.06	0.02
SA-WDA parameters	0.09	-0.09	0.13	0.29	0.00

How to read: in the services industries, the SA-WDA variation in output between February 2018 and March 2018 is revised by +0.13 points: +0.04 points due to the revisions of raw data and +0.09 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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