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Short Term Statistics

Services - Third Quarter, 2017

Tirana, 14 December: Services main quarterly indicators, which include the economic activities: Trade, Transport and storage, Hotels, Information and communication, Architectural and engineering activities, Travel agency, in the third quarter 2017 (base year 2010=100), are presented as below:

Trade

Trade main quarterly indicators, which include: Wholesale and retail sale of motor vehicles and repair of motor vehicles, Wholesale trade, in the third quarter 2017, are prestented as belows:

- Turnover volume index increased by 1.2 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted decreased by 0.2 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index decreased by 4.8 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- Wages index decreased by 1.8 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.

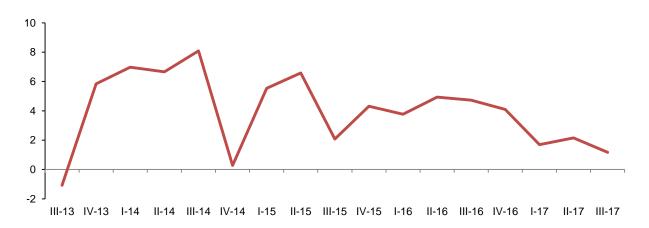


Fig. 1 Annual changes Turnover volum index, Trade (%)

Transport and storage

Transport and storage main quarterly indicators, which include: Rail transport of goods, sea transport, air transport, storage and post activity, in the third quarter 2017, are prestented as belows:

- Turnover volume index increased by 4.5 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted decreased by 2.6 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index increased by 6.3 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- Wages index increased by 8.3 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.

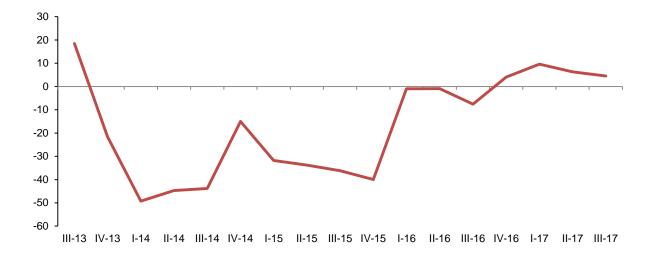


Fig.2 Annual changes in Turnover volum index, Transportation and storage activities (%)

Hotels

Hotels main quarterly indicators, in the third quarter 2017, are prestented as belows:

- Turnover volume index increased by 17.2 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted increased by 2.5 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index increased by 3.3 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- Wages index increased by 13.2 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.

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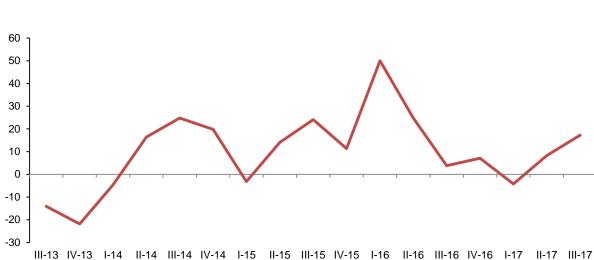


Fig. 3 Annual changes in Turnover volum index, Hotels (%)

Information and communication

Information and communication main quarterly indicators, which include: Publishing activities, Telecommunications and computer programming, Consultancy and related activities, in the third quarter 2017, are prestented as belows :

- Turnover volume index decreased by 2.2 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted increased by 3.3 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index increased by 1.2 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- The wages index increased 4.8 % compared with the same period of the previous year.

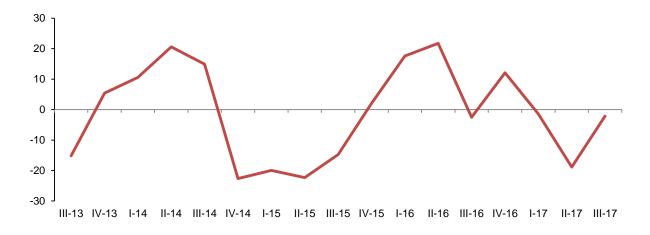


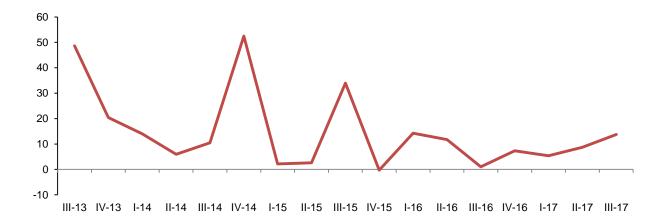
Fig. 4 Annual changes in Turnover volum index, Information and comunication activities (%)

Architectural and engineering activities

Architectural and engineering activities main quarterly indicators, which include: Architectural and engineering activities, technical testing and analysis, in the third quarter 2017, are prestented as belows:

- Turnover volume index increased by 13.8 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted increased by 4.9 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index increased by 7 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- Wages index increased by 20.8 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.

Fig. 5 Annual changes inTurnover volum index, Architectural and engineering activities (%)

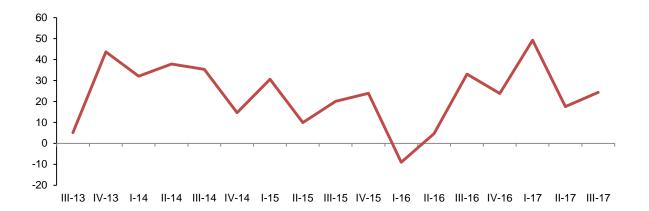


Travel agency

Travel agency main quarterly indicators, in the third quarter 2017 are prestented as belows :

- Turnover volume index increased by 24.4 %, compared with the third quarter 2016. This indicator seasonally adjusted increased by 19.4 %, compared with the previous quarter.
- The number of employees' index increased by 18.4 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.
- Wages index increased by 10 %, compared with the same period of the previous year.





Tab. 1 Turnover volume index, Services (2010=100)

| NACE Rev.2 | | Economic estivity | Seasonally undjusted | | Seasonally adjusted | |
|------------|------------|---|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Section | Division | Economic activity | Tr.III 2017 (2010=100) | III.17 / III.16 (%) _ | Tr.III 2017 (2010=100) | III.17 / II.17 (%) |
| G | 45+46 | Trade | 145.6 | 1.2 | 138.6 | -0.2 |
| н | 49-53 | Transport and storage | 51.8 | 4.5 | 44.0 | -2.6 |
| I | 55.1 | Hotels | 196.7 | 17.2 | 166.9 | 2.5 |
| J | 58. 61. 62 | Information and communication | 88.3 | -2.2 | 91.7 | 3.3 |
| М | 71 | Architectural and engineering activities | 124.6 | 13.8 | 143.6 | 4.9 |
| N | 79 | Travel agency | 258.7 | 24.4 | 244.3 | 19.4 |

Tab.2 Number of employees and wages index, Services (2010=100)

| NACE Rev.2 | | | Number of employees | | Wages | |
|------------|------------|--|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Section | Division | Economic activity | Tr.III 2017 (2010=100) | III.17 / III.16 (%) | Tr.III 2017 (2010=100) | III.17 / III.17 (%) |
| G | 45+46 | Trade | 202.5 | -4.8 | 205.6 | -1.8 |
| н | 49-53 | Transport and storage | 110.3 | 6.3 | 90.2 | 8.3 |
| I | 55.1 | Hotels | 153.1 | 3.3 | 174.0 | 13.2 |
| J | 58. 61. 62 | Information and communication | 102.1 | 1.2 | 133.5 | -4.8 |
| М | 71 | Architectural and engineering activities | 153.8 | 7.0 | 212.6 | 20.8 |
| N | 79 | Travel agency | 326.4 | 18.4 | 391.0 | 10.0 |

Methodological elucidations

Information on the observation

Services

Purpose – The short term statistics shows the trend of economic development of a country in quarterly periods. by which the police makers can develop a short term plan for the further development of the country. The development of the main indicators such as; industrial production turnover. number of employees and wages in time series are described by this publication.

Coverage- based on main economic activity the main activities covered in the STS survey for services is as following:

- Total sale and repair of motor vehicles (45) and Wholesale (46)
- Transportation and Storage (is included and the Postal and courier activities) (49-53)
- Accommodation and Food Services. Hotels (55.1)
- Information and Communication (58. 61. 62)
- Architectural and Engineering activities (71)
- Administrative Services and ancillary activities Travel Agencies (79)

Model and data collection - The enterprises are selected from the Statistical Register of Enterprises. The enterprises with 1-9 employees are surveyed by sample survey. whereas the enterprises with 10 and more employees are surveyed exhaustively. The data are collected directly from enterprises with face to face interview through interviewers. The questionnaire is filled from the interviewers.

Indicators – The indicators are given in Index form. The quarterly changes are given in percentage; whereas the annual changes are given in percentage with reference to the base yearn actually 2010=100. The data do not present absolute values.

Indexes – The indexes show the changes in time of a given variable. or of a group of variables. The Index Volume is calculated through the Laspeyres Formula. In order to avoid the prices impact the indices are deflated with the proper price index by activities. Transport with implicit price index calculated. etc.

The annual and quarterly changes in percentage – The annual change measures in percentage the change of economic indicators of the actual quarter compared with the same quarter of the previous year. The quarterly change in percentage it measures in percentage the change of economic indicators of the actual quarter against compared with the previous quarter of the same year.

Revision – Indexes may be revised due to several reasons: additional information. the methodological changes. or re-evaluation of the used coefficients etc.

Definition of the main indicators

Turnover is the total amount realized by enterprises during the month from the selling of goods. selling of own products and services excluded VAT.

Number of persons working includes all persons who actually work in the observed unit. There are included owners and co-owners and family members that helps in the activity and employees in the end of the quarter.

Employment index – shows the evolution of employment in observation unit.

Wages and salaries – are defined as the total remunerations. in cash or in kind payable to all persons counted on the payrolls in return for work done during the accounting period.

Index of wages and salaries – the gross wages and salaries index approximates the development of the wages and salaries bill.

Seasonal adjustment

Seasonal adjustment of quarterly time series of producer of materials goods is done by using JDemetra+ 2.1 version software. The chosen model for the decomposition of time series is X-12 ARIMA. under specification X-13. the span of time series is from 2005 to 2017. X-12 ARIMA model is totally based in moving average. In all time series is applied the multiplicative decomposition and the direct approach. During the process of seasonal adjustment are treated even the special case occurred during the time series span. identified by software as outlier.