

Job vacancy rate in industry and services

I quarter 2010

A job vacancy is a paid post which can be newly created, unoccupied or about to become vacant, for which the employer is taking active steps and is prepared to take further steps to find a suitable candidate from outside the enterprise concerned.

The job vacancy rate is the percentage ratio between vacancies and the sum of vacancies and occupied posts (both measured at the end of the reference quarter).

In the first quarter of 2010 the job vacancy rate for the total of sectors covered by the survey (industry and services) was 0.7%, with a 0.1 percentage points increase with respect to the first quarter of 2009.

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	Job vacancy rate (percentage) I 2010	Absolute change on the same quarter of the previous year (percentage points) I 2010/I 2009
Industry (a)	0.5	0.1
Services (b)	0.8	0.1
Total	0.7	0.1

Preliminary estimates.

(a) Including mining, manufacturing, electricity, gas and water supply, construction (sections B-F of NACE rev. 2 classification of economic activities).

(b) Private services excluding health, education and non-market services (sections G-N of NACE rev. 2 classification of economic activities).

For more details please refer to the Italian version

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