

Developments for output prices

during the first quarter of 2004

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Industrial output prices in the EU-25 grew in the first quarter of 2004 by 0.6 % in comparison with the final quarter of 2003. This was the same quarter-on-quarter rate of change as that registered in the final quarter of 2003. In the euro-zone, output prices increased at almost the same pace as in the EU-25 in the first quarter of 2004, rising 0.5 %. However, this was 0.3 percentage points higher than the quarter-on-quarter rate of change that was registered in the final quarter of 2003 (0.2 %).

When analysing annual price increases, output prices in the EU-25 increased by 0.5 % in the first quarter of 2004 (compared to the same quarter of a year before). This rate of change was considerably lower than the annual evolution of industrial prices during the year to the fourth quarter of 2003, when prices increased by 1.4 %. In the euro-zone there was a similar evolution, as price changes were considerably less rapid in the first quarter of 2004 (0.2 %) than they had been in the final quarter of 2003 (1.1 %).

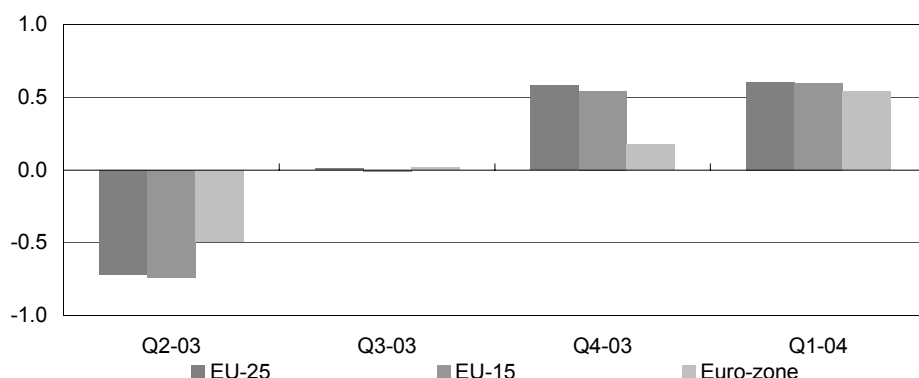


Figure 1: Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes compared to the previous quarter (%)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data			Year on year price changes, gross data		
	EU-25	EU-15	Euro-zone	EU-25	EU-15	Euro-zone
Q2-03	-0.7	-0.7	-0.5	1.6	1.6	1.4
Q3-03	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	1.4	1.2
Q4-03	0.6	0.5	0.2	1.4	1.4	1.1
Q1-04	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2

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Domestic output prices for the main industrial groupings (MIGs)

In the first quarter of 2004 each of the main industrial groupings (MIGs) recorded an increase in domestic output prices for the EU-25 when compared to the previous quarter; the same pattern held true within the euro-zone. Output prices of intermediate goods registered the most rapid expansion, with price growth of 1.3 % in the EU-25 and 1.2 % in the euro-zone in the first quarter of 2004. Indeed, the high price increases recorded for intermediate goods were considerably above those reported for the other MIGs, where price growth was between 0.1 % and 0.4 %. Rising prices for intermediate goods reflect, to some degree, the change in the price of energy, as price increases observed for energy in the final quarter of 2003 were subsequently passed on by intermediate goods manufacturers. The lowest price increases among the MIGs were recorded for capital goods, as output prices rose by 0.1 % both in the EU-25 and the euro-zone between the final quarter of 2003 and the first quarter of 2004.

Energy was the only MIG to report that output prices had fallen between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004. This was despite the fact that the price of energy in the EU-25 had risen by 0.4 %, 2.2 % and 0.4 % in the latest three quarters for which data are available (compared to the quarter before). The price of energy fell between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004 by 1.7 % in the EU-25 and 2.4 % in the euro-zone. This was entirely the result of falling quarter-on-quarter prices between the first and second quarters of 2003, when the price of energy dipped considerably, only to resume its fairly rapid upward path thereafter. Year-on-year price increases for the other MIGs were relatively low for capital goods and consumer durables (0.4 % and 0.3 % in the EU-25), while price increases for consumer non-durables (1.0 %) and intermediate goods (1.3 %) were somewhat higher.

		Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
		Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
Total industry (excluding construction)	EU-25	0.5	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.6	0.6	1.2	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.5
	EU-15	0.5	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.5	0.6	1.2	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.4
	Euro-zone	0.3	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.2	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.2
Total industry without energy (excluding construction)	EU-25	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
	EU-15	0.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.7	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
	Euro-zone	0.0	0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.8
Energy	EU-25	2.6	5.7	-4.7	0.4	2.2	0.4	2.6	8.2	3.3	3.9	3.5	-1.7
	EU-15	2.6	5.9	-4.8	0.3	2.2	0.4	2.6	8.4	3.4	3.8	3.5	-1.9
	Euro-zone	1.2	5.1	-3.5	0.8	0.2	0.2	2.8	7.6	2.8	3.5	2.5	-2.4
Intermediate goods	EU-25	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.6	0.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.3	0.3	0.6	1.3
	EU-15	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.6	0.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.3	0.3	0.6	1.2
	Euro-zone	0.0	0.6	0.2	-0.7	0.3	1.2	1.0	1.6	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.9
Capital goods	EU-25	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4
	EU-15	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4
	Euro-zone	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5
Consumer durables	EU-25	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3
	EU-15	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3
	Euro-zone	0.0	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2
Consumer non-durables	EU-25	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
	EU-15	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9
	Euro-zone	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.8

Table 2: Domestic output prices for the MIGs, price changes (%)

Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction)

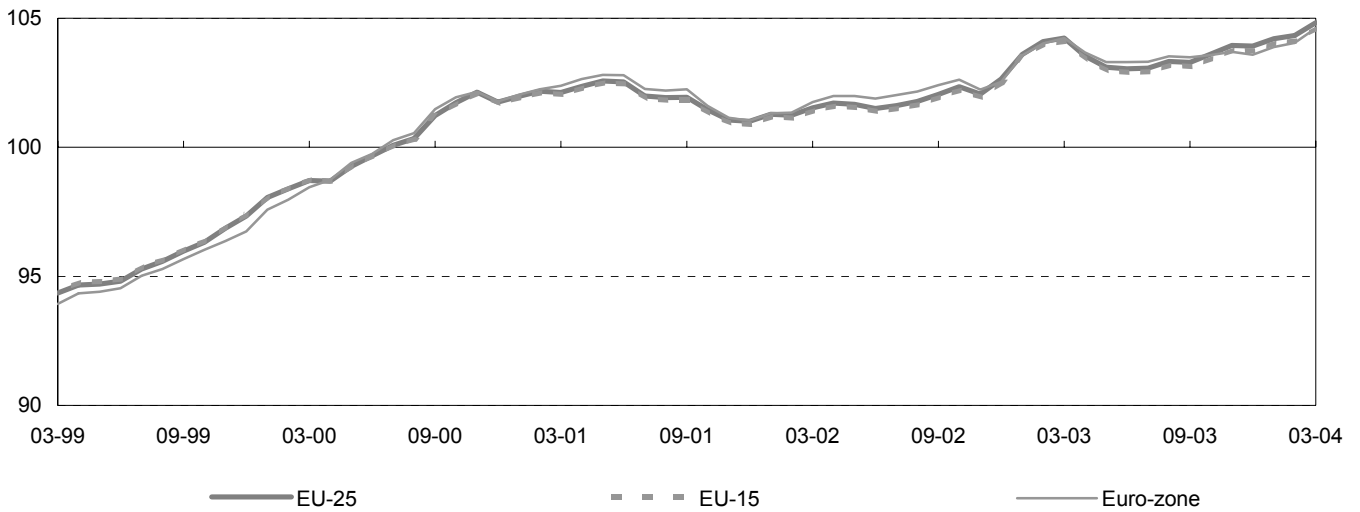
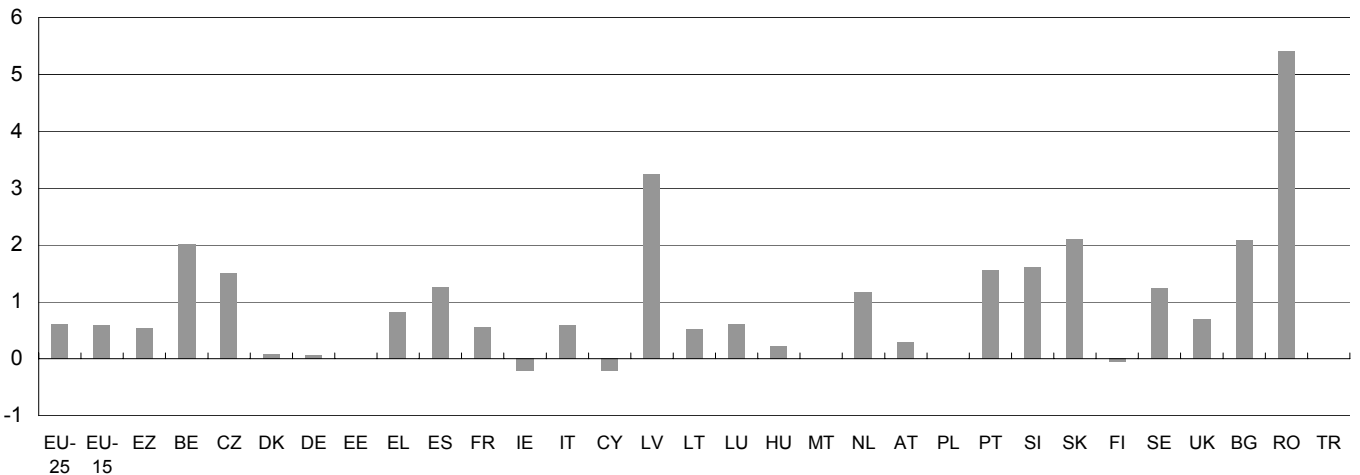
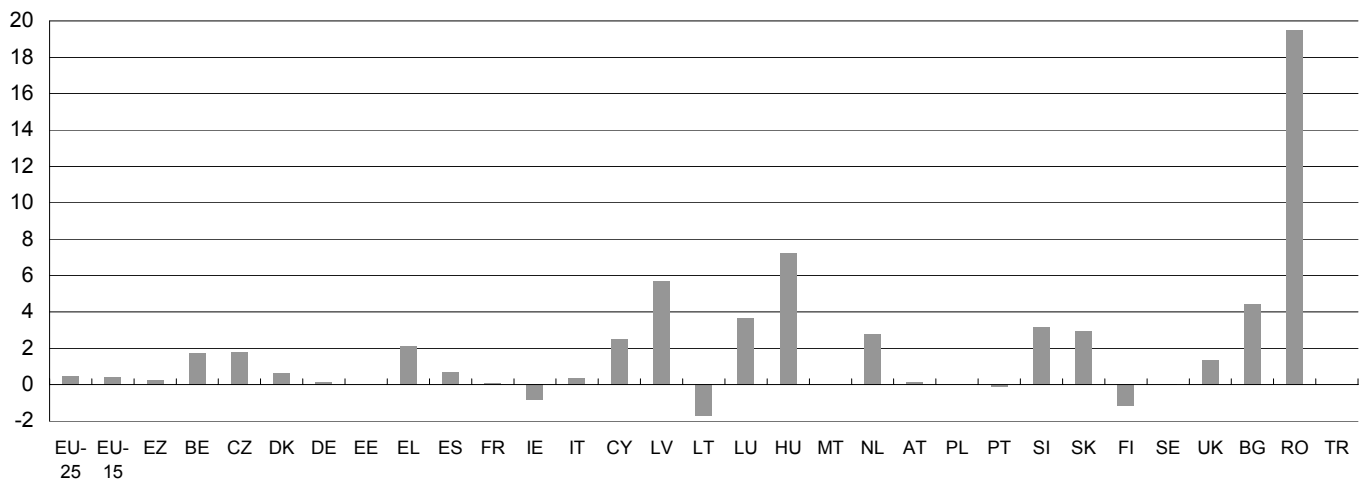


Figure 2: Index of domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), evolution over time, gross data (2000=100)



(1) DK, EL, CY, LU, NL, AT, BG and RO, Q4-2003; EE, MT, PL and TR, not available.

Figure 3: Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes compared to the previous quarter, gross data, Q1-2004 (%) (1)



(1) DK, EL, CY, LU, NL, AT, BG and RO, Q4-2003; EE, MT, PL and TR, not available.

Figure 4: Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes compared to the same quarter of the year before, gross data, Q1-2004 (%)

Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction) in the Member States

Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction) rose at a faster pace in the first quarter of 2004 than in the final quarter of 2003 in 10 of the 16 Member States for which data are available. Quarter-on-quarter price increases in the first quarter of 2004 were in the range of 0.5 % (Lithuania) to 3.2 % (Latvia), other than in four of the Member States. Prices remained almost stable in Germany (0.1 %) and Hungary (0.2 %) in the first quarter of 2004, while in Ireland and Finland, prices fell, with decreases of 0.2 % and 0.1 % respectively.

In the first quarter of 2004 (when compared to the same quarter of a year before) the highest increases in domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction) were recorded by Hungary and Latvia, where prices rose by 7.2 % and 5.7 % respectively. These figures were considerably higher than the next highest price increases, which were reported by Slovenia (3.2 %) and Slovakia (2.9 %). Output price inflation was below 2 % for all other countries for which data are available for the first quarter of 2004. There was a modest increase in prices, equal to 0.1 %, in Germany, France and Sweden between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004. Price reductions were reported in Portugal (-0.2 %), with more pronounced reductions in Ireland (-0.8 %), Finland (-1.2 %) and Lithuania (-1.7 %).

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.5	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.6	0.6	1.2	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.5
EU-15	0.5	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.5	0.6	1.2	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.4
Euro-zone	0.3	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.2	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.2
BE	0.3	0.2	0.5	-1.3	0.6	2.0	2.3	1.6	1.4	-0.3	-0.1	1.7
CZ	0.5	0.1	-0.7	-0.2	1.2	1.5	-0.8	-0.6	-0.7	-0.3	0.4	1.8
DK	0.6	3.8	-1.7	-1.5	0.1	:	3.4	7.1	3.4	1.2	0.7	:
DE	0.2	1.7	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	1.6	1.5	1.9	1.8	0.1
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.6	1.3	-0.8	0.9	0.8	:	3.2	3.6	1.7	1.9	2.1	:
ES	0.2	1.5	-0.8	0.1	0.2	1.3	1.8	2.8	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.7
FR	0.0	1.0	-0.6	0.0	0.1	0.6	1.0	2.0	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.1
IE	0.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.4	0.0	-0.2	2.7	2.6	0.5	0.5	0.1	-0.8
IT	0.4	1.1	-0.5	0.2	0.1	0.6	1.7	2.7	1.7	1.2	0.9	0.4
CY	1.0	1.5	-0.5	1.7	-0.2	:	5.5	5.6	3.5	3.7	2.5	:
LV	0.1	0.5	0.8	0.2	1.4	3.2	0.4	0.8	1.4	1.6	2.9	5.7
LT	-0.5	1.9	-2.9	0.0	0.7	0.5	-0.1	1.5	-2.4	-1.6	-0.4	-1.7
LU	-0.1	0.8	2.3	-0.1	0.6	:	3.7	4.6	4.9	2.9	3.7	:
HU	1.9	0.0	0.4	2.7	3.7	0.2	2.8	4.4	3.4	5.1	7.0	7.2
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	1.2	3.6	-1.7	-0.3	1.2	:	3.6	7.4	4.5	2.8	2.8	:
AT	0.0	1.1	-1.0	-0.3	0.3	:	-0.4	1.5	0.2	-0.2	0.1	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	-0.2	1.3	0.1	-1.4	-0.4	1.6	1.4	2.6	1.3	-0.2	-0.4	-0.2
SI	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.6	1.6	4.0	3.0	2.6	2.4	2.2	3.2
SK	-0.2	7.6	0.8	-0.1	0.1	2.1	2.2	8.5	8.1	8.1	8.5	2.9
FI	0.2	1.3	-1.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.4	0.9	-0.2	0.0	0.2	-1.2
SE	4.7	5.0	-1.7	-0.2	0.7	1.2	5.9	10.9	8.8	7.9	3.8	0.1
UK	1.2	1.7	-1.7	0.0	2.4	0.7	0.1	1.8	0.9	1.1	2.4	1.3
BG	1.8	3.8	-3.0	1.5	2.1	:	4.0	8.0	3.3	4.1	4.4	:
RO	3.7	5.7	4.0	3.2	5.4	:	20.8	21.6	19.9	17.5	19.5	:
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 3: Domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes (%)

Domestic output prices for the MIGs in the Member States

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
EU-15	0.1	0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.2	1.0	0.7	0.8	1.0
Euro-zone	0.0	0.5	0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.6	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.7	0.8
BE	0.4	-0.2	0.3	-1.2	0.6	1.5	2.1	1.9	1.1	-0.7	-0.5	1.2
CZ	-0.3	0.0	0.2	-0.3	0.9	1.1	-1.3	-1.2	-0.8	-0.3	0.8	2.0
DK	0.5	0.9	-0.9	0.8	0.0	:	3.4	3.6	1.7	1.3	0.7	:
DE	0.0	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	1.0	:	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.4	2.8	:
ES	-0.1	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.4	1.6	1.9
FR	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.3	0.6	0.8
IE	-0.2	0.5	0.4	0.1	0.5	0.8	1.7	0.8	0.3	0.8	1.5	1.8
IT	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.8	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.1	1.1	1.4
CY	0.9	1.4	1.0	0.3	0.7	:	4.0	4.1	4.2	3.6	3.4	:
LV	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
LT	-1.1	0.8	-0.5	-0.3	1.0	1.2	-2.9	-2.3	-1.7	-1.0	1.0	1.4
LU	-0.1	0.8	0.5	-0.2	0.1	:	1.3	2.5	2.3	0.9	1.1	:
HU	1.0	0.0	1.2	0.7	2.5	0.8	2.0	2.6	2.9	3.0	4.5	5.3
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	0.6	1.6	-0.2	-0.2	0.3	:	1.9	3.4	2.6	1.8	1.5	:
AT	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.0	:	-0.7	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	-0.2	0.4	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
SI	1.3	0.9	0.8	0.2	0.5	1.3	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.2	2.4	2.7
SK	:	:	0.5	-0.4	0.3	1.1	:	:	:	:	:	1.5
FI	-0.6	0.1	-0.7	-0.6	-0.3	-0.1	-1.5	-1.1	-1.4	-1.8	-1.5	-1.7
SE	-0.2	0.2	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	1.0	1.4	0.7	0.6	0.0	0.2	0.9
UK	0.1	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.7
BG	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
RO	3.4	5.8	6.0	3.9	4.8	:	18.1	19.1	20.7	20.4	22.1	:
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 4: Domestic output prices for total industry without energy (excluding construction), price changes (%)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	2.6	5.7	-4.7	0.4	2.2	0.4	2.6	8.2	3.3	3.9	3.5	-1.7
EU-15	2.6	5.9	-4.8	0.3	2.2	0.4	2.6	8.4	3.4	3.8	3.5	-1.9
Euro-zone	1.2	5.1	-3.5	0.8	0.2	0.2	2.8	7.6	2.8	3.5	2.5	-2.4
BE	1.6	-1.8	-1.8	0.6	0.5	2.5	5.3	0.8	-2.1	-1.4	-2.5	1.8
CZ	4.0	0.8	-4.6	0.2	2.4	2.8	1.7	2.0	-0.6	0.2	-1.4	0.7
DK	0.7	8.6	-3.1	-4.6	0.9	:	3.2	12.4	5.7	1.0	1.3	:
DE	0.9	7.6	-0.8	1.3	0.0	-0.8	-0.5	5.6	5.5	9.1	8.1	-0.4
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.9	2.6	-5.0	2.0	0.1	:	6.2	7.5	0.0	0.3	-0.4	:
ES	1.4	4.6	-6.3	-0.1	0.3	1.3	4.7	8.6	-0.6	-0.7	-1.8	-4.9
FR	1.0	4.1	-5.0	1.0	-0.1	0.9	4.5	8.6	1.3	0.8	-0.2	-3.3
IE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
IT	1.3	4.0	-4.1	0.7	-1.0	-0.7	1.5	7.0	2.0	1.7	-0.6	-5.1
CY	1.4	1.7	-6.0	7.5	-3.5	:	11.3	11.3	0.6	4.3	-0.8	:
LV	-0.7	0.4	0.5	1.6	2.5	5.1	0.1	0.5	0.3	1.8	5.1	9.9
LT	0.5	3.7	-6.5	0.1	0.3	-0.5	5.4	8.5	-3.2	-2.4	-2.6	-6.5
LU	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
HU	3.7	0.5	-1.3	7.3	6.3	-0.3	4.9	8.9	4.7	10.4	13.2	12.2
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	2.0	8.1	-6.4	2.4	2.7	:	9.5	16.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	:
AT	0.7	4.4	-3.4	-1.4	0.9	:	0.8	7.3	1.4	0.0	0.3	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	0.1	3.2	0.3	-4.2	-0.4	3.1	2.2	6.4	3.4	-0.7	-1.2	-1.4
SI	-0.7	1.0	0.3	0.8	1.4	4.0	2.5	-1.5	0.1	1.4	3.6	6.7
SK	:	:	1.0	0.3	-0.2	3.4	:	:	:	:	:	4.6
FI	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
SE	25.3	22.0	-9.0	0.5	3.7	2.3	24.0	55.1	42.0	39.7	15.6	-3.0
UK	4.9	5.9	-8.8	-1.1	10.5	0.6	-1.0	4.6	0.0	0.2	5.5	0.2
BG	4.7	8.0	-9.2	3.2	1.4	:	14.2	22.2	5.1	5.9	2.6	:
RO	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 5: Domestic output prices for energy, price changes (%)

Domestic output prices for the MIGs in the Member States (continued)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.6	0.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.3	0.3	0.6	1.3
EU-15	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.6	0.3	1.3	1.1	1.7	1.3	0.3	0.6	1.2
Euro-zone	0.0	0.6	0.2	-0.7	0.3	1.2	1.0	1.6	1.2	0.0	0.3	0.9
BE	0.6	0.5	0.3	-1.7	1.1	2.0	2.8	3.3	2.2	-0.3	0.2	1.7
CZ	-0.6	0.3	0.5	-1.2	1.2	1.8	-2.3	-1.6	-0.8	-1.0	0.8	2.3
DK	0.4	1.0	0.4	1.3	-1.0	:	1.1	2.7	2.9	3.1	1.8	:
DE	0.0	0.4	0.0	-0.7	0.0	0.8	0.3	1.2	0.7	-0.3	-0.2	0.2
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.7	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.8	:	2.4	2.7	2.2	2.1	2.1	:
ES	-0.3	0.9	0.2	-0.6	0.4	2.0	1.5	1.4	0.9	0.1	0.9	2.0
FR	-0.4	0.5	0.3	-0.8	0.2	1.1	0.2	0.9	0.9	-0.4	0.1	0.8
IE	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.4	0.6	2.2	1.6	1.3	1.0	1.3	1.4
IT	0.2	0.8	0.2	-0.6	0.5	1.7	1.7	2.5	1.9	0.6	0.9	1.8
CY	0.7	0.7	1.2	0.1	0.6	:	4.1	3.1	4.0	2.7	2.6	:
LV	0.2	1.8	2.1	-0.7	1.0	3.7	0.5	3.1	5.0	3.4	4.2	6.2
LT	-1.9	-0.6	-1.7	-0.6	1.9	1.9	-4.3	-4.9	-4.4	-4.7	-1.0	1.5
LU	-0.1	0.5	0.3	-0.8	0.3	:	-0.1	2.2	2.2	-0.2	0.2	:
HU	0.5	4.2	-1.5	-0.2	2.5	1.3	1.5	7.5	4.1	2.9	4.9	2.0
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	1.0	1.3	-0.2	-1.4	0.7	:	3.6	3.0	2.3	0.7	0.4	:
AT	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	:	-0.7	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.4	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.7	0.3	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.0	-0.9	-0.5	0.4
SI	0.4	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.2	3.6	3.3	2.6	2.2	2.0	3.3
SK	:	:	1.1	-1.6	0.0	1.4	:	:	:	:	:	0.9
FI	-0.4	0.1	1.2	-1.2	-0.4	0.5	-0.2	0.2	1.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.1
SE	-0.1	0.7	0.8	-0.4	0.5	2.1	2.1	1.8	1.9	0.9	1.5	3.0
UK	0.1	0.8	0.7	0.2	0.2	1.4	1.6	2.5	2.1	1.8	2.0	2.6
BG	0.0	2.7	1.3	1.5	3.5	:	-2.2	2.9	2.9	5.6	9.3	:
RO	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 6: Domestic output prices for intermediate goods, price changes (%)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4
EU-15	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4
Euro-zone	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.7	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5
BE	0.0	0.9	0.9	-0.5	0.1	1.1	-0.1	1.0	2.2	1.2	1.4	1.6
CZ	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.4	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.2	0.5
DK	-1.6	1.8	1.2	-0.1	-0.4	:	2.5	1.6	1.5	1.2	2.4	:
DE	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.9	-0.1	:	1.2	0.9	1.5	2.2	2.0	:
ES	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.7	1.7	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.3
FR	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1
IE	-1.5	-2.2	-2.5	-2.5	-2.1	-5.6	-4.4	-6.9	-8.4	-8.4	-9.0	-12.2
IT	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.6	1.0	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.8	1.2
CY	0.0	1.7	1.2	1.1	0.0	:	-0.5	1.1	3.0	3.9	3.9	:
LV	-1.4	-0.2	-0.8	0.8	1.0	1.7	1.5	-4.0	-4.5	-1.5	0.8	2.8
LT	-0.5	-1.7	-0.4	2.7	-0.5	-1.8	-3.0	-5.2	-5.9	0.1	0.0	0.0
LU	0.0	1.0	0.3	0.1	0.4	:	0.6	1.7	1.7	1.4	1.7	:
HU	0.2	0.6	1.5	0.6	1.2	1.3	2.3	1.7	2.1	2.9	3.9	4.7
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	0.2	0.8	1.9	1.9	0.3	:	1.6	1.4	3.0	4.8	5.0	:
AT	0.0	0.3	-0.1	-0.1	-0.5	:	-0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.3	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	0.1	1.1	-0.8	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.5	1.2	0.2	0.4	0.4	-0.1
SI	0.6	-1.8	-0.3	0.3	0.8	-0.7	3.5	1.3	-0.7	-1.1	-0.9	0.1
SK	:	:	0.9	0.4	-0.1	0.9	:	:	:	:	:	2.1
FI	-1.5	-0.1	-4.4	-0.2	-0.8	-0.9	-5.1	-4.3	-7.1	-6.1	-5.4	-6.1
SE	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.5	-0.2	0.9	-0.2	-0.6	-1.4	-1.4	-1.2
UK	0.1	-0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	-1.0	-1.0	-0.5	0.0	0.0	0.4
BG	0.7	2.3	1.0	-2.0	0.9	:	0.1	0.0	7.2	2.0	2.1	:
RO	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 7: Domestic output prices for capital goods, price changes (%)

Domestic output prices for the MIGs in the Member States (continued)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3
EU-15	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3
Euro-zone	0.0	0.5	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2
BE	0.7	-0.5	0.5	-0.1	-0.3	-0.8	1.1	0.3	0.6	0.6	-0.4	-0.7
CZ	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.4	-0.1	0.4	0.7	0.3	-0.2	0.2	0.1
DK	-1.2	1.2	-1.3	1.4	1.8	:	1.6	2.6	0.3	0.0	3.1	:
DE	0.0	0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	1.1	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.2
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.2	-0.6	:	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.3	0.5	:
ES	0.2	0.7	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.9	1.7	1.3	1.8	1.7	2.0	2.2
FR	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4	0.0	-0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.7
IE	0.4	0.1	1.4	0.5	0.2	1.1	3.8	2.7	2.6	2.4	2.2	3.2
IT	-0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.4	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.5
CY	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.9	:	5.9	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.7	:
LV	2.8	-0.7	0.0	-1.2	1.8	2.3	7.0	4.8	0.5	0.8	-0.1	3.0
LT	-1.3	-0.6	0.3	-1.7	0.3	-0.2	-5.5	-2.0	-1.8	-3.3	-1.7	-1.4
LU	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
HU	2.5	-0.8	3.5	-0.8	1.9	-3.0	-2.9	1.4	3.1	4.4	3.7	1.4
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	0.4	1.0	-0.6	-1.0	-0.3	:	3.3	2.4	1.2	-0.1	-0.8	:
AT	-0.1	0.2	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	:	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	-0.1	0.2	-0.5	0.1	0.3	0.1	1.8	0.4	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.1
SI	1.0	2.9	0.5	0.8	-0.2	0.7	4.5	5.9	5.3	5.2	4.0	1.8
SK	:	:	0.8	0.4	-0.8	-0.5	:	:	:	:	:	0.0
FI	0.1	-0.2	-0.9	0.2	-0.8	-0.5	0.4	-0.2	-1.2	-0.8	-1.7	-2.0
SE	-0.8	0.5	0.5	-0.3	-0.5	0.1	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.3
UK	0.1	1.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.9	1.5	1.8	1.8	0.8
BG	2.1	2.2	8.5	-4.3	0.4	:	2.1	4.2	9.8	8.5	6.6	:
RO	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 8: Domestic output prices for consumer durables, price changes (%)

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.0
EU-15	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.4	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.2	1.1	0.9
Euro-zone	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.8
BE	-0.1	-1.1	0.6	-1.0	0.3	1.1	1.5	0.6	-0.2	-1.6	-1.2	0.9
CZ	-0.2	-0.4	0.1	0.5	1.2	1.1	-1.4	-1.7	-1.2	0.1	1.5	3.0
DK	1.7	0.2	-2.2	0.6	-0.4	:	6.1	5.3	1.4	0.3	-1.8	:
DE	0.1	0.5	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.8	0.5
EE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
EL	0.4	1.1	0.5	0.7	1.2	:	2.4	2.5	2.2	2.8	3.6	:
ES	0.0	1.1	0.5	1.2	-0.2	0.7	2.0	2.2	1.9	2.8	2.6	2.2
FR	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.6	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.4	1.5
IE	0.4	1.6	0.7	0.4	0.6	1.2	3.6	3.3	2.4	3.1	3.4	3.0
IT	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.0	2.3	1.9	2.2	2.0	1.8	1.4
CY	1.1	1.9	0.9	0.3	0.9	:	4.5	5.4	4.8	4.2	4.0	:
LV	0.5	-0.2	0.4	-0.2	0.9	2.1	0.1	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.9	3.1
LT	-0.7	1.7	-0.1	-0.1	0.7	1.2	-2.2	-0.9	-0.1	0.8	2.2	1.6
LU	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.5	-0.6	:	2.4	2.8	2.6	2.2	1.0	:
HU	1.4	0.2	0.6	0.8	2.6	0.9	3.0	2.2	3.0	3.0	4.3	5.0
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	2.1	2.0	-2.3	-4.8	0.4	:	5.1	6.2	3.0	-3.1	-4.8	:
AT	-0.5	-0.2	-0.8	0.4	0.3	:	-1.3	-1.2	-1.5	-1.0	-0.3	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT	-0.7	0.5	0.7	0.7	-1.3	0.7	1.8	0.7	0.6	1.2	0.5	0.7
SI	2.1	0.6	1.2	0.1	0.6	1.0	6.2	4.9	4.6	4.0	2.5	2.9
SK	:	:	-0.3	0.4	1.0	1.0	:	:	:	:	:	2.1
FI	0.1	0.2	0.4	-0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.3
SE	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6	1.2
UK	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.9	1.6	2.0	1.9	1.8
BG	0.8	-2.1	0.1	0.8	2.1	:	1.7	-1.4	-0.5	-0.3	1.0	:
RO	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 9: Domestic output prices for consumer non-durables, price changes (%)

Domestic output prices for industrial NACE Divisions in the EU

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NACE Rev. 1 heading (code)	Weight in total industry (%)	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data						
		Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	
Total industry	C-E	100.0	0.5	1.6	-0.7	0.0	0.6	0.6	1.2	2.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	0.5
Mining of coal and lignite	10	0.4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Mining of metal ores	13	0.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Other non-metallic mining	14	0.7	0.6	0.4	1.5	0.1	-1.0	0.5	8.3	6.5	2.9	2.5	0.9	1.1
Food and beverages	15	14.7	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.7	1.3	1.7	2.1
Tobacco	16	1.3	0.3	5.4	1.0	0.5	3.4	5.0	7.0	6.9	7.1	7.2	10.6	10.2
Textiles	17	1.9	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.0
Clothing	18	1.5	-0.1	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.6
Leather products	19	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.3	-0.5	1.7	1.2	1.1	0.4	0.0	-0.5
Wood products	20	2.0	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.4
Pulp & paper	21	2.4	0.0	-0.9	-0.1	-0.8	-0.5	-0.7	1.0	0.6	0.6	-1.9	-2.4	-2.1
Publishing & printing	22	5.1	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.5
Refined petroleum prod.	23	7.2	1.4	8.4	-10.0	1.1	0.2	0.8	8.7	17.2	-1.0	0.0	-1.2	-8.1
Chemicals	24	7.7	0.0	1.4	0.6	-1.8	0.1	1.2	1.8	4.1	3.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
Rubber & plastic	25	3.4	0.0	0.1	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.4	0.9	0.9	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Non-metallic minerals	26	3.7	-0.3	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.8	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.9
Basic metals	27	3.3	0.4	1.2	0.2	-0.2	0.9	4.7	1.3	2.9	2.0	1.6	2.0	5.5
Metal products	28	6.7	0.2	0.5	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.2	1.0	1.2
Machinery	29	6.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.2	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Office machinery	30	0.8	-1.6	-2.5	-1.9	-1.2	-0.1	-3.0	-5.5	-6.1	-7.3	-7.0	-5.6	-6.0
Electrical machinery	31	3.3	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.5
Radio/TV/communication	32	2.7	-1.2	-1.0	-1.5	-0.4	-0.9	-1.4	-5.0	-4.8	-4.4	-4.0	-3.6	-4.0
Medical and optical	33	1.5	0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.2	0.1	1.3	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.3	0.2
Motor vehicles	34	6.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9
Other transport	35	1.7	0.7	0.8	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.7	1.8	1.8	2.0	1.4	1.0
Furniture & other manf.	36	2.7	0.2	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	1.6	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.5	0.9
Elec./gas/hot water	40	9.4	4.3	5.1	-1.9	0.1	3.5	0.3	0.5	5.5	7.4	7.6	6.8	2.0
Water	41	0.8	0.1	1.1	1.6	0.4	0.2	1.2	1.9	2.0	3.0	3.2	3.3	3.3

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NACE Rev. 1 heading (code)	Weight in total industry (%)	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data						
		Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	
Total industry	C-E	100.0	0.3	1.4	-0.5	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.2	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.2
Mining of coal and lignite	10	0.2	-3.5	0.6	-0.6	-0.4	2.8	4.1	-12.4	-10.6	-9.0	-4.0	2.3	5.8
Mining of metal ores	13	0.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Other non-metallic mining	14	0.6	0.9	1.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	1.1	4.6	3.1	2.6	2.2	1.3	1.3
Food and beverages	15	14.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.8	1.4	1.7	2.0
Tobacco	16	1.2	0.2	7.4	0.7	0.2	4.9	6.5	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.6	13.6	12.6
Textiles	17	2.0	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.1
Clothing	18	1.7	-0.1	0.7	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.3	1.4	1.1	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.7
Leather products	19	0.7	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	-0.3	-0.5	1.7	1.2	1.1	0.5	0.1	-0.4
Wood products	20	2.0	-0.1	0.5	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.3	-0.1
Pulp & paper	21	2.4	-0.2	-1.0	0.0	-0.9	-0.6	-0.7	1.0	0.5	0.5	-2.2	-2.5	-2.2
Publishing & printing	22	4.6	0.1	0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	-0.1	-0.2
Refined petroleum prod.	23	7.6	1.3	7.8	-10.5	1.5	0.5	0.9	8.7	15.4	-2.1	-0.9	-1.7	-8.0
Chemicals	24	8.2	0.0	1.4	0.5	-2.1	0.1	1.2	1.8	4.1	3.0	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2
Rubber & plastic	25	3.4	0.0	0.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.4	1.0	1.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
Non-metallic minerals	26	3.9	-0.4	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.8	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.1	0.4	0.8
Basic metals	27	3.5	0.4	1.3	-0.2	-0.3	0.8	4.8	1.5	3.1	1.8	1.2	1.6	5.1
Metal products	28	7.1	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.7	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.1	0.9	1.0
Machinery	29	6.6	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	0.3	1.1	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8
Office machinery	30	0.8	-1.7	-1.6	-1.5	-1.4	-0.1	-2.5	-4.7	-5.2	-6.2	-6.1	-4.6	-5.5
Electrical machinery	31	3.7	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5
Radio/TV/communication	32	2.6	-1.2	-1.1	-1.7	-0.3	-0.9	-1.3	-3.5	-4.1	-4.7	-4.1	-3.9	-4.1
Medical and optical	33	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.1	-0.4	0.1	0.1	1.4	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1
Motor vehicles	34	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	1.1	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.0
Other transport	35	1.5	0.8	0.7	-0.1	0.3	0.3	0.6	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.1	1.0
Furniture & other manf.	36	2.7	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	1.7	1.5	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.7
Elec./gas/hot water	40	8.3	1.0	3.4	0.4	0.8	0.0	-0.4	0.0	3.5	5.3	5.8	4.7	0.9
Water	41	0.7	0.2	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.3	1.1	1.7	1.6	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.9

Table 10: Domestic output prices for selected NACE Divisions in the EU, price changes (%)

Non-domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction)

Non-domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction) fell marginally by 0.2 % in the fourth quarter of 2003, both in the EU-25 and in the euro-zone (when compared to the previous quarter). In the first quarter of 2004 this situation was reversed, as non-domestic output prices rose by 1.0 % in the euro-zone (no data available for the EU-25). Considering the Member States for which data are available for either the final quarter of 2003 or the first quarter of 2004, the highest price increases were registered in Belgium, Greece, Lithuania and Latvia. Some Member States reported that non-domestic output prices were falling, as was the case in Ireland, Hungary and Slovakia in the first quarter of 2004 and in 9 of the 19 Member States for which data are available for the final quarter of 2003.

Non-domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction) decreased by 1.0 % in the EU-25 and by 0.9 % in the euro-zone on the basis of a comparison between the final quarters of 2002 and 2003. As such, non-domestic output prices for the EU-25 fell (using this annual comparison) in each quarter since the third quarter of 2001. In the EU-15, non-domestic output prices continued to fall by a similar magnitude between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004 (-1.0 %) - no data available for either the EU-25 or the euro-zone. Among those Member States for which data are available for the first quarter of 2004, the majority reported that non-domestic output prices for industry were falling. Often price reductions were quite considerable, as was the case in Ireland (-7.2 %), Slovakia (-3.9 %) and Sweden (-3.5 %). The highest non-domestic price increases were reported in Latvia, where prices rose by 5.0 % between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004. The next highest increase was registered in Belgium and Hungary (2.1 %).

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	-0.5	0.7	-1.6	0.1	-0.2	:	-0.9	-0.3	-1.7	-1.2	-1.0	:
EU-15	-0.5	0.7	-1.6	0.1	-0.2	0.8	-0.7	-0.3	-1.8	-1.3	-1.1	-1.0
Euro-zone	-0.5	0.8	-1.6	0.1	-0.2	1.0	-0.6	-0.1	-1.7	-1.2	-0.9	:
BE	-0.2	-1.4	0.1	-0.7	1.4	1.2	0.5	-0.5	-1.4	-2.2	-0.6	2.1
CZ	0.9	1.1	-0.4	1.0	0.0	:	-5.4	-1.6	0.6	2.6	1.7	:
DK (1)	-0.6	-0.4	-2.6	0.6	-0.3	:	-1.1	-3.6	-5.1	-3.0	-2.8	:
DE	-0.1	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-0.6
EE	0.3	0.6	-0.7	0.5	0.5	:	:	-1.5	0.1	0.7	0.9	:
EL	0.0	0.2	-2.5	2.0	1.2	:	2.1	0.8	-2.5	-0.3	0.9	:
ES	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FR	-2.0	2.1	-1.9	0.1	-0.3	c	-4.2	-0.5	-2.8	-1.7	0.0	c
IE	-1.4	-3.5	-4.0	-0.9	-1.6	-0.8	-5.8	-9.9	-12.3	-9.6	-9.8	-7.2
IT (1)	0.5	2.5	-3.3	1.7	-0.8	:	2.8	0.4	-0.9	1.2	-0.1	:
CY	-1.2	-3.5	-0.8	0.2	-0.1	:	-3.1	-7.8	-8.3	-5.2	-4.1	:
LV	1.0	3.1	1.8	-0.5	1.3	2.4	1.1	4.1	6.4	5.4	5.8	5.0
LT	-0.5	3.7	-7.6	2.9	1.2	1.7	1.9	6.8	-5.3	-1.8	-0.1	-2.1
LU	0.0	0.6	-0.3	-0.6	0.0	:	-0.5	1.6	1.4	-0.3	-0.3	:
HU	-1.9	-0.1	0.5	3.2	0.1	-1.6	-5.0	-2.4	-1.7	1.7	3.7	2.1
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	0.6	2.7	-4.1	0.2	0.2	:	3.5	6.8	0.6	-0.7	-1.2	:
AT	-0.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	:	-0.6	0.0	-0.5	-0.9	-0.7	:
PL	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
PT (1)	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
SI	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
SK	:	:	-1.5	-0.2	-1.5	-0.6	:	:	:	:	:	-3.9
FI	-0.9	-0.7	-2.6	-0.3	0.2	0.1	-3.0	-3.1	-5.4	-4.4	-3.4	-2.7
SE	-0.9	0.6	-1.3	-1.3	-1.2	0.2	-3.0	-1.4	-1.8	-2.8	-3.2	-3.5
UK	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
BG	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
RO	4.5	6.1	2.9	2.0	6.2	:	21.2	23.1	19.5	16.4	18.2	:
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

(1) Indices are calculated on the basis of unit values in foreign trade statistics.

Table 11: Non-domestic output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes (%)

Total output prices for total industry (excluding construction)

Total output prices for total industry (excluding construction) combine domestic and non-domestic price changes and show the overall variation in output prices. Industrial prices in the EU-25 rose by 0.2 % between the third and fourth quarters of 2003, while the corresponding increase in the euro-zone was 0.1 %. Latest data for the first quarter of 2004 show that quarter-on-quarter price increases accelerated in the euro-zone to 0.3 %. Considering the Member States for which data are available for the first quarter of 2004, the highest price increases were recorded in Latvia (2.9 %), while prices fell in Ireland (-0.5 %) and Hungary (-1.1 %) during the same period. Price developments in the largest Member States for the final quarter of 2003 (compared to the quarter before) revealed that there was no change for industrial prices in Germany (for the second consecutive quarter) or France, with fresher data available for Germany for the first quarter of 2004, when prices rose by 0.1 %.

Based on a comparison with the same quarter of a year before, there was an increase in total output prices for total industry (excluding construction) in the final quarter of 2003 in the EU-25 of 0.4 %, while the corresponding rate in the EU-15 was 0.2 % and in the euro-zone was 0.3 %. The pattern of increasing prices was reversed in the first quarter of 2004 in the euro-zone when total output prices fell by 0.4 % compared to the same quarter of a year before. Given the stable nature of quarter-on-quarter price increases in Germany and France, it was no surprise to find that industrial prices in both of these countries increased at a modest pace between the final quarters of 2002 and 2003, rising by 1.0 % in Germany and by 0.3 % in France. Fresher data for Germany is available for the first quarter of 2004, when there was almost no change in total output prices compared to the same quarter of a year before (-0.1 %). The highest price increases (on the basis of a comparison with the same quarter of a year before) were recorded in Latvia (5.4 %, Q1-2004) and Hungary (4.4 %, Q1-2004). Price reductions of either 1.8 % or 1.9 % were recorded in Lithuania, Finland and Sweden between the first quarters of 2003 and 2004, while the largest fall was registered in Ireland (-5.4 % in the first quarter of 2004).

	Quarter on quarter price changes, gross data						Year on year price changes, gross data					
	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04	Q4-02	Q1-03	Q2-03	Q3-03	Q4-03	Q1-04
EU-25	0.0	1.1	-0.8	0.0	0.2	:	0.3	1.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	:
EU-15	0.0	1.1	-0.9	-0.1	0.1	:	0.3	1.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	:
Euro-zone	-0.1	1.0	-0.8	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.3	-0.4
BE	0.2	-0.9	0.2	-1.0	1.2	1.7	1.6	0.4	-0.4	-1.6	-0.5	2.1
CZ	0.7	0.4	-0.6	0.2	0.8	:	-2.4	-1.0	-0.3	0.7	0.8	:
DK	0.1	1.9	-2.1	-0.6	-0.1	:	1.4	2.2	-0.5	-0.6	-0.8	:
DE	0.1	1.1	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	1.1	0.9	1.1	1.0	-0.1
EE	0.3	0.3	-0.6	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.1	0.8	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.8
EL	0.5	1.0	-1.3	1.2	0.9	:	2.9	2.8	0.5	1.3	1.8	:
ES	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FR	-0.5	1.2	-1.1	0.1	0.0	c	-0.6	1.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.3	c
IE	-0.9	-2.6	-3.1	-0.7	-1.2	-0.5	-3.5	-7.0	-9.2	-7.1	-7.4	-5.4
IT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
CY	0.8	1.0	-0.5	1.6	-0.2	:	4.6	4.2	2.3	2.9	1.9	:
LV	0.4	1.6	1.2	-0.1	1.4	2.9	0.6	2.1	3.5	3.1	4.1	5.4
LT	-0.5	2.8	-5.2	1.4	1.0	1.1	0.9	4.0	-3.9	-1.7	-0.2	-1.9
LU	0.0	0.6	0.3	-0.4	0.1	:	0.4	2.2	2.2	0.4	0.5	:
HU	-0.1	-0.3	0.5	3.1	1.8	-1.1	-1.6	0.6	0.6	3.3	5.2	4.4
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	0.9	3.1	-3.1	0.0	0.6	:	3.6	7.2	2.3	0.8	0.6	:
AT	-0.2	0.7	-0.7	-0.4	0.0	:	-0.5	0.7	-0.2	-0.6	-0.3	:
PL	0.0	1.0	-0.1	1.0	1.4	2.0	1.9	2.9	2.2	1.9	3.3	4.3
PT	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
SI	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
SK	:	:	-0.3	-0.2	-0.7	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FI	-0.3	0.4	-2.0	-0.2	0.3	0.0	-1.6	-0.9	-2.7	-2.1	-1.5	-1.9
SE	1.7	2.7	-1.7	-0.6	-0.3	0.8	1.2	4.5	2.9	2.1	0.1	-1.8
UK	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
BG	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
RO	3.8	5.8	3.7	2.9	5.6	:	20.9	21.9	19.8	17.3	19.2	:
TR	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:

Table 12: Total output prices for total industry (excluding construction), price changes (%)

➤ ESSENTIAL INFORMATION – METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The **output price index** (or *producer price index*) shows monthly price changes in the industrial sector, which can be an indicator of inflationary pressure before it reaches the consumer.

Covered are mining & quarrying, manufacturing and electricity & gas & water supply¹.

The **legal basis** for the index is the **Council Regulation No 1165/98** of 19 May 1998 concerning short-term statistics², which is currently in the process of implementation.

Definition³

All price-determining characteristics of the products should be taken into account, including quantity of units sold, transport provided, rebates, service conditions, guarantee conditions and destination.

The specification must be such that in subsequent reference periods, the observation unit is able to identify the product and to provide the appropriate price per unit.

The appropriate price is the **ex-factory price** that includes all duties and taxes on the goods and services invoiced by

the unit **but excludes VAT** invoiced by the unit vis-à-vis its customer and similar deductible taxes directly linked to turnover.

The actual transaction price should be measured, and not a list price.

If transport costs are included this should be part of the product specification.

The price of period *t* should refer to the moment when the order is made, not the moment when the commodities leave the factory gates.

The **measured price** refers preferably to a particular day in the middle of the month. If no price information is available for the day in question, the price may represent an average over the whole period.

The **domestic market** is defined as customers resident in the same national territory as the observation unit.

The **non-domestic market** is defined as customers not resident in the same national territory as the observation unit.

The **total market** is defined as the sum of domestic and non-domestic markets.

Data transmission and calculation method

Data should be transmitted to Eurostat for the Main Industrial Groupings and for the 2-digit level of NACE Rev. 1 from all Member States. Data for the domestic output price index are used to produce aggregate indicators for the European Union as a whole, and for the group of Member States participating in the euro-zone. For a limited period of time, Eurostat intend to publish data for both the EU-25 and EU-15 aggregates.

The frequency for the output price index is monthly. **Data should be transmitted no later than 1 month and 5 days** after the end of the reference period for the domestic price index, as well as the price index for the non-domestic market.

The deadline for the total price index is 1 month and 15 days. This deadline may, however, be extended by up to 15 days for those Member States whose value added in Sections C, D and E of NACE Rev. 1 for a given base year represents less than 3% of the European Union total.

Weights are based on turnover information from the Structural Business Statistics database or on information coming directly from Member States. Weights and base years are revised every five years. **The current base year is 2000.**

Dissemination

Eurostat publishes detailed data and time series in the Theme 4/EBT-domain of NewCronos.

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Abbreviations and symbols

: not available
c confidential
EZ Euro-zone

¹ NACE Rev. 1 – Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community, Eurostat, 1996 (ISBN 92-826-8767-8).

² Official Journal No L 162, of 5 June 1998. Also available via the 'Business Methods' Internet site: <http://forum.europa.eu.int/Public/irc/dsis/bmethods/home>. The deadline for the full implementation of the Regulation regarding the indices is mid-2003.

³ This abbreviated version of the definition of the indices is based on the Commission Regulation on the Definition of Variables that is currently in the process of implementation. The Member States have to comply with this definition no later than 2003.

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