

## Services producer price indices: postal and courier activities and telecommunications

*Quarter IV 2011*

Services Producer Price Indices (SPPIs) or Output Price Indices for Services measure quarterly changes in the prices received for services provided by enterprises to other enterprises and Government. This means the SPPIs cover what are commonly known as business to business transactions, thus leaving out sales to consumers. The indices are chained based, their reference base year is 2006=100 and are calculated according to Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2).

In quarter IV 2011 the producer price index in the sector of Postal and courier activities rose by 0.9% compared with the previous quarter and by 2.7% compared with the same quarter of 2010. The comparison between the 2011 average and the correspondent one of 2010 gave a drop of 0.5%.

In quarter IV 2011 the index of Telecommunications fell by 0.1% compared with the previous quarter (+1.0% for wired telecommunications activities and -2.9% for wireless telecommunications activities) and decreased by 2.9% compared with the same quarter of the previous year (+0.1% for wired telecommunications activities and -9.6% for the wireless ones). The percentage change of 2011 average compared with the correspondent one of 2010 was -3.8 (-1.6% for wired telecommunications activities and -9.2% for the wireless ones).

### Postal and courier activities and telecommunications producer price indices – IV quarter 2011 (a)

| Economic activities (NACE rev. 2)             | Index number (2006=100) | Percentage changes  |                    |                        |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
|   | IV quarter 2011         | IV 2011<br>III 2011 | IV 2011<br>IV 2010 | I-IV 2011<br>I-IV 2010 |
| H53 Postal and courier activities             | 99.5                    | +0.9                | +2.7               | -0.5                   |
| JB61 Telecommunications                       | 74.9                    | -0.1                | -2.9               | -3.8                   |
| JB 611 Wired telecommunications activities    | 83.0                    | +1.0                | +0.1               | -1.6                   |
| JB 612 Wireless telecommunications activities | 56.6                    | -2.9                | -9.6               | -9.2                   |

(a) Data are provisional and subject to revisions.

**For more details please refer to the Italian version**

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