

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION SURVEY

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2.3. Metadata last update	28.09.2026
3. Statistical presentation	
3.1. Data description	The Industrial Products Survey – PRODCOM provides information on the production and sales of industrial products and services in the country, in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2019/2152 on European business statistics (EBS Regulation) and the implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1197 laying down the technical specifications and arrangements (general implementing act). The PRODCOM data are collected through the annual survey called the Industrial Products Survey.

3.2. Classification system	The PRODCOM survey is based on the PRODCOM List 2025, which is divided into “Classes” corresponding to the classes of NACE rev 2.1. Within the individual classes, the headings of the list are set out in ascending order of their PRODCOM codes. PRODCOM uses an eight-digit product code of the form XX.XX.XX.YY. The first four digits of the code correspond to the 4-digit classes of NACE Rev. 2.1. The first six digits are the Community Classification of Products by Activity (CPA) codes. The CPA provides a detailed listing of the characteristic products for each 4-digit NACE Rev. 2.1. economic activity. The last two digits provide a more detailed breakdown of the CPA classes into PRODCOM product headings. There is a direct link between the PRODCOM classification and the EU foreign trade Combined Nomenclature (CN). Each PRODCOM 8-digit heading covers one or more CN 8- digit headings. For the reference year 2025, the PRODCOM 2025 List has been applied, which includes changes in product codes and descriptions, as well as the transition to NACE Rev. 2.1 classification.
3.3. Sector coverage	PRODCOM survey covers all active enterprises in Albania which operate in Mining and quarrying and, sections B, C and E (division 38.21) of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Union (NACE Rev. 2.1).
3.4. Statistical concepts and definitions	The purpose of the statistics is to report, for each product in the PRODCOM list, how much industrial products and services has been produced in the reporting country during the reference period. This means that PRODCOM statistics relate to products (not to activities) and are therefore not strictly comparable with activity-based statistics such as Structural Business Statistics. The NACE codes on which PRODCOM codes are based on serve to identify the enterprises that should be surveyed in order to determine the amount of production of the product. The products: the PRODCOM list defines the products to be included in the survey. There are approximately 3800 headings representing manufactured products and some industrial services in the following NACE Rev.2.1 sections, also based on national needs: • 06 - Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas • 07 - Mining of metal ores • 08 - Other mining and quarrying • 10 - Manufacture of food products • 11 - Manufacture of beverages • 12 - Manufacture of tobacco products • 13 - Manufacture of textiles • 14 - Manufacture of wearing apparel • 15 - Manufacture of leather and related products of other materials • 16 - Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials • 17 - Manufacture of paper and paper products • 18 - Printing and reproduction of recorded media

	• 20 - Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products • 21 - Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations • 22 - Manufacture of rubber and plastic products • 23 - Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products • 24 - Manufacture of basic metals • 25 - Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment • 26 - Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products • 27 - Manufacture of electrical equipment • 28 - Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c. • 29 - Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers • 30 - Manufacture of other transport equipment • 31 – Manufacture of furniture • 32 - Other manufacturing • 33 - Repair, maintenance and installation of machinery and equipment • 38 - Waste collection, recovery and disposal activities (38.21 - Materials recovery services and secondary raw materials). The value and the volume of production: the value is expressed in national currency (ALL). The volume is expressed in a unit specified for each product. The volume/quantity unit: the measurement unit, such as kilograms, square metres etc. used to indicate the volume of goods produced. Variables: Actual production (in units of measurement as defined in the PRODCOM List) represents all production that was produced by the enterprise during the reference period, regardless of whether it was sold, stored in stocks, used for further processing or it was production under sub-contracted operations. Actual production is presented as quantity. Total production sold (in units of measurement as defined in the PRODCOM List) is the production that was sold (invoiced) by the enterprise during the reference period. It does not matter whether this production was actually produced during the reference period (it could have been, for example, the sale of stock). It includes the production of own industrial products, industrial services, as well as production under sub-contracted operations. Sales Value refers to the invoiced amount from the sale of industrial products during the reference year, excluding value added tax.
3.5. Statistical unit	All enterprises that are engaged in the production of industrial products within the territory of Albania, as identified by national statistical business register.
3.6. Statistical population	The survey population of the reference period shall be enterprises whose principal activity or one of its secondary activities is listed in section B, C or E of the classification of economic activities (NACE Rev.2.1). The survey covers

	all industrial units that are engaged in the production of industrial products and services. Enterprises with less than 20 employees are surveyed by selecting a representative sample, while enterprises with 20 or more employees are all surveyed.
3.7. Reference area	PRODCOM survey comprises all territory of Albania.
3.8. Time coverage	The observed period is 1 calendar year. PRODCOM is a new survey and its data have been collected only for internal use for 2018-2021 reference years. For 2022 reference year data were produced and published for the first time in accordance with the regulation and were transmitted for the first time to Eurostat.
3.9. Base period	Not applicable.
4. Unit of measure	
4.1. Unit of measure	Production is measured by value (in thousands of Albanian Lek, excluding VAT.) and by the volume (kg, m2, number of items, etc) that is appropriate for the product. Volumes: units of measure are specific for each product in PRODCOM List.
5. Reference period	
5.1. Reference period	The reference period for PRODCOM is the annual calendar period. This report refers to 2025.
6. Institutional mandate	
6.1. Legal acts and other agreements	The legal basis on which the “Industrial Products Survey” is based consists of: At national level: • National Statistical Law No.17/2018 on Official Statistics; • Official Statistics National Program 2022-2026; At EU level: • Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council EU regulation 2019/2152 on European business statistics (EBS); • EU implementing Regulation 2020/1197 on technical specifications and arrangements for European business statistics, as amended by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1840 of 27 June 2024 “...”; • EU Implementing regulation 2026/665 of 4 March 2026 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2552 as regards the technical specifications of data requirements for the detailed topic industrial production statistics establishing the industrial products classification breakdown. (PRODCOM List 2025).

6.2. Data sharing	PRODCOM Statistics have started to be transmitted to EUROSTAT and produced on national publication since reference year 2022.
7. Confidentiality	
7.1. Confidentiality - policy	Data collected by statistical units are considered strictly confidential and are used only for statistical and research purposes based on National Statistical Law No.17/2018 “On Official Statistics” , date 10.03.2018 and the Law No. 124/2024 on the Protection of Personal Data . Article 31 on Statistics Law reads as follows: Data collected for the production of official statistics shall be treated by INSTAT as confidential and shall be used only in aggregated tables that will not identify the source information unit. Direct identification means when a statistical unit is directly identified from its name or address or any officially allocated and commonly known identification number. When data processing is performed in such a way as to enable the data subject to be identified, the data must be coded immediately so that the entities are no longer recognized.
7.2. Confidentiality - data treatment	Albanian Institute of Statistics protects and does not disseminate data it has obtained or it has access to, which enables the direct or indirect identification of the statistical units. Albania Institute of Statistics takes all appropriate preventive measures so as to render impossible the identification of individual statistical units by technical or other means that might reasonably be used by a third party. Statistical data that could potentially enable the identification of the statistical unit is disseminated by the Albanian Institute of Statistics if and only if: a) These data have been treated, as it is specifically set out in the Regulation, in such a way that their dissemination does not prejudice statistical confidentiality or b) The statistical unit has given its consent, without any reservations, for the disclosure of data. The confidential data that are transmitted to Albania Institute of Statistics are used exclusively for statistical purposes and the only persons who have the right to have access to these data are the personnel engaged in this task. Issues referring to the observance of statistical confidentiality are examined by the staff working in Albanian Institute of Statistics. The responsibilities of this staff are to recommend on: which detailed level the statistical data can be disseminated, so as the identification, either directly or indirectly, of the surveyed statistical unit is not possible; the anonymization criteria for the microdata provided to users; the access granting to researchers on confidential data for scientific purposes.
8. Release policy	
8.1. Release calendar	Announcements about the dissemination of statistics are published in the release calendar, which is available on the website. The announcements and delays are pre-announced in this calendar. In the case of delays, the date of the next publication and the explanation of the reasons for the delays are specified.

8.2. Release calendar access	Access to the release calendar is granted through the following link: Publication Calendar
8.3. User access	In line with the article 34 of Law No.17/2018 “On Official Statistics” as amended, the INSTAT disseminates statistics on INSTAT website and other media for simultaneous access, respecting professional independence and in an objective, professional and transparent manner in which all users are treated equitably. The following dissemination channels are used to release the results of Structural Business Statistics (SME): • Website – online release; • Written requests, (by mail or email) • Publication Industrial Production Survey (PRODCOM); • Data request, session available for external users.
9. Frequency of dissemination	
9.1. Frequency of dissemination	The dissemination of PRODCOM is done on annual basis.
10. Accessibility and clarity	
10.1. News release	Press release for 2025 reference year will be published online on 28th of September at INSTATs website.
10.2. Publications	Press release is published online on 28 September 2026 at INSTATs website: Industrial Production Survey .
10.3. Online database	The data is available on the INSTAT’s website PRODCOM .
10.4. Micro-data access	Data bases at micro level are not published for PRODCOM. Data bases at micro level are not published due to confidentiality reasons. Aggregated data is the only type of data that is provided to external users. Even the micro data are not published they can be accessed based on the article 34, point 17 of the law No. 17/2018, “On official statistics”. Access to the microdata may be granted to scientific researchers for scientific research purposes, upon prior submission of an official request in accordance with INSTAT’s Regulation on Access to Microdata. Scientific researchers requesting access must submit an application form, clearly describe the purpose of the research and justify the need for access to the microdata. Applications are subject to an internal review process. If the application is approved, a data access agreement is signed by both parties, setting out the researcher’s responsibilities regarding data confidentiality, security and the appropriate use of the microdata. Access to anonymized microdata is granted for a specified period of time and in

	accordance with the conditions established in the regulation and the data access agreement.
10.5. Other	Users can submit specific requests for data through the INSTAT website: Industrial Production Survey (PRODCOM) .
10.6. Documentation on methodology	A short explanation related to the definitions of the main concepts and methodological explanations are provided to users in the end of press releases and publications. Additional support information is given to internal users when needed or required. Also the methodological notes are published at INSTAT's website as following: Industrial Production Survey (PRODCOM) .
10.7. Quality documentation	The unit responsible for PRODCOM statistics has documented the work process and procedure for internal purposes.
11. Quality management	
11.1. Quality assurance	INSTAT is committed to ensure the highest quality with respect to the compilation of statistical information. In accordance with the Statistics Law no. 17/2018 "On Official Statistics" , INSTAT uses statistical methods and processes in compliance with internationally recognized scientific principles and standards, and conduct ongoing analyses of the statistics with a view to quality improvements and ensure that statistics are as up-to-date. In performing its tasks it follows the general principles of quality management from the European Statistics Code of Practice . INSTAT declares that it takes into account the following principles: impartiality, quality of processes and products, user orientation, employee orientation, effectiveness of statistical processes, reducing the workload for respondents.
11.2. Quality assessment	PRODCOM data is compared with previous year's data and checked for any large changes in the data, especially due to large deviations in the main variables concerned. When available the data is checked with an administrative source or other surveys for confirmation.
12. Relevance	
12.1. User needs	The main users of PRODCOM statistical data include policy makers, research institutes, industry and trade associations, media, and students. Institutional users and policy makers, such as government ministries and Eurostat, utilize this data for macroeconomic planning and formulating industrial policies. Research institutes, business consultants, and academia analyze the figures to conduct in-depth market research, study industrial performance, and evaluate economic competitiveness. Meanwhile, media outlets and students rely on the

	data for public dissemination, reporting on industrial growth trends, and academic research.
12.2. User satisfaction	INSTAT organizes an annual survey that measures user satisfaction. The results can be accessed in the User Satisfaction Survey .
12.3. Completeness	The completeness of the PRODCOM Statistics data for 2025 is judged by comparing the quality and quantity of indicators covered in INSTAT with those of the Official Statistics National Program 2022-2026. The degree of completeness of the data for PRODCOM Statistics is 100 % for 2025.
13. Accuracy and reliability	
13.1. Overall accuracy	Overall, the data is checked with previous years to identify any significant changes in the data. Such queries are confirmed with financial statements or with an administrative source when available. When these are not available, INSTAT corrects or confirms the data using emails or by calling the respondents. Measures taken by INSTAT each year, to increase response rates or to reduce the impact of nonresponse by imputing them are as follow: • The data are collected directly from the enterprise; • The information is gathered through face-to-face interviews conducted by interviewers, based on the guidelines prepared for this purpose; • The interview staff are trained on how to behave ethically in cases where respondents refuse to participate; • Due to the lack of an address system, it is often difficult for interviewers to locate the enterprise. For this reason, INSTAT staff contact the responsible person for completing the survey via email or telephone to obtain further information about the location as well as the date and time of the appointment; • Priority is given to large enterprises. When such enterprises refuse to respond to interviewers, an official request is sent to the company's president, signed by the Director General of INSTAT; • An official request is also sent to other enterprises that agree to respond only if they are formally asked for the information; • Enterprises are invited to contact the central offices of INSTAT in case of questions, and a qualified staff member is always available to answer inquiries addressed by enterprises.
13.2. Sampling error	The error due to probability sampling is estimated for the sales value indicator and are presented in Annex.1.
13.3. Non-sampling error	Unit non-response takes in consideration enterprises that are unable or unwilling to give the answers, when interviewers are unable to find the enterprises address, when other barriers exist to complete the interview, or when it is not possible to obtain information from other administrative sources about the enterprise.

	The unit non-response rate for PRODCOM 2025 is 17.24%. Item non-response indicator is irrelevant for the PRODCOM questionnaire; the statistical questionnaire is designed so that the case of item non-response is classified as unit non response. Imputation rate for PRODCOM 2025 is 11.23 %.								
14. Timeliness and punctuality									
14.1. Timeliness	PRODCOM data for 2025 reference year are transmitted to Eurostat in June 2025. The results of Industrial Products Statistics are published on the INSTAT website, 271 days after the end of the reference period. Industrial Products Statistics for 2025 reference was published on our website on 28th of September 2026. <table> <tr> <td>Reference period</td><td>31/12/2025</td></tr> <tr> <td>Date of publication</td><td>28/09/2026</td></tr> <tr> <td>Timeliness</td><td>271</td></tr> </table>	Reference period	31/12/2025	Date of publication	28/09/2026	Timeliness	271		
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15. Coherence and comparability									
15.1. Comparability - geographical	Not applicable.								
15.2. Comparability - over time	The information is comparable over the years.								
15.3. Coherence - cross domain	Cross-checks are made between PRODCOM, SBS and external trade at micro level. The cases with spotted differences are further analysed and, if necessary, corrected as well.								
15.4. Coherence - internal	The internal consistency of the data is checked before it is finalised. PRODCOM statistics are internally coherent by their nature. The survey is based on the Nomenclature of Industrial Production (identical to the Prodcom list) which defines the products to be included in the survey. Data on these products are obtained by surveying producer enterprises and after that aggregated at the product level (8-digit code). Microdata aggregation can also be made at the 6-								

	digit level of product subcategories of the Classification of Products by Economic Activities (CPA).
16. Cost and burden	
16.1. Cost and burden	Persons working for PRODCOM are: • Total staff in Central Office: 2 employees. Supported by: Regional staff for data collection, IT staff responsible for application development, methodological staff for sample design and weighting procedure.
17. Data revision	
17.1. Data revision - policy	Revision policy of PRODCOM is done in accordance with general revision policy and errors treatment policy introduced by INSTAT. • Statistical revision policy; • The Errors Treatment Policy. The accuracy of the published data may increase as a result of the changes made possible by the provision of more complete and qualitative new data, which contribute to the improvement of the results, published according to the deadlines set in the publication calendar.
17.2. Data revision-practise	PRODCOM does general revisions on the data due to: • Changes in methodology; • Revision of weights (new and/or improved data sources, corrections of errors). PRODCOM tries to follow the standard guidelines and principles in the revisions done in collaboration with technical assistance. All the revisions are made transparent to the users and are part of each publication. Based on Eurostat's methodology manual for PRODCOM statistics, PRODCOM data may be revised following publication, in the event of receiving more complete information from enterprises, correcting reporting errors, or identifying discrepancies during the validation process up to 24 months after the reference period. Planned revisions for datasets sent to Eurostat: T+12, T+18, T+24. In case of unplanned revisions, the main reasons and the actions taken to prevent the need for such revisions in the future shall be described.
18. Statistical processing	
18.1. Source data	Survey is the only source of data collection. The basis of the selection is the

	updated register of enterprises, which were active during the reference year and operate in Mining and quarrying and Manufacturing, respectively sections B, C and E (division 38) of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Union (NACE Rev. 2.1). The enterprises with less than 20 employees are surveyed by selecting a representative sample while with 20 or more employees are all surveyed.
18.2. Frequency of data collection	The data are collected on an annual basis.
18.3. Data collection	PRODCOM has been collected through face to face interview by printed questionnaires for the 2018-2021 reference years. The necessary software and procedures for manual entry were prepared prior to data collection. All data are integrated in a single database after data entry and controls done. For 2022 reference year and ongoing PRODCOM is collected by face to face interview by electronic questionnaires (on laptops). After the data collection the IT staff made the dataset available to the sector in Excel format.
18.4. Data validation	The data validation contains: • Validity of each attribute collected within the questionnaire; • Logical checks between indicators inside the questionnaire; • Comparison over time (previous year); • Cross-survey checks (SBS, International Trade); • Comparison between enterprises belonging to the same category; • Comparison with administrative sources such as the Income Tax and VAT database.
18.5. Data compilation	For the data compilation there are three basic procedures: 1. Quality of data There are applied some rules for analysing quality of data: • Mathematic control of the questionnaire; • Logic control of the questionnaire's data; • Comparison of time series data (previous year data); • Comparison of data with balance sheet file; • Analyse of huge deviations from average. 2. Treatment of non-response Not responding units are imputed. Estimation for non-response is based on the results of the unit responded in previous period(s) or related enterprises. The estimate is based on SBS data or Income Tax database. 3. Re-weighting procedure For the untreated part the re-weighing method is used. Programs in SAS

	Software, Macro Clan are used for re-weighting and data estimation. The estimation is done according to the traditional Horvitz-Thompson method (also known as the π evaluator), which is applied from the design stage of SRS.			
18.6. Adjustment	Not applicable. No seasonal adjustments are made to the PRODCOM data.			
19. Comments				
Annex	Section	pTValue2026	sTValue2026	Coefficient of Variation
	B	51661987	1082409	2%
	C	320047512	5753760	4%