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# Turnover in industry and construction down by 1.7% in November 2025

## Decreases in hours worked as well as in employment

Vienna, 2025-12-30 – According to flash estimates by Statistics Austria, turnover in industry and construction decreased by 1.7% in November 2025. In the same period, the index of hours worked fell by 0.9% and the index of persons employed declined by 1.4%.

“Austria’s industrial and construction activity remains weak. According to flash estimates, turnover in November 2025 was 1.7% below the level of November 2024. During the same period, employment in the entire industry and construction fell by 1.4% and hours worked declined by 0.9%,” says Manuela Lenk, Director General Statistics at Statistics Austria.

Considering the industrial and the construction sector separately, the **flash estimates for November 2025** show a decrease of the turnover index (nominal, unadjusted) in **industry** (–1.5%) as well as in **construction** (–2.8%) compared to the same month of the previous year. The index of hours worked decreased by 0.8% in industry and by 0.7% in construction compared to November 2024. The index of persons employed showed a decrease in industry of 1.4%, in construction it also fell by 1.3% (see table 1).

### September 2025: increase in industry and construction turnover

In **September 2025**, a total of 82 135 enterprises in the entire industry and construction sector reported a turnover of €33.6 bn (+2.7% compared to September 2024). The number of employees slightly decreased by 1.3% to 1 007 336. In nominal terms, turnover in industry also increased by a few percentage points compared to the same month of the previous year (+2.6% to €27.6 bn). The 40 129 Austrian construction enterprises achieved a turnover of €6.0 bn in September 2025. This corresponds to a nominal increase of 2.9% compared to September 2024 (see table 2).

### Increase in industry production in September 2025

Compared to September 2024, sold production in industry (sections B to E of ÖNACE 2025) increased nominally by 2.3% to €27.1 bn in September 2025. Seven out of the ten largest divisions reported positive figures compared to previous year (see table 3). A substantial increase was observed in manufacture of electrical equipment (+19.1% to €1.5 bn), followed by Manufacture of food products (+8.0% to €2.2 bn) and by Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture (+14.3% to €1.0 bn). The division Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply reported the most important production decrease (–9.3% to €4.9 bn; see table 3).

For **detailed results** or more information on [short-term business statistics](#) in Austria and on our [flash estimates in industry and construction](#) please refer to our website. The [economic monitor](#) of Statistics Austria provides an overview of the economic development in Austria with about 80 business indicators. Additionally, a more detailed presentation and description of the most important [nominal short-term statistics data](#) is available.

**Table 1: Short-term business statistics indicators (preliminary and flash estimates at t+30 days; unadjusted) for November 2025; turnover index, index of persons employed and index of hours worked in industry and construction (base year 2021); ÖNACE 2008**

2025	Total (B–F)	Compared to the same month of the previous year	Industry (B–E)	Compared to the same month of the previous year	Construction (F)	Compared to the same month of the previous year
Turnover index <sup>1</sup> September <sup>3</sup>	113.5	2.3	111.4	2.7	126.4	-0.2
Turnover index <sup>1</sup> October <sup>4</sup>	116.4	0.1	114.0	0.6	131.4	-2.9
Turnover index <sup>1</sup> November <sup>5</sup>	112.1	-1.7	109.3	-1.5	129.8	-2.8
Index of persons employed <sup>2</sup> September <sup>3</sup>	101.9	-1.4	101.4	-1.4	103.3	-1.2
Index of persons employed <sup>2</sup> October <sup>4</sup>	101.6	-1.4	101.2	-1.4	102.9	-1.4
Index of persons employed <sup>2</sup> November <sup>5</sup>	101.1	-1.4	100.9	-1.4	101.7	-1.3
Index of hours worked <sup>2</sup> September <sup>3</sup>	105.0	1.9	103.8	1.7	108.5	2.7
Index of hours worked <sup>2</sup> October <sup>4</sup>	109.7	-2.1	109.0	-1.8	111.9	-3.1
Index of hours worked <sup>2</sup> November <sup>5</sup>	104.2	-0.9	103.6	-0.8	106.2	-0.7

S: STATISTICS AUSTRIA. Annual average 2021 = 100.

1) Nominal; unadjusted. – 2) Unadjusted. – 3) Results after 70 days. – 4) Results after 40 days. – 5) Flash estimates after t+30 days.

**Table 2: Enterprises' results – September 2025**

Structure of ÖNACE 2025 <sup>1</sup>	Enterprises	Employees	Gross earnings in million Euro	Turnover in million Euro	Turnover–changes	
	End of September 2025		September 2025		nom. in % <sup>2</sup>	wd. a. in % <sup>3</sup>
<b>Industry</b>	<b>42 006</b>	<b>705 394</b>	<b>3 132.0</b>	<b>27 616.9</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
Manufacturing	33 719	650 700	2 848.5	21 897.3	5.8	–
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	5 407	32 136	190.9	5 100.5	-7.6	–
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	2 880	22 558	92.6	619.2	-9.6	–
<b>Construction</b>	<b>40 129</b>	<b>301 942</b>	<b>1 215.7</b>	<b>6 007.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
<b>Industry and construction in total</b>	<b>82 135</b>	<b>1 007 336</b>	<b>4 347.7</b>	<b>33 624.6</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>-0.3</b>

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1) Rounding differences not compensated. – 2) Nominal changes compared to the same period of the previous year. – 3) Working-day adjusted changes compared to the same period of the previous year.

**Table 3: Branches of industry – value of sold production sold – September 2025**

Industry	Sold production in million Euros	Sold production – changes in % <sup>1</sup>
	September 2025	
<b>Industry</b>	<b>27 068.5</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	4 918.8	-9.3

Industry	Sold production in million Euros	Sold production – changes in % <sup>1</sup>
	September 2025	
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c. <sup>2</sup>	2 686.1	2.7
Manufacture of food products	2 218.5	8.0
Manufacture of basic metals	2 013.7	6.4
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	1 674.1	7.8
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	1 583.8	-1.3
Manufacture of electrical equipment	1 470.0	19.1
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	1 135.8	3.1
Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture	1 027.5	14.3
Manufacture of beverages	967.3	12.1

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1) Nominal changes compared to the same period of the previous year. – 2) n.e.c.: not elsewhere classified.

### Information on methodology, definitions:

The main results presented here are based on the one hand on the primary statistical data of the short-term statistics survey in industry and construction and on the other hand on a model-based approach to data supplementation. The latter tries to integrate the characteristic relationships of the monthly business survey and to make efficient use of the information from the various administrative sources. In that way, the structure of the **population (thus 100%)** of the short-term statistics in industry and construction can be presented at activity level as a combination of primary data, secondary data and model-based calculation. Detailed methodological descriptions can be found on our [website](#) under Further documentation (available in German only).

The **enterprise** results are based on all single- and multiple-operational enterprises that can be classified in industry and construction. Data of so-called **establishments** show the results of those establishments whose main area of activity is in industry and construction, irrespective of the economic focus of the enterprises above the establishments.

The **working-day adjustment** is used to compensate for annual differences in the number of working days and thus enable meaningful year-on-year comparisons.

**Flash estimates of economic activity:** Flash estimates are based on reported data already available 30 days after the end of the reference month as well as on historical movements and correlations of individual variables. Furthermore, the correlation of data from early reporting units and late reporting units is considered. The model assumes that missing reports show a similar development as the data of the reports already received from the companies.

The term **industry** in this context corresponds to manufacturing excluding construction (ÖNACE 2025 – sections B to E) and also contains commercial enterprises. Thus, this term is not identical with the term industry according to the classification system of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber.

**Quality of the flash estimates:** An essential aspect for the quality of the estimates is the automatic outlier detection and correction procedure. 30 days after the end of the reference period, about 60 % of all reports have been received. However, some of these reports still have quality deficiencies as plausibility checks have not yet been carried out at this point.

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