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The highest sales growth was in tourism-related industries

Services – the third quarter of 2021

**In the Q3 2021, sales adjusted for calendar effects increased in real terms (at constant prices) by 9.5%, year‑on-year (y-o-y); non-adjusted sales increased by 8.9%. Seasonally adjusted sales in services increased in real terms (at constant prices) by 2.6%, quarter‑on‑quarter (q-o-q).**

**Development in the third quarter of 2021**

In the Q3 2021, **seasonally adjusted** sales **in services1) increased** **in real terms (at constant prices) by 2.6%**, **q-o-q**. Accommodation and food service activities was the most successful industry of services (CZ-NACE section; growth by 33.5%), whereas real estate activities reported a decrease of sales (by 1.2%).

**Year-on-year,** sales **adjusted for calendar effects** increasedby 9.5%. Administrative and support service activities were the most successful, thanks to travel agencies. The only decreasing industry in this section was real estate activities.

**Year-on-year, non-adjusted** sales increased by 8.9%. Development in individual industries of services (CZ-NACE sections) was as follows:

* sales **in** **transportation and storage** increased by 13.1%. The highest increase of sales was in the following: air transport (by 97.0%), water transport (by 23.8%), and warehousing and support activities for transportation (by 21.2%). Also postal and courier activities had higher sales (by 5.6%) as well as land transport and transport via pipelines (by 4.6%);
* sales **in** **accommodation and food service activities** increased by 8.4%. A more considerable increase of sales was in the accommodation (by 15.2%) compared to the food and beverage service activities (by 6.4%);
* sales **in** **information and communication** increased by 5.7%. A double-digit growth of sales was reported by the so-called music and motion picture activities, namely by 75.6%. Sales also increased in the following: computer programming, consultancy and related activities (by 6.4%), which include, for example, computer programming activities, computer facilities management activities, and computer consultancy activities and in information service activities (by 3.8%), which include data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals. An increase of sales was also reported by telecommunications (by 3.3%) and publishing activities (by 2.1%). A sales decrease was reported by programming and broadcasting activities (by 2.7%);
* sales **in** **real estate activities** decreased by 0.2%, y-o-y. The sales decrease occurred in buying and selling of own real estate and renting and operating of own or leased real estate (by 1.1%). Conversely, sales in real estate activities on a fee or contract basis increased (by 3.9%);
* sales **in** **professional, scientific and technical activities2)**increased by 6.4%. Sales increased in the following: architectural and engineering activities; technical testing and analysis (by 11.2%), activities of head offices; management consultancy activities (by 10.5%), advertising and market research (by 9.7%), and legal and accounting activities (by 1.2%). A decrease of sales was reported by other professional, scientific and technical activities, which include, for example, business brokerage activities, translation and interpretation activities, photographic activities, or activities of quantity surveyors (by 0.7%);
* sales **in** **administrative and support service activities**increased by 18.3%, y-o-y. Travel agency, tour operator and other reservation service and related activities contributed the most to the sales increase (by 175.3%). Sales also increased in the following: office administrative, office support and other business support activities (by 11.8%), rental and leasing activities (by 5.3%), and services to buildings and landscape activities (by 3.5%). A y-o-y decrease of sales occurred in security and investigation activities (by 0.3%) and employment activities (by 1.4%).

Notes:

1) For the purpose of the News Release, services include the following CZ-NACE sections: Transportation and storage (H), Accommodation and food service activities (I), Information and communication (J), Real estate activities (L), Professional, scientific and technical activities – excluding Scientific research and development and Veterinary activities (M excluding 72 and 75), Administrative and support service activities (N).

2) For the purpose of the News Release, section M – Professional, scientific and technical activities does not include CZ-NACE 72 – Scientific research and development and CZ-NACE 75 – Veterinary activities.

All data in the text of the News Release are at constant prices.

Data for the Q3 2021 are preliminary; final data for individual quarters of 2021 will be released in March 2022.

Since the way estimates for non-surveyed part of the sample are made has changed, previously released data may be revised more.

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*(*[*https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/slu\_ts*](https://www.czso.cz/csu/czso/slu_ts)*)*

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Annexes:

Table 1 Sales in services (year-on-year indices)

Table 2 Sales in services (year-on-year changes, decomposition of increase – year-on-year)

Table 3 Sales in services (year-on-year indices, adjusted for calendar effects)

Chart Sales in services – base indices, constant prices

Chart Sales in services – international comparison, seasonally adjusted, current prices