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Production up by 1.7% in March 2026

Industry on the rise, construction lags behind

Vienna, 2026-05-08 – In March 2026, the production index for the entire industry and construction sector increased by 1.7% compared to March of the previous year, according to calculations by Statistics Austria. Compared to February 2026, it increased by 1.5%.

Compared to March of the previous year, the working day adjusted production index in industry increased by 2.8% to 117.1 points in March 2026. In the same period the production in construction decreased by 3.0% compared to the previous year. The main industrial groupings (MIG) were subject to the following developments year-on-year: consumer durables +15.8%, capital goods +9.4%, intermediate goods +1.2%, consumer non-durables -2.3%, energy -7.2% (see table 1).

Against the previous month February 2026, the seasonally adjusted industrial production increased by 1.4% to 106.7 points, while the construction output grew by 2.1% in March 2026. The main industrial groupings (MIG) showed the following results compared to February 2026: capital goods +6.4%, intermediate goods +0.8%, consumer non-durables ±0.0%, consumer durables -4.3%, energy -7.1% (see table 1).

Table 1: Production index base year 2021 in March 2026 (EU-harmonised adjusted)

Category	Index value (Seasonally adjusted)	Month-on-month change in percent	Index value (Calendar adjusted)	Year-on-year change in percent
Total (ÖNACE B-F) ¹	104.2	1.5	111.8	1.7
Industry (ÖNACE B-E)	106.7	1.4	117.1	2.8
Construction (ÖNACE F)	96.0	2.1	93.5	-3.0
Main industrial groupings (MIG)				
Intermediate goods	96.3	0.8	106.5	1.2
Energy	109.0	-7.1	115.7	-7.2
Capital goods	110.2	6.4	123.7	9.4
Consumer durables	86.2	-4.3	93.6	15.8
Consumer non-durables	123.5	0.0	132.4	-2.3

Q: STATISTICS AUSTRIA, Production index. – Preliminary results.

1) ÖNACE: Austrian Classification of Economic Activities.

Table 2: Production index base year 2021 in February 2026 (EU-harmonised adjusted)

Category	Index value (Seasonally adjusted)	Month-on-month change in percent	Index value (Calendar adjusted)	Year-on-year change in percent
Total (ÖNACE B-F)¹	102.7	-0.9	93.6	0.0
Industry (ÖNACE B-E)	105.2	-1.2	100.8	1.0
Construction (ÖNACE F)	94.0	0.4	68.9	-5.0
Main industrial groupings (MIG)				
Intermediate goods	95.5	1.0	92.4	0.5
Energy	117.3	-0.2	123.4	1.6
Capital goods	103.6	0.9	96.7	3.5
Consumer durables	90.1	7.5	86.5	21.1
Consumer non-durables	123.5	-0.5	114.7	-3.7

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For detailed results and further information please refer to our [website](#).

Information on methodology, definitions: The production data on which the production index is based are derived from the total technical production (= company's own production for sales + company's internal supplies and services + production under sub-contracted operations) or on the actual production. The production index can be revised more strongly in some industries after the first publication, due to estimated values.

Working-day adjustment is applied to account for annual variations in the number of working days, ensuring meaningful year-over-year comparisons. **Seasonal adjustment** corrects recurring influences that occur within the annual cycle, allowing a focused analysis of changes in month-to-month comparisons.

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