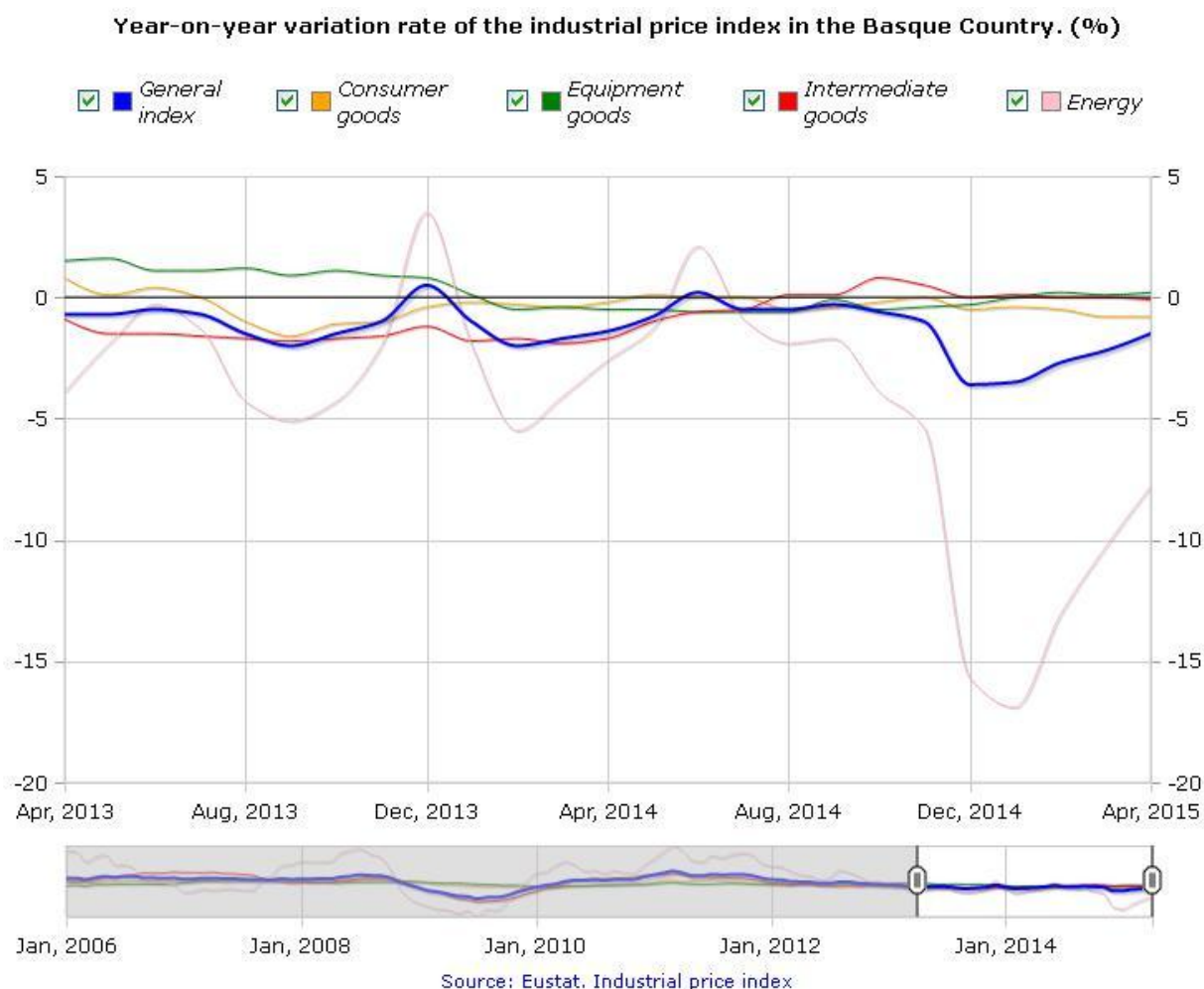


## Industrial prices of the Basque Country increased by 0.5 % in April 2015 with regards to the previous month

*They were 1.5% down on the previous year (April 2015 on April 2014)*

Industrial prices of the Basque Country increased by 0.5% in April 2015 with regards to the previous month, according to data prepared by EUSTAT. With these data, the year-on-year rate for April, which indicates the fluctuation in industrial prices over the last twelve months, registered a drop of 1.5%.



The more detailed sectorial analysis reveals that in April 2015 the most inflationary branches on the previous month were *Coke Plants & Oil Refining*, with an increase in its prices of 2.8%; *Electricity, Gas & Steam*, which rose by 1.1%; and *Chemical Industry*, which grew by 0.6%. On the other hand, the greatest decreases occurred in *Extraction Industries*, which fell by 1.0% and *Manufacture of Computer, Electronic & Optical Products*, which dropped by 0.5%.



In the year-on-year period, from April 2014 to April 2015, the greatest increase in prices occurred within the branches of *Electricity, Gas & Steam* with a rise of 4.4%, *Manufacture of Pharmaceutical Products*, up by 1.8%, and *Manufacture of Transport Material*, where prices rose by 0.9%. Conversely, there were decreases in prices corresponding to the sectors of, among others, *Coke Plants & Oil Refining*, which fell by 16.6%; *Extraction Industries*, which dropped by 2.7%; and *Furniture & Other Manufacturing Industries, Repair and Installation*, which decreased by 2.0%.

With regards to the classification of goods by economic destination, the price variation in April over the previous month of the large sectorial groups was positive both for *Energy*, whose prices posted a rise of 2.2%, and for *Intermediate Goods* where prices rose by 0.1%. *Capital Goods* and *Consumer Goods as a whole* remained unchanged (0.0% in both cases); the latter remained unchanged as a consequence of the fall in *Consumer Durables*, which dropped by 0.1%, whilst *Consumer Non-Durables* rose by 0.1%.

The price variation of these large groups of goods was negative in all cases over the year-on-year period, with the exception of *Capital Goods*, which were up 0.2%. *Energy* fell by 7.8%, the prices of *Intermediate Goods* were down by 0.1% and those of *Consumer Goods as a whole* fell by 0.8%. Among these, the prices of *Consumer Non-Durables* dropped by 0.9%, while *Consumer Durables* did so by 0.5%.

### Industrial Price Index of the Basque Country. Variation rate (p). April 2015

	INDEX	% VARIATION		
		Apr2015 / Mar2015	Apr2015 / Apr2014	Apr2015 / Dec2014
<b>GENERAL INDEX</b>	<b>107,1</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>1,0</b>
<b>Sector divisions</b>				
Extractive Industries	93,5	-1,0	-2,7	0,9
Manufacturing industry	104,2	0,4	-2,5	0,7
Electricity, gas and steam	129,5	1,1	4,4	3,3
<b>Bi major industrial sectors</b>				
Consumer goods	104,2	0,0	-0,8	-0,3
Durable consumer goods	99,8	-0,1	-0,5	-0,2
Non-durable consumer goods	105,8	0,1	-0,9	-0,4
Capital Goods	103,8	0,0	0,2	0,3
Intermediate goods	104,0	0,1	-0,1	-0,5
Energy	115,5	2,2	-7,8	5,9

Base 2010=100

(p) Provisional

Source: Eustat. Industrial price index

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