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## ***Fitful developments in manufacturing output***

Manufacturing output was 2.6% higher in November than in October 2000 after seasonal adjustment. In view of the fact that in October it had fallen by 3% from its September level, production by the manufacturing industry seems to be taking a somewhat irregular course. According to provisional figures from Statistics Netherlands, output levels levelled off in the second half of last year. In the first eleven months of the year production was 2.8% higher than in the same period in 1999.

### ***Output up in all sectors***

Following a fall in production rates across all sectors of industry in October last year, output levels rose again across the board in November. In the wood and construction materials and the textile, clothing and leather industries output in November was nearly 6% higher than in October. In the metal sector, too, the production growth was above average at 3.8%.

### ***Increase in output in first eleven months***

In the first eleven months of 2000 production was 2.8% higher than in the same period in 1999. Output was higher across all sectors of industry, according to Statistics Netherlands. The largest increase, 4%, was reported in the petrochemical and rubber industry. Output by the metal industry rose by 3.2%, while in the other sectors it was up by around 2% in the same period.

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