

Monthly Economic Survey
July 2018

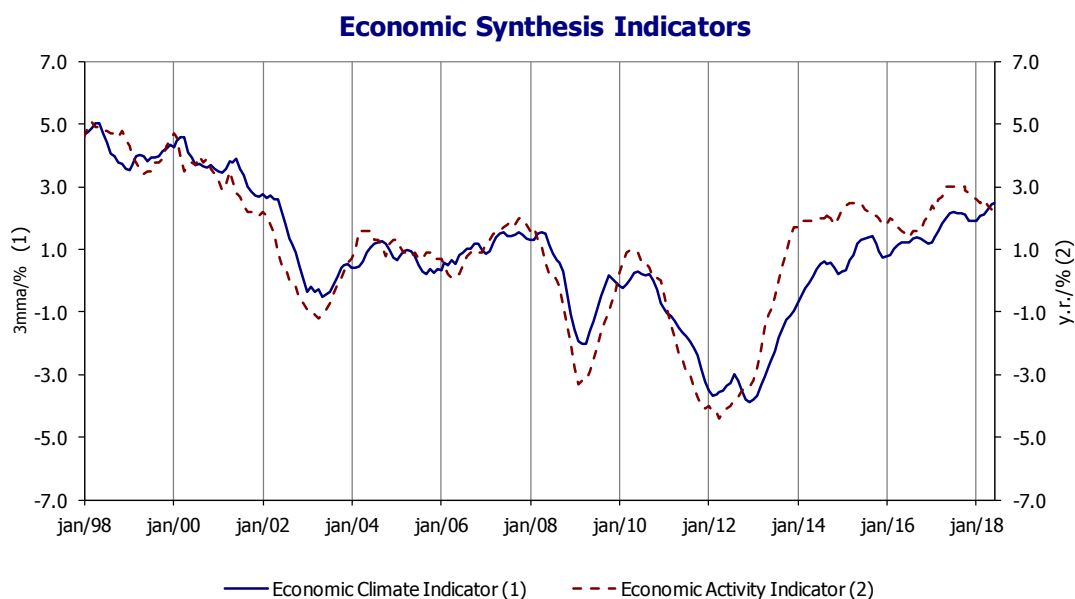
Economic activity indicator decreases and economic climate indicator increases

In the Euro Area (EA), real GDP registered a year-on-year growth rate of 2.2% in the 2nd quarter of 2018 (2.5% in the previous quarter). In July, the consumer confidence indicator and the economic sentiment indicators decreased in the Euro Area (EA). In the same month, the raw materials and oil prices presented monthly change rates of -5.5% and -0.3%, respectively (-2.9% and -2.2% in June).

In Portugal, according to the flash estimate, GDP in volume presented a year-on-year growth rate of 2.3% in the 2nd quarter of 2018 (2.1% in the 1st quarter). The economic activity indicator, available until June, decreased while the economic climate indicator, already available for July, increased. The quantitative indicator of private consumption decreased in June, due to the less intense positive contribution of the non-durable consumption component. In the same month, the Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) indicator accelerated, reflecting the more intense positive contribution of the construction component. In nominal terms, exports and imports recorded year-on-year change rates of 10.5% and 10.4% in June, respectively (5.2% and 5.0% in May). Considering the economic activity from the production perspective, the production index in industry decelerated in June, while the turnover indexes in industry and services and the production index in construction accelerated in the reference month.

In the 2nd quarter of 2018, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate (15 to 74 years) was 6.7%, 1.2 p.p. below the rate of the previous quarter (8.8% in the same quarter of 2017). Total employment decelerated, from a rate of 3.2% in the 1st quarter to 2.4% in the reference quarter, while active population registered a slight year-on-year growth of 0.1% (0.7% in the previous quarter).

The year-on-year change rate of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) was 1.6% in July (1.5% in June), with a 1.1% change rate in the goods component (1.3% in the previous month) and 2.3% in the services component (1.9% in the previous month).



Based on information available up to August 17, 2018.

	Unit	First Period	Minimum		Maximum		Year			Quarter				Month													
			Value	Date	Value	Date	2015	2016	2017	2017			2018		2017				2018								
										II	III	IV	I	II	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
National Accounts (a)																											
GDP	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-4.5	2012.IV	5.0	1998.II	1.8	1.6	2.7	3.0	2.4	2.4	2.1	2.3													
Private Consumption	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-6.2	2011.IV	6.5	1999.I	2.3	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.6	2.0	2.1	-													
Public Consumption	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-3.9	2011.III	7.2	1998.III	1.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.7	0.2	0.2	0.3	-													
Gross Capital Formation	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-26.3	2011.IV	16.1	1997.I	6.4	0.8	8.5	10.1	10.3	6.4	6.7	-													
Exports of Goods and Services	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-18.1	2009.I	14.1	2006.IV	6.1	4.4	7.9	8.1	6.2	7.3	4.7	-													
Imports of Goods and Services	s.a/y.r./%	1996.I	-14.8	2009.II	16.1	1998.I	8.5	4.2	7.9	7.3	8.4	7.1	5.4	-													
Contribution of internal demand for GDP change rate	p.p.	1996.I	-10.5	2011.IV	8.5	1998.IV	2.8	1.6	2.9	2.9	3.4	2.5	2.6	-													
Contribution of external demand for GDP change r.	p.p.	1996.I	-3.3	1998.IV	7.3	2011.IV	-1.1	0.0	-0.2	0.2	-1.1	-0.1	-0.5	-													
Economic Activity																											
Economic activity indicator	y.r./%	Jan-96	-4.4	Apr-12	5.1	Mar-98	2.3	1.7	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.9	2.6	2.4	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.3	-
Manufacturing industry production index	s.a./y.r./3-mma	Mar-96	-16.5	Feb-09	7.4	May-01	2.1	2.3	3.9	2.8	6.8	2.5	2.3	0.2	5.7	6.9	6.8	6.0	3.7	2.5	1.8	1.4	2.3	2.9	1.4	0.2	-
Construction production index	s.a./y.r./3-mma	Mar-01	-18.8	Mar-13	7.9	Dec-01	-3.1	-3.9	1.9	0.7	2.2	2.3	2.4	4.0	1.3	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.4	2.9	3.6	4.0	-
Total turnover index (b)	y.r./3-mma	Mar-01	-15.6	Jul-09	17.9	Oct-05	0.2	1.7	7.1	7.8	6.3	6.0	4.3	6.9	8.0	6.8	6.3	7.3	7.0	6.0	5.2	4.8	4.3	5.3	5.4	6.9	-
Services turnover index	y.r./3-mma	Mar-01	-14.8	Jul-09	9.0	Aug-01	0.5	2.7	6.5	8.0	5.9	5.1	4.7	6.6	7.8	6.6	5.9	6.3	6.0	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.7	5.0	5.4	6.6	-
Economic climate indicator	3-mma	Mar-89	-3.9	Dec-12	5.3	Mar-89	1.0	1.2	2.0	2.2	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.5
Private Consumption																											
Qualitative consumption indicator	3-mma/%	Mar-89	-3.9	Dec-12	5.7	Apr-99	2.1	2.1	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.4	2.4
Quantitative consumption indicator	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-6.0	Dec-11	6.3	Feb-99	2.5	2.6	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.1	3.4	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.4	-
- Non-durable goods and services	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-4.3	Jun-12	5.5	Feb-00	1.5	1.7	3.0	3.1	2.9	3.2	3.2	2.8	3.0	2.8	2.9	3.0	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	2.8	-
- Durable goods	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-29.3	Jan-12	22.9	May-14	14.8	11.7	6.4	4.8	8.3	5.1	3.1	9.0	6.6	5.7	8.3	6.4	7.0	5.1	3.0	1.6	3.1	5.9	7.2	9.0	-
Consumer confidence indicator	balance/3-mma	Nov-97	-53.3	Dec-12	3.3	May-18	-12.3	-11.1	0.5	1.7	1.5	2.3	2.0	2.8	2.5	2.3	1.5	2.1	2.3	2.3	1.3	1.3	2.0	2.4	3.3	2.8	1.3
Investment																											
GFCF indicator	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-22.2	Jun-12	18.7	Apr-97	6.9	2.8	10.8	13.9	11.1	6.5	5.9	4.6	11.8	11.3	11.1	11.2	10.3	6.5	5.9	5.4	5.9	4.2	4.1	4.6	-
- Construction	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-23.8	Feb-13	19.4	Mar-97	4.9	-0.3	9.2	10.0	9.4	7.9	2.8	4.9	9.5	8.9	9.4	9.2	9.2	7.9	6.4	4.8	2.8	2.1	3.1	4.9	-
- Machinery and equipment	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-20.7	Dec-11	21.0	Jul-98	6.8	7.1	12.5	14.4	13.0	6.7	9.7	8.2	13.3	14.2	13.0	16.3	12.8	6.7	4.7	7.0	9.7	8.6	8.5	8.2	-
- Transport material	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-55.3	Apr-09	80.6	Apr-13	21.8	8.4	14.1	35.2	14.4	-2.2	11.5	-7.2	20.2	15.1	14.4	6.1	8.5	-2.2	6.7	3.4	11.5	2.0	-2.8	-7.2	-
House Price Index	y.r./%	2010.I	-8.3	2012.II	12.2	2018.I	3.1	7.1	9.2	8.0	10.4	10.5	12.2	-													
House Sales (number)	y.r./%	2010.I	-32.3	2011.III	38.3	2015.I	27.4	18.5	20.6	16.1	23.0	23.6	15.7	-													
House Sales (value)	y.r./%	2010.I	-39.5	2011.III	44.1	2015.I	30.8	18.7	30.6	23.3	34.4	37.8	25.7	-													

(a) - Quarterly National Accounts - Benchmark year 2011 - Chain linked volume data (reference year = 2011). Seasonally and working-day adjusted data; Annual National Accounts: 2015 - definitive data; 2016 - provisional data; 2017 - preliminary data. Information available in 22/06/2018, except for GDP that was updated on 14/08/2018

(b) - Includes industry, services and retail trade.

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External Demand																											
Nominal exports of goods - International trade	y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-26.7	Mar-09	23.3	Oct-94	3.3	0.8	10.1	7.6	7.6	8.4	2.8	10.5	8.9	7.8	7.6	10.5	10.1	8.4	7.6	5.4	2.8	5.0	5.2	10.5	-
Nominal imports of goods - International trade	y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-96	-26.8	Apr-09	25.5	Feb-94	2.2	1.8	12.3	12.7	11.0	9.8	7.1	10.4	13.4	10.5	11.0	13.7	12.9	9.8	7.0	6.3	7.1	7.7	5.0	10.4	-
Coverage rate	3-mma/%	Mar-95	56.6	Dec-99	85.9	May-13	82.3	81.5	79.9	78.6	78.5	79.0	80.3	78.7	80.2	79.5	78.5	76.9	80.4	79.0	80.1	78.9	80.3	79.9	80.0	78.7	-
External demand indicator	s.a./y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-91	-26.3	Jul-09	26.6	Oct-00	4.4	-0.5	8.1	9.2	7.7	6.0	1.8	-	9.3	7.4	7.7	7.2	7.2	6.0	4.8	2.8	1.8	2.5	3.0	-	-
Labour Market																											
Unemployment rate (15 to 74 years)	s.a./%	Feb-98	4.8	Nov-00	17.5	Jan-13	12.6	11.2	9.0	9.2	8.8	8.1	7.6	7.0	8.9	8.8	8.5	8.4	8.1	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.5	7.1	7.0	6.7	-
Number of unemployed (15 to 74 years)	s.a./y.r./%	Feb-99	-26.1	Jun-18	40.6	Dec-02	-11.0	-11.4	-19.3	-17.4	-19.2	-22.4	-22.0	-23.4	-17.9	-19.2	-21.1	-20.2	-22.4	-20.8	-21.0	-22.0	-23.1	-24.8	-23.4	-26.1	-
Employment (15 to 74 years)	y.r./%	Feb-99	-5.5	Jan-13	3.6	Jan-18	1.2	1.4	3.3	3.3	3.0	3.6	3.2	2.5	3.0	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.7	-
Employment indicator - Short-term statistics	y.r./3-mma	Mar-01	-7.9	Dec-12	3.9	Dec-17	0.8	1.5	3.2	3.0	3.2	3.9	3.6	3.0	2.9	3.0	3.2	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.0	-
Reg. unemp. along the month - State emp. agencies	s.a./y.r./3-mma	Mar-90	-20.2	May-90	44.3	Jun-93	-1.6	-8.0	-11.8	-17.0	-10.3	-6.6	-7.2	-8.5	-13.7	-13.4	-10.3	-10.9	-6.9	-6.6	-5.5	-6.4	-7.2	-6.8	-8.7	-8.5	-
Vacancies along the month - State employment ag.	s.a./y.r./3-mma	Mar-90	-37.8	Dec-16	70.9	Feb-14	9.1	-17.1	-0.5	-13.5	6.1	35.2	-4.7	-16.1	-8.4	-4.9	6.1	25.0	30.0	35.2	23.1	2.5	-4.7	-11.9	-11.8	-16.1	-
Employment expectations of entrepreneurs	bal./s.a./3-mma	Mar-03	-22.0	Dec-12	7.3	Jul-18	-0.2	0.3	4.2	3.6	5.5	5.4	5.6	7.0	4.6	5.0	5.5	5.7	5.9	5.4	4.9	5.1	5.6	6.1	6.5	7.0	7.3
Unemployment expectations of consumers	balance/3-mma	Nov-97	-18.6	Jul-17	79.7	Mar-09	9.9	5.3	-13.2	-17.2	-13.7	-13.3	-12.8	-18.1	-18.6	-16.9	-13.7	-12.5	-12.5	-13.3	-12.8	-11.8	-12.8	-14.7	-17.8	-18.1	-15.3
Average monthly wage declared by worker	s.a./y.r./3-mma	Mar-02	-1.6	Feb-14	4.8	Dec-02	0.6	1.5	1.9	1.7	1.6	2.9	1.2	2.1	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.6	2.6	2.9	2.9	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.8	2.1	-
Prices																											
Consumer price index - Total	y.r./%	Jan-49	-3.7	Sep-54	36.7	May-77	0.5	0.6	1.4	1.4	1.1	1.5	0.8	1.0	0.9	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.0	0.6	0.7	0.4	1.0	1.5	1.6
- Goods	y.r./%	Jan-49	-3.7	Jul-09	38.2	May-77	-0.1	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.3	0.6	1.3	1.1
- Services	y.r./%	Jan-49	-4.4	Sep-54	30.5	Mar-74	1.3	1.5	2.1	2.6	2.4	2.2	1.9	1.4	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.5	1.9	2.1	2.1	1.4	2.1	0.6	1.7	1.9	2.3
Core inflation indicator	y.r./%	Jan-49	-4.3	Oct-54	31.1	May-84	0.7	0.7	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.1	1.2	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.2	0.6	1.0	1.0
Harmonised index of consumer prices	y.r./%	Jan-96	-1.8	Sep-09	5.1	Mar-01	0.5	0.6	1.6	1.7	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.2	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.4	2.0	2.2
Manufacturing industry production price index	y.r./3-mma/%	Mar-11	-4.8	May-16	7.0	Jul-11	-2.6	-2.7	2.4	2.8	1.7	2.1	1.6	2.9	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.6	1.6	2.1	2.9	-
Consumers expectations of prices evolution	balance/3-mma	Nov-97	-5.0	Jul-09	58.3	Oct-11	-0.6	4.9	7.1	2.2	4.8	13.1	15.2	15.0	1.8	3.5	4.8	6.7	8.6	13.1	18.5	18.6	15.2	11.2	12.3	15.0	15.9
Expectations of prices in manufacturing industry	bal./s.a./3-mma	Mar-87	-23.0	Jan-09	27.5	Nov-90	-1.6	-0.4	3.4	3.1	2.8	4.6	3.5	2.5	2.2	1.7	2.8	3.8	4.9	4.6	4.4	3.7	3.5	3.1	2.7	2.5	2.7
Effective exchange rate ind. for Portugal (nominal)	y.r.	Mar-01	-4.3	Apr-15	3.6	May-03	-2.8	1.0	0.7	0.4	1.1	1.2	1.6	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.1	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.5	0.6	0.4	-

(c) From the 1st quarter of 2011 onwards, the Employment Survey questionnaire and inquiry method were changed.

NOTES

With exception of situations duly identified, the values presented in tables and graphs and others that also serve for the analysis are, in the case of quantitative series, year-on-year rates of change (y.r.) under three-month moving average (3-mma) or, in the case of qualitative series, 3-mma of seasonally adjusted values (s.a.) or of effective values (e.v). Annual information correspond to 12-mma, with the exception of variables presented as y.r. on stocks, where the annual value corresponds to the variation of the balance at the end of the year. Annualised variation (a.v.). Weight (w.).

Balances: differences between the percentage of respondents giving positive and negative replies.