

Domain: Short-term Surveys

TRENDS IN THE EVOLUTION OF THE ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN THE PERIOD FEBRUARY – APRIL 2016

- Growth of activity in retail trade and moderate growth in industry, construction and services
- Moderate growth tendency in the number of employees in retail trade
- Stability of prices in all economic sectors

Trends in the economic activity

Evolutions	Manufacturing		Construction		Retail trade		Services	
	Jan.-Mar. 2016	Feb.-Apr. 2016	Jan.-Mar. 2016	Feb.-Apr. 2016	Jan.-Mar. 2016	Feb.-Apr. 2016	Jan.-Mar. 2016	Feb.-Apr. 2016
Economic situation	→	↗	↘	↗	↘	↗	→	↗
Number of employees	→	→	↘	→	↗	↗	→	→
Prices	→	→	↘	→	↘	→	→	→

The balance indicator indicates the perception of companies' manager over the dynamics of a phenomenon, which should NOT be seen as the intensity of increase or decrease in the statistical indicator value.

Manufacturing

According to the business tendency survey of February 2016, managers from manufacturing forecast a moderate growth of the production volume (balance +10%) for the next three months. Significant increase is expected in the manufacture of road transport vehicles, of trailers and semitrailers and in the activity of printing and reproduction of recorded media (balances + 24%).

For the prices of the industrial products a relative stability is forecast for the next three months (balance - 1%).

Regarding the number of employees, a relative stability is forecast, the balance being 0% per total manufacturing.

Construction

According to February 2016 estimations, there will be a moderate increase in the production volume of the construction activity for the next three months (balance +7%) and in the stock of contracts and orders (balance +7%).

Managers forecast a relative stability in the number of employees (balance 0%).

As to the prices of construction works, a relative stability is forecast (balance 0%).

Retail trade

In the retail trade sector, managers estimate a growth tendency in the economic activity (balance +32%) for the next three months.

Employers forecast for the next three months a moderate increase in the number of employees (balance +8%). There will be an increase in the volume of orders placed by the trade units to the suppliers of goods (balance +22%).

For the next three months, the managers of trade companies estimate a relative stability of retail selling prices (balance -5%).

Services

According to February 2016 estimations, the demand of services (turnover) will have a moderate growth in the next three months (balance +7%).

In the services sector, a relative stability in the number of employees is forecast (balance +3%).

According to the managers' opinion, the selling or invoice prices of provisions will have a trend of relative stability (balance +2%).

Additional information:

For the correct interpretation of results, kindly see the [Methodological Note attached to the press release on the homepage](#).

The next press release on the trends of the economic activity will be issued on March 28, 2016.

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