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Services Sector Price Indices (SSPI). Base 2006
Third quarter of 2012. *Provisional data*

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Telecommunications, with 3.2 points, up to **-7.6%****

**The rate of the services of *Advertising and market studies* stands at
-6.5%, registering an increase of **4.0%****

Annual evolution of prices in services

Ten of the 14 activities in the services sector for which price indices are calculated, experienced a decrease in their interannual variation rate in the third quarter of 2012.

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

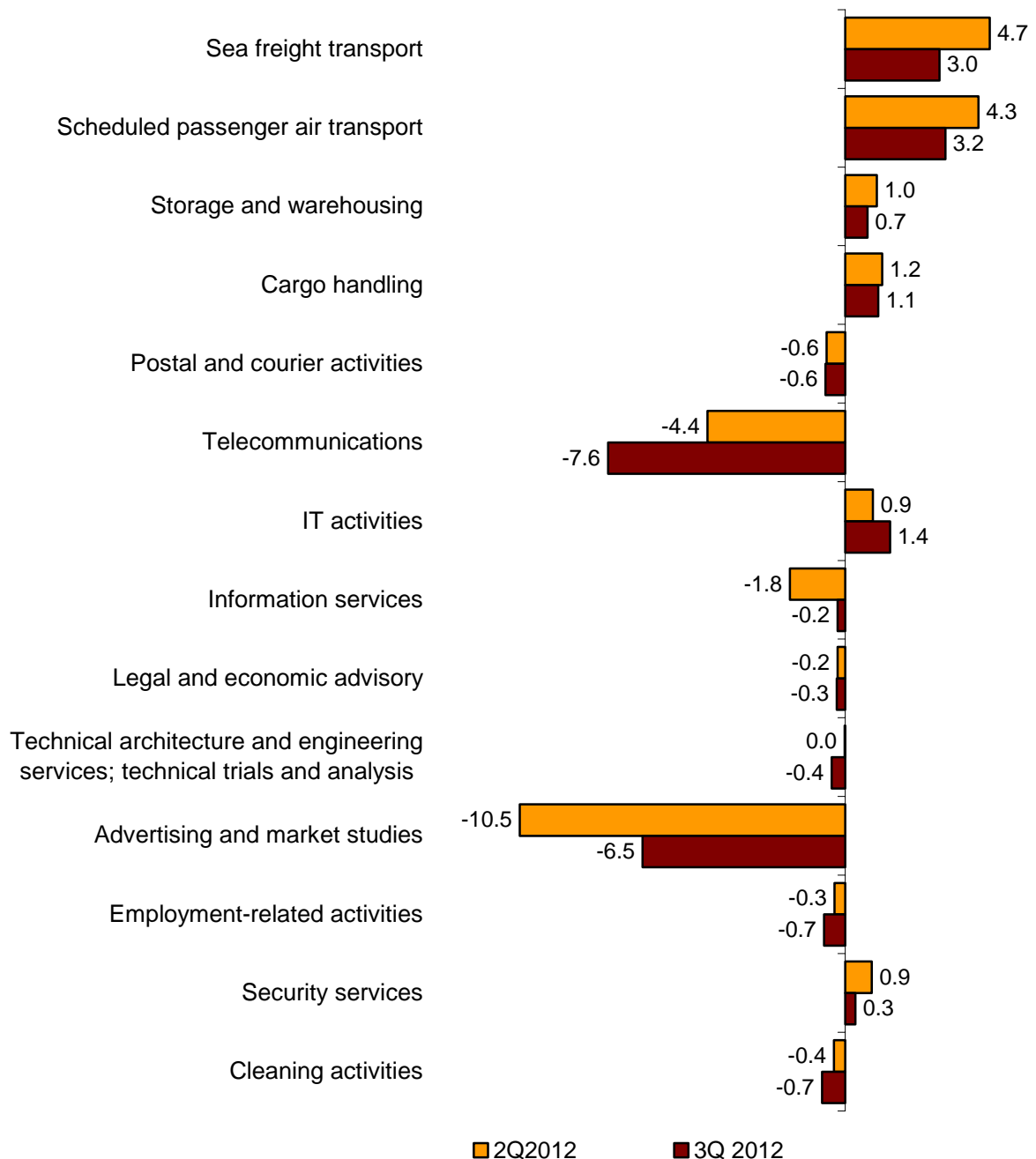
- ***Telecommunications***, that decrease its annual variation more than three points, up to -7.6%. This drop was due to that the prices of this activity increased this quarter less than in the period of the previous year.
- ***Sea freight transport***, with an annual rate of 3.0%, more than one-and-a-half points lower than that registered in the second quarter, due to the decrease in prices of these services, that increased in 2011.
- ***Scheduled passenger air transport***, whose annual variation stood at 3.2%, more than one point lower than the previous quarter. This behaviour was due to that the rise in prices of this activity in the third quarter was lower than the previous month.

In turn, among the services with an increase in annual rate, worth noting:

- ***Advertising and market studies***, with an annual rate of -6.5%, four points higher than that registered the previous quarter. This increase was due to that this quarter the prices of this activity decreased less than in the third quarter of 2011.
- ***Information services***, whose annual variation increased more than one-and-a-half points, up to -0.2%, due to its prices increased this quarter, as compared with the decrease showed in the same period of the previous quarter.

• **IT activities**, that increased its rate five tenths, standing at 1.4%, due to the increase in prices, that remained stable in the third quarter previous year.

**Annual rates of the SSPI, base 2006
Index by sector**



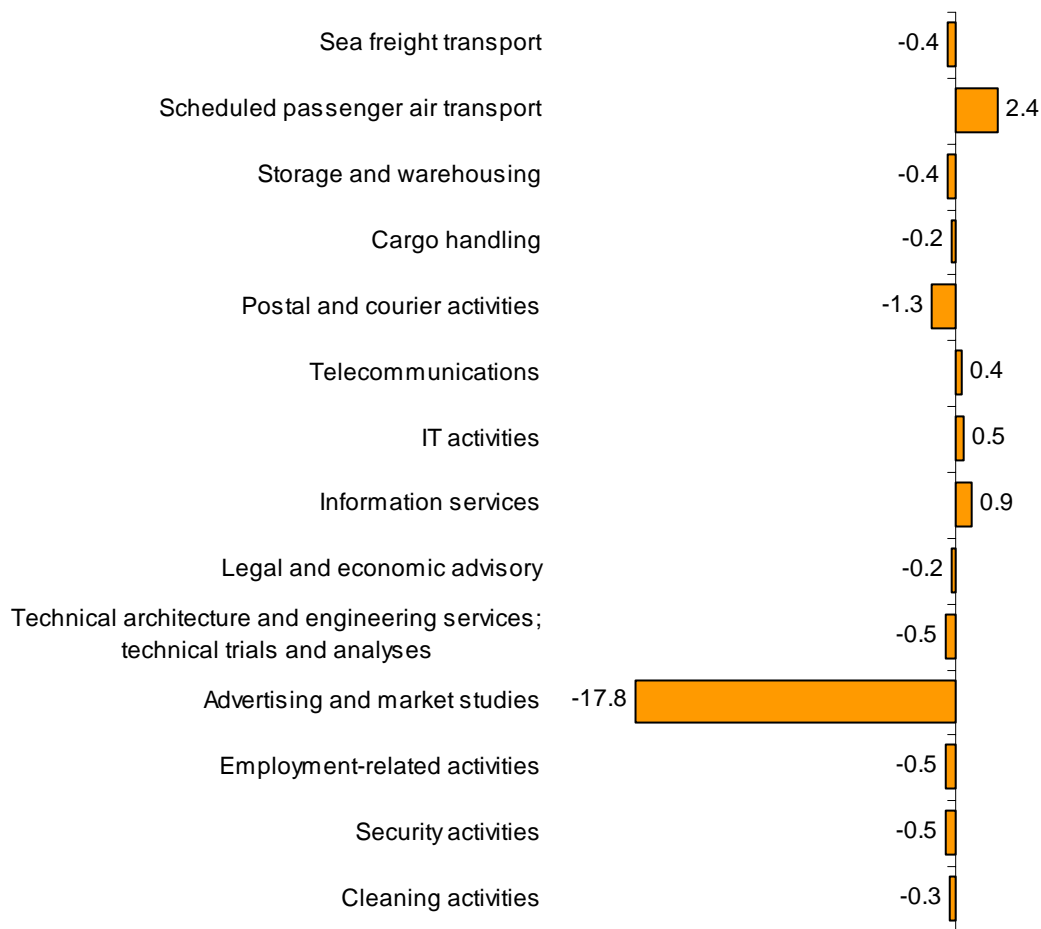
Quarterly evolution of the prices of services

The greatest price decreases as compared with the second quarter of 2012 were recorded in *Advertising and market studies* (–17.8%) and *Postal and courier activities* (–1.3%).

Conversely, among the activities that increased their prices this quarter as compared with the previous quarter, worth noting *Scheduled passenger air transport* (2.4%), *Information services* (0.9%) and *IT activities* (0.5%).

Quarterly rates of the SSPI, base 2006

Index by sector



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1. National indices by sector

	Index	% Variation		
		Over previous quarter	Year-to-date	Interannual
1. Sea freight transport	106.9	-0.4	2.4	3.0
2. Scheduled passenger air transport	126.5	2.4	2.4	3.2
3. Storage and warehousing	109.1	-0.4	0.8	0.7
4. Cargo handling	114.0	-0.2	1.8	1.1
5. Postal and courier activities	96.4	-1.3	-0.5	-0.6
6. Telecommunications	75.1	0.4	-3.9	-7.6
7. IT activities	107.6	0.5	1.0	1.4
8. Information services	101.4	0.9	0.0	-0.2
9. Legal and economic advisory	108.8	-0.2	-0.4	-0.3
10. Technical architecture and engineering services; technical trials and analysis	111.7	-0.5	-0.1	-0.4
11. Advertising and market studies	96.6	-17.8	-13.9	-6.5
12. Employment-related activities	108.1	-0.5	-0.9	-0.7
13. Security services	109.6	-0.5	0.1	0.3
14. Cleaning activities	106.9	-0.3	-0.6	-0.7