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Services Turnover, Employment, Wages and Salaries and Hours Worked Indices
April 2018

Services Turnover Index¹ accelerated to 5.7%

Services turnover index, in nominal terms and adjusted for calendar and seasonal effects, presented a year-on-year change rate of 5.7% in April (4.5% in March).

The year-on-year change rates of the indices of employment, wages and salaries and number of hours worked were 3.4%, 5.8% and 6.1% respectively (3.9%, 5.3% and 3.0% in March, by the same order).

Presentation

In this press release, INE presents a new base year (2015=100) of the Indices of Employment, Wages and Hours worked for Services activities, with backdata since January 2005. These new series replace the previous ones, based on 2010=100.

There were several improvements introduced in the new series compared to the previous ones. The results are based on a new sample of corporations and the weighting structure was updated to reflect 2015 data. Indices of employment and wages are now compiled using both administrative data and questionnaires, possibly leading to higher revisions compared to the previous series.

Data before January 2010 are only available in the web site (www.ine.pt)

¹ Data adjusted of calendar and seasonal effects