

## Services producer price indices

### Quarter IV 2013

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, namely the basket of services and the weighting system are annually updated. Quarterly indices for the current year are calculated with reference to the last quarter of the previous year (calculation base) and subsequently chained over the period chosen as reference base (2010=100) in order to be able to measure price trends over a period of time of more than a year. The indices are calculated according to Ateco 2007 classification (Italian edition of Nace Rev. 2).

In quarter IV 2013 the producer price index in the sector of *Postal and courier activities* increased by 0.6% compared with the previous quarter and increased by 1.1% compared with the same quarter of 2012.

In the same period the index of *Telecommunications* decreased by 1.8% compared with the previous quarter (-0.8% for Wired telecommunications activities and -4.0% for Wireless telecommunications activities) and decreased by 5.1% compared with the same quarter of the previous year (-2.9% for Wired telecommunications activities and -9.7% for the Wireless ones).

In quarter IV 2013 the producer price index in the sector of *Sea and coastal water transport* increased by 6.7% compared with the previous quarter and by 12.7% compared with the same quarter of 2012.

In the same period the index of *Air transport* increased by 2.0% compared with the previous quarter (+0.5% for Passenger air transport and +3.6% for Freight air transport) and increased by 0.4% compared with the same quarter of the previous year (-1.6% for Passenger air transport and +2.7% for Freight air transport).

In quarter IV 2013 the producer price index in the sector of *Warehousing and storage* decreased by 0.2% compared with the previous quarter and increased by 4.1% compared with the same quarter of 2012.

In the same period the producer price index in the sector of *Cargo handling* decreased by 4.1% compared with the previous quarter and increased by 1.7% compared with the same quarter of 2012

#### Services producer price indices (2010=100) – IV quarter 2013

Economic activities (NACE rev. 2)	Index number	Percentage changes		
	IV quarter 2013	IV 2013 III 2013	IV 2013 IV 2012	I-IV 2013 I-IV 2012
H53 - Postal and courier activities	100.1	0.6	1.1	0.1
J61 - Telecommunications	83.3	-1.8	-5.1	-6.9
J611 - Wired telecommunications activities	90.2	-0.8	-2.9	-4.0
J612 - Wireless telecommunications activities	69.5	-4.0	-9.7	-13.2
H50.1+H50.2 - Sea and coastal water transport	89.5	6.7	12.7	9.3
H51 - Air transport	108.2	2.0	0.4	0.3
H511 - Passenger air transport	95.6	0.5	-1.6	-2.1
H512 - Freight air transport	124.3	3.6	2.7	2.8
H521 - Warehousing and storage	107.2	-0.2	4.1	3.8
H5224 - Cargo handling	97.4	-4.1	1.7	3.6

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

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