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## Industry Turnover, Employment, Wages and Hours worked Indexes

December 2007

### Slowdown in Industrial turnover

In December 2007, the year-on-year rate in industry turnover was 4.7%, down by 0.3 percentage points from November, mainly due to sales for the external market. Employment declined 0.2%, while hours worked (working days adjusted) and wages increased by 1.2% e 1.4%, respectively. The 2007 annual growth rate was 1.9%. The annual rate of change in 2007, for turnover was, 5.6%, 5.3% e 5.5%, respectively for total, domestic market and external market. This rate, for employment, wages and hours worked, was -1.3%, 0.9% e -0.5%, respectively.