

April 2009 compared with March 2009

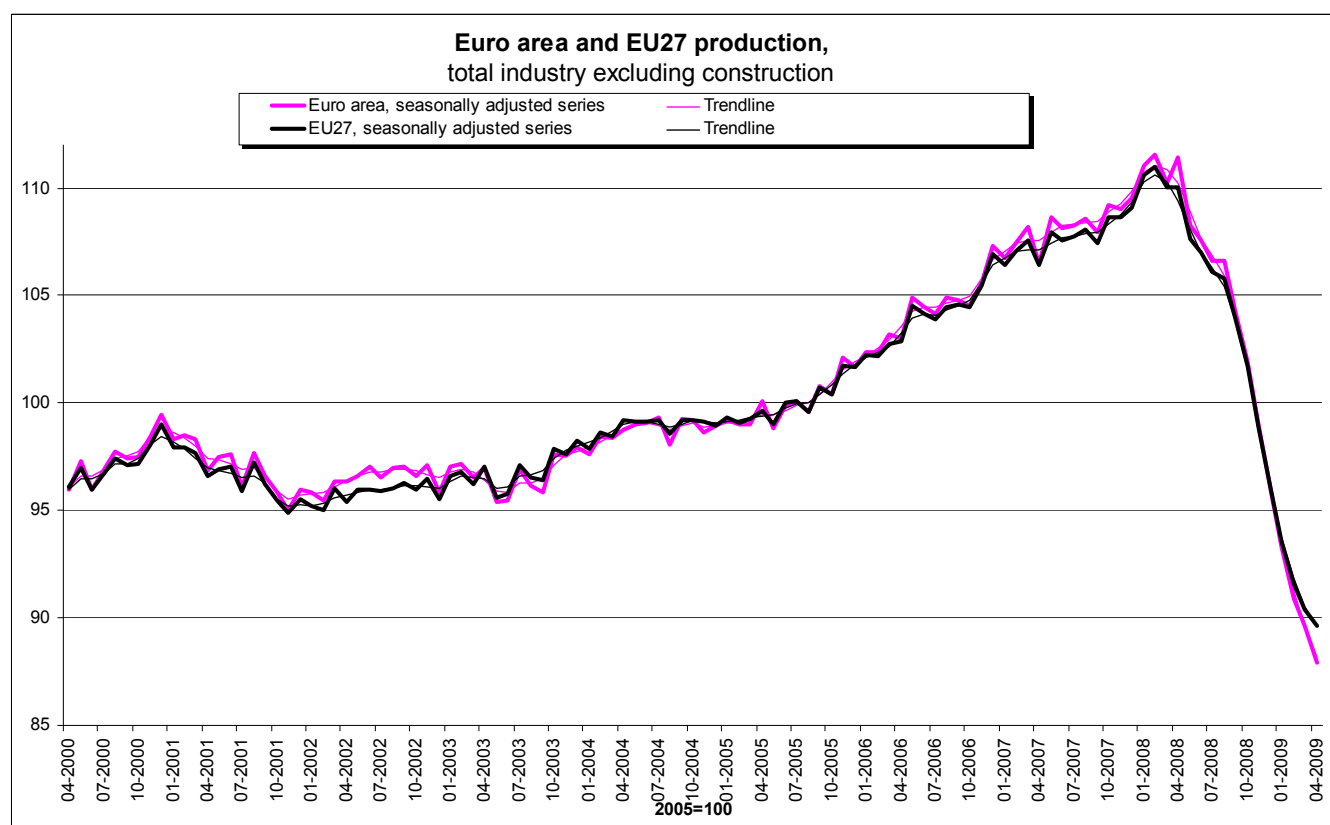
Industrial production down by 1.9% in euro area

Down by 0.9% in EU27

In April 2009 compared with March 2009, seasonally adjusted industrial production¹ fell by 1.9% in the **euro area**² (EA16) and by 0.9% in the **EU27**². In March³ production decreased by 1.4% and 1.3% respectively.

In April 2009 compared with April 2008, industrial production declined by 21.6% in the **euro area** and by 19.4% in the **EU27**.

These estimates are released by **Eurostat, the Statistical Office of the European Communities**.



Monthly comparison

In April 2009 compared with March 2009, production of non-durable consumer goods fell by 0.7% in the **euro area** and by 0.2% in the **EU27**. Durable consumer goods decreased by 0.8% and 0.3% respectively. Production of energy dropped by 1.1% in the **euro area** and by 0.2% in the **EU27**. Intermediate goods declined by 1.7% and 0.8% respectively. Capital goods fell by 2.7% in the **euro area** and by 1.4% in the **EU27**.

Among the Member States for which data are available, industrial production rose in six and fell in twelve. The highest increases were registered in **Latvia** (+4.8%), **Spain** (+2.0%) and **Italy** (+1.1%), and the most significant falls in **Slovenia** (-3.8%), **Finland** (-3.4%) and **Estonia** (-2.8%).

Annual comparison

In April 2009 compared with April 2008, production of non-durable consumer goods fell by 6.5% in the **euro area** and by 4.4% in the **EU27**. Production of energy decreased by 12.3% and 9.6% respectively. Durable consumer goods declined by 22.4% in the **euro area** and by 20.0% in the **EU27**. Capital goods dropped by 26.7% and 25.1% respectively. Intermediate goods fell by 27.1% in the **euro area** and by 25.6% in the **EU27**.

Industrial production fell in all Member States for which data are available. The largest decreases were registered in **Estonia** (-33.7%), **Slovenia** (-24.9%), **Lithuania** (-24.5%) and **Italy** (-24.2%), and the smallest in **Poland** (-6.9%), **Romania** (-7.8%), **Portugal** (-11.1%), **Greece** (-12.2%) and the **United Kingdom** (-12.3%).

1. Total industry excluding construction. According to the Council Regulation 1165/98 Eurostat publishes national seasonally adjusted data if available. For the other Member States (Bulgaria, Greece, Spain, Cyprus and Luxembourg) Eurostat performs the adjustment. This means that different methodologies are used to make the seasonal adjustment of the national series.

The seasonally adjusted euro area and EU series are calculated by aggregating the working day adjusted series from individual Member States and performing an adjustment for seasonal effects on these series. Therefore the seasonally adjusted figures for total industry (excluding construction) is based directly on the working day adjusted series coming from the Member States and **not on an aggregation of the seasonally adjusted indices from the Member States**. The euro area and EU seasonally adjusted growth rates might differ from the weighted growth rates of the individual Member States (see Methodology of the industrial production index). This procedure also implies that the aggregation of the overall figures is not based on the published details (intermediate, capital, durable, non-durable goods, energy).

Missing observations from Member States are estimated for the calculation of the euro area and the EU aggregates.

2. The euro area (EA16) includes Belgium, Germany, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.
The EU27 includes Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), the Czech Republic (CZ), Denmark (DK), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Greece (EL), Spain (ES), France (FR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Hungary (HU), Malta (MT), the Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Poland (PL), Portugal (PT), Romania (RO), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK), Finland (FI), Sweden (SE) and the United Kingdom (UK).
3. Data of previous months have been revised compared to those issued in the News Release 67/2009 of 13 May 2009. The figures for March 2009 were -2.0% in the euro area and -1.9% in the EU27 for the monthly changes, and -20.2% in the euro area and -18.8% in the EU27 for the yearly changes.

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Industrial production - monthly variation

% change compared with previous month*

	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16						
Total industry	-2.9	-3.1	-2.7	-2.6	-1.4	-1.9
Intermediate goods	-4.5	-6.6	-2.1	-2.5	-1.8	-1.7
Energy	-2.7	0.4	0.4	-2.1	-4.0	-1.1
Capital goods	-3.3	-3.0	-7.2	-3.1	0.0	-2.7
Durable consumer goods	-4.2	-2.8	-2.2	-3.6	-1.2	-0.8
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.1	-0.6	-0.1	-1.6	-0.3	-0.7
EU27						
Total industry	-2.8	-2.9	-2.6	-2.1	-1.3	-0.9
Intermediate goods	-4.3	-6.0	-2.6	-2.1	-1.7	-0.8
Energy	-2.0	0.1	1.1	-2.1	-3.5	-0.2
Capital goods	-3.8	-3.2	-6.9	-2.4	-0.1	-1.4
Durable consumer goods	-3.6	-3.3	-1.9	-2.4	-1.1	-0.3
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.2	-0.5	0.1	-1.2	-0.1	-0.2

Total industry	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16	-2.9	-3.1	-2.7	-2.6	-1.4	-1.9
EU27	-2.8	-2.9	-2.6	-2.1	-1.3	-0.9
Belgium	-5.3	0.2	-5.0	-0.5	0.7	:
Bulgaria	-2.2	-3.7	-3.5	-0.8	-2.5	-0.3
Czech Republic	-6.7	-2.2	-2.7	-0.2	-0.2	:
Denmark	-0.7	-0.1	-6.4	-2.2	-2.8	-0.1
Germany	-4.3	-4.5	-6.2	-3.7	0.0	-2.1
Estonia	-3.9	-5.6	-4.7	-4.1	-3.5	-2.8
Ireland	4.7	-9.0	11.4	-5.8	3.7	:
Greece	-1.5	-2.1	-1.9	2.1	-1.7	-2.1
Spain	-2.7	-3.5	-1.2	-1.8	-3.2	2.0
France	-2.9	-1.5	-4.4	-0.8	-1.8	-1.4
Italy	-3.8	-4.6	-1.2	-4.6	-4.5	1.1
Cyprus	0.2	-1.0	-4.5	0.9	-3.4	:
Latvia	-2.8	-3.2	-9.1	-3.0	2.3	4.8
Lithuania	1.5	0.6	-2.8	-4.3	-7.0	-1.0
Luxembourg	-7.4	-9.5	4.3	-0.5	-4.8	:
Hungary	-3.3	-14.0	2.9	-4.4	4.4	:
Malta	:	:	:	:	:	:
Netherlands	-2.9	-2.4	0.7	-3.6	-1.4	-2.6
Austria	-1.8	0.9	-6.4	-2.7	-0.3	:
Poland	-3.1	-2.9	-0.5	1.0	2.1	0.9
Portugal	-1.3	-3.8	-4.3	0.1	4.1	-0.7
Romania	-2.2	-5.4	1.7	-0.6	0.7	0.7
Slovenia	-14.7	-4.2	0.6	-1.2	-0.3	-3.8
Slovakia	-12.3	-13.6	3.8	2.6	2.8	:
Finland	-4.9	-4.9	-5.4	0.3	2.0	-3.4
Sweden	-2.6	-2.5	-2.3	-2.0	-2.5	-2.4
United Kingdom	-2.6	-1.5	-2.7	-0.7	-0.4	0.2

* Seasonally adjusted

: Data not available

Industrial production - annual variation
 % change compared with same month of the previous year*

	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16						
Total industry	-9.1	-12.4	-16.5	-19.1	-19.3	-21.6
Intermediate goods	-12.8	-21.4	-23.7	-25.8	-26.0	-27.1
Energy	-5.3	-5.0	0.0	-3.6	-10.3	-12.3
Capital goods	-8.9	-11.6	-22.4	-24.9	-22.8	-26.7
Durable consumer goods	-12.5	-14.6	-18.3	-22.2	-21.7	-22.4
Non-durable consumer goods	-3.3	-3.1	-4.2	-6.3	-5.2	-6.5
EU27						
Total industry	-9.0	-12.1	-16.0	-18.1	-18.0	-19.4
Intermediate goods	-12.6	-20.3	-23.5	-25.1	-24.9	-25.6
Energy	-5.8	-5.7	-1.5	-3.6	-9.4	-9.6
Capital goods	-9.3	-12.1	-22.2	-24.0	-21.6	-25.1
Durable consumer goods	-12.3	-15.7	-18.7	-21.2	-20.3	-20.0
Non-durable consumer goods	-3.5	-3.1	-3.7	-5.3	-4.0	-4.4

Total industry	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16	-9.1	-12.4	-16.5	-19.1	-19.3	-21.6
EU27	-9.0	-12.1	-16.0	-18.1	-18.0	-19.4
Belgium	-11.8	-6.2	-18.6	-19.0	-12.0	:
Bulgaria	-6.3	-11.2	-17.2	-17.4	-19.5	-18.7
Czech Republic	-13.9	-17.0	-20.9	-20.3	-19.0	:
Denmark	-5.1	-4.0	-9.9	-12.7	-15.4	-15.7
Germany	-7.6	-11.8	-18.0	-21.3	-21.4	-23.2
Estonia	-16.7	-22.2	-26.1	-29.9	-29.6	-33.7
Ireland	0.3	-12.6	-0.6	-4.5	-3.8	:
Greece	-9.0	-9.3	-12.5	-5.5	-6.4	-12.2
Spain	-16.3	-20.2	-21.1	-22.4	-24.4	-19.7
France	-9.8	-10.6	-14.5	-16.7	-15.8	-19.4
Italy	-9.7	-13.8	-17.6	-21.2	-23.8	-24.2
Cyprus	-0.5	-3.1	-5.8	-5.1	-6.0	:
Latvia	-10.9	-13.1	-21.6	-23.9	-21.6	-16.9
Lithuania	-1.6	-3.9	-6.2	-12.4	-20.4	-24.5
Luxembourg	-17.2	-27.7	-22.1	-22.5	-26.7	:
Hungary	-8.4	-23.1	-20.7	-25.2	-19.6	:
Malta	:	:	:	:	:	:
Netherlands	-5.6	-11.8	-5.0	-10.9	-13.2	-17.2
Austria	-4.6	-6.0	-10.5	-14.2	-15.3	:
Poland	-6.3	-9.9	-13.2	-12.4	-9.8	-6.9
Portugal	-6.9	-9.0	-16.0	-15.5	-6.9	-11.1
Romania	-5.4	-12.3	-13.8	-13.9	-12.2	-7.8
Slovenia	-13.0	-18.9	-17.4	-22.3	-18.8	-24.9
Slovakia	-12.3	-20.2	-25.4	-25.6	-18.0	:
Finland	-10.2	-15.8	-23.8	-21.5	-16.7	-21.2
Sweden	-12.2	-16.6	-20.2	-19.5	-19.4	-21.2
United Kingdom	-8.4	-9.2	-12.8	-13.6	-12.8	-12.3

* Working day adjusted
 : Data not available

**Production indices for total industry excluding construction
seasonally adjusted**
(base year 2005)

	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	111.4	108.3	107.6	106.6	106.6	104.3	101.9	99.0	96.0	93.3	90.9	89.6	87.9
EU27	110.0	107.6	107.0	106.1	105.8	104.0	101.7	98.9	96.0	93.6	91.6	90.4	89.6
BE	112.9	108.1	107.2	110.0	107.3	106.7	104.4	98.8	99.0	94.0	93.5	94.2	:
BG	120.0	121.4	119.0	118.2	115.1	115.4	112.5	110.0	105.9	102.2	101.3	98.8	98.5
CZ	126.3	121.1	120.9	118.8	117.8	119.0	110.6	103.1	100.9	98.1	97.9	97.7	:
DK	102.1	103.5	101.7	101.4	100.8	100.6	98.4	97.7	97.6	91.4	89.4	86.9	86.8
DE	115.2	113.3	113.8	112.2	114.5	112.0	109.6	104.9	100.2	94.0	90.5	90.5	88.6
EE	117.9	113.4	113.6	112.7	111.2	109.2	101.1	97.2	91.8	87.5	83.9	81.0	78.7
IE	98.5	109.6	106.4	109.0	112.1	107.6	102.9	107.7	98.0	109.2	102.9	106.7	:
EL	102.1	97.6	102.2	100.8	100.5	97.6	96.7	95.2	93.1	91.4	93.3	91.7	89.7
ES	104.8	101.5	98.5	100.5	98.0	95.9	93.0	90.5	87.3	86.2	84.7	81.9	83.5
FR	104.3	100.4	100.5	100.8	101.5	99.8	96.1	93.3	91.9	87.9	87.2	85.6	84.4
IT	108.5	105.2	105.1	104.0	103.5	100.5	98.0	94.3	90.0	88.9	84.8	81.0	81.9
CY	108.9	111.1	110.0	110.5	107.6	108.6	107.9	108.2	107.1	102.3	103.2	99.7	:
LV	107.3	103.4	104.5	102.4	100.4	102.8	100.0	97.3	94.1	85.5	82.9	84.8	88.9
LT	122.3	120.2	120.4	121.2	116.8	115.0	104.7	106.3	106.9	103.9	99.4	92.4	91.5
LU	104.5	99.0	96.4	99.7	99.3	97.9	90.5	83.8	75.9	79.1	78.7	74.9	:
HU	124.0	122.7	120.1	120.0	119.9	118.3	114.9	111.1	95.5	98.3	94.0	98.1	:
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	111.4	104.9	106.4	103.3	105.5	106.8	104.4	101.4	99.0	99.7	96.1	94.8	92.3
AT	117.5	117.3	116.2	114.2	118.9	117.4	111.1	109.1	110.1	103.0	100.2	99.9	:
PL	129.3	125.4	127.8	125.8	124.0	124.4	122.1	118.3	114.9	114.3	115.5	117.9	119.0
PT	101.0	98.2	100.6	100.8	100.4	98.8	96.3	95.0	91.4	87.5	87.6	91.2	90.6
RO	126.3	126.5	125.4	124.5	123.0	123.3	120.5	117.9	111.5	113.4	112.7	113.5	114.3
SI	118.2	114.6	117.4	112.0	113.7	116.0	113.9	97.1	93.0	93.6	92.5	92.2	88.7
SK	144.3	143.8	143.9	146.3	134.1	136.2	135.5	118.8	102.7	106.6	109.4	112.5	:
FI	118.3	117.4	113.2	114.7	112.4	112.5	111.2	105.7	100.5	95.1	95.4	97.3	94.0
SE	107.0	105.9	104.8	104.0	102.3	100.9	98.7	96.1	93.7	91.5	89.7	87.5	85.4
UK	100.3	99.4	99.0	98.2	97.3	97.3	95.3	92.8	91.4	89.0	88.3	88.0	88.1

: Data not available.

Production indices for total industry excluding construction
working day adjusted
(base year 2005)

	04/06	04/07	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	102.1	105.4	110.3	107.4	111.3	108.8	87.4	110.4	110.1	104.5	92.2	89.3	87.5	94.8	86.5
EU27	101.7	105.1	109.4	107.4	110.6	106.4	90.0	109.9	109.5	104.5	92.7	88.9	87.6	95.4	88.2
BE	98.7	104.9	114.1	107.0	113.8	102.1	98.4	113.6	113.6	97.9	95.6	89.9	89.7	98.1	:
BG	101.2	112.2	116.2	120.1	123.7	124.4	114.2	119.3	117.9	115.5	112.6	87.2	91.8	98.6	94.5
CZ	103.4	117.1	128.9	127.1	125.3	113.3	105.4	144.4	120.9	135.6	103.3	95.1	94.4	102.3	:
DK	100.2	98.6	99.0	102.8	104.7	84.5	98.9	104.7	105.9	104.9	96.0	93.1	86.6	90.3	83.5
DE	102.9	108.3	114.4	110.9	116.0	112.6	105.3	117.2	115.3	111.8	96.1	88.6	87.2	96.1	87.9
EE	110.1	119.9	120.2	120.1	119.7	104.0	114.9	117.5	109.7	101.6	92.4	81.4	78.4	83.8	79.7
IE	111.7	112.0	104.0	115.4	110.1	93.9	108.8	102.9	102.9	111.0	93.0	107.8	105.3	114.9	:
EL	100.2	101.1	101.6	99.4	109.7	111.7	93.2	103.7	96.3	93.1	89.6	82.3	91.4	90.5	89.2
ES	100.4	103.1	104.3	103.8	103.5	111.3	71.1	99.7	97.8	93.1	79.1	84.0	82.9	86.5	83.8
FR	99.2	100.0	104.0	94.3	106.3	100.6	74.7	104.9	106.4	96.3	92.1	89.6	86.0	93.5	83.8
IT	102.9	105.6	110.2	112.3	110.6	113.6	58.6	106.2	107.2	100.0	82.8	85.6	84.2	88.1	83.5
CY	112.0	114.3	126.4	118.4	126.5	121.2	80.2	108.3	107.5	101.6	106.2	90.6	93.5	106.2	:
LV	106.9	107.3	110.0	111.0	106.4	99.0	98.8	103.3	106.8	100.2	98.7	82.6	80.9	88.5	91.4
LT	105.7	107.7	121.8	119.6	119.2	116.7	115.4	115.1	107.3	108.0	111.8	103.1	97.1	97.0	91.9
LU	100.9	102.5	106.7	100.3	99.5	104.3	84.0	104.0	97.6	86.1	65.2	78.7	75.2	77.9	:
HU	105.4	113.1	121.3	122.8	122.4	115.4	109.8	124.8	126.5	122.0	96.8	90.3	87.7	103.0	:
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	99.2	97.4	107.5	97.9	101.2	91.6	88.5	102.5	108.7	110.4	108.0	109.0	100.6	105.0	89.0
AT	103.8	110.7	115.4	115.3	118.4	115.2	106.2	124.3	120.2	116.1	110.2	92.1	93.9	107.6	:
PL	109.7	120.6	129.6	126.5	127.9	120.8	118.2	129.4	130.9	122.9	115.5	108.3	108.5	121.5	120.7
PT	99.4	99.1	100.0	100.5	101.0	106.5	80.0	101.6	102.3	99.1	88.3	89.7	85.1	93.8	88.9
RO	106.0	115.5	122.3	134.1	131.7	127.8	113.0	130.7	131.9	122.7	101.0	100.8	108.7	119.0	112.7
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SK	105.8	123.4	145.6	144.9	144.1	140.7	123.2	140.8	141.8	128.9	100.8	103.0	104.6	117.9	:
FI	110.9	111.1	118.2	126.9	121.2	109.6	115.4	121.4	125.5	116.3	98.4	83.1	84.4	97.6	93.2
SE	105.7	110.2	111.4	111.5	113.2	81.7	93.3	107.3	103.4	100.9	96.9	86.1	87.7	93.3	87.8
UK	97.1	97.8	97.4	98.2	99.5	96.0	89.9	98.7	99.9	95.9	86.5	81.1	81.3	91.5	85.4

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