

Statistical bulletin

Index of Services, UK: December 2025

Movements in the volume of output for the UK services industries. Figures are seasonally adjusted.

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1 . Main points

- Services output for Quarter 4 (Oct to Dec) 2025 was estimated to have no growth (0.0%) compared with Quarter 3 (July to Sept) 2025.
- In Quarter 4 2025, 8 of the 14 sectors saw a rise with “administrative and support service activities” (up 1.2%) providing the largest positive contribution.
- In Quarter 4 2025, 4 of the 14 sectors saw a fall (2 sectors saw no growth 0.0%), with “professional, scientific and technical activities” (down 1.1%), providing the largest negative contribution.
- Monthly services output was estimated to have increased by 0.3% in December 2025; this follows an increase of 0.1% in November 2025 and a fall of 0.3% in October 2025.
- There were monthly increases in 8 of the 14 sectors in December 2025; the largest positive contributions on the month came from “transportation and storage” (up 2.0%) and “administrative and support service activities” (up 1.4%).
- There were monthly decreases in 5 of the 14 sectors (1 sector saw no growth (0.0%)) in December 2025; the three main contributing sectors all experienced similar negative contribution, “information and communication” (down 0.5%), “human health and social work activities” (down 0.4%), and “arts, entertainment and recreation” (down 1.9%).
- Annual services output increased by 1.4% in 2025, with growth shown across 13 of the 14 sectors, most notably from, “information and communication” (up 4.5%) and “human health and social work activities” (up 3.0%).

2 . Data on Index of Services

[Index of Services time series](#)

Dataset | Dataset ID: IOS1 | Released 12 February 2026

Monthly movements in output for the services industries: distribution, hotels and restaurants; transport, storage and communication; business services and finance; and government and other services.

[Monthly Business Survey turnover of services industries](#)

Dataset | Released 12 February 2026

Monthly Business Survey services industries' total turnover; current price and non-seasonally adjusted, UK.

[Index of Services, main components and sectors to four decimal places](#)

Dataset | Released 12 February 2026

Monthly historical movements in output for services and their industry components, by chained volume indices of gross value added, UK.

[Index of Services revisions triangles](#)

Dataset | Released 12 February 2026

Monthly chained volume indices in gross value added for services and its main components.

All data related to the Index of Services are available on our Related data page.

3 . Data sources and quality

Response rates for December 2025

The response rates for December 2025 were 70.6 % based on forms returned. This accounted for 85.5% of total turnover coverage of the sample population. For further information, see our [Current and historical Monthly Business Survey \(MBS\) \(services\) response rates dataset](#).

Data sources and collection

The Index of Services (IoS) is compiled using data from several different sources (share of overall economy based on latest gross value added (GVA) weights). These include the:

- Office for National Statistics (ONS) MBS (34.9%)
- ONS Retail Sales Inquiry (4.8%)
- ONS Government Expenditure (15.3%)
- ONS Households' Expenditure (11.2%)
- ONS Finance Expenditure (8.0%)
- ONS Households and non-profit institutions serving households (1.9%)
- Other (3.6%)

The MBS data are published alongside this release in our [MBS turnover of services industries dataset](#).

For further information on what is included within "other", please see our [Gross domestic product \(GDP\(o\)\) data sources catalogue](#).

The percentage of each data source is based on their gross value added weight. Our [IoS methods and sources pages](#) provide more information on the data that underpin these statistics; of particular note is our GDP(o) data sources catalogue.

Value Added Tax (VAT) data are also included for small and medium-sized businesses to help inform estimates. For more information, see our [VAT turnover data in National Accounts: background and methodology](#).

Quality and methodology

The data reported in IoS bulletins and datasets are estimates that are subject to uncertainty, for example, sampling variability and non-sampling error. For more information on these, see Section 2 of our [Uncertainty and how we measure it for our surveys methodology](#).

More quality and methodology information (QMI) on strengths, limitations, appropriate uses, and how the data were created is available in our [Index of Services Quality and Methodology Information](#).

Accredited official statistics

These [accredited official statistics were independently reviewed by the Office for Statistics Regulation in April 2014](#). They comply with the standards of trustworthiness, quality and value in the [Code of Practice for Statistics](#) and should be labelled "accredited official statistics".

Revisions to Index of Services

This release gives data for December 2025 for the first time, with January 2025 to November 2025 open for revision because of late and updated source data since our last publication on 15 January 2026.

Table 1: Revisions to month-on-month growth for IoS and its sectors
Percentage growth, January 2025 to November 2025

Date	IoS	Sections G and I	Sections H and J	Sections K to N -	Sections O to T
		- Distribution, Hotels and Restaurants	- Transport, Storage and Communications	Business Services and Finances	- Government and other services
Jan 2025	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0
Feb 2025	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	-0.1
Mar 2025	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Apr 2025	0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0
May 2025	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0
Jun 2025	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Jul 2025	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0
Aug 2025	0.0	-0.4	0.1	0.0	0.0
Sep 2025	-0.1	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Oct 2025	0.0	0.0	0.2	-0.2	0.0
Nov 2025	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2

Source: Index of Services estimate from the Office for National Statistics

Notes

1. Revisions are rounded to one decimal place and calculated based on the one decimal place indexes.
2. Further information on current and past revisions can be found in our [Index of Services revisions triangles dataset](#).

Revisions have been made across 2025 to the retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles because of updated returns to the Retail Sales Index (RSI) survey. These revisions are discussed in more detail in our [Retail sales December bulletin](#), published on 23 January 2026.

There are also revisions across 2025 because of updated seasonal adjustment factors in non-market education. The revisions to RSI and education were largest in the three months to September and largely offset each other.

The downwards revision to services in November was largely the result of revisions to professional, scientific and technical activities. The largest negative contribution to revisions came from scientific research and development where there were updated survey data and improvements to the seasonal adjustment factor.

In our next monthly IoS publication on 13 March 2026, we will exceptionally be revising data from January 2024 to December 2025 in order to bring through updates to non-market education and retail trade, excluding motor vehicles and trailers. These will also be incorporated into the Quarterly National Accounts being published on 31 March 2026 where there will be revisions from January 2024.

Seasonal adjustment

The monthly estimates of IoS are seasonally adjusted. Seasonal adjustment is the process of removing the variations associated with the time of year, or the arrangement of the calendar, from a data time series.

IoS estimates, as for many data time series, are difficult to analyse using raw data because seasonal effects dominate short-term movements. Identifying and removing the seasonal component leaves the trend and irregular components.

The ONS uses the X-13-ARIMA-SEATS approach to seasonal adjustment. Seasonal adjustment parameters are monitored closely and regularly reviewed. For more information, please see our [seasonal adjustment methodology page](#).

In our IoS estimates, seasonal adjustment is applied at the industry level, and the seasonally adjusted series are aggregated to create estimates by sector and total IoS output. As part of our quality assurance approach, our time series analysis team regularly completes checks on both the directly seasonally adjusted series and also the indirectly derived aggregate time series, as explained in our [Assessing residual seasonality in published outputs methodology](#).

This topic is explored further in our [Assessing residual seasonality in published outputs article](#), updated on 30 September 2025.

4 . Related links

[GDP monthly estimate, UK: November 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 12 February 2026

Gross domestic product (GDP) measures the value of goods and services produced in the UK. It estimates the size of and growth in the economy.

[GDP first quarterly estimate, UK: October to December 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 12 February 2026

First quarterly estimate of gross domestic product (GDP). Contains current and constant price data on the value of goods and services to indicate the economic performance of the UK.

[Index of Production, UK: November 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 12 February 2026

Movements in the volume of production for the UK production industries: manufacturing, mining and quarrying, energy supply, and water and waste management. Figures are seasonally adjusted.

[National Statistics blog on monthly GDP](#)

Blog | Released 12 December 2025

A blog about how we are changing our GDP presentation, and related economic statistics, to focus more on the longer-term picture

[Producer price inflation, UK: December 2025 including services, October to December 2025](#)

Bulletin | Released 21 January 2026

Changes in the prices of goods bought and sold by UK manufacturers, including price indices of materials and fuels purchased (input prices), and factory gate prices (output prices).

5 . Cite this statistical bulletin

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		Industry sections (SIC2007)				
		Total service industries	Distribution hotels and restaurants	Transport, storage and communication	Business services and finance	Government and other services
Section		G-T	G and I	H and J	K-N	O-T
2022 weights		1000	163	122	438	277
		S2KU	S2MV	KI7B	KI7L	KI7T
2021		93.5	97.7	83.2	96.8	90.9
2022		99.1	102.3	94.6	100.9	96.6
2023		100	100	100	100	100
2024		101.5	100	104.1	100.7	102.6
2025		103	100.7	108.3	101.5	104.3
2024	Q4	102.1	100.1	105.2	101.1	103.5
2025	Q1	102.7	100.9	107.5	101.4	103.8
	Q2	102.9	100.4	108.5	101.5	104.3
	Q3	103.1	100.7	108.4	101.7	104.4
	Q4	103.1	100.8	108.8	101.5	104.5
2024	Oct	101.9	99.4	104.7	101.1	103.3
	Nov	102	100.1	105.1	100.8	103.6
	Dec	102.5	100.7	105.7	101.4	103.7
2025	Jan	102.4	99.8	106.5	101.3	104
	Feb	102.6	100.7	107.3	101.4	103.6
	Mar	103.1	102.1	108.5	101.5	103.8
	Apr	102.7	100.6	107.8	101.2	104.2
	May	102.9	100.2	108.9	101.3	104.4
	Jun	103.2	100.4	108.8	101.9	104.5
	Jul	103.1	100.8	108.3	101.6	104.5
	Aug	102.9	100	108.3	101.6	104.4
	Sep	103.2	101.4	108.6	101.8	104.4
	Oct	102.9	100.3	108	101.5	104.6
	Nov	103.1	100.6	109	101.4	104.5
	Dec	103.3	101.4	109.5	101.7	104.4
Percentage change, latest year on previous year		S222	S243	KI77	KI7G	KI7O
2021		9.8	12.8	8.9	5.8	14.7
2022		6	4.8	13.7	4.2	6.2
2023		0.9	-2.3	5.7	-0.9	3.5
2024		1.5	0	4.1	0.7	2.6
2025		1.4	0.7	4	0.8	1.6
Percentage change, latest month on same month a year ago		S26Q	S28R	KI7A	KI7I	KI7Q
2024	Oct	2.2	-0.5	5.4	2.4	2.1
	Nov	1.9	0	4.7	1.7	2.2
	Dec	2.8	2.3	4.8	1.9	3.6
2025	Jan	1.9	-0.5	5.6	1.4	2.7
	Feb	1.9	1.4	4.7	1.4	1.9
	Mar	1.9	2.3	5.7	0.9	1.8
	Apr	1.4	1.6	2.6	0.6	1.9
	May	1.2	-0.9	4.3	0.5	2.2
	Jun	1.7	0.3	3.8	1.2	2.4
	Jul	1.5	0.4	3	1.1	1.9
	Aug	1.1	0.2	3.3	0.8	1.3
	Sep	1.5	2	4.8	0.8	1
	Oct	1.1	1	3.2	0.4	1.3
	Nov	1.1	0.5	3.7	0.7	0.9
	Dec	0.8	0.7	3.6	0.2	0.7

1 The IOS output is designated as a National Statistic.
 2 Indices reflect values measured at basic prices, which exclude "taxes less subsidies on products".
 3 Estimates cannot be regarded as accurate to the last digit shown.
 4 Any apparent inconsistencies between the index numbers and the percentage changes shown in these tables are due to rounding.
 5 A complete run of data is available on the ONS website as a [Time series dataset](#)

Sources: For further information on these data please telephone 01633 456387; fax 01633 455300 or e-mail ios.enquiries@ons.gov.uk

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		S222	S243	KI77	KI7G	KI7O
2024	Oct	0.1	-0.1	1	0.1	-0.1
	Nov	0.1	0.7	0.4	-0.3	0.2
	Dec	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.2
2025	Jan	0	-0.8	0.8	-0.1	0.2
	Feb	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.1	-0.3
	Mar	0.4	1.4	1.1	0.1	0.2
	Apr	-0.3	-1.5	-0.7	-0.3	0.4
	May	0.2	-0.4	1.1	0.1	0.2
	Jun	0.3	0.2	-0.1	0.6	0.1
	Jul	-0.1	0.3	-0.4	-0.3	0.1
	Aug	-0.1	-0.8	0	0	-0.1
	Sep	0.3	1.4	0.3	0.1	0
	Oct	-0.3	-1.1	-0.6	-0.3	0.2
	Nov	0.1	0.3	0.9	0	-0.1
	Dec	0.3	0.7	0.4	0.2	-0.1
Percentage change, latest 3 months on same 3 months a year ago						
		S2G6	S2I7	KI7C	KI7J	KI7R
2024	Oct	1.9	-0.3	4.5	1.9	2.2
	Nov	2	-0.2	4.5	2	2.1
	Dec	2.3	0.6	4.9	2	2.6
2025	Jan	2.2	0.6	5	1.7	2.8
	Feb	2.2	1.1	5	1.5	2.7
	Mar	1.9	1	5.3	1.2	2.1
	Apr	1.8	1.8	4.3	1	1.9
	May	1.5	1	4.2	0.7	1.9
	Jun	1.4	0.3	3.6	0.8	2.1
	Jul	1.5	0	3.7	0.9	2.2
	Aug	1.4	0.3	3.4	1	1.9
	Sep	1.4	0.9	3.7	0.9	1.4
	Oct	1.2	1	3.7	0.7	1.2
	Nov	1.2	1.2	3.9	0.6	1
	Dec	1	0.7	3.5	0.4	1
Percentage change, latest 3 months on previous 3 months						
		S2BG	S2DH	KI7D	KI7K	KI7S
2024	Oct	0.2	-1	-0.3	0.3	1
	Nov	0.2	-0.4	-0.4	0.3	0.9
	Dec	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.5
2025	Jan	0.5	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.5
	Feb	0.6	0.8	1.9	0.5	0.3
	Mar	0.6	0.8	2.2	0.3	0.3
	Apr	0.5	0.9	2	0.2	0.1
	May	0.4	0.6	1.8	-0.1	0.3
	Jun	0.2	-0.5	1	0.1	0.5
	Jul	0.2	-0.7	0.7	0.2	0.6
	Aug	0.2	-0.6	0	0.4	0.3
	Sep	0.2	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.1
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	Nov	0	0.4	0.1	-0.1	0
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