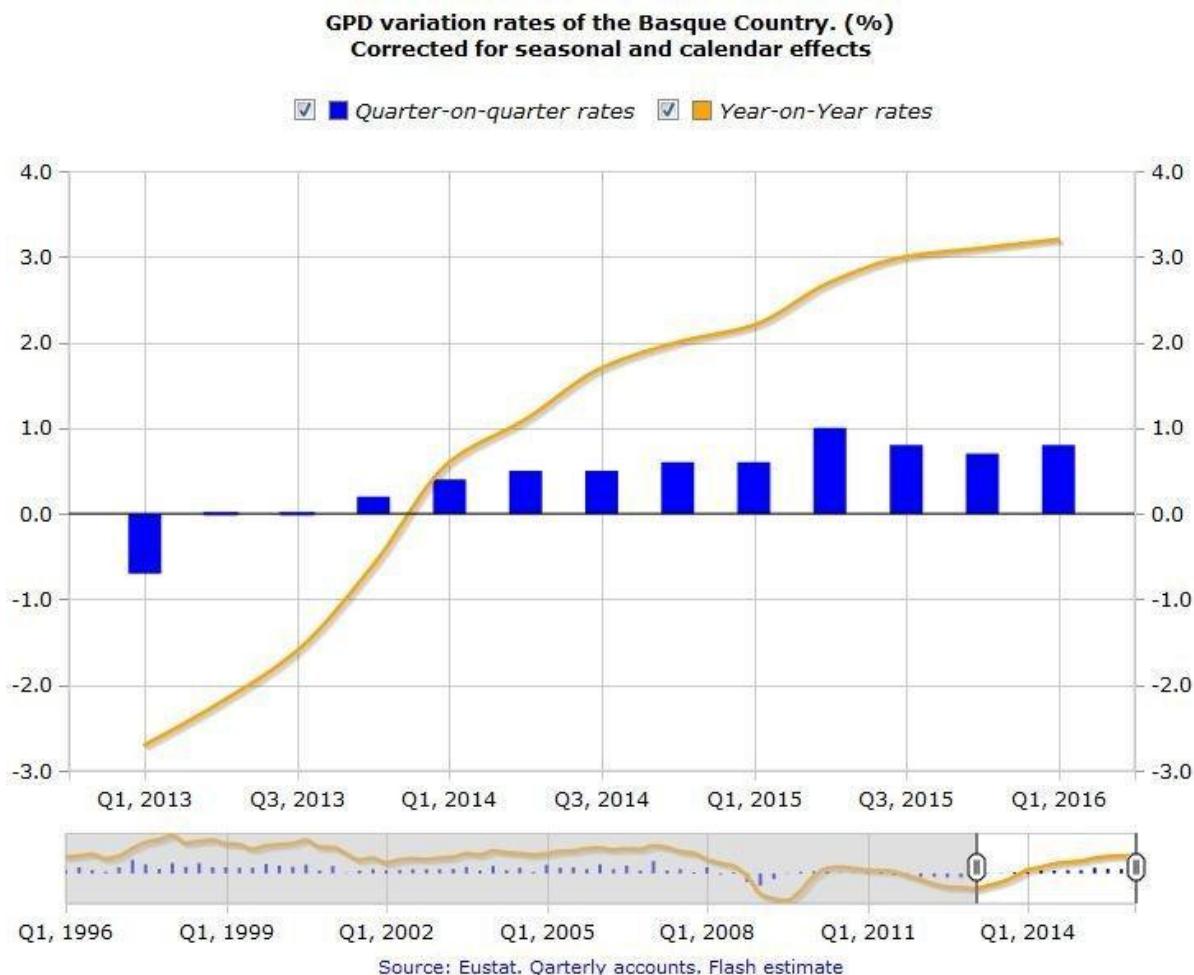


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With regards to the previous quarter, the quarter-on-quarter variation rate was 0.8%, also 0.1 percentage points higher than in the fourth quarter of 2015.



From the perspective of supply, year-on-year growth in the first quarter of 2016 was underpinned, above all, by an upward trend in the services sector and a certain momentum in the rate of growth in industry.

Employment, measured as full-time equivalent jobs, has increased by 1.9% in this first quarter of 2016. This rate is one tenth lower than that registered the previous quarter. Quarter-on-quarter growth was 0.3%.

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