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In the second quarter, working-day adjusted turnover in selected services increased by 0.8 per cent over the corresponding period of 2013. Provisional seasonally adjusted services turnover increased by 2.2 per cent.

Short-term Services Indicators: Q2/2014

Cut-off date:
2 October 2014

Annual comparison

When compared to the second quarter of 2013, working-day adjusted turnover went up by 0.8 per cent. Turnover increased in professional, scientific and technical activities (+7.5 per cent), transportation and storage (+6.4 per cent), accommodation and food service activities (+3.7 per cent), retail trade (+3.6 per cent), motor trade (+2.8 per cent), wholesale trade (+1.3 per cent) and real estate activities (+1.3 per cent). However, decreases were registered in administrative and support service activities (-11.6 per cent) and information and communication (-7.7 per cent) (Table 1).

During the quarter under review, employment (Table 3), gross wages and salaries (Table 5) and hours worked (Table 7) increased by 3.2, 5.1 and 2.1 per cent respectively over the comparative quarter of 2013.

Quarterly comparison

Seasonally adjusted turnover in the second quarter of 2014 increased by 2.2 per cent on the previous quarter. Increases were registered in professional, scientific and technical activities (+9.6 per cent), motor trade (+4.8 per cent), transportation and storage (+4.0 per cent), wholesale trade (+3.5 per cent), accommodation and food service activities (+1.7 per cent), information and communication (+1.5 per cent) and retail trade (+1.4 per cent). On the other hand, declines were registered in real estate activities (-14.4 per cent) and administrative and support service activities (-4.8 per cent) (Table 2).

Seasonally adjusted employment (Table 4), gross wages and salaries (Table 6) and hours worked (Table 8) increased by 0.4, 1.3 and 0.3 per cent respectively over the previous quarter ■

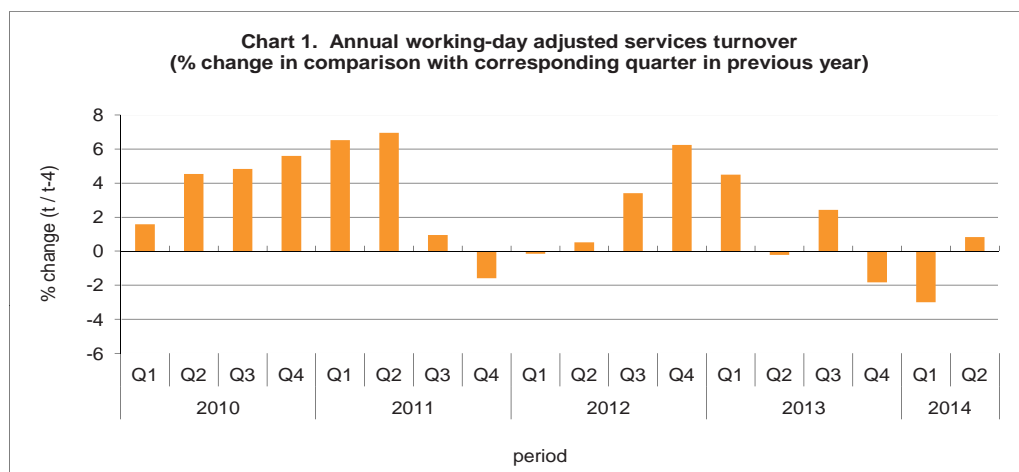
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Table 1. Services turnover index by NACE classification
Working-day adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with same quarter of the previous year				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	108.4	114.9	106.7	94.5	109.3	-0.2	2.5	-1.2	-3.6	0.8
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	104.4	107.5	107.4	97.1	106.7	-2.8	1.0	-0.2	-5.4	2.2
Motor trade	107.2	104.4	100.2	95.8	110.2	2.6	-5.8	-4.2	3.3	2.8
Wholesale trade	101.9	104.2	102.0	94.1	103.2	-1.9	-0.7	-2.4	-9.5	1.3
Retail trade	108.0	113.4	117.3	102.1	111.9	-4.8	4.7	3.5	0.3	3.6
Food	113.3	118.8	119.6	100.2	106.8	-1.2	-3.3	-2.8	-3.4	-5.7
Non-food	105.3	110.7	116.2	103.0	114.5	-6.7	9.6	7.2	2.2	8.7
Transportation and storage	115.2	131.9	104.7	95.9	122.6	7.9	11.0	-0.9	3.9	6.4
Accommodation and food service activities	115.5	141.2	101.7	76.9	119.8	0.0	-2.4	9.5	10.8	3.7
Information and communication	92.8	94.2	103.0	84.4	85.7	-7.1	2.1	11.0	-16.1	-7.7
Real estate activities	75.7	81.2	86.6	89.6	76.7	-11.1	-13.5	-18.1	-17.1	1.3
Professional, scientific and technical activities	123.3	111.9	121.5	105.6	132.5	14.9	7.1	-0.8	3.4	7.5
Administrative and support service activities	144.2	166.6	107.0	92.2	127.5	7.1	7.5	-22.5	8.2	-11.6

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Table 2. Services turnover index by NACE classification
Seasonally adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with previous quarter				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	106.1	108.0	105.5	104.7	107.0	-2.4	1.8	-2.3	-0.8	2.2
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	103.3	105.6	103.7	103.7	105.7	-5.7	2.2	-1.8	0.0	1.9
Motor trade	101.7	104.4	101.7	99.7	104.5	5.5	2.7	-2.6	-2.0	4.8
Wholesale trade	100.9	102.3	100.2	98.7	102.2	-7.6	1.4	-2.1	-1.5	3.5
Retail trade	107.5	110.8	111.1	111.0	112.6	-2.4	3.1	0.3	-0.1	1.4
Food	114.7	113.5	112.6	110.8	108.5	-0.1	-1.0	-0.8	-1.6	-2.1
Non-food	104.5	109.6	108.9	112.1	113.7	-4.9	4.9	-0.6	2.9	1.4
Transportation and storage	111.1	114.1	108.5	113.7	118.3	1.6	2.7	-4.9	4.8	4.0
Accommodation and food service activities	107.8	105.1	112.4	110.1	112.0	5.2	-2.5	6.9	-2.0	1.7
Information and communication	92.8	94.2	103.0	84.4	85.7	-7.8	1.5	9.3	-18.1	1.5
Real estate activities	75.7	81.2	86.6	89.6	76.7	-30.0	7.3	6.7	3.5	-14.4
Professional, scientific and technical activities	117.1	117.7	113.2	114.6	125.6	5.8	0.5	-3.8	1.2	9.6
Administrative and support service activities	133.3	134.4	114.8	123.4	117.5	17.7	0.8	-14.6	7.5	-4.8

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The calculation of growth rates from the indices tables may differ slightly from the growth rates published due to rounding.

**Table 3. Services employment index by NACE classification
Unadjusted**

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with same quarter of the previous year				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	102.9	105.4	103.6	104.4	106.2	1.9	2.2	2.4	3.5	3.2
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	104.6	107.3	107.7	108.9	109.6	4.5	3.9	5.3	6.2	4.8
Motor trade	115.2	117.9	119.0	112.7	118.2	12.6	13.9	12.1	10.8	2.6
Wholesale trade	105.7	109.6	110.6	119.1	119.5	7.2	4.4	7.5	10.4	13.1
Retail trade	101.9	103.8	103.8	101.6	101.6	1.3	1.8	2.6	2.4	-0.3
Food	99.6	100.4	101.3	97.4	95.1	-3.3	-4.7	2.2	0.6	-4.5
Non-food	102.8	105.1	104.7	103.1	103.9	3.0	4.2	2.7	3.0	1.1
Transportation and storage	94.3	94.5	93.4	95.4	93.6	-1.7	-1.1	-0.7	4.7	-0.7
Accommodation and food service activities	103.8	109.0	101.7	100.8	106.3	4.2	3.3	3.5	5.1	2.4
Information and communication	97.1	97.0	98.5	102.1	105.2	-3.6	-2.7	2.4	1.8	8.3
Real estate activities	107.3	106.6	110.2	105.8	112.1	-2.1	-2.1	2.7	-1.4	4.5
Professional, scientific and technical activities	113.8	114.1	114.1	118.7	117.3	3.4	5.3	3.6	5.1	3.1
Administrative and support service activities	99.3	102.0	98.2	97.1	100.0	-1.5	0.5	-4.2	-4.4	0.7

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**Table 4. Services employment index by NACE classification
Seasonally adjusted**

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with previous quarter				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	102.9	103.7	104.0	105.8	106.2	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.7	0.4
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	105.1	106.4	107.4	109.6	110.1	1.8	1.2	0.9	2.0	0.5
Motor trade	115.5	116.8	117.7	115.0	118.5	11.5	1.1	0.8	-2.3	3.0
Wholesale trade	105.7	109.6	110.6	119.1	119.5	-2.0	3.7	0.9	7.7	0.3
Retail trade	102.1	103.2	103.3	102.5	101.8	2.0	1.1	0.1	-0.8	-0.7
Food	100.4	99.8	99.3	98.5	96.4	1.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.8	-2.1
Non-food	103.1	103.9	104.0	104.6	104.5	1.8	0.8	0.1	0.6	-0.1
Transportation and storage	94.3	93.8	93.2	96.2	93.6	2.6	-0.5	-0.6	3.2	-2.7
Accommodation and food service activities	102.7	103.0	104.1	105.4	105.2	2.4	0.3	1.1	1.2	-0.2
Information and communication	96.8	96.7	99.4	102.0	104.6	-3.6	-0.1	2.8	2.6	2.5
Real estate activities	107.3	106.6	110.2	105.8	112.1	0.0	-0.7	3.4	-4.0	6.0
Professional, scientific and technical activities	113.8	114.1	114.1	118.7	117.3	0.8	0.3	0.0	4.0	-1.2
Administrative and support service activities	99.3	102.0	98.2	97.1	100.0	-2.3	2.7	-3.7	-1.1	3.0

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Table 5. Services gross wages and salaries index by NACE classification
Working-day adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with same quarter of the previous year				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	109.1	113.2	112.5	110.9	114.7	2.7	4.5	3.4	3.9	5.1
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	115.3	117.9	122.4	118.5	121.5	5.3	6.4	3.6	6.7	5.4
Motor trade	115.6	122.4	130.0	116.7	130.5	7.7	12.2	11.9	7.2	12.9
Wholesale trade	119.6	118.7	127.3	127.1	129.8	6.3	5.0	2.8	9.3	8.5
Retail trade	110.0	116.0	115.1	108.6	109.9	3.5	6.9	2.9	3.2	-0.1
Food	112.3	112.6	110.5	111.6	110.2	-2.4	-4.0	-2.6	3.4	-1.9
Non-food	109.0	116.7	116.4	107.9	109.6	5.0	10.4	4.8	3.4	0.6
Transportation and storage	101.3	101.6	101.1	101.9	106.1	3.8	5.4	2.8	2.7	4.7
Accommodation and food service activities	107.5	119.3	106.3	101.0	109.6	3.6	3.7	2.9	4.3	2.0
Information and communication	99.4	100.2	103.0	111.7	108.0	-10.2	0.9	5.4	6.3	8.7
Real estate activities	103.6	114.3	102.0	111.4	110.9	-10.8	-3.7	-8.7	-3.8	7.0
Professional, scientific and technical activities	122.1	125.6	128.8	126.9	128.3	5.2	7.5	5.5	6.9	5.1
Administrative and support service activities	107.6	115.1	110.7	106.5	114.5	6.2	2.9	1.3	-2.0	6.4

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Table 6. Services gross wages and salaries index by NACE classification
Seasonally adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with previous quarter				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	109.4	111.4	111.8	113.3	114.8	0.4	1.8	0.4	1.3	1.3
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	116.0	118.3	118.9	120.9	122.3	2.5	2.0	0.5	1.7	1.2
Motor trade	117.2	123.6	125.5	118.4	132.3	6.2	5.5	1.5	-5.7	11.7
Wholesale trade	119.7	119.7	125.6	127.8	129.9	2.4	0.0	4.9	1.8	1.6
Retail trade	111.1	115.4	112.5	110.7	111.0	3.5	3.9	-2.5	-1.6	0.3
Food	112.0	111.4	110.2	113.3	109.9	2.1	-0.5	-1.1	2.8	-3.0
Non-food	110.3	116.1	113.1	110.6	111.0	3.3	5.3	-2.6	-2.2	0.4
Transportation and storage	101.3	101.6	101.1	101.9	106.1	2.1	0.3	-0.5	0.8	4.1
Accommodation and food service activities	107.4	109.4	108.2	108.7	109.5	3.1	1.9	-1.1	0.5	0.7
Information and communication	99.4	100.2	103.0	111.7	108.0	-5.4	0.8	2.8	8.4	-3.3
Real estate activities	103.6	114.3	102.0	111.4	110.9	-10.5	10.3	-10.8	9.2	-0.4
Professional, scientific and technical activities	122.1	125.6	128.8	126.9	128.3	2.8	2.9	2.5	-1.5	1.1
Administrative and support service activities	107.6	115.1	110.7	106.5	114.5	-1.0	7.0	-3.8	-3.8	7.5

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Table 7. Services hours worked index by NACE classification
Working-day adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with same quarter of the previous year				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	104.0	109.3	104.3	103.8	106.2	1.5	1.4	1.0	2.5	2.1
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	107.8	110.3	108.2	108.6	109.9	3.1	3.7	3.3	4.7	1.9
Motor trade	125.8	127.7	119.3	122.7	132.6	11.5	13.0	7.8	6.4	5.4
Wholesale trade	108.4	108.7	106.5	108.2	111.7	3.9	2.2	1.8	4.3	3.0
Retail trade	104.7	109.7	108.2	105.8	104.7	1.7	4.5	3.9	4.2	0.0
Food	100.5	100.8	101.9	103.0	100.5	-4.3	-6.4	1.6	4.4	0.0
Non-food	105.9	112.3	110.2	107.1	105.9	3.3	7.8	4.6	4.5	0.0
Transportation and storage	95.0	97.4	97.4	96.1	94.6	-5.5	-3.1	-0.4	2.6	-0.4
Accommodation and food service activities	96.9	108.4	95.0	89.4	97.1	-0.2	-0.9	-2.3	2.4	0.2
Information and communication	89.1	89.3	91.2	101.4	98.5	-9.2	-6.0	4.8	0.6	10.5
Real estate activities	103.1	105.7	107.5	103.0	100.3	1.1	-2.1	2.5	-0.9	-2.7
Professional, scientific and technical activities	115.1	115.0	115.6	122.0	117.9	7.7	4.1	6.5	8.0	2.4
Administrative and support service activities	111.9	121.4	112.1	113.9	115.5	2.8	0.1	-2.7	0.9	3.2

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Table 8. Services hours worked index by NACE classification
Seasonally adjusted

NACE	2013			2014		% change compared with previous quarter				
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P	2013			2014	
						Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2 ^P
TOTAL	104.5	105.1	105.3	106.4	106.7	0.4	0.6	0.2	1.0	0.3
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	107.4	108.2	108.8	109.9	109.9	1.7	0.7	0.6	1.0	0.0
Motor trade	125.8	127.7	119.3	122.7	132.6	9.1	1.5	-6.6	2.8	8.1
Wholesale trade	108.4	108.7	106.5	108.2	111.7	4.5	0.3	-2.0	1.6	3.2
Retail trade	105.8	107.0	107.2	107.7	106.5	2.0	1.1	0.2	0.5	-1.1
Food	101.1	100.7	99.7	105.0	101.1	0.5	-0.4	-1.0	5.3	-3.7
Non-food	105.7	111.7	109.4	108.7	105.7	1.6	5.7	-2.1	-0.6	-2.8
Transportation and storage	95.8	96.1	96.4	96.5	95.8	-0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	-0.7
Accommodation and food service activities	96.8	98.3	96.6	97.7	97.0	1.4	1.5	-1.7	1.1	-0.7
Information and communication	89.1	89.3	91.2	101.4	98.5	-11.7	0.2	2.1	11.2	-2.9
Real estate activities	103.1	105.7	107.5	103.0	100.3	-0.8	2.5	1.7	-4.2	-2.6
Professional, scientific and technical activities	115.1	115.0	115.6	122.0	117.9	1.9	-0.1	0.5	5.5	-3.4
Administrative and support service activities	112.1	118.0	112.7	116.4	115.8	-2.7	5.3	-4.5	3.3	-0.5

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Methodological Notes

Objectives

The aim of short-term statistics is to provide users with information on the business cycle, within the services sector. The results are compiled and published according to the statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community, NACE Rev. 2.

Data Collection and Index Compilation

Every quarter, questionnaires are sent to approximately 939 enterprises categorised within the Services sector. The data is then grossed up to represent the entire Services population. For each NACE division (for example NACE Division 45 for motor trade), a sample was selected. The selected enterprises were requested to provide information, including turnover, employment and wages and salaries on a quarterly basis. The indices were calculated for each Division, showing the level of the specified variable (for example employment) relative to the average level throughout the base year 2010. The index numbers in this release are working-day and seasonally adjusted. These statistical methods aid interpretation of data by removing regularly recurring variations from a time series. Working-day adjustment is a statistical method for removing the calendar effect from an economic time series. The calendar effect is the variation caused by the changing number of working days in different quarters.

The number of working days for a given quarter may depend on the timing of certain public holidays, the possible overlap of certain public holidays and non-working days, and the occurrence of a leap year. This method is used to compare to the corresponding quarter of the previous year. Seasonal adjustments removes variations which include effects due to quarter lengths, holidays and particular events such as Christmas. Statistically, seasonal adjustment takes place after a time series has already been cleared of calendar effects by way of working-day adjustment. This method is used to compare data with the previous quarter. In seasonal and working day adjustment, the direct approach is used and refers to the adjustments of aggregated raw component.

Status of the data

The data contained in this release should be considered as provisional and thereby subject to revision. Each release may include revisions of the past quarterly data in respect of a rolling two-year period.

Scope of Short-term Statistics Indicators

Under the regulation of Short-term Statistics, services exclude Financial and Insurance Activities and Gambling and Betting Activities.

Summary Definitions of Key Variables

Turnover includes total sales and other income and is expressed net of VAT. Turnover is presented in current prices.

Wages and Salaries covers wages and salaries including bonuses, weekly allowances (cost of living allowances), overtime and national social security contributions by the employee. Employer's social security charges are not included.

Employment covers all persons employed, regardless of whether they are part-time or full-time, and includes paid employees as well as working proprietors and unpaid family workers. Employment is not working day adjusted since the number of employees does not depend on factors that make up the working day effect.

Hours worked covers total amount of hours actually worked; regular working hours and during overtime; hours during nights, Sundays or Public holidays. Unpaid work is also considered.

Distribution of the aggregation weights by NACE classification is presented in the following table:

NACE	Turnover	Employment	Wages and Salaries	Hours worked
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Wholesale and retail; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	59.8	35.4	30.2	33.4
Motor trade	3.3	3.5	2.4	2.8
Wholesale trade	34.9	12.5	15.1	14.8
Retail trade	21.6	19.4	12.8	15.9
Food	7.3	5.2	3.2	4.1
Non-food	14.3	14.2	9.6	11.8
Transportation and storage	10.4	11.2	17.8	13.0
Accommodation and food service activities	7.2	19.1	15.4	18.8
Information and communication	7.6	7.2	11.9	8.8
Real estate activities	2.2	1.7	1.2	1.3
Professional, scientific and technical activities	6.3	10.9	10.8	9.0
Administrative and support services activities	6.5	14.5	12.7	15.7

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