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■ Index of services production – September 2018

In September 2018, services output was stable

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 September 2018, output in services was stable after a strong increase in August (+2.9%).

Services output rose over the last three months

Over the last quarter, services production increased by 1.0% compared to the previous quarter.

The production grew sharply in business support activities (+1.1%), where it went up in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+2.6%) but went down in administrative and business service activities (–0.9%). It rose significantly in transportation and storage (+1.9%), real estate activities (+1.5%) and household services (+1.0%) and more slightly in accommodation and food services activities (+0.2%). It decreased in information and communication (–0.2%).

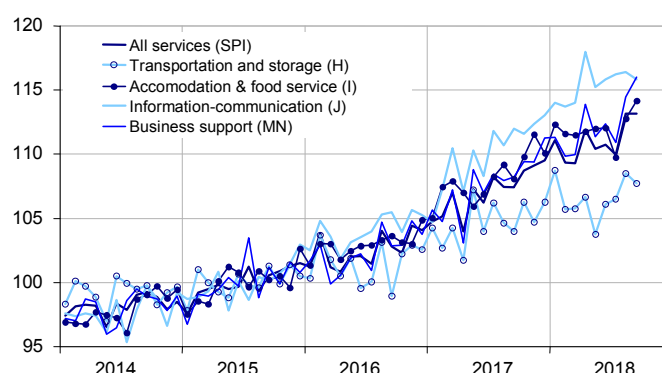
Output grew sharply over a year

In services, output of the last quarter rose sharply over a year (+4.1%).

It went up strongly in business support (+5.2%), more strongly in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+6.9%) than in administrative and business service activities (+2.8%). It grew sharply in information and communication (+4.2%), transportation and storage (+2.5%), household services (+4.4%), accommodation and food service activities (+3.4%) and more moderately in real estate activities (+1.6%).

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 %			
		Aug./ Jul.	Jul./ Jun.	q-o-q (2)	y-o-y (3)
Index of services production	10000	0.0	2.9	1.0	4.1
H Transportation and storage	1504	–0.7	1.9	1.9	2.5
I Accommodation and food service activities	870	1.2	2.8	0.2	3.4
J Information and communication	1635	–0.5	0.1	–0.2	4.2
L Real estate activities	964	–1.8	4.2	1.5	1.6
M+N Business support	4289	1.4	3.2	1.1	5.2
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2540	3.1	4.0	2.6	6.9
N Administrative and business service activities	1748	–1.1	2.1	–0.9	2.8
R+S Household services	738	–4.2	7.8	1.0	4.4

(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

Further rise in business support

In September 2018, output in business support activities increased again (+1.4% after +3.2% in August).

It went up sharply in specialised, scientific and technical activities (+3.1% after 4.0% in August) due to an acceleration in scientific research and development (+13.1% after +10.7%) and in activities of head offices and management consultancy (+3.5% after +1.8%). However, it declined in legal and accounting activities (-2.0% after +3.5%).

In administrative and business support activities, output decreased (-1.1% after +2.1%). This downturn was marked in rental and leasing activities (-1.4% after +1.4%), in employment activities (-1.3% after +2.8%) and in services to building and landscape activities (-2.6% after +3.4%)

Further rise in accommodation and food service activities

In September, output in accommodation and food services rose again (+1.2% after +2.8%). It grew again in food and beverage service activities (+0.9% after +3.9%) and bounced back in accommodation (+2.7% after -1.4%).

Strong withdrawal in household services

Output in household services went down sharply in September (-4.2%) after a strong increase (+7.8%) in August. The downturn was more important in arts, entertainment and recreation (-5.5% after +10.0%) than in other personal services production (-1.6% after +3.7%).

Downturn in transportation and storage

Output in transportation and storage dwindled in September (-0.7% after +1.9%). It fell back in land transport (-0.9% after +2.5%) and in warehousing and support for transportation (-1.2% after +3.9%), but recovered in air transport (+13.6% after -2.2%).

Slight decline in information and communication

Output in information and communication dropped in September (-0.5% after +0.1%), due to motion picture, sound recording and music publishing (-0.7% after +3.5%) and publishing activities (-2.0% after -0.1%). By contrast, the output rebounded in programming and broadcasting activities (+14.0% after -7.3%).

Revisions

The month-on-month variation rate of the index of services production in August 2018 has been revised upwards by 0.3 points after being rounded. Initially published at +2.6%, it has been stated at +2.9%.

Variation in the services production

2015 based, SA-WDA

	Weight (1)	Aug. 18	Change in %		
			Aug./ Jul.	Jul./ Jun.	q-o-q (2)
Index of services production	10000	113.2	0.0	2.9	1.0
H transportation and storage	1504	107.7	-0.7	1.9	1.9
49 Land transport...	715	110.1	-0.9	2.5	2.7
50 Water transport	36	136.0	13.6	-2.2	0.9
51 Air transport	115	109.5	1.1	-1.6	4.7
52 Warehousing and support for transportation	504	108.0	-1.2	3.9	1.5
53 Postal and courier activities	135	84.7	-4.2	-5.6	-2.9
I Accommodation and food service activities	870	114.2	1.2	2.8	0.2
55 Accommodation	205	104.8	2.7	-1.4	-1.2
56 Food and beverage service activities	664	117.0	0.9	3.9	0.7
J Information-communication	1635	115.9	-0.5	0.1	-0.2
58 Publishing activities	208	108.7	-2.0	-0.1	0.7
59 Motion picture, sound recording, music publishing	119	108.8	-0.7	3.5	-1.7
60 Programming and broadcasting activities	71	111.1	14.0	-7.3	-3.7
61 Telecommunications	415	98.3	-0.8	-1.4	-2.8
62 Computer programming...	720	127.5	-0.9	0.9	0.8
63 Information services	102	131.4	-1.3	1.2	3.8
L Real estate activities	964	102.7	-1.8	4.2	1.5
M Specialised, scientific and technical activities	2540	116.5	3.1	4.0	2.6
69 Legal and accounting activities	502	115.6	-2.0	3.5	1.9
70 Activities of head offices and management consultancy	739	119.9	3.5	1.8	5.1
71 Architecture and engineering activities	491	108.7	-1.1	0.7	1.3
72 Scientific research and development	559	122.1	13.1	10.7	3.4
73 Advertising and market research	146	98.4	-3.4	2.9	-2.1
74 Other professional, scientific and technical activities	79	134.7	3.7	8.2	-2.2
75 Veterinary activities	26	112.8	-3.9	9.2	-0.7
N Administrative and business service activities	1748	115.3	-1.1	2.1	-0.9
77 Rental and leasing activities	526	114.0	-1.4	1.4	0.1
78 Employment activities	502	125.8	-1.3	2.8	-2.1
79 Travel agency, tour operator	35	100.1	-1.4	1.1	-0.4
80 Security and investigation	104	110.2	-0.6	0.3	-1.9
81 Services to building and landscape activities	245	110.5	-2.6	3.4	-0.9
82 Other administrative and business support activities	336	108.4	0.7	1.5	-0.3
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	460	120.2	-5.5	10.0	1.9
S Other personal services	278	104.9	-1.6	3.7	-0.7

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

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

Sources: DGFIP, INSEE

Revision of variations

in percentage points

	Aug./ Jul.	Jul./ Jun.	Jun./ May	Q3 2018/ Q2 2018	2017/ 2016
Services production	0.23	-0.14	0.19	0.08	0.01
Raw series	0.02	-0.22	0.22	0.09	0.01
SA-WDA parameters	0.21	0.08	-0.03	-0.01	0.00

How to read: in the services industries, the SA-WDA variation in output between July 2018 and August 2018 is revised by +0.23 points: +0.02 points due to the revisions of raw data and +0.21 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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