

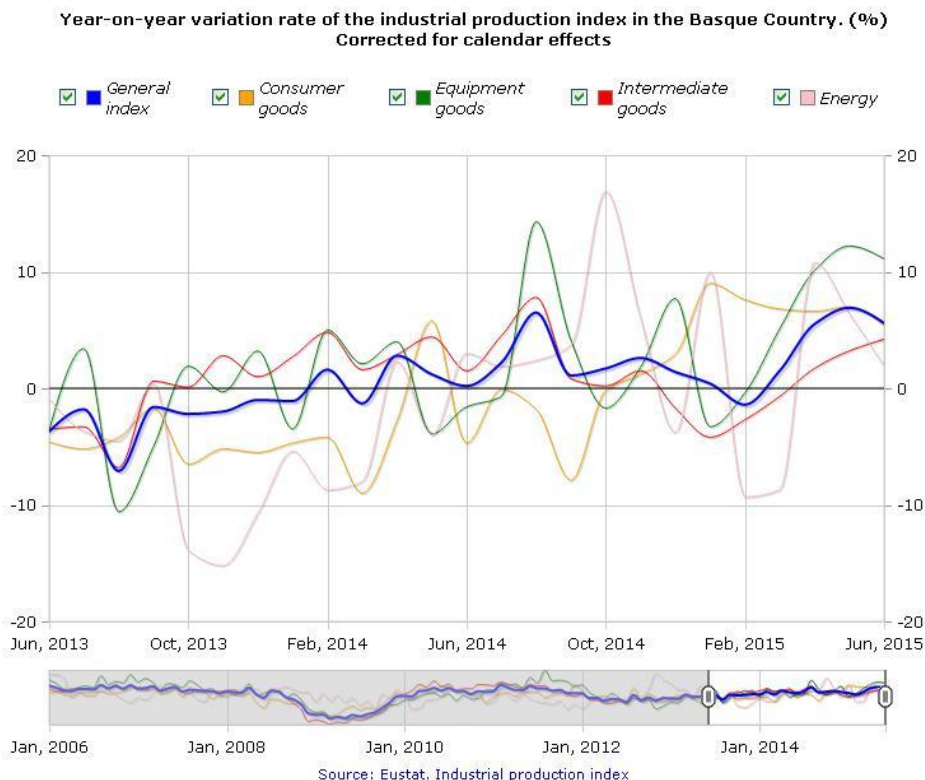
Industrial activity in the Basque Country rose by 5.6% in June 2015

The Industrial Production Index saw a growth of 3.1% in the first half of 2015

Industrial production of the Basque Country in June 2015 rose by 5.6% compared to the same month of 2014, in homogenous terms of the working calendar, according to Eustat data.

The balance of industrial activity in the first half of 2015 resulted in an accumulative growth of 3.1% compared with the same period of the previous year.

The industrial production of the Basque Country fell by 0.3% compared to the previous month, May 2015, once seasonal effects had been corrected.



The index showed an upward trend for the four main industrial sectors in June 2015 compared to June 2014. *Consumer Goods* rose by 5.4% due, in particular, to the upturn seen in *Consumer Durables*, which increased by 30.8%, as *Consumer Non-*

Durables fell by 2.8%. *Capital Goods* rose by 11.1%, whilst *Intermediate Goods* rose by 4.2% and *Energy* grew by 1.9%.

The month-on-month variation for June 2015 on May 2015 was positive for *Capital Goods*, which registered an upturn of 0.6%, and *Intermediate Goods* too, which grew by 0.2%. *Consumer Goods* posted a drop of 3.1% due to the decrease experienced by *Consumer Non-Durables*, which fell by 5.0%, with *Consumer Durables* rising by 2.0%. *Energy* fell by 0.7%.

Among the largest sectors in Basque industry, those that saw the most significant growth in the month of June 2015 with regards to year-on-year variations, were: *Transport Material*, with a rise of 11.8%; *Machinery & Equipment*, which grew by 8.7%, and *Timber, Paper & Graphic Arts*, which was up by 6.6%.

Table 1. Industrial production in the Basque Country. Key Sectors. Year-on-year variation rates. A-38 Sectorisation. Provisional Data

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SECTOR A38	
KEY SECTORS⁽¹⁾	
10 - Metallurgy and metal products	4,4
16 - Electricity, gas and steam	-2,1
09 - Rubber and plastic	0,0
13 - Machinery and equipment	8,7
14 - Transport material	11,8
03 - Food, beverages and tobacco industries	0,6
12 - Electrical equipment and material	4,6
05 - Timber, paper and printing and reproduction	6,6

Data corrected for calendar effects

(1) Sectors with greatest weight in industry

Source: Eustat. Industrial production index

On the contrary, the index for the *Electricity, Gas & Steam* sector decreased by 2.1%, whilst *Rubber and plastics* did not undergo any variation (0.0%).

By province, the year-on-year performance of the Industrial Production Index for the month of May showed an upward trend in the three provinces: in Bizkaia it was up 9.0%, in Gipuzkoa it rose by 3.7%, and Álava saw an increase of 2.8%. The month-on-month variation rate was also positive in Gipuzkoa, where it increased by 1.1%, whereas in Álava it fell by 2.2% and in Bizkaia it fell by 0.6%, compared with May 2015.

Table 2. Industrial Production in the Basque Country. Variation rate. Provisional data. June 2015

	Data corrected for clendar effects		Deseasonalised data	
	Jun2015/Jun2014	A(Jun2015)/ A(Jun2014)*	Jun2015/May2015	May2015/Apr2015
General index				
Basque Country	5,6	3,1	-0,3	0,3
Araba/Álava	2,8	-1,8	-2,2	1,6
Bizkaia	9,0	6,6	-0,6	2,4
Gipuzkoa	3,7	2,4	1,1	-2,4
INDEXES BY ECONOMIC DESTINATION OF THE GOODS				
Consumer goods	5,4	7,0	-3,1	2,2
Durable consumer goods	30,8	21,7	2,0	0,3
Non-durable consumer goods	-2,8	2,1	-5,0	2,9
Equipment goods	11,1	6,0	0,6	-0,8
Intermediate goods	4,2	0,3	0,2	1,7
Energy	1,9	1,9	-0,7	-2,6

(*) Year-on-year variation rate for the accumulated period from January to the current month of 2015 compared to the same accumulated period of 2014

Source: Eustat. Industrial production index

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