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Evolution of main short term indicators in November 2006 and during 1.I. – 30.XI.2006

I. Syntheses of main economic indicators in November and during 1.I. – 30.XI.2006

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	Novembe	1.I - 30.XI.2006	
	as against:		as against
	October	November	1.I - 30.XI.2005
	2006	2005	
Industrial production – total (unadjusted series)	99,2	107.4	107.4
- of which:			
Mining and quarrying	101.3	99.3	102.9
Manufacturing	98.2	108.8	108.1
Electric and thermal energy	111.7	101.1	104.9
Labour productivity in industry	99.6	110.6	111.1
Turnover - industry - total	104.6	109.4	106.1
Construction works	96.5	121.2	118.6
Turnover- retail trade 1)	102.9	122.3	124.7
Turnover – trade with motor vehicles ²⁾	103.5	111.6	117.4
FOB Exports of goods	109.0	120.9	116.7
CIF Imports of goods	105.2	123.1	124.5
Commercial deficit (FOB/CIF balance)	99.9	126.5	142.2
Turnover – market services for the population	87.9	127.9	112.0

Growth rates for main indicators in November 2006 as against November 2005 decreased for most of indicators in comparison with those registered in October 2006 as against the same month of 2005. It should be however mentioned the rise of growth rate for export of goods from 16.0% in October. to 20.9% in November and the fall of growth rate for import from 26.1% to

¹⁾ Except trade with motor vehicles and motorcycles.

²⁾ Comprise: wholesale and retail trade, maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, retail trade of fuel for motor vehicles.

23.1% and consequently. keeping the same level. in absolute terms. of November 2006 deficit as compared to the previous month.

Following the evolution of main short term indicators in November 2006. round the same trend registered in the previous months too. the situation per total for 1.I. - 30.XI.2006 period. as against the same period of 2005 was practically kept in the same limits.

II. Sectoral evolutions

Individual production registered in November 2006 as compared to November 2006. a decrease per total of 0.8%. due to lower production in manufacturing by 1.8%; mining and quarrying and in electric and thermal energy. gas and water registered growths by 1.3%. respectively 11.7%.

Although per total. manufacturing decreased its activity volume. however some branches registered the most important growths for: radio. TV and communications equipment and apparatus (+21.0%), publishing, printing and reproduction of recorded media (+11.1%), transport means others than road ones (+10.6%) and electric machinery and appliances (+5.9%).

As regards the evolution of broad industrial groups, production decrease per total was mainly determined by lower production with 3.1% in current use goods and with 2.2% in intermediate goods industry.

In November 2006, industrial production was by 7.4% higher than in November 2005. This production increase provides the **consolidation of growth rate during 1.I** – 30.XI.2006 as against the same period of 2005 (107.4%).

During 1.I – 30.XI.2006. **main resources of primary energy** amounted to 38.2 million tons equivalent oil. increasing by 1.8% as against the same period of 2005. as a result of higher import with 4.5% and keeping domestic production at about the same level. **Final consumption of electric energy** was by 2.8% higher than in the same period of 2005 and public lighting and domestic consumption registered increases with 7.5%. respectively with 6.5%.

Pointing out a growth in November 2006 as against the same month of 2005. with 21.2%. **construction works** keep further a rapid rate the whole period since the beginning of the year. in comparison with the same period of 2005 (118.6%).

During 1.I - 30.XI.2006. it is registered a higher production rate as against general average by construction type. for engineering construction (121.6%) and by structure elements. for maintenance and current repair works (125.6%).

In November 2006. as compared to November 2005. **turnover of enterprises having as main activity retail trade** (except trade with motor vehicles and motorcycles) was by 22.3% (+24.6% higher for food goods. beverages and tobacco and +20.7% for non-food goods).

During 1.I. - 30.XI.2006. turnover volume was by 24.7% over the level registered during 1.I. - 30.XI.2005. higher growths being obtained both for sales of food goods. beverages and tobacco (+28.8%) and for sales of non-food goods (+21.5%).

In comparison with November 2005. turnover in November 2006 of enterprises having as main activity wholesale and retail trade. maintenance and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles. retail trade of fuel for motor vehicles was by 11.6% higher due to the growths registered both for trade with motor vehicles and retail trade of fuel for motor vehicles (+13.9%. respectively +8.6%).

Turnover volume during 1.I. - 30.XI.2006 was by 17.4% higher than during 1.I. - 30.XI.2005.

The activity of **market services rendered to the population** registered a turnover growth in November 2006 as against the same month of 2005 by 27.9% and during 1.I. - 30.XI.2006. turnover was by 12.0% higher than the level registered in the same period of 2005.

	M.U.	Achieved	November 2006 in % as against:	
			October 2006	November 2005
Number of employees in economy (at end of month)	Thou.persons.	4603.4	100.0	101.5
Number of registered unemployed (at end of month)	Thou.persons	456.0	100.6	90.3
Gross nominal average earning	RON	1213	105.0	119.3
Net nominal average earning	RON	908	104.9	117.3
Consumer price index	%	-	101.09	104.67

III. Evolution of some social indicators in November 2006

Number of employees in November 2006 was 4603.4 thou persons. by 1.7 thou persons more than in October 2006. the highest growths being registered in wholesale and retail trade. land transport and transport via pipelines. health and social assistance.

According to the data provided by the National Agency for Employment. **number of registered unemployed** at end of November 2006 was 456.0 thou persons. In comparison with November 2005. number of registered unemployed was by 48.8 thousands lower. Out of total registered unemployed. women represented 42.3 %.

Unemployment rate registered in November 2006 was 5.1% in relation to total civil active population. decreasing as against November 2005 (5.7%). Female unemployment rate was by one percentage point lower than male unemployment rate (4.6% as against 5.6%).

Higher unemployment rates were registered in the counties: Vaslui (10.2%). Mehedinţi (9.2%). Gorj (8.8%). Ialomiţa (8.2%). Teleorman (8.2%). The lowest unemployment rates were registered in the counties: Ilfov (2.0%). Timiş (2.0%). Bihor (2.7%). as well as in Bucharest Municipality (2.4%).

Real earning index for November 2006. calculated as ratio between net nominal average earning index and consumer price index was 103.8% as against the previous month. of 112.1% as against the same month of 2005. respectively 97.0% as compared to October 1990.