**Index numbers**

**of industrial and construction-assembly production**

**in August 2017*a)***

In August of 2017, **sold production of industry** was by 8.8% higher than in August of 2016, whereas an increase of 23.5% was reported in **construction-assembly production**. In the period January-August of 2017, sold production of industry was by 6.2% higher than in the corresponding period of 2016 which saw a 3.7% increase, whereas construction-assembly production was by 12.5% higher than in the corresponding period of 2016 which saw a 14.9% decrease.

Index numbers of industrial and construction-assembly production in real time (constant prices) were:

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| **Specification** | **VIII** | | **I-VIII*b)*** | **VIII** |
| **previous month = 100** | **corresponding period of previous year = 100** | | **monthly average**  **of 2010 = 100** |
| **INDUSTRIAL UNITS** | | | | |
| **Total**……………………………........... | **105.9** | **108.8** | **106.2** | **129.4** |
| mining and quarrying…………….... | 104.0 | 94.4 | 95.2 | 87.3 |
| manufacturing……............................ | 105.1 | 108.6 | 106.7 | 136.5 |
| electricity, gas, steam and  air conditioning supply….................. | 119.7 | 123.3 | 106.5 | 91.2 |
| water supply; sewerage  waste management and  remediation activities......................... | 101.8 | 102.5 | 103.8 | 125.8 |
| **CONSTRUCTION UNITS** | | | | |
| **Total**…………………………….......... | **100.3** | **123.5** | **112.5** | **106.8** |

*a)*Reported data; comprise enterprises employing over 9 persons.

*b)*Data including final information on production and prices in July and reported data – in August.

According to the preliminary data, **sold production of industry** in constant prices (in enterprises employing more than 9 persons), in August of 2017, was by 8.8% higher than in the previous year (when an increase of 7.5% was recorded) and by 5.9% higher than in July of 2017. After eliminating the seasonal factors, sold production of industry reached the level higher by 8.1% than in the corresponding month of 2016 and by 3.2% higher as compared to July of 2017.

As compared to August of 2016, an increase in sold production was reported in 30 (out of 34) industry divisions, among others, in manufacture of metal products – by 14.6%, manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers – by 13.5%, manufacture of beverages – by 13.0%, manufacture of basic metals – by 12.2%, printing and reproduction of recorded media – by 11.4%, manufacture of rubber and plastic products – by 11.3%, manufacture of pharmaceutical products – by 11.2%, manufacture of electrical equipment – by 9.7%, manufacture of paper and paper products – by 8.6%. A decrease in sold production of industry, as compared to August of 2016, was recorded in 4 divisions, among others, in mining of coal and lignite – by 11.1%, in repair and installation of machinery and equipment – by 1.4% and in manufacture of other transport equipment – by 0.6%.

Indices of sold production of industry in comparison with an average monthly level in 2010 are presented in the graph below:



According to preliminary data, **construction and assembly production** (in constant prices), including investment and repair work, carried out domestically by construction enterprises employing more than 9 persons, was in August of 2017 by 23.5% higher than a year before (against a decrease by 20.5% in August of 2016) and by 0.3% higher in comparison to July of 2017. After eliminating the seasonal factors, construction and assembly production reached the level by 22.6% higher than in August of 2016 and by 0.8% lower in comparison to July of 2017.

In comparison to August of 2016 an increase in production was recorded in all divisions of construction, in entities dealing mainly with civil engineering – by 30.1%, in entities performing specialised construction activities – by 27.3% and in entities whose basic type of activity is the construction of buildings – by 12.8%.

In relation to July of 2017 an increase in production was noted in entities performing specialised construction activities – by 15.2% and in entities dealing mainly with civil engineering – by 2.3%, while a decrease in entities whose basic type of activity is the construction of buildings – by 12.0%.

Indices of the construction and assembly production, in comparison with an average monthly level in 2010, are presented in the graph below:

