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Provisional data indicate that the industrial producer price index in September 2016 decreased by 0.02 per cent when compared to the corresponding month in previous year.

Industrial Producer Price Indices: September 2016

Cut-off date:
24 October 2016

Annual comparison

During the month of September, the industrial producer price index went down by 0.02 per cent when compared to 2015. This was due to a decrease of 1.28 per cent in the prices within consumer goods but mitigated by increases within intermediate goods (0.74 per cent) and capital goods (0.52 per cent). No price changes occurred in the energy sector.

Producer prices for the domestic market increased by 0.45 per cent. Price increases were recorded in consumer goods (1.13 per cent), capital goods (0.43 per cent) and intermediate goods (0.03 per cent).

Non-domestic prices decreased by 0.35 per cent due to a drop of 1.33 per cent within the euro area. Prices for the non-euro area rose by 0.23 per cent (Table 2).

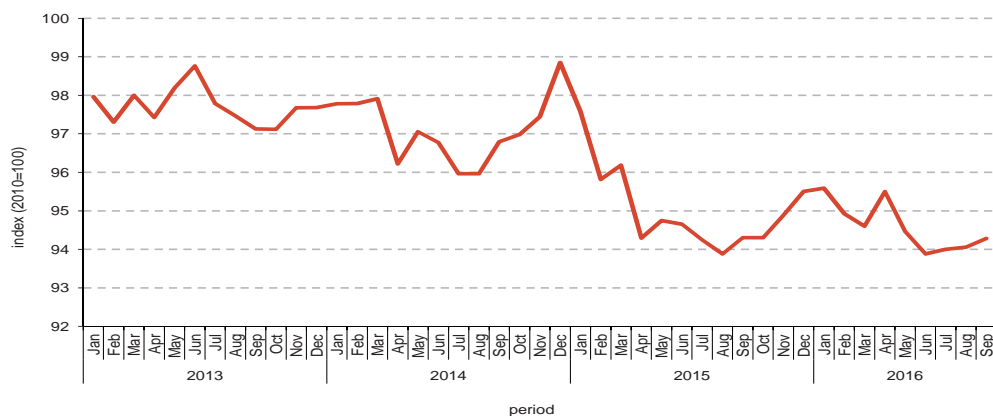
Monthly comparison

During September the producer price index for total industry increased by 0.24 per cent mainly due to an increase in the prices of intermediate goods (0.53 per cent) and consumer goods (0.01 per cent). No changes were registered in the prices for the energy and capital goods groupings.

Domestic market prices dropped by 0.02 per cent due to a fall of 0.10 per cent within intermediate goods. No changes were registered in the other categories, except for an increase of 0.02 per cent within consumer goods.

Prices for the non-domestic market increased by 0.42 per cent. This was due to a rise of 0.29 per cent in the prices within the euro area and of 0.49 per cent within the non-euro area (Table 3) ■

Chart 1. Industrial producer prices for total industry



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Table 1. Industrial producer price indices by period and main industrial grouping
(2010=100)

Flow - Main industrial grouping	Sep 12	Sep 13	Sep 14	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16
TOTAL	102.39	97.13	96.79	94.30	94.30	94.88	95.50	95.59	94.93	94.60	95.50	94.47	93.88	94.00	94.06	94.28
Intermediate goods	100.31	89.93	91.16	88.31	88.33	88.89	90.17	90.27	88.81	88.25	90.58	88.38	88.13	88.35	88.51	88.97
Energy	100.22	100.22	93.22	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15
Capital goods	101.20	101.30	102.83	104.99	105.03	105.03	105.03	105.53	105.53	105.53	105.37	105.37	105.37	105.53	105.53	105.53
Consumer goods	107.35	106.14	105.60	106.94	106.89	108.00	108.05	108.00	108.09	107.90	107.22	107.27	105.60	105.61	105.56	105.57
Durable consumer goods	113.99	116.71	118.04	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	127.37	106.93	106.93	106.93	106.93
Non-durable consumer goods	106.65	105.03	104.30	104.80	104.74	105.97	106.02	105.97	106.07	105.86	105.10	105.16	105.46	105.47	105.42	105.43
DOMESTIC	105.27	105.26	103.62	100.10	100.08	100.39	100.46	100.71	100.65	100.70	100.51	100.52	100.55	100.59	100.56	100.54
Intermediate goods	110.28	108.21	108.73	110.05	110.01	110.74	110.43	110.71	110.39	110.39	110.39	110.39	110.19	110.19	110.19	110.08
Energy	100.22	100.22	93.22	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15	80.15
Capital goods	102.16	101.43	104.97	109.80	109.80	109.80	109.80	110.27	110.27	110.27	109.80	109.80	109.80	110.27	110.27	110.27
Consumer goods	107.80	109.68	110.60	111.46	111.43	111.85	112.34	112.77	112.84	112.98	112.51	112.57	112.82	112.80	112.70	112.73
Durable consumer goods	106.15	105.23	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22	107.22
Non-durable consumer goods	108.08	110.44	111.17	112.19	112.14	112.64	113.22	113.72	113.80	113.96	113.41	113.48	113.77	113.75	113.64	113.67
NON-DOMESTIC	100.54	91.92	92.42	90.64	90.64	91.40	92.36	92.34	91.30	90.74	92.33	90.63	89.65	89.82	89.94	90.32
Intermediate goods	97.71	85.15	86.57	82.79	82.82	83.33	85.02	85.07	83.33	82.61	85.55	82.78	82.52	82.79	82.99	83.60
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	100.67	101.22	101.67	102.50	102.55	102.55	102.55	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08	103.08
Consumer goods	107.02	103.52	101.92	103.61	103.54	105.17	104.89	104.48	104.60	104.16	103.31	103.37	100.28	100.32	100.30	100.31
Durable consumer goods	128.52	138.01	138.08	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	164.71	106.37	106.37	106.37	106.37
Non-durable consumer goods	105.70	101.40	99.70	99.87	99.79	101.52	101.22	100.79	100.91	100.45	99.55	99.60	99.91	99.94	99.93	99.93
NON-DOMESTIC EURO AREA	101.40	97.95	98.91	97.30	97.32	97.55	98.32	98.41	97.63	97.55	98.46	97.19	95.51	95.64	95.73	96.00
Intermediate goods	98.25	86.99	88.25	84.74	84.77	85.23	86.71	86.76	85.25	85.09	87.72	85.28	85.05	85.29	85.46	86.00
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	100.80	101.65	102.05	102.78	102.80	102.80	102.80	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49	103.49
Consumer goods	109.18	118.60	119.50	119.59	119.59	119.59	119.59	119.13	119.13	119.13	117.15	117.15	110.32	110.32	110.32	110.32
Durable consumer goods	128.54	138.37	138.37	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	165.55	106.02	106.02	106.02	106.02
Non-durable consumer goods	106.68	116.04	117.06	113.64	113.64	113.64	113.64	113.12	113.12	113.12	110.88	110.88	110.88	110.88	110.88	110.88
NON-DOMESTIC NON-EURO AREA	100.08	88.73	88.99	87.12	87.12	88.14	89.22	89.13	87.95	87.15	89.09	87.17	86.55	86.75	86.89	87.32
Intermediate goods	97.49	84.39	85.88	81.99	82.02	82.56	84.33	84.38	82.54	81.61	84.66	81.76	81.49	81.77	81.98	82.62
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	100.26	99.89	100.51	101.61	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.80	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.78	101.78
Consumer goods	106.10	97.17	94.51	96.88	96.78	99.10	98.70	98.31	98.47	97.85	97.49	97.56	96.06	96.10	96.08	96.09
Durable consumer goods	128.49	137.50	137.66	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	163.52	106.88	106.88	106.88	106.88
Non-durable consumer goods	105.32	95.75	93.00	94.55	94.44	96.84	96.43	96.03	96.20	95.55	95.17	95.25	95.68	95.72	95.71	95.71

Table 2. Annual variation of flows by period and main industrial grouping

(% change over corresponding month in previous year)

Flow - Main industrial grouping	Sep 12	Sep 13	Sep 14	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16
TOTAL	-1.88	-5.14	-0.35	-2.57	-2.77	-2.62	-3.39	-2.05	-0.93	-1.64	1.28	-0.29	-0.82	-0.26	0.19	-0.02
Intermediate goods	-4.19	-10.35	1.37	-3.12	-3.46	-3.77	-4.70	-1.63	1.26	0.00	3.07	-0.78	-0.86	0.18	1.45	0.74
Energy	0.00	0.00	-6.99	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital goods	1.01	0.10	1.52	2.10	2.13	2.15	2.10	1.74	1.24	1.04	0.63	0.59	0.59	0.71	0.91	0.52
Consumer goods	0.04	-1.13	-0.50	1.27	1.13	2.03	0.92	0.87	0.66	0.19	-0.48	-0.05	-1.58	-1.32	-1.72	-1.28
Durable consumer goods	0.00	2.39	1.13	7.91	7.91	7.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-16.05	-16.05	-16.05	-16.05
Non-durable consumer goods	0.04	-1.52	-0.69	0.48	0.32	1.34	1.03	0.98	0.75	0.21	-0.55	-0.06	0.26	0.56	0.10	0.60
DOMESTIC	2.88	-0.01	-1.56	-3.40	-3.33	-3.00	-2.91	-3.04	-3.26	-3.35	0.87	0.81	0.89	0.89	1.00	0.45
Intermediate goods	4.54	-1.87	0.48	1.21	1.67	2.78	2.60	2.45	1.78	1.51	1.54	1.38	1.29	1.28	1.67	0.03
Energy	0.00	0.00	-6.99	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	-14.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital goods	2.89	-0.72	3.49	4.59	4.59	4.59	4.59	2.78	1.53	1.10	0.66	0.66	0.66	1.10	1.53	0.43
Consumer goods	4.60	1.74	0.83	0.78	0.65	0.76	1.20	1.40	1.45	1.52	1.11	1.08	1.36	1.25	1.13	1.13
Durable consumer goods	0.00	-0.87	1.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	5.40	2.18	0.66	0.92	0.76	0.88	1.40	1.62	1.69	1.76	1.29	1.25	1.58	1.45	1.31	1.32
NON-DOMESTIC	-4.83	-8.57	0.54	-1.93	-2.32	-2.31	-3.68	-1.30	0.76	-0.41	1.56	-1.06	-2.00	-1.07	-0.38	-0.35
Intermediate goods	-6.49	-12.86	1.67	-4.37	-4.95	-5.69	-6.79	-2.78	1.08	-0.50	3.59	-1.49	-1.57	-0.19	1.37	0.99
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	0.00	0.55	0.44	0.81	0.86	0.89	0.81	1.26	1.08	1.02	0.62	0.55	0.55	0.49	0.56	0.56
Consumer goods	-3.10	-3.27	-1.55	1.67	1.51	3.06	0.70	0.47	0.04	-0.84	-1.73	-0.95	-3.88	-3.35	-3.95	-3.19
Durable consumer goods	0.00	7.38	0.05	19.29	19.29	19.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-35.42	-35.42	-35.42	-35.42
Non-durable consumer goods	-3.33	-4.06	-1.68	0.17	0.00	1.68	0.77	0.51	0.05	-0.93	-1.90	-1.04	-0.72	-0.11	-0.80	0.07
NON-DOMESTIC EURO AREA	-2.92	-3.41	0.98	-1.63	-1.90	-2.20	-3.39	-1.50	-0.02	-0.38	1.30	-0.68	-2.32	-1.80	-1.20	-1.33
Intermediate goods	-5.97	-11.46	1.45	-3.98	-4.56	-5.20	-6.18	-2.42	0.94	0.13	3.71	-0.67	-0.73	0.46	1.81	1.48
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	-0.14	0.85	0.39	0.72	0.74	0.80	0.77	1.07	0.90	0.88	0.76	0.74	0.68	0.66	0.69	0.69
Consumer goods	0.87	8.63	0.76	0.08	0.08	0.08	-2.47	-2.37	-2.37	-2.37	-2.04	-2.04	-7.75	-7.75	-7.75	-7.75
Durable consumer goods	0.00	7.64	0.00	19.64	19.64	19.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-35.96	-35.96	-35.96	-35.96
Non-durable consumer goods	1.01	8.78	0.88	-2.92	-2.92	-2.92	-2.92	-2.80	-2.80	-2.80	-2.43	-2.43	-2.43	-2.43	-2.43	-2.43
NON-DOMESTIC NON-EURO AREA	-5.82	-11.34	0.29	-2.11	-2.56	-2.37	-3.85	-1.19	1.22	-0.42	1.71	-1.28	-1.81	-0.64	0.10	0.23
Intermediate goods	-6.71	-13.43	1.76	-4.53	-5.12	-5.89	-7.04	-2.92	1.14	-0.76	3.53	-1.84	-1.92	-0.47	1.19	0.77
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	0.44	-0.37	0.61	1.10	1.23	1.20	0.94	1.89	1.65	1.43	0.18	-0.04	0.16	-0.05	0.18	0.17
Consumer goods	-4.73	-8.42	-2.73	2.51	2.28	4.65	2.40	1.98	1.32	-0.04	-1.57	-0.38	-1.89	-1.06	-2.00	-0.82
Durable consumer goods	0.00	7.01	0.12	18.78	18.78	18.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-34.64	-34.64	-34.64	-34.64
Non-durable consumer goods	-4.92	-9.08	-2.88	1.67	1.42	3.91	2.54	2.10	1.40	-0.05	-1.66	-0.40	0.07	0.97	-0.05	1.23

Note: The calculation of growth rates from the indices table may differ slightly from the published growth rates, due to rounding.

Table 3. Monthly variation of flows by period and main industrial grouping
(% change over previous month)

Flow - Main industrial grouping	Sep 12	Sep 13	Sep 14	Sep 15	Oct 15	Nov 15	Dec 15	Jan 16	Feb 16	Mar 16	Apr 16	May 16	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16
TOTAL	0.55	-0.34	0.86	0.45	0.00	0.62	0.66	0.09	-0.69	-0.34	0.95	-1.08	-0.62	0.13	0.06	0.24
Intermediate goods	1.30	-0.85	2.14	1.23	0.02	0.63	1.45	0.10	-1.61	-0.64	2.65	-2.44	-0.27	0.24	0.18	0.53
Energy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital goods	-0.11	-0.03	-0.04	0.39	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.00	-0.15	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00	0.00
Consumer goods	-0.14	0.11	-0.24	-0.43	-0.05	1.05	0.04	-0.05	0.09	-0.18	-0.64	0.05	-1.56	0.01	-0.05	0.01
Durable consumer goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-16.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.15	0.13	-0.27	-0.48	-0.06	1.18	0.05	-0.06	0.10	-0.20	-0.72	0.06	0.29	0.01	-0.05	0.01
DOMESTIC	0.37	-0.03	-0.12	0.54	-0.02	0.31	0.08	0.25	-0.06	0.04	-0.19	0.02	0.03	0.04	-0.03	-0.02
Intermediate goods	1.63	-0.15	-0.25	1.54	-0.03	0.66	-0.28	0.26	-0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.18	0.00	0.00	-0.10
Energy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Capital goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.00	0.00	-0.43	0.00	0.00	0.43	0.00	0.00
Consumer goods	-0.18	0.03	-0.17	0.02	-0.03	0.38	0.44	0.38	0.06	0.12	-0.42	0.05	0.22	-0.02	-0.09	0.02
Durable consumer goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.21	0.03	-0.20	0.02	-0.04	0.44	0.51	0.44	0.07	0.14	-0.48	0.06	0.26	-0.02	-0.10	0.03
NON-DOMESTIC	0.67	-0.57	1.59	0.39	0.01	0.83	1.06	-0.02	-1.13	-0.61	1.75	-1.84	-1.08	0.19	0.13	0.42
Intermediate goods	1.21	-1.08	2.95	1.13	0.04	0.62	2.03	0.05	-2.04	-0.86	3.55	-3.24	-0.31	0.32	0.24	0.74
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	-0.17	-0.04	-0.06	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consumer goods	-0.10	0.18	-0.30	-0.78	-0.07	1.57	-0.27	-0.39	0.11	-0.42	-0.81	0.05	-2.98	0.03	-0.01	0.00
Durable consumer goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-35.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.11	0.19	-0.33	-0.86	-0.08	1.73	-0.29	-0.43	0.12	-0.46	-0.90	0.06	0.31	0.03	-0.01	0.00
NON-DOMESTIC EURO AREA	0.40	-0.40	1.10	0.43	0.02	0.24	0.79	0.09	-0.79	-0.09	0.93	-1.28	-1.73	0.13	0.09	0.29
Intermediate goods	1.06	-0.94	2.54	0.96	0.04	0.53	1.74	0.05	-1.74	-0.19	3.09	-2.78	-0.26	0.28	0.20	0.63
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	-0.16	-0.01	-0.21	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consumer goods	-0.35	0.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.38	0.00	0.00	-1.67	0.00	-5.83	0.00	0.00	0.00
Durable consumer goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-35.96	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.40	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.46	0.00	0.00	-1.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NON-DOMESTIC NON-EURO AREA	0.82	-0.68	1.87	0.36	0.00	1.18	1.22	-0.09	-1.32	-0.92	2.23	-2.16	-0.70	0.23	0.16	0.49
Intermediate goods	1.27	-1.15	3.12	1.20	0.04	0.65	2.15	0.05	-2.17	-1.14	3.75	-3.43	-0.33	0.34	0.25	0.78
Energy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital goods	-0.22	-0.17	0.41	0.01	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.02	-0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consumer goods	0.00	0.21	-0.46	-1.18	-0.11	2.39	-0.40	-0.39	0.16	-0.63	-0.38	0.08	-1.54	0.04	-0.02	0.00
Durable consumer goods	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-34.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-durable consumer goods	0.00	0.22	-0.48	-1.25	-0.11	2.54	-0.42	-0.42	0.17	-0.67	-0.40	0.08	0.45	0.05	-0.02	0.00

Note: The calculation of growth rates from the indices table may differ slightly from the published growth rates, due to rounding.

Methodological Notes

1. The industrial producer price index monitors the changes in selling prices of all leading products within a sample of 83 large enterprises which account for over 80 per cent of the total industrial turnover.
2. The pricing point for the monthly price collection is the 15th day of the month or the nearest trading day prior to that date.
3. The methodologies and guidelines used are set by Eurostat and the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
4. For the purpose of calculating the euro area export figures, only transactions between enterprises in countries within the euro area are considered domestic. The euro area includes Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia (from 2011), Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia (from 2014), Lithuania (from 2015), Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Spain. Transactions among resident enterprises are considered "domestic".
5. The objective of Main Industrial Groupings (MIGs) is to provide an activity breakdown of industry using the internationally recognised classification of economic activities (NACE Rev. 2 Sections B, C, D and E) in terms of demand-based products: intermediate goods, energy, capital goods, durable consumer goods, and non-durable consumer goods. These regroup NACE Sections B to E and cover the following economic activities: quarrying, manufacturing, electricity and water.
6. Figures for the last three months are to be considered provisional and subject to revision. However, in exceptional cases, back data may also be revised.
7. The figures in this news release are unadjusted.
8. More information relating to this news release may be accessed at:

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