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Industrial turnover up in April

According to the latest figures by Statistics Netherlands Dutch manufacturing saw a 6% rise in turnover in April 2001 on April last year. Industrial exports went up by 7%, domestic turnover by 4%. Statistics Netherlands contributes these growth rates mainly to higher selling prices.

Turnover higher in virtually all branches

Virtually all branches in industry had higher turnovers in April 2001 than in April last year. The highest turnover increase was observed in oil and chemicals. The sales in the metal and electrical engineering industries and in the means of transport industry went up substantially. However in the paper and printing industry turnover was down on April last year. Particularly the printing industry contributed to this.

Foot and mouth disease reduced turnover in slaughterhouses

In April 2001 the consequences of the foot and mouth disease epidemic manifested themselves for the slaughterhouses. Turnover abroad fell by two-thirds on April 2000, as a consequence of the transport and export ban. Domestic sales fell by more than a quarter according to the first preliminary turnover figures. This meant that total turnover in slaughterhouses fell by nearly 50% compared to April last year, according to Statistics Netherlands.

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	Turnover in INDUSTRY ¹⁾		
	Percentage changes on the same period the year before		
	Domestic	Abroad	Total
1995	4	8	6
1996	5	1	3
1997	7	12	10
1998	2	1	2
Q1	9	10	10
Q2	2	4	3

Q3	2	0	1
Q4	-3	-7	-5
1999	3	2	3
Q1	-4	-5	-5
April	-3	-7	-5
May	-4	-2	-3
June	7	2	4
Q2	0	-3	-1
Juli-August	3	-1	1
September	5	4	4
Q3	4	1	2
October	3	2	2
November	13	15	14
December	22	28	25
Q4	13	15	14
2000*	10	18	14
January	8	13	11
February	20	22	21
March	10	16	13
Q1	13	17	15
April	5	11	8
May	25	33	29
June	0	15	8
Q2	10	20	15
July-August	11	19	15
September	8	16	12
Q3	10	18	14
October	12	21	17
November*	11	19	15
December*	-3	4	1
Q4*	7	14	11
2001			
January*	10	14	12
February*	3	5	4
March*	0	1	1
Q1*	4	6	5
April*	4	7	6

¹⁾ Enterprises with 20 employees or more, ex VAT.

*Preliminary figures

Source: Statistics Netherlands