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Sales growth in transportation, decrease of professional and technical activities

Services – the third quarter of 2014

**In the Q3 2014, seasonally adjusted sales in services decreased, quarter-on-quarter, at constant prices by 0.1%. Working days adjusted sales increased by 0.3%, year-on-year, non-adjusted by 0.9%. Growth of sales in transportation and storage had the biggest influence on the overall development.**

In the Q3 2014, **seasonally adjusted sales in services[[1]](#footnote-1)1) decreased at constant prices** by 0.1%, **quarter-on-quarter**. **Year-on-year, working days adjusted sales increased** by 0.3% (in the Q3 2014 there was one working day more than in the Q3 2013); **non-adjusted** by 0.9%. Growth was recorded in transportation and storage, information and communication, and administrative and support service activities.

**Year-on-year development of seasonally non-adjusted sales in services broken down by CZ-NACE division:**

* sales in **transportation and storage** increased by 2.3%. The growth was reported by warehousing and support activities for transportation (+4.0%), water transport (+2.2%), and land transport and transport via pipelines (+1.5%). After having been decreasing for three quarters, sales increased in air transport (+1.2%). Long-term decrease of postal and courier activities decelerated (drop by 0.1%);
* sales in **accommodation and food service activities** decreased by 0.4%. The decrease was influenced by development of sales in food and beverage service activities (drop by 2.7%), while in accommodation sales growth continued, this time by 4.1%;
* sales in **information and communication** increased by 2.2%. Growth was reported by programming and broadcasting activities (+16.3%), publishing activities (+9.7%), and information service activities (+6.3%), which include, for example, press agencies, web portals, and webhosting. Sales increase was recorded also by computer programming, consultancy and related activities (+1.8%), which include, for example, administration of computer equipment, programming or consultancy in the area of IT. On the contrary, telecommunications dropped (-0.5%) as well as music and motion picture activities (-0.7%);

* sales in **real estate activities** dropped by 1.5%. Sales in buying and selling of own real estate and renting and operating of own or leased real estate decreased by 0.9%, real estate activities on a fee or contract basis dropped by 3.2%;

* sales decrease in **professional, scientific and technical activities[[2]](#footnote-2)2)**that started in the Q2 2012 continued (-1.7%). Sales for architectural and engineering activities decreased the most (-5.1%), sales for other professional, scientific and technical activities dropped by 2.9% as well as for legal and accounting activities (-2.3%), and for activities of head offices; management consultancy activities (-1.2%). Only advertising and market research reported growth for already two successive quarters (this time +5.5%);
* sales in **administrative and support service activities[[3]](#footnote-3)3)**increased by 1.5%. A decrease was recorded only by travel agency, tour operator and other reservation service and related activities (-7.8%). The highest sales growth occurred at employment activities (+9.0%) and rental and leasing activities (+7.8%). Sales increased also in office administrative, office support and other business support activities (+4.6%), services to buildings and landscape activities (+3.4%), and security and investigation activities (+2.3%).

*Notes:*

*Data for the Q3 2014 are preliminary; final data for individual quarters of 2014 will be available in June 2015 at the latest.*

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#### *End of data collection: 29 October 2014*

#### *End of data processing: 31 October 2014*

*Related outputs: Basic indices since 2000 and y-o-y indices since 2001 are available in time series (excluding section J, which is available since 2005 or rather 2006).*

 *(*[*http://www.czso.cz/eng/redakce.nsf/i/slu\_mts2005*](http://www.czso.cz/eng/redakce.nsf/i/slu_mts2005)*)*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Sales in services (year-on-year indices)

Table 2 Sales in services (year-on-year changes, decomposition of increase – year-on-year)

Graph 1 Sales in services (fixed-base indices)

Graph 2 Other services turnover (CZ-NACE sections H+I+J+M+N) – international comparison

1. 1) *For the purpose of News Releases, services include the following CZ-NACE sections: Transportation and storage (H), Accommodation and food service activities (I), Information and communication (J), Real estate activities (L), Professional, scientific and technical activities – without Scientific research and development and Veterinary activities (M without 72 and 75), Administrative and support service activities without Landscape service activities (N without 81.3).*  [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 2) *For the purpose of News Releases section M – Professional, scientific and technical activities does not include CZ-NACE 72 – Scientific research and development and CZ-NACE 75 – Veterinary activities.* [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. 3) *For the purpose of News Releases section N – Administrative and support service activities does not include CZ-NACE 81.3 – Landscape service activities.* [↑](#footnote-ref-3)