



**PRESS RELEASE**  
**SHORT-TERM INDICES OF EMPLOYMENT**  
**(PERSONS EMPLOYED, HOURS WORKED AND GROSS WAGES AND SALARIES)**  
**IN MAIN SECTIONS OF THE ECONOMY<sup>1</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2020**

The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces data on Short-Term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries without adjustment (seasonal or adjustment for the number of working days) in main sections of the economy for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020.

The evolution of the Short-Term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020 in comparison to the corresponding indices of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2019 is as follows:

NACE Rev.2	Section of economic activity	Annual rate of change (%) (2020/2019)		
		Index of Persons Employed	Index of Hours Worked	Index of Gross Wages and Salaries
B	Mining and Quarrying	0.8	-1.9	9.0
C	Manufacturing	4.5	-0.6	2.6
D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	-0.1	0.7	-1.3
E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	-7.0	-9.4	-4.1
F	Construction	-22.3	-10.0	1.6
H	Transportation and Storage	-7.3	-5.1	9.7
I	Accommodation and Food Services Activities	-13.2	-13.6	2.9
J	Information and Communication	1.5	0.1	8.1
M	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	-0.8	-5.8	0.2
N	Administrative and Support Service Activities	-6.5	-9.2	1.2

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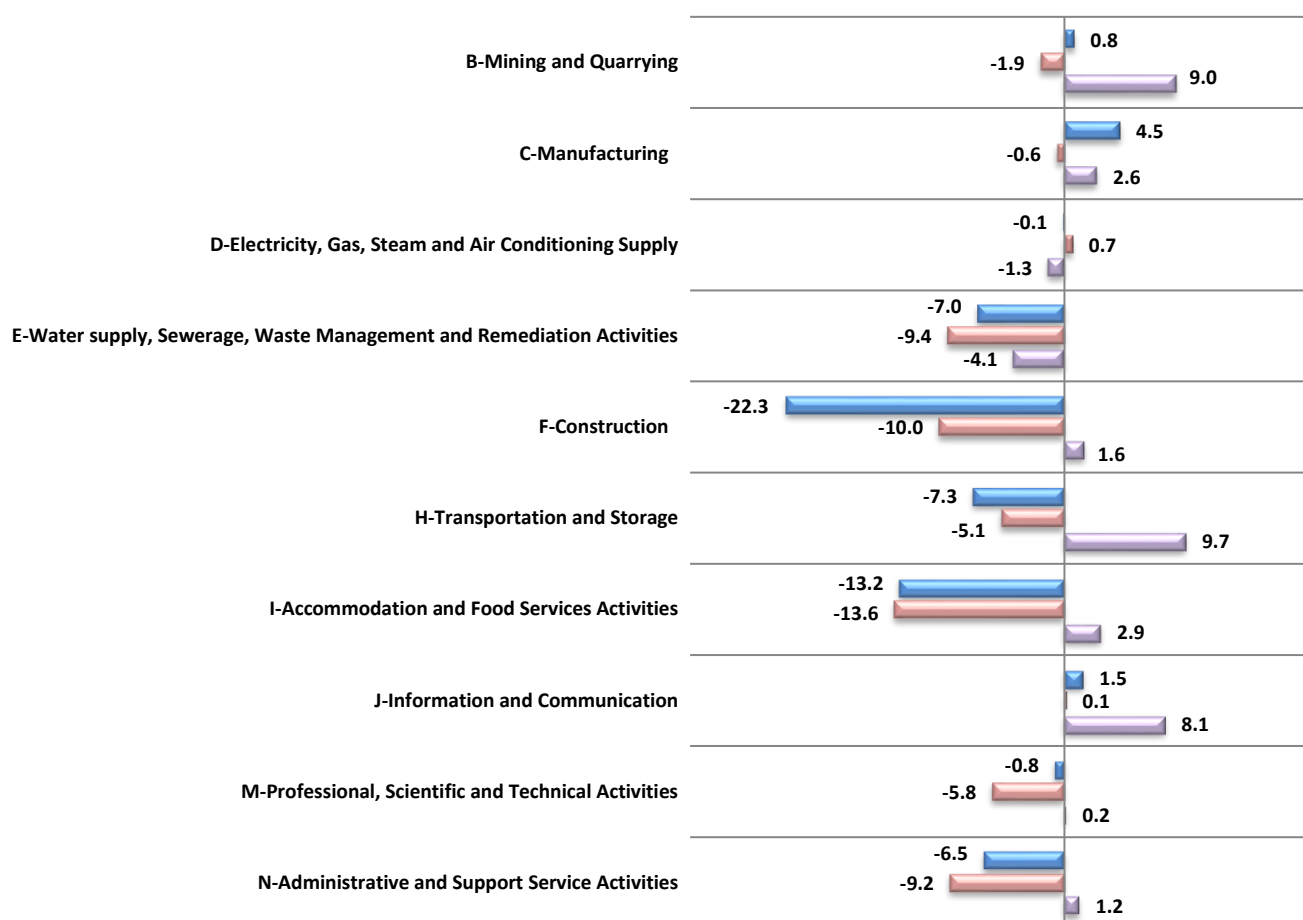
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<sup>1</sup> It refers to ten main sections of the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Rev.2 of EU, namely B-E (Mining and Quarrying, Manufacturing, Electricity Supply and Water Supply), F (Construction), H-J and M-N (Other Services)

**Graph 1. Annual rate of change (%) (1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020/2019)**

■ Index of Persons Employed ■ Index of Hours Worked ■ Index of Gross Wages and Salaries



In the following table, the Short-Term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries without adjustment (seasonal or adjustment for the number of working days) are presented analytically in ten main sections of the NACE Rev.2 statistical classification of economic activities. Furthermore, data on the annual and quarterly rates of change of each index are presented, for the years 2019 – 2020 (1<sup>st</sup> quarter).

In the Graphs 2 to 11 that follow, the evolution over time of the Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries broken down by NACE Rev. 2 section of the years 2018 – 2020 (1<sup>st</sup> quarter) is shown.

**Table 1: Short-term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries, annual and quarterly rates of change in main sections of economy, period: 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2019 – 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020**

*(Data not seasonally adjusted and not adjusted for the number of the working days)*

**Base year: 2015 = 100.0**

Year, quarter		Index of Persons Employed			Index of Hours Worked			Index of Gross Wages and Salaries		
		Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)	Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)	Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)
<b>Section B – Mining and Quarrying</b>										
2019	Q1	101.4	6.1	3.3	93.5	5.6	-2.2	92.6	7.4	-32.8
	Q2	104.6	4.8	3.2	97.2	3.3	4.0	118.1	17.6	27.5
	Q3	109.0	5.7	4.2	94.3	6.0	-3.0	124.2	25.0	5.2
	Q4	108.7	10.7	-0.3	100.8	5.4	6.9	167.6	21.7	34.9
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>105.9</b>			<b>96.5</b>			<b>125.6</b>		
2020	Q1	102.2	0.8	-6.0	91.7	-1.9	-9.0	100.9	9.0	-39.8
<b>Section C - Manufacturing</b>										
2019	Q1	109.8	4.1	2.0	114.5	2.9	2.0	103.4	5.8	-22.7
	Q2	112.2	5.1	2.2	118.0	4.2	3.1	125.7	9.0	21.6
	Q3	114.8	4.8	2.3	111.6	4.9	-5.4	123.0	8.4	-2.1
	Q4	114.6	6.5	-0.2	115.5	2.8	3.5	150.5	12.5	22.4
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>112.9</b>			<b>114.9</b>			<b>125.7</b>		
2020	Q1	114.7	4.5	0.1	113.8	-0.6	-1.5	106.1	2.6	-29.5
<b>Section D - Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply</b>										
2019	Q1	95.0	-7.6	-0.7	105.1	-9.9	-1.2	84.7	-14.6	-12.0
	Q2	92.1	-10.7	-3.1	101.7	-14.1	-3.2	84.3	-18.0	-0.5
	Q3	90.5	-3.8	-1.7	99.1	-6.0	-2.6	85.2	-7.1	1.1
	Q4	93.6	-2.2	3.4	101.7	-4.4	2.6	93.5	-2.8	9.7
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>92.8</b>			<b>101.9</b>			<b>86.9</b>		
2020	Q1	94.9	-0.1	1.4	105.8	0.7	4.0	83.6	-1.3	-10.6
<b>Section E - Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities</b>										
2019	Q1	90.4	-0.7	-1.5	115.3	-1.2	-0.2	100.5	2.1	-9.6
	Q2	91.0	-3.6	0.7	116.1	-4.3	0.7	97.5	-3.8	-3.0
	Q3	87.6	-7.7	-3.7	99.8	-10.4	-14.0	98.6	-0.9	1.1
	Q4	88.2	-3.9	0.7	106.3	-8.0	6.5	92.4	-16.9	-6.3
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>89.3</b>			<b>109.4</b>			<b>97.3</b>		
2020	Q1	84.1	-7.0	-4.6	104.5	-9.4	-1.7	96.4	-4.1	4.3
<b>Section F – Construction</b>										
2019	Q1	118.4	-9.5	1.4	129.7	-9.6	1.2	87.6	-17.0	-33.8
	Q2	112.4	-18.8	-5.1	129.6	-16.8	-0.1	107.5	-18.5	22.7
	Q3	97.5	-29.7	-13.2	114.4	-20.6	-11.7	103.5	-21.6	-3.7
	Q4	93.4	-20.0	-4.2	119.1	-7.1	4.1	124.1	-6.3	19.9
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>105.4</b>			<b>123.2</b>			<b>105.7</b>		
2020	Q1	92.0	-22.3	-1.6	116.7	-10.0	-2.0	89.1	1.6	-28.2

**Table 1: Short-term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries, annual and quarterly rates of change in main sections of economy, period: 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2019 – 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020 (continued)**

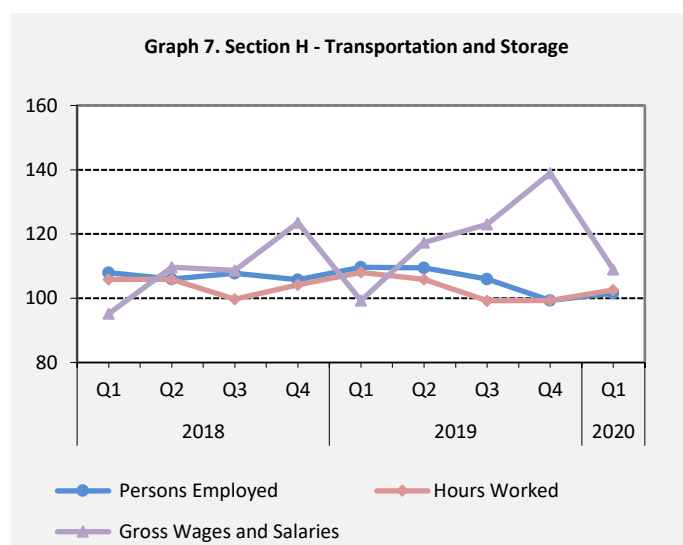
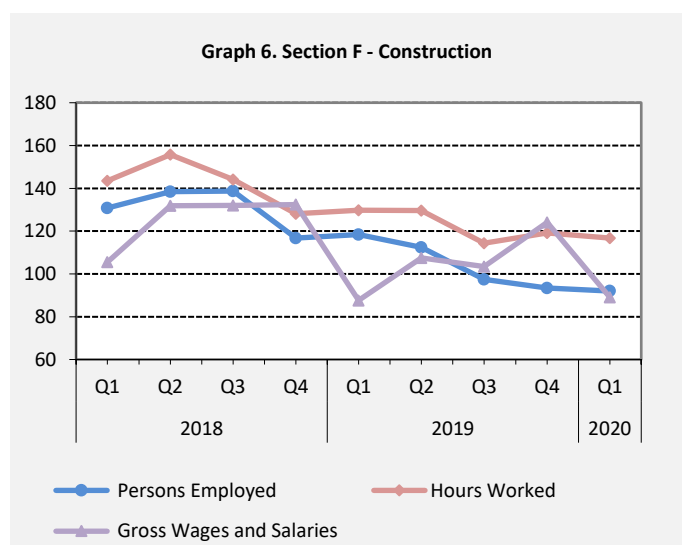
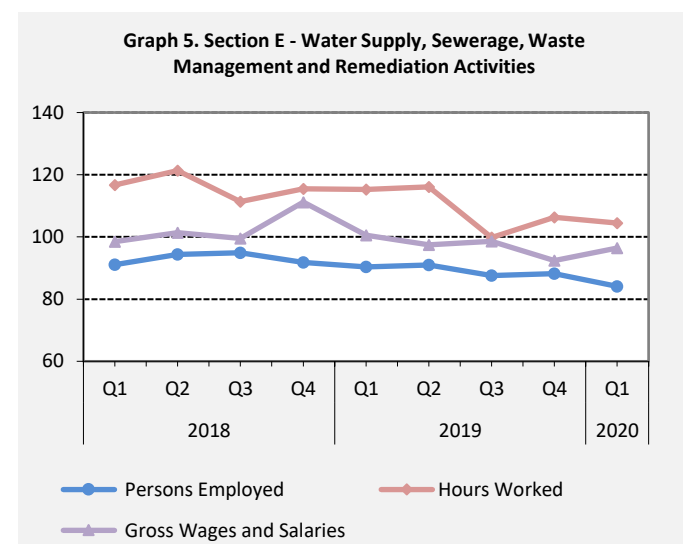
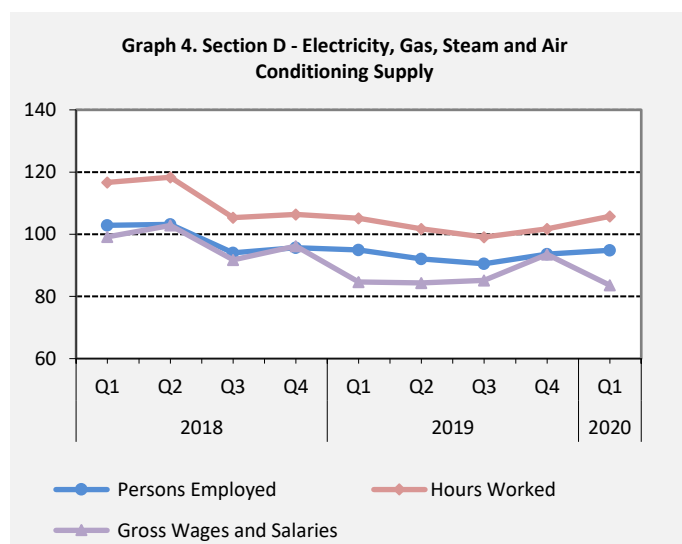
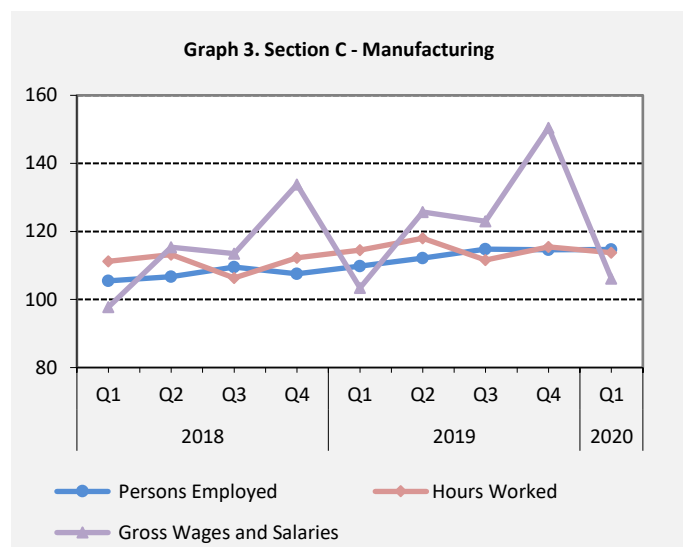
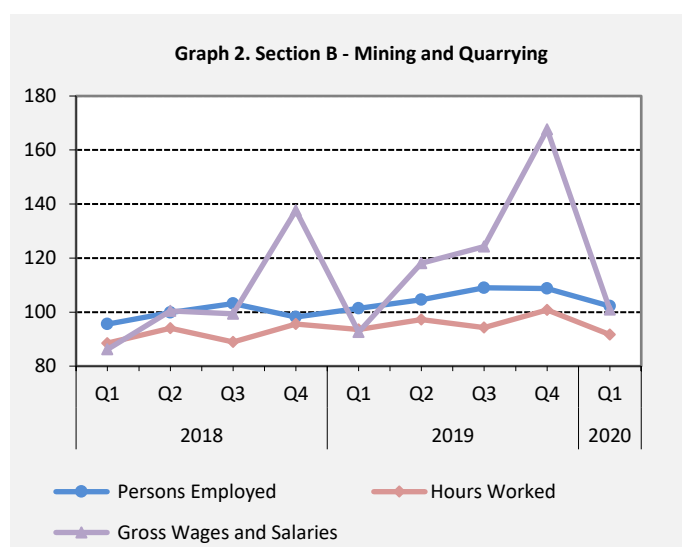
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**Base year: 2015 = 100.0**

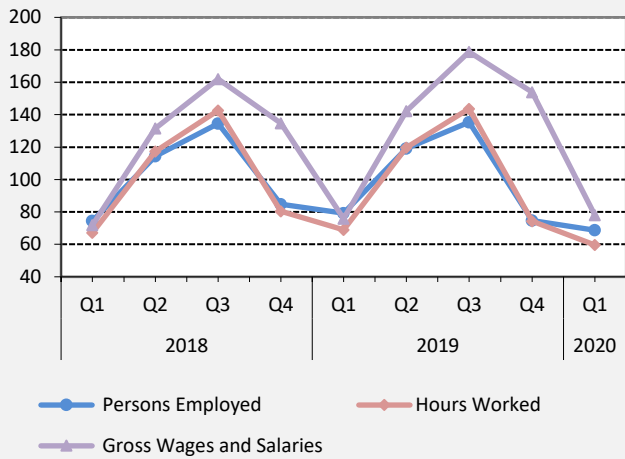
Year, quarter		Index of Persons Employed			Index of Hours Worked			Index of Gross Wages and Salaries		
		Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)	Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)	Index	Annual rate of change (%)	Quarterly rate of change (%)
Section H – Transportation and storage										
2019	Q1	109.6	1.5	3.7	108.0	2.1	3.7	99.3	4.3	-19.6
	Q2	109.5	3.3	-0.1	105.9	0.0	-2.0	117.4	7.0	18.2
	Q3	106.0	-1.7	-3.2	99.3	-0.4	-6.2	123.0	13.2	4.8
	Q4	99.3	-6.1	-6.3	99.4	-4.6	0.1	138.9	12.4	12.9
Annual average		106.1			103.1			119.7		
2020	Q1	101.6	-7.3	2.3	102.6	-5.1	3.3	109.0	9.7	-21.6
Section I - Accommodation and Food Service Activities										
2019	Q1	79.2	6.4	-6.5	69.0	2.8	-14.2	75.9	5.5	-43.7
	Q2	119.2	4.1	50.4	119.7	2.0	73.3	142.3	8.1	87.4
	Q3	135.4	0.7	13.6	143.7	0.7	20.0	178.7	10.4	25.6
	Q4	74.8	-11.8	-44.8	74.3	-7.7	-48.3	153.8	14.2	-13.9
Annual average		102.1			101.7			137.7		
2020	Q1	68.8	-13.2	-8.0	59.6	-13.6	-19.7	78.1	2.9	-49.2
Section J - Information and Communication										
2019	Q1	114.1	2.9	4.6	114.5	1.7	6.2	98.0	5.8	-21.4
	Q2	113.0	1.1	-1.0	111.9	0.7	-2.2	111.1	5.7	13.4
	Q3	110.1	-2.8	-2.6	97.8	-8.3	-12.6	110.6	2.9	-0.5
	Q4	111.0	1.7	0.8	110.9	2.9	13.4	133.4	7.1	20.7
Annual average		112.1			108.8			113.3		
2020	Q1	115.9	1.5	4.4	114.6	0.1	3.3	105.9	8.1	-20.6
Section M - Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities										
2019	Q1	109.7	-7.5	-8.9	112.6	-0.9	-4.9	88.4	3.8	-21.7
	Q2	116.2	-4.0	5.9	116.7	-2.0	3.6	106.3	5.4	20.3
	Q3	111.4	-6.6	-4.2	106.5	-4.8	-8.7	102.9	3.6	-3.2
	Q4	111.2	-7.8	-0.2	107.9	-8.8	1.3	117.1	3.7	13.7
Annual average		112.1			110.9			103.7		
2020	Q1	108.9	-0.8	-2.0	106.1	-5.8	-1.7	88.5	0.2	-24.4
Section N - Administrative and Support Service Activities										
2019	Q1	84.1	-0.6	-0.3	87.6	-0.7	-2.3	75.1	0.5	-26.9
	Q2	85.2	-2.3	1.3	93.2	-0.7	6.4	93.2	4.5	24.1
	Q3	86.1	0.8	1.1	87.5	1.2	-6.1	96.0	9.6	3.0
	Q4	79.6	-5.6	-7.5	83.1	-7.3	-5.0	107.9	5.0	12.5
Annual average		83.7			87.8			93.0		
2020	Q1	78.6	-6.5	-1.3	79.5	-9.2	-4.3	76.0	1.2	-29.6

*Note: The indices and the percentage changes are rounded up to one decimal digit when published. Any difference in the percentage changes is due to rounding.*

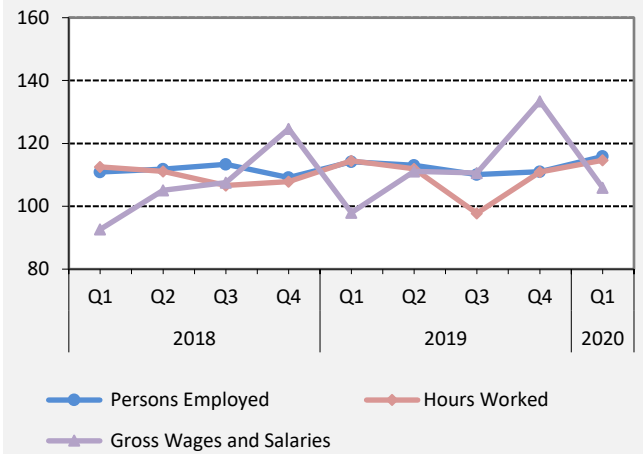
**Graphs of the evolution of the Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries in main sections of economy (2015=100.0) of the years 2018 – 2020 (1<sup>st</sup> quarter)**



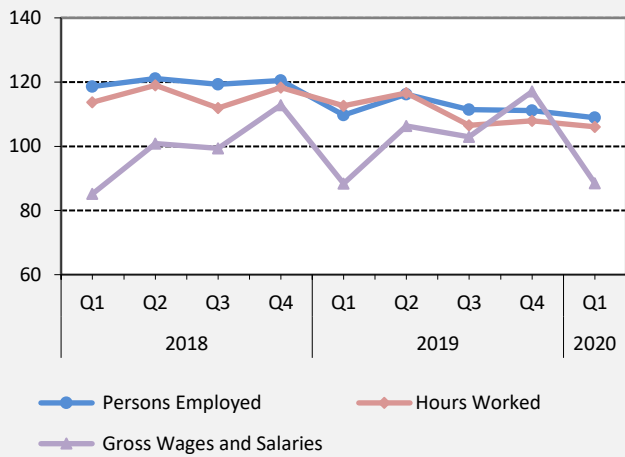
**Graph 8. Section I - Accommodation and Food Service Activities**



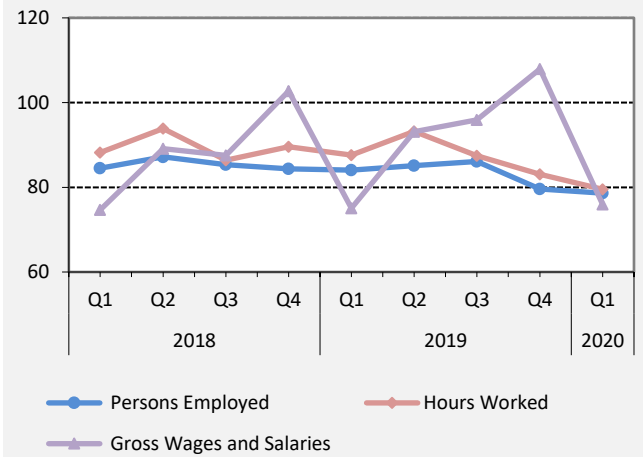
**Graph 9. Section J - Information and Communication**



**Graph 10. Section M - Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities**



**Graph 11. Section N - Administrative and Support Service Activities**



## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

**Generally** The Short-term Indices of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries are quarterly indices concerning the Sections of economic activities B to E (Mining and Quarrying, Manufacturing, Electricity Supply and Water Supply), F (Construction), H to J and M to N (Other Services) of the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Rev.2 of EU, having 2015 as the base year (2015=100.0).

**Purpose of the index** The purpose of the indices is to present the evolution of Persons Employed, Hours Worked and Gross Wages and Salaries on a quarterly basis in sections of economic activities B to E (Mining and Quarrying, Manufacturing, Electricity Supply and Water Supply), F (Construction), H to J and M to N (Other Services) of the statistical classification NACE Rev.2.

**Legal Framework** The Council Regulation (EC) No.1165/1998 concerning short-term statistics and Council Regulation (EC) No.1503/2006 as regards definitions of variables, list of variables and frequency of data compilation.

**Geographical coverage** Greece, total.

**Reference Period** Quarter.

**Definitions** As **Number of Persons Employed** is defined the total number of persons employed in the enterprise, irrespectively of their status (owners, partners and their family members) and the nature of their work (managers, sales persons and auxiliary staff) and irrespectively of whether they work temporarily or seasonally, full-time or part-time employment, with or without remuneration.

As **Hours Worked** is defined the total number of hours actually worked in the enterprise during the reference quarter. It includes hours actually worked during regular working hours; hours worked overtime, whether paid or unpaid; hours worked during nights, Sundays or public holidays. It also includes the time which is spent at the place of work on tasks such as preparing the site and time corresponding to short periods of rest at the work place. This variable excludes hours paid but not actually worked such as for annual leave, holidays and sickness leave.

As **Wages and Salaries** is defined the total remuneration, in cash or in kind, payable to all persons counted on the payroll, in return for work done.

**Statistical Classifications** The statistical classification of economic activities NACE Rev. 2 of EU is used.

<b>Coverage of NACE Rev.2 sections</b>	B	Mining and Quarrying
	C	Manufacturing
	D	Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply
	E	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities
	F	Construction
	H	Transportation and Storage
	I	Accommodation and Food Service Activities
	J	Information and Communication
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	N	Administrative and Support Service Activities

**Data collection, processing and imputation in the context of the COVID-19 crisis** The compilation of the indices was based on data collected by enterprises and the use of an estimation method for the calculation of the missing data on the basis of the rate of changes of the values collected by enterprises, at section of economic activity and stratum level (class). For the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2020 due to the restrictive measures, the data collection rate was lower compared to previous reference quarters.

**References** <http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/DKT03/->