

CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTION INDICES IN AUGUST 2017^{1,2}

According to the preliminary data, in August 2017 the index of production in section 'Construction' calculated on the base of seasonally adjusted data³ was 0.9% above the level of the previous month (Table 2).

In August 2017 working day adjusted data⁴ showed an increase by 9.0% in the construction production, compared to the same month of 2016 (Table 4).

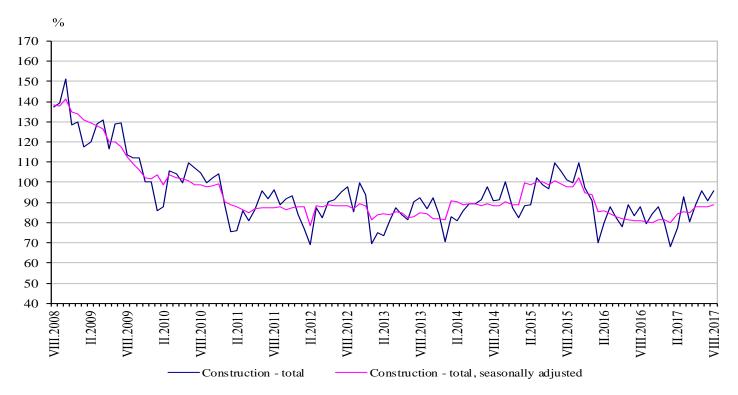


Figure 1. Construction Production Indices (2010 = 100)

¹ Data for August 2017 are preliminary.

³ Seasonal adjustment is a statistical method which eliminates the seasonal component of time series.

² The monthly indices show the short-term changes in the construction production between two comparable periods. This information can be used to analyse the current state of the construction activity in the country, as well as short-term forecast for its future development. The indices are calculated on the base of information on hours worked in the construction. The data are collected with monthly sample survey, which includes construction enterprises, which production exceeds 75% of the total production in construction. Construction Indices are calculated on the base 2010 = 100.

⁴ Working day adjustment is an adjustment for variations in monthly data, caused by calendar effects, different number of calendar and working days in the months, national holidays and outliers (for example the presence of more non-working days in May could contribute to the decline in the production in some activities).



Monthly changes

In August 2017 the construction production, calculated from the seasonally adjusted data, was above the level of the previous month. Index of production of building construction rose by 1.4% and the production of civil engineering - by 0.2% (Table 2).

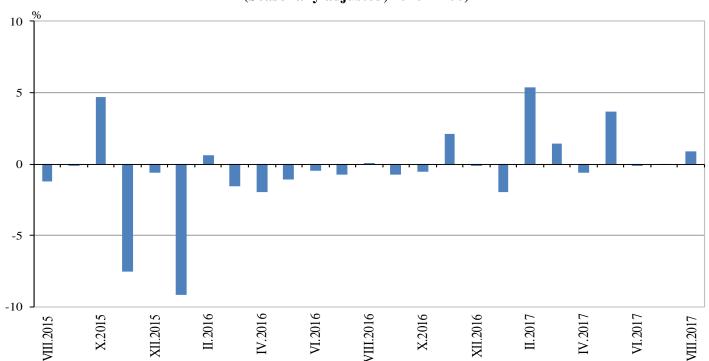


Figure 2. Changes of the Construction Production Indices compared to the previous month (Seasonally adjusted, 2010 = 100)

1. Construction Production Indices (Seasonally adjusted, 2010 = 100)

| | | | 2016 | | | 2017 | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| | VIII | IX | Х | XI | XII | Ι | Π | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | |
| Construction - total | 81.0 | 80.4 | 80.0 | 81.7 | 81.6 | 80.0 | 84.3 | 85.5 | 85.0 | 88.1 | 88.0 | 88.0 | 88.8 | |
| Building construction | 78.0 | 79.0 | 79.2 | 80.3 | 81.0 | 77.8 | 85.3 | 86.1 | 85.1 | 88.7 | 89.4 | 90.0 | 91.2 | |
| Civil engineering | 84.8 | 82.2 | 81.0 | 83.4 | 82.3 | 82.7 | 83.2 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 87.4 | 86.4 | 85.6 | 85.7 | |



| | | | | | | | | | | | | (Pe | er cent) | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|----------|--|
| | | | 2016 | | | 2017 | | | | | | | | |
| | VIII | IX | X | XI | XII | Ι | II | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | |
| Construction - total | 0.0 | -0.7 | -0.5 | 2.1 | -0.1 | -1.9 | 5.4 | 1.4 | -0.6 | 3.7 | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.9 | |
| Building construction | 1.0 | 1.3 | 0.3 | 1.4 | 0.9 | -4.0 | 9.6 | 1.0 | -1.2 | 4.2 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1.4 | |
| Civil engineering | -1.1 | -3.0 | -1.5 | 3.0 | -1.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.9 | 0.0 | 3.0 | -1.1 | -0.9 | 0.2 | |
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2. Changes of the Construction Production Indices compared to the previous month¹

¹Seasonally adjusted.

Annual changes

On an annual basis in August 2017, the increase of production in construction, calculated from working day adjusted data, was determined from the positive rate in the building construction, where the growth was by 16.9% and the civil engineering - by 0.1% (Table 4).

3. Construction Production Indices (Working day adjusted, 2010 = 100)

| | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | | | | | | 2017 | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | VIII | VIII | VIII | IX | X | XI | XII | Ι | Π | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII | | |
| Construction - total | 93.5 | 103.0 | 86.2 | 80.4 | 86.2 | 86.6 | 78.7 | 66.7 | 78.0 | 91.4 | 83.7 | 88.2 | 94.7 | 92.9 | 93.9 | | |
| Building construction | 89.2 | 96.9 | 82.3 | 77.4 | 83.3 | 83.9 | 77.1 | 64.8 | 78.9 | 91.8 | 84.4 | 89.1 | 95.4 | 95.0 | 96.2 | | |
| Civil engineering | 98.7 | 110.5 | 91.0 | 84.2 | 89.8 | 89.9 | 80.6 | 69.2 | 76.8 | 91.0 | 82.9 | 87.2 | 93.8 | 90.3 | 91.1 | | |



| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | (Pe | er cent) |
|-----------------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------|
| | 2014 | 2015 | | | 2016 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | VIII | VIII | VIII | IX | X | XI | XII | Ι | Π | III | IV | V | VI | VII | VIII |
| Construction - total | 0.9 | 10.2 | -16.3 | -17.8 | -21.6 | -11.7 | -10.9 | -8.0 | -0.1 | 5.3 | 2.1 | 11.9 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 9.0 |
| Building construction | -5.5 | 8.6 | -15.1 | -13.2 | -22.4 | -9.3 | -5.1 | -5.3 | 9.5 | 11.9 | 8.7 | 19.2 | 14.9 | 16.1 | 16.9 |
| Civil engineering | 9.2 | 12.0 | -17.6 | -22.5 | -20.7 | -14.4 | -16.9 | -11.0 | -10.2 | -2.1 | -5.1 | 3.8 | 0.5 | -1.0 | 0.1 |

4. Changes of the Construction Production Indices compared to the same month of the previous year¹

Working day adjusted.