

April 2009 compared with March 2009

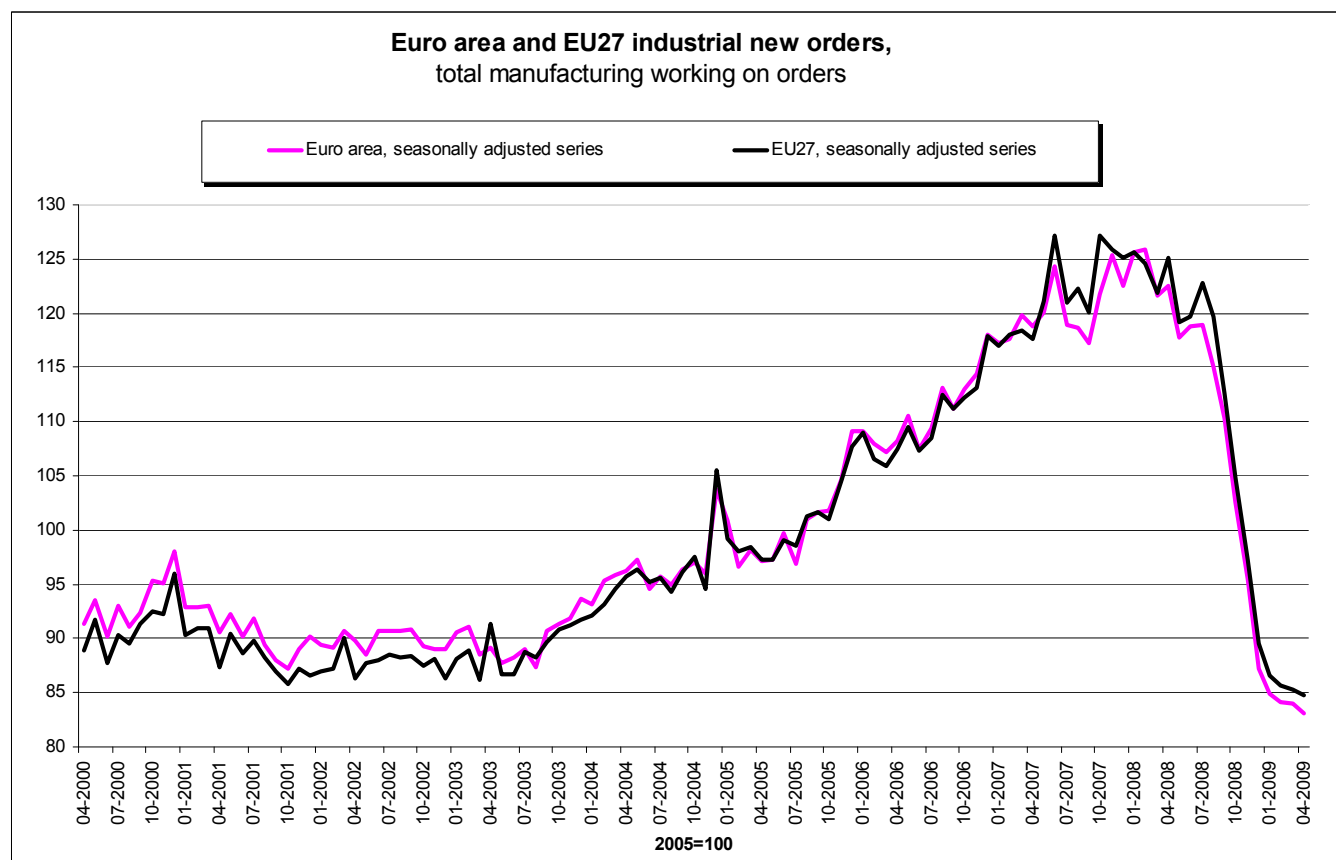
Industrial new orders down by 1.0% in euro area

Down by 0.5% in EU27

In April 2009 compared with March 2009, the **euro area**¹ (EA16) industrial new orders index² fell by 1.0%. In March³ the index decreased by 0.2%. In the **EU27**¹ new orders declined by 0.5% in April 2009, after dropping by 0.5% in March³. Excluding ships, railway & aerospace equipment⁴, for which changes tend to be more volatile, industrial new orders decreased by 0.9% in the **euro area**, but increased by 0.3% in the **EU27**.

In April 2009 compared with April 2008, industrial new orders decreased by 35.5% in the **euro area** and by 35.0% in the **EU27**. Total industry excluding ships, railway & aerospace equipment⁴ dropped by 35.3% in the **euro area** and by 33.8% in the **EU27**.

These estimates are released by **Eurostat, the Statistical Office of the European Communities**.



Monthly changes

In April 2009 compared with March 2009, new orders for non-durable consumer goods grew by 1.8% in the **euro area**, but fell by 0.9% in the **EU27**. Intermediate goods decreased by 0.7% and 0.4% respectively. Durable consumer goods dropped by 0.9% in the **euro area**, but rose by 0.8% in the **EU27**. Capital goods declined by 2.4% and 3.9% respectively.

Among the Member States for which data are available, total manufacturing working on orders rose in six, fell in twelve and remained stable in the **United Kingdom**. The highest increases were registered in **Latvia** (+11.3%), **Bulgaria** (+9.6%) and **Romania** (+2.7%), and the largest decreases in **Portugal** (-22.9%), **Denmark** (-13.5%) and **Hungary** (-10.4%).

Annual changes

In April 2009 compared with April 2008, new orders for non-durable consumer goods fell by 8.9% in the **euro area** and by 7.4% in the **EU27**. Durable consumer goods declined by 26.0% and 22.6% respectively. Intermediate goods decreased by 38.3% in the **euro area** and by 36.3% in the **EU27**. Capital goods dropped by 39.1% and 39.5% respectively.

Total manufacturing working on orders fell in all the Member States for which data are available. The largest falls were registered in **Estonia** (-44.4%), **Germany** (-39.5%) and **Lithuania** (-39.4%), and the smallest in **Poland** (-20.3%), **Latvia** (-22.1%) and **Romania** (-24.1%).

1. The euro area (EA16) includes Belgium, Germany, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.
The EU27 includes Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), the Czech Republic (CZ), Denmark (DK), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Greece (EL), Spain (ES), France (FR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Hungary (HU), Malta (MT), the Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Poland (PL), Portugal (PT), Romania (RO), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK), Finland (FI), Sweden (SE) and the United Kingdom (UK).
2. The new orders index measures the value of future deliveries of products and services (which are directly linked to these products) to be provided by a producer to a third party on the domestic and non-domestic market. The total manufacturing aggregate includes only those NACE levels required by the STS Regulation to be supplied by the Member States (NACE 13, 14, 17, 20, 21, 24 to 30) and is referred to as "total manufacturing working on orders". The euro area and EU aggregates normally do not include Member States for which no data is available.
The seasonally adjusted euro area and EU series are calculated by aggregating the unadjusted series from individual Member States and performing an adjustment for seasonal effects on these series. Therefore the seasonally adjusted figures for the European aggregates are based directly on the unadjusted series coming from the Member States and **not on an aggregation of the seasonally adjusted indices from the Member States**. The euro area and EU seasonally adjusted growth rates might differ from the weighted growth rates of the individual Member States. This procedure also implies that the aggregation of the overall figures is not based on the published details.
3. Data of previous months have been revised compared to those issued in News Release 76/2009 of 26 May 2009. The figures for March 2009 were -0.8% in the euro area and -0.7% in the EU27 for the monthly changes, and -26.9% in the euro area and -25.5% in the EU27 for the annual changes.
4. New orders for heavy transport equipment (NACE 30, which includes ships, railway and aerospace equipment) tend to be very volatile with a limited immediate impact on production. The aggregate "Manufacturing working on orders excluding heavy transport equipment" is less erratic. The share of heavy transport equipment in total manufacturing working on orders is 2.9% for the euro area and 3.0% for the EU.
5. Data for Ireland have been provided according to the new classification (NACE rev. 2). However, these data have not been published at a national level and are therefore confidential.

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Industrial new orders
% change compared with previous month

	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16						
Total manufacturing working on orders	-7.0	-8.7	-2.6	-0.9	-0.2	-1.0
Intermediate goods	-7.3	-9.1	-4.0	-3.9	-1.0	-0.7
Capital goods	-8.3	-7.5	-2.9	1.5	-0.5	-2.4
Durable consumer goods	-5.1	-7.8	-1.5	-1.1	-0.5	-0.9
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.2	-2.0	-2.3	0.5	-0.6	1.8
Total excl. heavy transport equipment ⁴	-6.3	-8.9	-3.7	-1.3	0.1	-0.9
EU27						
Total manufacturing working on orders	-7.3	-7.8	-3.3	-1.1	-0.5	-0.5
Intermediate goods	-11.0	-8.4	-3.5	-1.5	-1.6	-0.4
Capital goods	-7.0	-7.1	-4.2	-2.4	0.4	-3.9
Durable consumer goods	-3.9	-6.6	-1.4	-1.7	-0.1	0.8
Non-durable consumer goods	-0.6	-0.9	-1.6	0.9	0.2	-0.9
Total excl. heavy transport equipment ⁴	-7.7	-8.8	-4.3	-0.3	0.2	0.3

Total manufacturing working on orders	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16	-7.0	-8.7	-2.6	-0.9	-0.2	-1.0
EU27	-7.3	-7.8	-3.3	-1.1	-0.5	-0.5
Belgium	-6.6	-5.5	-10.1	-2.8	0.9	:
Bulgaria	-10.1	-3.8	1.3	-15.8	2.8	9.6
Czech Republic	-6.1	-1.9	0.8	1.9	-0.3	:
Denmark	-12.5	-6.4	5.8	-3.4	42.3	-13.5
Germany	-7.5	-8.0	-8.0	-3.3	3.7	-1.1
Estonia	-8.4	-10.8	-3.8	-4.6	-2.3	-9.5
Ireland⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c
Greece	-6.8	-0.6	-17.2	1.0	-3.9	2.6
Spain	-5.5	-2.0	-6.1	-3.9	-6.1	-1.4
France	-4.0	-2.0	-1.2	1.0	-2.1	0.5
Italy	-7.0	-7.8	-3.1	2.5	-3.4	-3.1
Cyprus	c	c	c	c	c	:
Latvia	-0.1	-5.1	3.0	-32.6	16.8	11.3
Lithuania	-7.4	-9.6	-9.8	5.9	-8.1	1.8
Luxembourg	-1.3	-9.1	-5.0	-3.3	-7.0	:
Hungary	-18.3	-15.2	12.8	-10.2	19.8	-10.4
Malta	:	:	:	:	:	:
Netherlands	-10.1	-13.4	1.1	-3.4	-1.8	-4.4
Austria	-9.6	-15.2	1.0	-2.2	-2.4	:
Poland	-1.8	-3.8	-2.9	-3.6	2.9	-3.6
Portugal	0.6	-7.7	-12.4	-5.4	22.5	-22.9
Romania	-4.7	-6.3	-14.4	9.2	-3.4	2.7
Slovenia	-5.5	-2.6	-5.7	-2.4	-7.4	-3.7
Slovakia	-5.2	-10.3	-5.8	0.0	2.6	-2.1
Finland	c	c	c	c	c	c
Sweden	-4.2	-9.3	-3.3	-3.1	3.0	-2.9
United Kingdom	-1.5	-2.8	-2.8	-3.7	-1.9	0.0

Seasonally adjusted

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Industrial new orders
% change compared with same month of previous year

	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16						
Total manufacturing working on orders	-27.3	-24.7	-34.5	-34.4	-26.5	-35.5
Intermediate goods	-23.4	-23.5	-36.0	-37.6	-30.5	-38.3
Capital goods	-35.5	-30.7	-39.4	-38.0	-29.2	-39.1
Durable consumer goods	-11.3	-15.7	-25.4	-23.7	-17.6	-26.0
Non-durable consumer goods	-7.8	-0.7	-10.9	-10.5	-3.4	-8.9
Total excl. heavy transport equipment ⁴	-24.3	-24.4	-34.5	-33.9	-26.3	-35.3
EU27						
Total manufacturing working on orders	-26.6	-24.7	-32.8	-33.1	-25.2	-35.0
Intermediate goods	-22.7	-22.4	-34.1	-35.0	-28.4	-36.3
Capital goods	-33.6	-30.8	-37.1	-37.4	-28.2	-39.5
Durable consumer goods	-12.9	-14.2	-25.5	-24.9	-16.5	-22.6
Non-durable consumer goods	-8.2	1.1	-8.9	-6.6	0.1	-7.4
Total excl. heavy transport equipment ⁴	-23.6	-23.2	-33.3	-32.1	-24.7	-33.8

Total manufacturing working on orders	Nov-08	Dec-08	Jan-09	Feb-09	Mar-09	Apr-09
EA16	-27.3	-24.7	-34.5	-34.4	-26.5	-35.5
EU27	-26.6	-24.7	-32.8	-33.1	-25.2	-35.0
Belgium	-18.4	-16.8	-31.9	-31.7	-24.7	:
Bulgaria	-14.2	-13.6	-23.7	-39.0	-34.6	-28.2
Czech Republic	-30.0	-24.6	-26.5	-24.7	-16.5	:
Denmark	-32.0	-24.3	-23.9	-39.1	14.1	-32.3
Germany	-28.5	-28.0	-37.9	-39.2	-28.0	-39.5
Estonia	-16.4	-21.3	-30.5	-35.3	-30.2	-44.4
Ireland⁵	c	c	c	c	c	c
Greece	-14.5	-10.3	-34.4	-32.6	-31.8	-34.1
Spain	-29.4	-29.3	-36.2	-36.8	-34.4	-34.9
France	-30.0	-21.0	-30.9	-24.0	-21.2	-30.9
Italy	-28.8	-20.3	-33.9	-32.7	-26.8	-33.8
Cyprus	c	c	c	c	c	:
Latvia	3.5	-6.9	-12.9	-34.3	-15.0	-22.1
Lithuania	-16.1	-23.9	-36.4	-30.9	-34.2	-39.4
Luxembourg	-8.9	-27.2	-39.2	-44.5	-44.5	:
Hungary	-23.6	-36.5	-27.8	-35.0	-15.2	-27.7
Malta	:	:	:	:	:	:
Netherlands	-22.7	-30.4	-34.0	-39.1	-26.6	-39.0
Austria	-19.7	-29.0	-33.8	-34.4	-31.8	:
Poland	-12.9	-18.1	-19.2	-17.0	-14.1	-20.3
Portugal	-7.3	-0.2	-28.3	-35.9	-0.2	-37.9
Romania	1.1	-0.3	-34.0	-15.4	-15.6	-24.1
Slovenia	-40.7	-35.2	-40.3	-29.5	-42.9	-38.4
Slovakia	-16.7	-32.0	-38.1	-38.5	-29.3	-38.4
Finland	-36.6	-30.7	-39.1	-42.8	-32.6	-38.8
Sweden	-27.2	-25.0	-34.9	-34.4	-21.7	-32.9
United Kingdom	-26.1	-27.1	-24.5	-27.8	-26.6	-38.7

Gross data
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Industrial new orders indices for total manufacturing working on orders
Seasonally adjusted
(Base year 2005)

	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	122.5	117.7	118.8	119.0	115.1	110.3	102.6	95.4	87.2	84.9	84.1	84.0	83.1
EU27	125.1	119.2	119.7	122.8	119.8	112.6	104.9	97.2	89.6	86.6	85.7	85.3	84.8
BE	121.2	121.0	127.0	123.6	119.0	117.2	110.1	102.7	97.1	87.3	84.9	85.6	:
BG	158.1	151.1	149.2	153.2	135.0	149.5	136.4	122.7	118.0	119.5	100.7	103.5	113.5
CZ	135.1	134.2	130.0	131.7	127.2	126.5	113.9	106.9	104.9	105.8	107.8	107.4	:
DK	146.3	139.5	110.6	106.8	112.4	105.3	107.1	93.7	87.7	92.8	89.6	127.5	110.3
DE	125.4	123.4	120.4	118.6	121.7	112.2	104.1	96.3	88.6	81.5	78.8	81.7	80.8
EE	168.5	157.7	152.0	166.8	153.8	159.4	141.5	129.6	115.6	111.3	106.2	103.8	93.9
IE^b	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
EL	124.5	122.7	122.7	122.3	109.2	109.9	107.4	100.2	99.5	82.5	83.3	80.0	82.1
ES	116.1	112.0	110.4	110.5	104.9	102.9	98.1	92.7	90.8	85.2	81.9	76.9	75.8
FR	112.8	108.0	109.1	108.3	105.1	103.9	89.5	85.9	84.2	83.2	84.0	82.2	82.6
IT	126.3	121.8	120.9	126.8	118.7	113.9	106.4	99.0	91.3	88.4	90.7	87.6	84.9
CY	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	:
LV	275.7	264.9	272.8	262.3	276.2	292.0	274.1	273.8	259.9	267.6	180.4	210.7	234.5
LT	180.2	171.9	176.1	168.8	172.9	163.7	146.4	135.6	122.5	110.4	116.9	107.5	109.4
LU	123.0	120.3	130.0	126.2	124.7	110.1	97.9	96.6	87.7	83.3	80.6	74.9	:
HU	117.5	109.7	118.2	120.8	111.1	114.8	112.9	92.2	78.2	88.2	79.2	94.9	85.0
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	126.3	120.8	124.7	124.3	121.0	122.4	113.1	101.7	88.0	89.0	86.0	84.4	80.7
AT	128.7	120.1	122.5	127.0	123.5	111.8	111.1	100.5	85.2	86.0	84.0	82.0	:
PL	202.2	198.0	201.5	191.7	192.6	192.8	185.1	181.7	174.8	169.8	163.7	168.5	162.4
PT	139.5	124.3	135.5	140.9	133.7	129.0	121.9	122.6	113.1	99.1	93.7	114.8	88.5
RO	166.8	168.2	171.2	170.3	166.5	172.9	165.2	157.4	147.5	126.3	137.9	133.3	136.9
SI	108.3	104.3	101.6	99.0	94.8	92.5	87.2	82.4	80.3	75.7	73.9	68.4	65.9
SK	176.8	163.4	163.0	162.6	152.4	154.6	143.6	136.2	122.2	115.1	115.0	118.0	115.5
FI	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
SE	120.7	116.7	116.2	112.1	107.1	104.7	98.7	94.6	85.8	83.0	80.4	82.8	80.4
UK	144.1	107.4	107.0	138.6	106.7	105.2	99.7	98.2	95.5	92.8	89.3	87.6	87.6

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Industrial new orders indices for total manufacturing working on orders excluding NACE 30⁴
Seasonally adjusted
(Base year 2005)

	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	122.0	117.5	119.8	115.9	114.9	110.6	103.1	96.6	88.0	84.7	83.6	83.8	83.0
EU27	123.3	119.3	121.4	118.4	119.5	112.8	105.7	97.5	88.9	85.1	84.8	85.0	85.3

Industrial new orders indices for total manufacturing working on orders

Gross data
(Base year 2005)

	04/06	04/07	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	102.1	113.5	126.9	116.5	123.7	124.2	90.4	116.8	108.5	92.8	85.7	82.1	83.4	92.1	81.9
EU27	101.3	113.8	129.3	117.5	124.8	124.7	94.9	118.6	110.1	95.3	89.6	85.6	85.1	94.2	84.1
BE	113.7	121.5	125.0	120.2	137.7	116.3	102.7	128.8	121.1	98.2	95.2	83.3	82.6	93.2	:
BG	118.3	124.6	154.9	150.7	154.5	160.7	131.4	150.6	143.3	123.7	118.3	106.6	93.4	107.1	111.2
CZ	118.2	125.8	138.7	139.3	135.9	125.1	116.8	133.9	124.6	100.1	88.0	109.5	102.8	113.2	:
DK	96.2	106.1	155.1	138.9	118.3	96.9	103.4	105.5	115.1	92.3	87.0	89.4	85.3	137.8	105.0
DE	101.8	114.5	132.2	119.7	124.0	121.3	106.9	116.0	107.0	95.7	85.0	79.8	78.6	90.1	80.0
EE	111.2	142.3	174.2	163.2	154.0	159.7	150.3	177.5	159.2	126.5	108.7	98.8	97.0	106.1	96.8
IE^b	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
EL	110.1	115.0	128.2	135.2	135.5	137.3	80.5	118.9	114.5	102.8	89.1	69.0	79.1	82.5	84.6
ES	101.7	114.0	129.2	118.6	114.1	127.4	70.6	110.1	104.4	85.4	77.8	77.5	76.9	84.8	84.1
FR	96.5	103.5	119.8	100.1	116.9	111.5	70.8	106.1	101.3	84.3	82.2	84.6	87.5	89.0	82.8
IT	104.4	113.2	123.9	121.6	129.2	148.6	67.7	124.1	112.1	93.1	91.6	82.0	93.8	98.9	82.0
CY	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	:
LV	144.8	204.5	322.8	280.1	263.6	231.9	292.4	338.1	307.4	261.8	207.6	235.2	171.1	229.9	251.6
LT	110.9	137.2	186.6	175.2	175.9	165.7	168.3	177.3	159.0	130.4	116.8	103.1	108.3	110.4	113.1
LU	107.3	125.6	133.5	119.9	155.4	137.7	116.2	118.6	97.8	84.9	73.0	80.6	78.4	79.5	:
HU	92.6	99.7	108.2	102.8	119.3	107.2	95.7	117.3	118.6	101.5	81.2	102.8	75.7	99.8	78.2
MT	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NL	111.3	123.8	128.1	119.4	128.9	122.9	112.1	129.0	117.1	97.9	88.1	86.1	82.0	93.6	78.1
AT	104.6	114.6	128.5	116.0	124.5	129.2	106.7	125.0	118.2	96.3	83.0	84.1	79.6	87.2	:
PL	110.7	185.3	193.8	189.2	201.3	188.9	197.0	206.6	197.6	185.2	171.4	151.9	143.9	158.4	154.5
PT	116.4	122.0	142.6	132.0	136.5	153.4	92.0	140.9	130.9	116.9	109.9	92.6	87.2	140.9	88.5
RO	99.1	117.3	164.4	164.0	168.6	167.1	142.7	187.1	183.2	150.6	146.4	126.0	125.4	130.6	124.7
SI	104.6	118.7	111.6	112.5	106.0	96.6	95.4	111.0	87.1	65.1	65.8	72.7	77.8	66.8	68.7
SK	114.5	147.8	185.3	168.9	166.6	162.2	135.0	175.2	161.6	142.4	102.8	103.3	108.8	125.8	114.1
FI	94.6	122.4	115.2	113.6	123.2	96.3	109.5	112.5	104.7	80.0	70.8	77.6	67.8	74.6	70.5
SE	103.6	113.9	123.1	119.9	123.6	90.2	96.6	110.7	105.0	90.8	84.8	82.7	80.6	93.8	82.6
UK	90.1	99.8	132.0	100.3	113.3	128.3	100.2	110.3	95.3	92.3	104.4	91.9	83.4	85.8	81.0

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Industrial new orders indices for total manufacturing working on orders excluding NACE 30⁴

Gross data
(Base year 2005)

	04/06	04/07	04/08	05/08	06/08	07/08	08/08	09/08	10/08	11/08	12/08	01/09	02/09	03/09	04/09
EA16	103.7	114.3	127.8	117.0	125.1	121.7	90.9	117.7	109.8	93.3	84.3	82.2	83.1	92.3	82.7
EU27	102.9	114.5	128.3	118.5	126.0	120.5	95.0	119.4	111.4	95.4	86.7	84.4	85.1	94.3	84.9