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Services Sector Price Indices (SSPI). Base 2010 Second quarter of 2013. *Provisional data*

The annual rate of the services of *Telecommunications* stands at –11.1%, after registering a decrease of 2.4 points

Advertising prices registers an increase of five points in its annual rate, up to 7.6%

Annual evolution of prices in services

Eight out of the 15 activities in the services sector, for which price indices are calculated, experienced a decrease in their annual variation rate in the second quarter of 2013.

Among the services with a decrease in annual rate, the most noteworthy were:

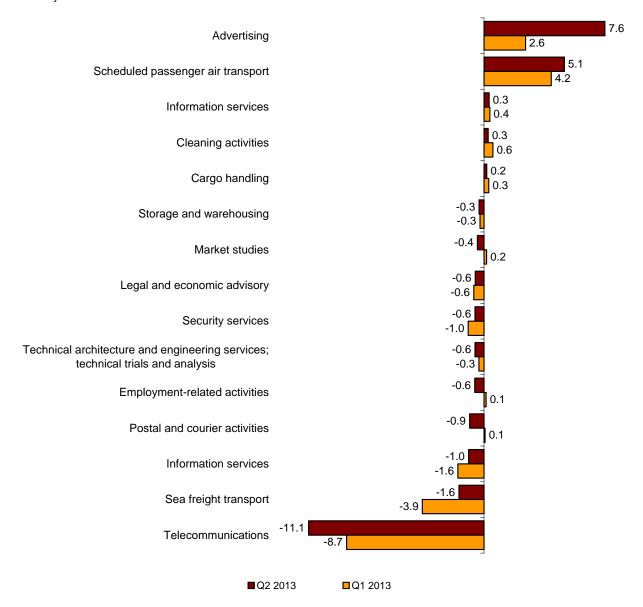
- **Telecommunications**, whose annual variation stood at -11.1%, more than two points below that registered for the previous quarter, and the lowest since the beginning of the series, in the first quarter of 2007. This behaviour was due to the fact that the decrease in prices registered in this activity was higher than that registered the previous year.
- **Postal and courier activities**, whose rate decreased one point, and stood at **-0.9%**. This decrease is due to the slightest increase in prices during this quarter, as compared with the same period of the previous year.
- *Employment-related activities*, with a **-0.6%** variation, seven tenths below that registered in the previous quarter, due to the decrease in the prices of this sector, as compared with the increase of the previous year.

On the other hand, the activities with the greatest increase in their annual variation were:

- **Advertising,** whose annual variation stood at 7.6%, five points over that registered for the previous quarter. This increase is due to the rise in the prices of this activity, higher than that of the previous year.
- **Sea freight transport,** whose annual variation increased more than two points up to -1.6%, due to the increase in prices during this quarter, as compared with the decrease that was registered the previous year.
- Passenger scheduled air transport, whose annual variation increased nine tenths, reaching 5.1%, due to the greatest increase in prices during this year. This is the highest rate registered for this activity since the first quarter 2009.

Annual rates of the SSPI, base 2010

Index by sector



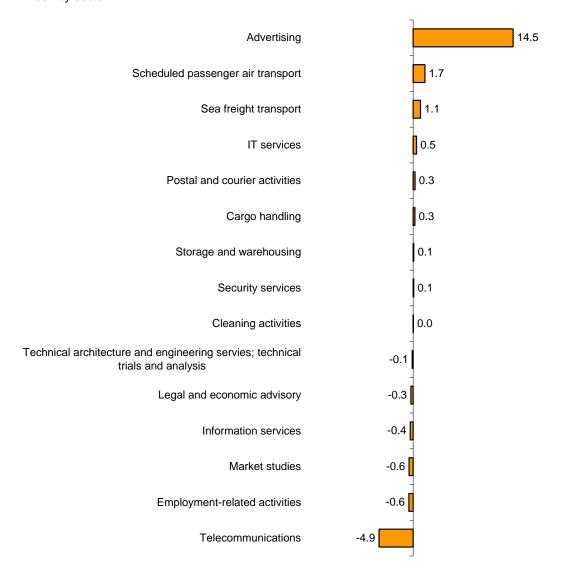
Quarterly evolution of the prices of services

The greatest price decreases as compared with the first quarter of 2013 were recorded in Advertising (-14.5%), Passenger scheduled air transport (1.7%) and Sea freight transport (1.1%).

Among the activities that decreased their prices this quarter, as compared with the previous quarter, it is worth noting *Telecommunications* (–4.9%), *Employment-related activities* (–0.6%) and *Market studies* (–0.6%).

Quarterly rates of the SSPI, base 2010

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1. National indices by sector

	Index	% Variation		
		On previous quarter	Year-to- date	Yearly
1. Sea freight transport	102.3	1.1	-1.3	-1.6
Scheduled passenger air transport	110.6	1.7	4.2	5.1
3. Storage and warehousing	101.5	0.1	0.9	-0.3
4. Cargo handling	105.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
5. Postal and courier activities	99.0	0.3	0.6	-0.9
6. Telecommunications	81.2	-4.9	-6.1	-11.1
7. IT services	102.6	0.5	0.7	0.3
8. Information services	95.0	-0.4	-1.6	-1.0
9. Legal and economic advisory	99.9	-0.3	-0.6	-0.6
10. Technical architecture and engineering services; technical trial and analysis	99.6	-0.1	0.0	-0.6
11. Advertising	109.1	14.5	4.5	7.6
12. Market studies	101.2	-0.6	-0.7	-0.4
13. Employment-related activities	100.6	-0.6	-0.5	-0.6
14. Security services	100.6	0.1	-0.2	-0.6
15. Cleaning activities	101.0	0.0	0.8	0.3

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