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Production growth decelerated

Industry – May 2014

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**Sales from industrial activity at current prices** increased by 6.0%, y-o-y, in May 2014. Direct export sales of industrial enterprises increased at current prices by 10.7%. Domestic sales, which include also indirect export via non-industrial enterprises increased at current prices by 1.1%.

The value of **new orders** in selected industrial CZ-NACE activities increased by 8.7%, y-o-y, in May 2014. Non-domestic new orders increased by 14.5%, while domestic new orders decreased by 1.4%. The y-o-y growth of new orders in total was the most contributed to by the following CZ-NACE divisions: manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers (contribution +5.5 p.p., growth by 17.2%), manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products (contribution +1.5 p.p., growth by 18.1%), and manufacture of fabricated metal products (contribution +1.0 p.p., growth by 8.1%). New orders decreased in manufacture of machinery and equipment (contribution -0.7 p.p., drop by 5.4%), manufacturing of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations (contribution -0.2 p.p., drop by 16.4%), and manufacture of wearing apparel (contribution -0.1 p.p., drop by 9.5%).

The **average registered number of employees\*)** in industrial enterprises with 50+ employees increased in May 2014 by 1.6%, y-o-y. Their **average monthly nominal gross wage** increased in May 2014 by 1.5%, y-o-y, and reached CZK 28 872.

According to the Eurostat news release working day adjusted **industrial production in the EU28 in April 2014** increasedby 2.1%, y-o-y. According to a preliminary time schedule, data for May 2014 will be released by Eurostat on 14 July 2014 at 11 a.m.

*Notes:*

*\*) The registered number of employees indicator does not include persons working under various contracts for work, working owners of enterprises, and cooperating household members, who do not have contracts of employment. Data on the registered number of employees in industry also exclude agency workers, who have contracts of employment within activities of services (CZ-NACE 78.2).*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Industrial production (year-on-year indices - IPI)

Table 2 Sales and new orders in industry (year-on-year indices)

Graph 1 Industrial production (changes on the base year)

Graph 2 Industrial production (year-on-year changes)

Graph 3 Industrial production index – international comparison