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| March 30, 2018**INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION IN FEBRUARY 2018****The industrial production in the Republic of Serbia in February 2018, when compared to February 2017, increased by 3.3%. In the period January – February 2018, relative to the same period 2017, the industrial production increased by 6.9%. Manufacturing recorded the increase of 8.0%, in the period January – February 2018, compared to the same period 2017.** Observed **by sections**, in February 2018 compared with February 2017, the following trends were noted:* the section of manufacturing – **growth** of 4.7%,
* the section of electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply – **growth** of 3.7%, and
* the section of mining and quarrying – **fall** of 9.5%,

in the period January – February 2018, relative to the same period 2017, the trends were noted as follows:* the section of manufacturing – **growth** of 8.0%,
* the section of electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply – **growth** of 6.2%, and
* the section of mining and quarrying – **fall** of 0.1%.

The data on industrial production **by destination** in February 2018, compared to February 2017, expressed **growth** in the production of:* intermediate products, energy excluded, by 13.7%, and
* durable consumer goods, by 5.5%,
* non - durable consumer goods remained on the same level,

while **fall** was noted for* capital goods, by 0.6% and
* energy, by 1.6%.

Industrial production volume in February 2018, compared to February 2017, expressed the following trends:* **growth** in 17 divisions that in the structure of industrial production participate with 56%,
* **fall** in 12 divisions that in the structure of industrial production participate with 44%.

The largest influence on industrial production **growth** in February 2018 compared to February 2017 had the divisions of: manufacture of metal products except machinery, manufacture of basic metals, manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, generation of electricity, and manufacture of non-metallic mineral products. **The seasonally adjusted industrial production index for February 2018, compared to 2017 average,** indicates 1.7% growth of the overall industrial production and 3.4% growth of manufacturing.**The seasonal adjustment of the industrial production index for February 2018, compared to January 2018,** indicates 2.8% fall of the overall industrial production and 2.9% fall of manufacturing.**The production of small-size enterprises** (the number of employees less than 50) that were not included in regular statistical surveys is followed on a sample of the selected units of the section of manufacturing. When the assessment of the industrial production of small-size enterprises of the sample is included, the overall industrial production in February 2018 compared to 2017 average decreased by 8.3% and manufacturing decreased by 12.2%. The data on the industrial production in 2018 will be published on the last working day in a month and will refer to the previous month.Starting from 1999 the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia has not at disposal and may not provide available certain data relative to AP Kosovo and Metohia and therefore these data are not included in the coverage for the Republic of Serbia (total).  |
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