

Statistical bulletin

# Index of Services, UK: February 2025

Movements in the volume of output for the UK services industries. Figures are seasonally adjusted.

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# 1 . Main points

- Monthly services output was estimated to have grown by 0.3% in February 2025; this follows an increase in both December 2024 and January 2025 of 0.4% and 0.1%, respectively.
- There were monthly increases in 9 of the 14 sectors in February 2025; the largest positive contribution came from "information and communication" (up 2.2%).
- The monthly increase in output was partially offset by monthly decreases in 5 of the 14 sectors in February 2025; the largest negative contribution came from "other services activities" (down 2.8%).
- Services output growth in the three months to February 2025 was estimated to have increased (up 0.6%), when compared with the three months to November 2024.
- In the three months to February 2025, 11 of the 14 sectors showed growth; the main positive contributing sectors were "administrative and support service activities" (up 1.9%), "wholesale and retail activities" (up 1.0%) and "information and communication" (up 1.6%).

## 2 . Data on Index of Services

### [Index of Services time series](#)

Dataset | Dataset ID: IOS1 | Released 11 April 2025

Monthly movements in output for the services industries: distribution, hotels and restaurants; transport, storage and communication; business services and finance; and government and other services.

### [Monthly Business Survey turnover of services industries](#)

Dataset | Released 11 April 2025

Monthly Business Survey services industries' total turnover; current price and non-seasonally adjusted, UK.

### [Index of Services, main components and sectors to four decimal places](#)

Dataset | Released 11 April 2025

Monthly historical movements in output for services and their industry components, by chained volume indices of gross value added, UK.

### [Index of Services revisions triangles](#)

Dataset | Released 11 April 2025

Monthly chained volume indices in gross value added for services and its main components.

All data related to the Index of Services are available on our [Related data page](#).

## 3 . Data sources and quality

### Response rates for February 2025

The response rates for February 2025 were 73.3% based on forms returned. This accounted for 89.1% of total turnover coverage of the sample population. For further information, see our [Current and historical Monthly Business Survey \(MBS\) \(services\) response rates dataset](#).

### Data sources and collection

The Index of Services (IoS) is compiled using data from several different sources (share of overall economy based on latest gross value added (GVA) weights). These include the:

- Office for National Statistics (ONS) MBS (34.9%)
- ONS Retail Sales Inquiry (4.8%)
- ONS Government Expenditure (15.3%)
- ONS Households' Expenditure (11.2%)
- ONS Finance Expenditure (8.0%)
- ONS Households and non-profit institutions serving households (1.9%)
- other (3.6%)

The MBS data are published alongside this release in our [MBS turnover of services industries dataset](#).

Data relating to the retail industry are broadly comparable with our [Retail sales, Great Britain: February 2025 bulletin](#), published on 28 March 2025.

For further information on what is included within "other", please see our [Gross domestic product \(GDP\(o\)\) data sources catalogue](#).

The percentage of each data source is based on their gross value added weight. Our [IoS methods and sources pages](#) provide more information on the data that underpin these statistics; of particular note is our GDP(o) data sources catalogue.

Value Added Tax (VAT) data are also included for small and medium-sized businesses to help inform estimates. For more information, see our [VAT turnover data in National Accounts: background and methodology](#).

## Quality and methodology

The data reported in IoS bulletins and datasets are estimates that are subject to uncertainty, for example, sampling variability and non-sampling error. For more information on these, see Section 2 of our [Uncertainty and how we measure it for our surveys methodology](#).

More quality and methodology information (QMI) on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in our [Index of Services Quality and Methodology](#) Information.

## Accredited official statistics

These [accredited official statistics were independently reviewed by the Office for Statistics Regulation in April 2014](#). They comply with the standards of trustworthiness, quality and value in the [Code of Practice for Statistics](#) and should be labelled "accredited official statistics".

## Revisions to Index of Services

In line with the National Accounts [Revision](#) Policy, this release gives data for February 2025, with January 2025 also open for revision.

We have also included revisions to the monthly data from January 2023 to December 2024 as a result of revisions incorporated in our [GDP quarterly national accounts, UK: October to December 2024 bulletin](#), published on 28 March 2025.

Table 1: Revisions to month-on-month growth for Index of Services and its sectors  
February 2025 release compared with January 2025 release

Date	IoS	Sections G & I	Sections H & J	Sections K to N	Sections O to T
		- Distribution, Hotels and Restaurants	- Transport, Storage and Communications	- Business Services and Finances	- Government and other services
Jan 2023	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1
Feb 2023	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1
Mar 2023	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0
Apr 2023	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.0
May 2023	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Jun 2023	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Jul 2023	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Aug 2023	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Sep 2023	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Oct 2023	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Nov 2023	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Dec 2023	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	0.1
Jan 2024	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Feb 2024	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1
Mar 2024	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
Apr 2024	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
May 2024	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Jun 2024	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Jul 2024	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2
Aug 2024	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Sep 2024	0.0	0.0	0.1	-0.1	0.0
Oct 2024	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Nov 2024	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1
Dec 2024	0.0	0.1	0.5	0.0	-0.2
Jan 2025	0.0	-0.4	0.1	0.0	0.2

Source: Monthly GDP estimate from the Office for National Statistics

## Pausing of Producer Prices publications

As we announced in [our statement on 21 March 2025](#), during work to improve the systems used to create the Producer Price Index (PPI) and the Services Producer Price Indices (SPPI), our quality assurance identified a problem with the chain-linking methods used to calculate the PPI and SPPI indices.

For more information, please see our [Producer prices publications update](#), released on 11 April 2025.

As these detailed price data are used within our calculations, along with gross domestic product (GDP), this may lead to impacts on the level of some industries, with revisions to estimates likely in 2022 and 2023. At an aggregate level for GDP, these revisions should be offsetting to an extent, while taken alongside regular data deliveries. Early indications suggest that there will not be a notable change in the recent economic trends seen in these data, but we will update users once more information becomes available. We do not plan any changes to the publication timetable for Index of Services. We will continue to use SPPI and PPI estimates compiled under the current methodology in these publications until updated methods and data are available. We will provide further information on the likely effects as soon as is practicable.

## Seasonal adjustment

The monthly estimates of IoS are seasonally adjusted. Seasonal adjustment is the process of removing the variations associated with the time of year, or the arrangement of the calendar, from a data time series.

IoS estimates are difficult to analyse using raw data, as are many data time series. This is because seasonal effects dominate short-term movements. Identifying and removing the seasonal component leaves the trend and irregular components.

We use the X-13-ARIMA-SEATS approach to seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment parameters are monitored closely and regularly reviewed. For more information, please see our [seasonal adjustment methodology page](#).

Seasonal adjustment is applied at the industry level in our IoS estimates. The seasonally adjusted series are aggregated to create estimates by sector and total IoS output. As part of our quality assurance approach, residual seasonality checks are regularly completed by our time series analysis team on both the directly seasonally adjusted series and the indirectly derived aggregate time series.

## 4 . Related links

### [GDP monthly estimate, UK: February 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 11 April 2025

Gross domestic product (GDP) measures the value of goods and services produced in the UK. It estimates the size of and growth in the economy.

### [GDP first quarterly estimate, UK: October to December 2024](#)

Bulletin | Released 13 February 2025

First quarterly estimate of gross domestic product (GDP). Contains current and constant price data on the value of goods and services to indicate the economic performance of the UK.

### [Index of Production, UK: February 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 11 April 2025

Movements in the volume of production for the UK production industries: manufacturing, mining and quarrying, energy supply, and water and waste management. Figures are seasonally adjusted.

# 5 . Cite this statistical bulletin

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		Industry sections (SIC2007)				
		Total service industries	Distribution hotels and restaurants	Transport, storage and communication	Business services and finance	Government and other services
Section		G-T	G and I	H and J	K-N	O-T
<b>2022 weights</b>		<b>1000</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>277</b>
		S2KU	S2MV	KI7B	KI7L	KI7T
2020		85.8	82.7	81.3	92.4	80.4
2021		94.4	94.3	88.4	96.7	93.7
2022		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2023		100.4	98.3	98.3	101.1	101.5
2024		101.9	98.3	100.8	102.2	103.9
2023	Q4	100.3	97.9	97.2	100.9	102.0
2024	Q1	101.4	98.4	99.0	101.9	103.4
	Q2	102.0	98.3	101.6	102.3	103.9
	Q3	102.0	98.4	101.1	102.2	104.1
	Q4	102.1	98.2	101.6	102.3	104.3
2023	Dec	100.3	96.9	97.8	101.4	101.6
2024	Jan	101.0	98.5	98.0	101.7	102.8
	Feb	101.2	98.0	99.2	101.7	103.3
	Mar	101.9	98.7	99.7	102.2	104.0
	Apr	101.9	97.4	101.8	102.2	104.1
	May	102.1	99.1	101.4	102.3	104.0
	Jun	101.9	98.3	101.6	102.3	103.5
	Jul	101.9	98.8	101.7	102.1	103.8
	Aug	102.0	98.3	101.4	102.2	104.2
	Sep	102.0	98.3	100.3	102.4	104.4
	Oct	101.9	97.6	101.1	102.3	104.0
	Nov	102.0	98.3	101.6	102.1	104.3
	Dec	102.4	98.7	102.1	102.6	104.6
2025	Jan	102.6	98.3	101.9	102.8	104.9
	Feb	102.9	99.3	103.4	102.9	104.8
Percentage change, latest year on previous year		S222	S243	KI77	KI7G	KI7O
2020		-11.8	-21.0	-9.3	-4.0	-19.4
2021		10.0	14.0	8.7	4.7	16.5
2022		5.9	6.0	13.1	3.4	6.7
2023		0.4	-1.7	-1.7	1.1	1.5
2024		1.5	0.0	2.6	1.1	2.4
Percentage change, latest month on same month a year ago		S26Q	S28R	KI7A	KI7I	KI7Q
2023	Dec	0.4	-2.5	-0.9	0.5	2.3
2024	Jan	0.4	-0.9	-1.8	0.4	2.1
	Feb	0.4	-1.2	-0.6	0.0	2.5
	Mar	1.4	1.4	0.9	0.6	3.0
	Apr	1.4	-1.5	3.0	0.7	3.4
	May	1.9	1.2	2.7	1.2	3.0
	Jun	1.3	-0.4	2.4	1.4	1.8
	Jul	1.7	0.5	4.3	1.1	2.3
	Aug	1.7	0.0	4.1	1.4	2.1
	Sep	1.7	0.5	2.8	1.9	1.6
	Oct	1.8	-0.6	4.8	1.9	1.9
	Nov	1.6	-0.2	4.4	1.3	2.0
	Dec	2.1	1.9	4.4	1.1	2.9
2025	Jan	1.5	-0.2	4.0	1.2	2.1
	Feb	1.6	1.4	4.2	1.2	1.4

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2 Indices reflect values measured at basic prices, which exclude "taxes less subsidies on products".

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<b>Percentage change, latest month on previous month</b>						
		S222	S243	KI77	KI7G	KI7O
2023	Dec	-0.1	-1.7	0.5	0.7	-0.7
2024	Jan	0.7	1.7	0.2	0.2	1.1
	Feb	0.2	-0.6	1.3	0.0	0.5
	Mar	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.7
	Apr	0.0	-1.4	2.1	0.0	0.1
	May	0.2	1.8	-0.4	0.1	-0.1
	Jun	-0.2	-0.8	0.2	0.0	-0.5
	Jul	0.1	0.5	0.1	-0.2	0.3
	Aug	0.1	-0.5	-0.2	0.2	0.4
	Sep	0.0	0.0	-1.2	0.1	0.2
	Oct	-0.1	-0.7	0.9	-0.1	-0.3
	Nov	0.1	0.7	0.4	-0.3	0.3
	Dec	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.2
2025	Jan	0.1	-0.4	-0.2	0.2	0.3
	Feb	0.3	1.0	1.5	0.1	-0.1
<b>Percentage change, latest 3 months on same 3 months a year ago</b>						
		S2G6	S2I7	KI7C	KI7J	KI7R
2023	Dec	-0.1	-1.8	-2.7	0.2	1.5
2024	Jan	0.2	-1.4	-1.9	0.3	1.9
	Feb	0.4	-1.5	-1.1	0.3	2.3
	Mar	0.7	-0.2	-0.5	0.3	2.5
	Apr	1.1	-0.5	1.1	0.4	3.0
	May	1.6	0.3	2.2	0.8	3.1
	Jun	1.5	-0.3	2.7	1.1	2.8
	Jul	1.7	0.4	3.1	1.2	2.4
	Aug	1.6	0.0	3.6	1.3	2.1
	Sep	1.7	0.3	3.8	1.5	2.0
	Oct	1.7	0.0	3.9	1.7	1.8
	Nov	1.7	-0.1	4.0	1.7	1.8
	Dec	1.9	0.4	4.5	1.4	2.2
2025	Jan	1.8	0.5	4.3	1.2	2.3
	Feb	1.8	1.0	4.2	1.2	2.1
<b>Percentage change, latest 3 months on previous 3 months</b>						
		S2BG	S2DH	KI7D	KI7K	KI7S
2023	Dec	0.0	-0.3	-0.2	0.1	-0.1
2024	Jan	0.3	-0.1	0.6	0.7	-0.1
	Feb	0.6	-0.4	1.2	1.0	0.2
	Mar	1.1	0.6	1.8	1.0	1.3
	Apr	1.1	0.1	2.6	0.8	1.5
	May	1.1	0.6	2.7	0.6	1.4
	Jun	0.6	-0.1	2.6	0.4	0.5
	Jul	0.3	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.0
	Aug	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	-0.2
	Sep	0.0	0.2	-0.5	0.0	0.2
	Oct	0.0	-0.7	-0.6	0.1	0.4
	Nov	0.0	-0.4	-0.6	0.1	0.4
	Dec	0.1	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2
2025	Jan	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.2	0.4
	Feb	0.6	0.7	1.4	0.5	0.5

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