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Capital Assets in Industry

Quarter 1 2005 Final Figures
Quarter 2 2005 Preliminary Estimates

	€m €m 933.8 1,025.7 157.0 196.5 30.1 34.5				
	Q2 2004	Q2 2005			
	€m	€m			
Machinery & Equipment	933.8	1,025.7			
Land & Buildings	157.0	196.5			
Computer Hardware & Software	30.1	34.5			
Vehicles and Other Equipment	35.9	49.9			
Total Capital Acquisitions	1,156.7	1,307.1			

Capital Assets Acquisitions of €1307.1m in Second Quarter

Capital acquisitions in industry in the second quarter of 2005 were €1307.1m, compared with €1156.7m in the second quarter of 2004. *See Table 1 & graph*.

The major contributor to the total figure was acquisitions of machinery and equipment, which amounted to epsilon 1025.7m in the second quarter of 2005, following on a second quarter 2004 level of epsilon 933.8m. See Table 2.

Land and buildings acquisitions were \in 196.5m, up from \in 157.0m in the second quarter of 2004. Total capital sales were \in 66.9m, compared with \in 53.6m in the second quarter of 2004. See Tables 3 and 6.

The breakdown of the components of acquisitions into the different industrial sectors shows:

The highest level of acquisitions of machinery and equipment was recorded in NACE 32, the communication equipment sector, with a level of €349.8m in the second quarter of 2005, compared with €252.9m for the same quarter in the previous year. See Table 2.

The highest level of acquisitions of land and buildings was in NACE 24, the chemical products sector, which accounted for $\[\in \]$ 56.3m in the second quarter of 2005. This has decreased from the second quarter 2004 level of $\[\in \]$ 76.6m. See Table 3.

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Table 1 Total Capital Acquisitions in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description			2003				200	4			20	2005	
Code	Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*	
10-14	Mining and quarrying	66.9	48.6	25.5	26.2	167.2	33.3	16.2	23.1	47.7	120.3	26.1	31.1	
	Manufacturing:													
15-16	Food products, beverages and tobacco	124.3	107.8	114.3	129.3	475.7	120.5	122.7	108.5	150.2	501.9	91.2	130.4	
17	Textiles	2.3	2.5	2.3	2.1	9.2	1.2	0.9	1.0	2.1	5.2	1.7	1.5	
18	Wearing apparel	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.4	4.2	1.5	0.3	2.9	1.3	6.0	1.4	1.2	
19	Leather products	0.4	0.2	0.3	1.0	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.0	
20	Wood and wood products	8.2	6.8	7.7	12.8	35.5	5.7	4.8	3.7	8.3	22.5	4.1	6.7	
21	Paper and paper products	4.7	4.1	4.1	4.1	17.0	3.2	8.5	7.7	5.1	24.5	3.8	8.9	
22	Publishing and printing	21.3	32.4	23.8	21.0	98.5	19.4	17.3	14.9	20.3	71.9	12.5	29.2	
24	Chemical products	143.6	139.3	168.9	204.9	656.7	156.4	216.1	180.0	211.4	763.9	150.2	201.5	
25	Rubber and plastic products	15.2	10.3	12.7	12.8	51.0	9.2	10.4	14.7	15.9	50.2	14.4	14.1	
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	30.0	28.9	39.9	29.5	128.3	26.9	46.1	21.7	32.9	127.6	33.1	34.1	
27	Basic metals	4.6	3.0	3.8	8.6	20.0	5.0	2.0	2.1	3.3	12.4	2.6	15.6	
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	8.4	8.0	10.3	6.4	33.1	9.7	7.3	7.9	8.6	33.5	7.7	7.7	
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	8.7	9.2	11.0	11.3	40.2	10.1	17.2	12.5	19.1	58.9	16.2	13.1	
30	Office machinery and computers	42.9	37.1	21.9	45.0	146.9	36.0	27.4	28.5	31.9	123.8	10.1	20.3	
31	Other electrical equipment	7.4	8.8	10.3	20.4	46.9	15.8	22.9	20.0	14.1	72.8	26.1	13.5	
32	Communication equipment	53.0	30.7	62.1	28.2	174.0	491.6	257.5	44.0	112.0	905.1	387.1	380.2	
33	Medical and optical instruments	38.5	36.0	47.7	58.2	180.4	63.7	45.7	58.1	67.7	235.2	53.3	68.8	
34	Motor vehicles	3.5	3.8	3.8	9.9	21.0	10.2	5.2	6.0	10.3	31.7	5.9	4.6	
35	Other transport equipment	2.9	2.1	1.3	2.6	8.9	3.3	4.2	21.5	12.3	41.3	3.2	9.1	
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	18.8	20.4	18.8	42.4	100.4	42.2	32.5	37.0	15.1	126.8	15.5	9.4	
40	Electricity and gas supply	189.5	214.5	222.0	503.0	1129.0	184.7	291.4	316.1	391.7	1183.9	162.8	306.1	
10-40	All industries	796.6	755.8	813.5	1180.1	3546.0	1249.7	1156.7	932.0	1181.6	4520.0	1029.1	1307.1	
10-37	Transportable goods industries	607.1	541.3	591.5	677.1	2417.0	1065.0	865.3	615.9	789.9	3336.1	866.3	1001.0	
15-37	Manufacturing industries	540.2	492.7	566.0	650.9	2249.8	1031.7	849.1	592.8	742.2	3215.8	840.2	969.9	

* Preliminary Estimates

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Table 2 Capital Acquisitions of Machinery & Equipment in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description			2003			2004						2005		
Code	Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*		
10-14	Mining and quarrying	19.9	20.2	15.2	17.6	72.9	12.4	9.3	12.5	21.9	56.1	17.8	15.7		
	Manufacturing:														
15-16	Food Products, beverages and tobacco	82.7	71.9	80.5	84.7	319.8	71.9	88.8	74.2	109.8	344.7	63.4	101.8		
17	Textiles	1.2	1.6	1.2	1.4	5.4	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.7	3.3	0.8	1.0		
18	Wearing apparel	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.2	1.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.7	1.6	0.4	0.4		
19	Leather products	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		
20	Wood and wood products	5.8	4.7	4.8	9.6	24.9	3.8	2.5	2.3	2.9	11.5	1.9	3.0		
21	Paper and paper products	3.3	3.2	3.0	3.8	13.3	1.8	5.3	4.8	4.1	16.0	2.9	6.5		
22	Publishing and printing	6.0	11.5	7.0	8.6	33.1	11.7	9.7	9.0	8.4	38.8	6.5	9.6		
24	Chemical products	80.8	86.0	109.6	117.8	394.2	58.9	129.7	125.1	136.8	450.5	94.3	136.5		
25	Rubber and plastic products	12.0	6.8	8.7	8.9	36.4	7.5	8.3	7.4	8.8	32.0	6.6	7.8		
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	11.9	17.0	23.3	9.4	61.6	16.0	14.0	14.2	24.5	68.7	23.0	20.8		
27	Basic metals	3.3	2.1	3.1	3.1	11.6	4.2	1.7	1.6	3.1	10.6	2.3	15.4		
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	5.0	5.1	5.6	4.3	20.0	4.8	5.5	3.9	6.5	20.7	5.0	5.1		
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	5.0	5.6	6.2	8.7	25.5	5.2	12.0	5.8	5.7	28.7	7.5	4.5		
30	Office machinery and computers	39.4	28.6	14.8	37.4	120.2	27.5	23.3	24.2	17.2	92.2	7.9	11.3		
31	Other electrical equipment	5.6	7.8	9.4	18.6	41.4	11.8	21.4	17.1	11.3	61.6	13.0	9.2		
32	Communication equipment	47.8	23.8	37.9	27.5	137.0	422.2	252.9	40.9	110.5	826.5	351.4	349.8		
33	Medical and optical instruments	25.5	24.9	33.9	39.4	123.7	42.2	32.4	41.0	44.4	160.0	36.0	33.6		
34	Motor vehicles	2.8	3.0	3.0	9.0	17.8	8.2	4.7	4.4	9.8	27.1	5.1	4.1		
35	Other transport equipment	2.4	1.3	0.7	1.5	5.9	2.3	3.1	20.6	10.4	36.4	1.7	1.1		
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	15.1	14.0	14.9	37.2	81.2	26.8	30.1	29.7	9.9	96.5	11.9	6.9		
40	Electricity and gas supply	183.6	206.0	211.8	435.3	1036.7	174.9	278.4	287.8	348.1	1089.2	149.4	281.6		
10-40	All industries	559.3	545.8	595.1	884.0	2584.2	914.7	933.8	727.7	896.5	3472.7	808.8	1025.7		
10-37	Transportable goods industries	375.7	339.8	383.3	448.7	1547.5	739.8	655.4	439.9	548.4	2383.5	659.4	744.1		
15-37	Manufacturing industries	355.8	319.6	368.1	431.1	1474.6	727.4	646.1	427.4	526.5	2327.4	641.6	728.4		

^{*} Preliminary Estimates

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Table 3 Capital Acquisitions of Land & Buildings in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description			2003				2004						
Code	Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*	
10-14	Mining and quarrying	1.9	6.1	2.2	2.5	12.7	1.3	1.4	2.4	10.4	15.5	1.1	6.4	
	Manufacturing:													
15-16	Food products,beverages and tobacco	21.5	18.8	19.6	24.7	84.6	27.7	21.0	22.3	30.0	101.0	17.7	14.7	
17	Textiles	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.5	2.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	
18	Wearing apparel	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.0	1.2	1.1	0.0	2.0	0.4	3.5	0.6	0.7	
19	Leather products	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
20	Wood and wood products	0.9	1.1	1.6	2.4	6.0	0.8	0.5	0.3	4.0	5.6	0.6	2.5	
21	Paper and paper products	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.1	1.4	0.7	2.7	2.3	0.1	5.8	0.2	1.5	
22	Publishing and printing	9.1	12.1	13.0	8.3	42.5	2.9	2.7	2.1	6.7	14.4	0.8	7.2	
24	Chemical products	58.5	41.8	51.9	77.8	230.0	90.2	76.6	48.2	64.5	279.5	48.6	56.3	
25	Rubber and plastic products	1.2	1.5	2.5	2.7	7.9	0.6	1.3	5.8	6.0	13.7	6.6	4.8	
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	6.3	3.5	7.1	14.3	31.2	4.4	25.1	1.2	2.1	32.8	3.0	6.3	
27	Basic metals	0.5	0.4	0.3	5.2	6.4	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	1.0	1.6	2.8	1.1	6.5	1.8	0.3	2.1	0.4	4.6	0.4	0.7	
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	1.1	0.8	2.2	0.7	4.8	1.4	2.5	0.5	1.0	5.4	0.5	1.7	
30	Office machinery and computers	1.6	6.3	4.3	4.5	16.7	4.9	1.7	0.7	10.6	17.9	0.8	6.6	
31	Other electrical equipment	0.3	0.1	0.3	1.2	1.9	3.1	0.6	2.2	1.8	7.7	3.0	3.7	
32	Communication equipment	4.0	1.4	19.6	0.2	25.2	68.0	3.0	1.2	0.4	72.6	35.1	29.6	
33	Medical and optical instruments	10.7	8.4	10.0	12.9	42.0	18.1	10.8	14.3	20.7	63.9	15.1	32.1	
34	Motor vehicles	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.5	1.4	1.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	2.1	0.1	0.1	
35	Other transport equipment	0.0	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.9	1.3	0.4	0.2	
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	1.7	4.0	1.7	0.5	7.9	11.8	0.4	5.1	3.0	20.3	0.6	0.4	
40	Electricity and gas supply	0.7	2.7	3.4	42.1	48.9	3.9	5.8	6.7	12.2	28.6	2.4	20.9	
10-40	All industries	122.7	112.5	144.6	202.5	582.3	244.4	157.0	120.1	175.5	697.0	137.7	196.5	
10-37	Transportable goods industries	122.0	109.8	141.2	160.4	533.4	240.5	151.2	113.4	163.3	668.4	135.3	175.6	
15-37	Manufacturing industries	120.1	103.7	139.0	157.9	520.7	239.2	149.8	111.0	152.9	652.9	134.2	169.2	

^{*} Preliminary Estimates

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Table 4 Capital Acquisitions of Computer Hardware & Software in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description			2003					2004			200	2005	
Code	Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*	
10-14	Mining and quarrying	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.4	1.3	0.3	2.0	0.2	0.1	
	Manufacturing:													
15-16	Food products, beverages and tobacco	9.4	4.8	3.8	3.9	21.9	9.4	3.4	3.7	4.4	20.9	3.4	6.3	
17	Textiles	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	8.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	
18	Wearing apparel	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	
19	Leather products	0.3	0.0	0.2	1.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.0	
20	Wood and wood products	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.6	1.5	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	1.1	0.3	0.0	
21	Paper and paper products	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.2	0.2	
22	Publishing and printing	5.0	8.1	3.4	3.8	20.3	3.7	3.2	3.3	4.6	14.8	4.1	10.8	
24	Chemical products	2.6	3.7	4.7	4.1	15.1	4.8	6.9	4.4	7.7	23.8	4.8	5.6	
25	Rubber and plastic products	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.8	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.5	1.5	0.4	0.2	
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	1.6	1.3	1.9	1.2	6.0	0.5	0.7	8.0	0.4	2.4	0.5	0.6	
27	Basic metals	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.0	
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.4	1.9	0.6	0.5	8.0	0.4	2.3	0.5	0.5	
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.8	2.5	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.6	2.5	0.4	0.6	
30	Office machinery and computers	1.4	2.1	2.8	3.1	9.4	3.4	2.2	2.8	4.0	12.4	1.3	2.3	
31	Other electrical equipment	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	1.4	0.7	0.4	
32	Communication equipment	1.1	1.0	0.2	0.5	2.8	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.0	5.7	0.5	0.6	
33	Medical and optical instruments	1.3	1.9	2.2	2.1	7.5	2.5	1.7	1.7	1.8	7.7	1.7	2.2	
34	Motor vehicles	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	8.0	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	1.2	0.2	0.1	
35	Other transport equipment	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	1.4	8.0	0.4	0.6	0.9	2.7	1.0	1.4	
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.4	5.5	1.1	0.9	1.2	1.2	4.4	1.7	0.4	
40	Electricity and gas supply	3.8	2.2	2.6	22.7	31.3	3.5	6.3	19.2	24.2	53.2	10.4	2.1	
10-40	All industries	32.2	29.4	26.6	47.4	135.6	34.1	30.1	44.2	53.2	161.6	32.6	34.5	
10-37	Transportable goods industries	28.4	27.2	24.0	24.7	104.3	30.6	23.8	25.0	29.0	108.4	22.2	32.4	
15-37	Manufacturing industries	28.3	27.2	23.9	24.6	104.0	30.6	23.4	23.7	28.7	106.4	22.0	32.3	

^{*} Preliminary Estimates

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Table 5 Capital Acquisitions of Vehicles and Other Equipment in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description		20	03					2004			2005		
Code		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*	
10-14	Mining and quarrying	44.9	22.3	8.0	6.1	81.3	19.6	5.3	6.9	15.2	47.0	6.9	8.9	
	Manufacturing:													
15-16	Food products,beverages and tobacco	10.6	12.3	10.4	16.0	49.3	11.5	9.5	8.3	6.1	35.4	6.7	7.6	
17	Textiles	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	1.0	8.0	0.2	
18	Wearing apparel	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	8.0	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.8	0.3	0.0	
19	Leather products	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	
20	Wood and wood products	1.4	0.7	0.7	0.3	3.1	0.9	1.5	0.9	1.0	4.3	1.3	1.2	
21	Paper and paper products	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.1	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.8	2.4	0.5	0.7	
22	Publishing and printing	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.2	2.6	1.2	1.7	0.5	0.7	4.1	1.2	1.5	
24	Chemical products	1.6	7.8	2.7	5.3	17.4	2.6	2.9	2.3	2.4	10.2	2.6	3.2	
25	Rubber and plastic products	1.4	1.7	1.1	0.7	4.9	8.0	0.5	1.0	0.5	2.8	0.9	1.3	
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	10.2	7.0	7.5	4.5	29.2	5.9	6.4	5.4	5.9	23.6	6.6	6.4	
27	Basic metals	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	1.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.2	0.1	
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	2.0	1.0	1.2	0.6	4.8	2.5	1.1	1.1	1.4	6.1	1.8	1.4	
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	2.1	2.1	2.1	1.1	7.4	2.8	2.1	5.7	11.8	22.4	7.8	6.2	
30	Office machinery and computers	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.1	1.0	0.1	0.0	
31	Other electrical equipment	1.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	2.0	0.5	0.5	0.2	8.0	2.0	9.3	0.1	
32	Communication equipment	0.1	4.5	4.5	0.0	9.1	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	
33	Medical and optical instruments	1.0	8.0	1.6	3.8	7.2	0.9	0.8	1.0	0.8	3.5	0.5	1.0	
34	Motor vehicles	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.9	0.1	1.4	0.5	0.2	
35	Other transport equipment	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.9	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.1	6.4	
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	0.7	1.0	1.0	3.2	5.9	2.4	1.1	1.1	1.0	5.6	1.3	1.8	
40	Electricity and gas supply	1.4	3.7	4.2	2.8	12.1	2.5	0.9	2.4	7.2	13.0	0.6	1.6	
10-40	All industries	82.4	67.9	47.3	46.0	243.6	56.5	35.9	39.8	56.5	188.7	50.1	49.9	
10-37	Transportable goods industries	81.0	64.2	43.1	43.2	231.5	54.0	35.0	37.4	49.3	175.7	49.5	48.3	
15-37	Manufacturing industries	36.1	41.9	35.1	37.1	150.2	34.4	29.7	30.5	34.1	128.7	42.6	39.4	

^{*} Preliminary Estimates

Table 6 Total Capital Sales in Industry (€million)

NACE	Description			2003				2004					
Code	Description	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year	Q1	Q2*
10-14	Mining and quarrying	6.1	0.5	1.4	0.2	8.2	1.3	0.8	0.2	1.4	3.7	0.8	0.9
	Manufacturing:												
15-16	Food products, beverages and tobacco	9.1	6.9	20.0	43.6	79.6	5.6	8.0	32.2	7.1	52.9	7.4	6.1
17	Textiles	3.4	0.1	0.1	28.0	31.6	0.1	6.7	0.1	0.0	6.9	0.7	0.1
18	Wearing apparel	0.1	0.2	1.0	10.1	11.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	1.0	1.3	4.9	0.3
19	Leather products	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	2.2	0.0	0.7
20	Wood and wood products	0.7	0.4	0.1	2.0	3.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.5	1.4	0.4	0.5
21	Paper and paper products	0.5	1.4	1.7	0.9	4.5	1.0	0.9	1.8	0.8	4.5	0.6	0.2
22	Publishing and printing	2.4	0.1	3.4	3.6	9.5	1.7	4.5	22.4	49.8	78.4	4.3	2.0
24	Chemical products	7.9	2.8	5.0	2.4	18.1	2.1	8.4	7.3	13.9	31.7	3.3	18.2
25	Rubber and plastic products	2.3	0.5	0.9	1.2	4.9	0.5	0.4	2.9	2.1	5.9	0.8	0.7
26	Other non-metallic mineral products	3.9	1.9	4.2	2.8	12.8	4.1	2.2	3.4	2.3	12.0	5.4	3.5
27	Basic metals	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.0	3.6	4.0	0.0	0.1
28	Fabricated metals (excl. machinery)	0.5	1.5	0.4	0.8	3.2	4.1	0.3	2.7	2.5	9.6	1.2	0.5
29	Machinery not elsewhere classified	1.8	1.9	3.0	3.5	10.2	6.3	1.5	0.2	4.0	12.0	4.3	13.9
30	Office machinery and computers	18.2	2.4	7.1	0.9	28.6	3.4	1.0	0.1	7.2	11.7	10.2	0.7
31	Other electrical equipment	4.3	1.1	0.2	33.4	39.0	8.1	3.7	3.4	7.3	22.5	0.5	4.9
32	Communication equipment	18.3	9.0	20.2	4.4	51.9	4.2	9.6	7.4	0.5	21.7	7.7	0.2
33	Medical and optical instruments	8.4	11.3	3.0	4.3	27.0	8.8	1.6	1.4	2.1	13.9	0.8	0.8
34	Motor vehicles	0.3	0.9	0.8	0.4	2.4	0.4	0.1	0.6	2.0	3.1	1.1	0.0
35	Other transport equipment	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.2	2.2	0.0	0.2	2.8	0.9	3.9	3.3	0.9
36-37, 23	Other manufacturing	0.1	0.1	0.4	6.4	7.0	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.1	1.1	0.3	2.7
40	Electricity and gas supply	7.9	2.7	2.3	8.1	21.0	8.1	2.7	2.0	21.2	34.0	6.2	9.0
10-40	All industries	97.1	46.4	75.4	158.3	377.2	60.9	53.6	91.4	132.5	338.4	64.2	66.9
10-37	Transportable goods industries	89.2	43.7	73.1	150.2	356.2	52.8	50.9	89.4	111.3	304.4	58.0	57.9
15-37	Manufacturing industries	83.1	43.2	71.7	150.0	348.0	51.5	50.1	89.2	109.9	300.7	57.2	57.0

^{*} Preliminary Estimates

Central Statistics Office Capital Assets in Industry

Background Notes

Introduction

This Release details quarterly acquisitions and sales of capital assets in the Mining, Manufacturing, and Energy sectors. The series are derived from a quarterly accounts inquiry to industrial enterprises with 20 or more persons engaged. This inquiry was initiated to meet national and EU requirements for quarterly economic variables, and is conducted under the Statistics (Business Accounts) Order, 2001, made under the Statistics Act 1993.

The survey results, which cover all companies with 20+ employees, are grossed using the latest available CIP to represent acquisitions and sales of capital assets by all industrial enterprises with 3+ persons engaged, and are shown at current values (seasonally unadjusted).

The capital acquisitions series are short–term indicators of trends, and are subject to revision when the annual Census of Industrial Production (CIP) results become available. Note, however, that the CIP variable "additions to capital assets" includes capitalised Research & Development (R&D), whereas the capital acquisitions series in this Release do not.

Scope

The inquiry covers all enterprises with 20 or more persons engaged in the Mining, Manufacturing, and Energy sectors. The survey, of approximately 2,000 enterprises, accounts for over 95% of capital acquisitions by enterprises with 3 or more persons engaged (as measured by the CIP).

The activity classification used in this Statistical Release is the NACE Rev. 1.1 classification.

Methodology

Estimates are made for non-response. For each non-responding enterprise, capital acquisitions data are imputed from returns for that enterprise in previous quarters or in the CIP. Where no historical data are available, estimates are made as follows: the sample is classified into relatively homogeneous cells defined by NACE division and employment size, and the cell ratio acquisitions per person (calculated from the aggregated respondent values in the non-respondent's cell) is applied to the employment for the non-respondent. The estimation procedure for capital sales is similar.

To derive estimates inclusive of those enterprises having 3 to 19 persons engaged, the sample results are grossed, by NACE division, using grossing ratios from the latest available CIP.

Definitions

Capital assets refers to physical assets, or computer software, with a useful life of more than one year intended to be used by the enterprise itself. The figures in this Release are therefore exclusive of capitalised R&D.

An enterprise is defined as the smallest combination of legal units that is an organisational unit producing goods or services, which benefits from a certain degree of autonomy in decision making, especially for the allocation of its current resources (e.g. company, partnership, individual proprietorship, etc.) An enterprise may be a sole legal unit.

Other

The figures provided in this Release are short-term indicators only. They are based on quarterly information supplied by enterprises, many of whom do not maintain sub-annual accounting systems. The annual Census of Industrial Production, which utilises financial accounts data, should be considered as the definitive reference for annual capital assets information.

Related series, on quarterly estimates of Industrial Stocks, are published in a separate Statistical Release.

NACE divisions 15 and 16 have now been combined for confidentiality reasons.