

Harmonised Labour Cost Index (HLCI). Base 2008
Second quarter of 2009. Provisional data

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The gross figure shows a greater increase as a result of the lower number of hours worked during the quarter, due to the fact that Easter Week was held in the month of April this year.

National index

Total and by activity sections

	General index		Index seasonally adjusted adjusted for calendar effects	
	Index ²	Rate ¹	Index ²	Rate ¹
TOTAL	104.6	9.1	104.8	5.7
B. Extractive industries	107.3	11.0	105.0	5.2
C. Manufacturing industry	103.1	10.6	105.7	6.6
D. Supply of electrical energy, gas, steam and air conditioning	108.8	3.1	103.7	1.6
E. Water supply, waste management and decontamination activities	103.9	7.3	102.6	3.1
F. Construction	107.0	11.6	106.8	8.2
G. Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	106.0	10.6	106.3	7.5
H. Transport and storage	105.2	7.8	104.3	4.7
I. Accommodation	100.7	4.1	103.3	2.9
J. Information and communications	101.2	7.4	103.6	4.4
K. Financial and insurance activities	93.9	5.9	101.0	1.1
L. Real estate activities	99.8	3.5	99.3	1.1
M. Professional, scientific and technical activities	103.1	9.8	105.2	6.2
N. Administrative and support service activities	101.3	6.4	102.6	4.2
O. Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	108.7	7.8	... ⁽³⁾	... ⁽³⁾
P. Education	106.0	15.0	105.5	7.7
Q. Health activities and social services	108.0	9.1	103.9	4.6
R. Arts, recreation and entertainment activities	104.8	7.5	104.5	5.4
S. Other services	102.2	5.0	102.8	2.7

¹ Same quarter from the previous year

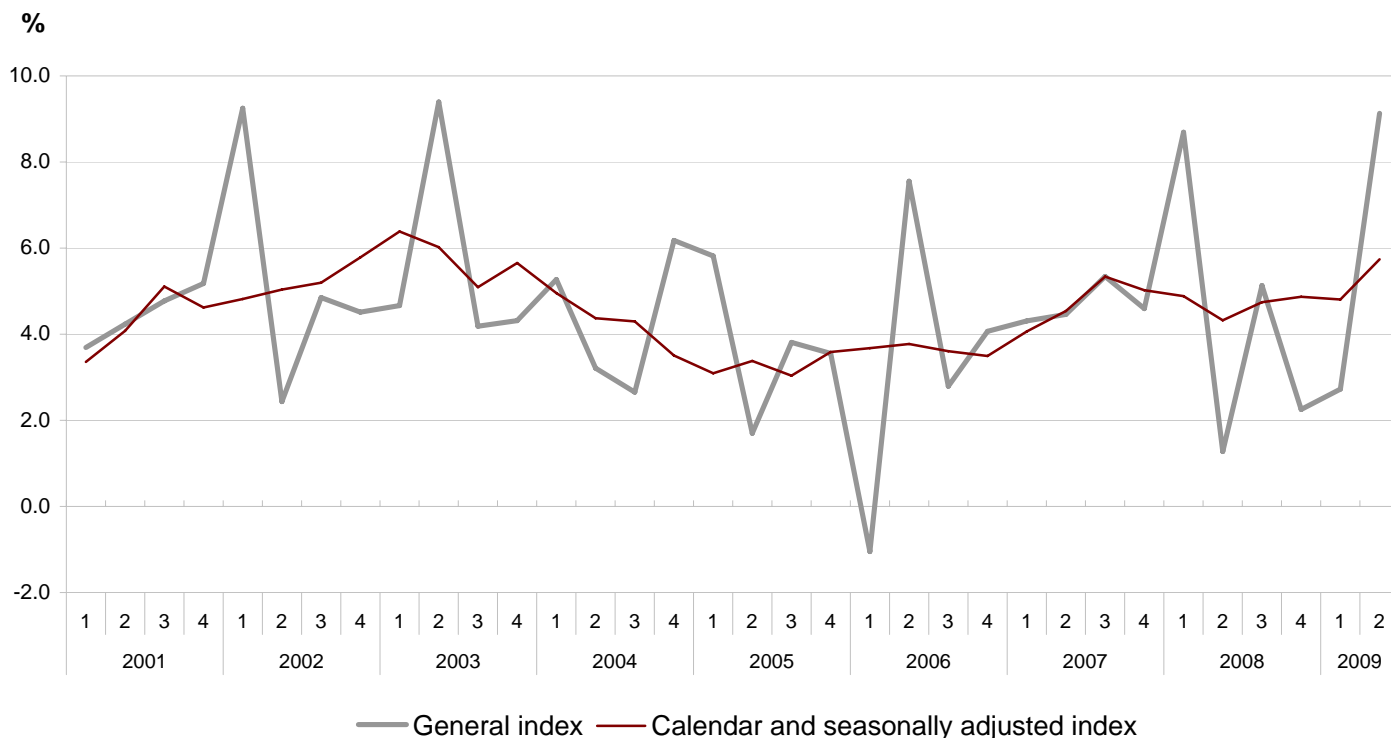
² Base year 2008

³ Series adjusted for seasonal and calendar effects cannot be obtained until 2010

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Annual variations

General index, corrected and seasonally adjusted index



Adaptation to the NCEA-2009

The process of implementing the NCEA-2009 will not be completed until the end of this year, therefore the data provided by these statistics will be of a provisional nature **during the four quarters of the current year.**

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