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Producer prices for services in Austria rose by 2.8% in Q2 2026

Compared with the previous quarter, the price increase was 0.5%

Vienna, 2026-09-28 – In the second quarter of 2026, the producer price index for services stood at 102.6 points, as Statistics Austria reports. Compared with the second quarter of 2025, this represents an increase of 2.8%. In the first quarter of 2026, the year-on-year rate of change was +2.2%. Compared with the previous quarter, the first quarter of 2026, the producer price index for services rose by 0.5% in the second quarter.

"Services in Austria continued to become more expensive in the second quarter of 2026. Compared with the same period of the previous year, service providers increased their prices by an average of 2.8%. In comparison to the first quarter of 2026, the increase amounted to 0.5%. Once again, transportation and storage had the greatest impact on the overall index, with producer prices in this sector rising by 5.2%," says Manuela Lenk, Director General Statistics of Statistics Austria.

Transportation and storage once again main driver of prices

In the second quarter of 2026, the performance of the overall index was driven in particular by the **transportation and storage** sector, where prices rose by 5.2%. Significant price increases were observed in postal and courier activities (+7.2%), land transport and transport via pipelines (+5.7%), and warehousing, storage and support activities for transportation (+4.0%).

In addition, the **accommodation and food service activities** also had a significant impact on the overall index, with prices rising by 3.8%. The sharpest price rises within this category were recorded for holiday and other short-stay accommodation (+4.9%), hotels and similar accommodation (+4.0%), and restaurants and mobile food service activities (+3.5%).

The **administrative and support service activities** proved to be the third-strongest driver of overall growth, with prices rising by 2.3% in the second quarter of 2026. Particular attention should be paid to developments in the following divisions: services to buildings and landscape activities (+4.0%); investigation and security activities (+3.5%); and employment activities (+2.7%).

Producer prices rose by 0.5% quarter-on-quarter

Producer prices for services in the second quarter of 2026 were 0.5% higher than in the previous quarter. Particularly notable price movements were observed in transportation and storage (+1.7%), accommodation and food service activities (−1.4%), and professional, scientific and technical activities (−0.1%).

The **transportation and storage** section recorded the strongest price growth on a quarter-on-quarter basis, at +1.7%. Significant price increases were observed in postal and courier activities (+1.4%), land transport and transport via pipelines (+1.2%) and warehousing, storage and support activities for transportation (+1.1%).

The **accommodation and food service activities** recorded a fall of 1.4% compared with the previous quarter. The fall in prices was particularly marked for holiday and other short-stay accommodation (−20.4%).

Prices in hotels and similar accommodation also fell (−1.6%), while the other accommodation group recorded a rise of 3.4%.

Furthermore, the **professional, scientific and technical activities** section recorded a price fall of 0.1% compared with the previous quarter. Within this section, price falls were observed in translation and interpretation activities (−3.0%) and in advertising (−0.8%). Prices for other professional, scientific and technical activities n.e.c. moved in the opposite direction, rising by 0.3% compared with the previous quarter.

For detailed results and further information please refer to our website, where you can also find the index calculator (available in German only).

Information on methodology, definitions: The producer prices for services quantify the amount that companies receive from service recipients for their activities. The producer price index for services shows the average quarterly price change of services provided by companies in Austria and purchased by other companies and private households in Austria and abroad. It covers service prices in the economic sectors of transportation and storage, accommodation and food service activities, information and communication, real estate activities, professional, scientific and technical activities and administrative and support service activities.

In the base year of an index series, the average annual measure is set to 100,0. The current index series has the base year 2025, i.e. the producer price index for services for 2025 is 100,0 index points. The index values and rates of change for service industries with fewer than three respondents are subject to confidentiality.

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