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Growth of production and orders thanks to automotive industry

Industry – April 2016

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**Sales from industrial activity at current prices** increased by 0.3%, y-o-y, in April 2016. Direct export sales of industrial enterprises increased at current prices by 4.0%. Domestic sales, which include also indirect export via non-industrial enterprises decreased at current prices by 4.5%.

The value of **new orders** in selected industrial CZ-NACE activities increased by 13.2%, y-o-y, in April 2016. Non-domestic new orders increased by 17.4%, while domestic new orders increased by 5.1%. The y-o-y increase 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 +13.8 p.p., growth by 36.8%), manufacture of fabricated metal products (contribution +0.5 p.p., growth by 4.5%), manufacture of basic metals (contribution +0.4 p.p., growth by 5.9%). New orders decreased in manufacture of chemicals and chemical products (contribution -1.4 p.p., drop by 22.7%), manufacture of electrical equipment (contribution -0.3 p.p., drop by 3.3%), and manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations (contribution -0.1 p.p., drop by 6.6%).

The **average registered number of employees\*)** in industrial enterprises with 50+ employees increased in April 2016 by 3.2%, y-o-y. Their **average monthly nominal gross wage** increased in April 2016 by 3.5%, y-o-y, and reached CZK 29 252.

According to the Eurostat news release, working days adjusted **industrial production in the EU28 in March 2016** increasedby 0.3%, y-o-y. According to a preliminary time schedule, data for April 2016 will be released by Eurostat on 14 June 2016 at 11:00 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). In compliance with the CZSO revision policy, together with processing of data for April 2016, data for January to March 2016 and for the year 2015 have been revised.*

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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