

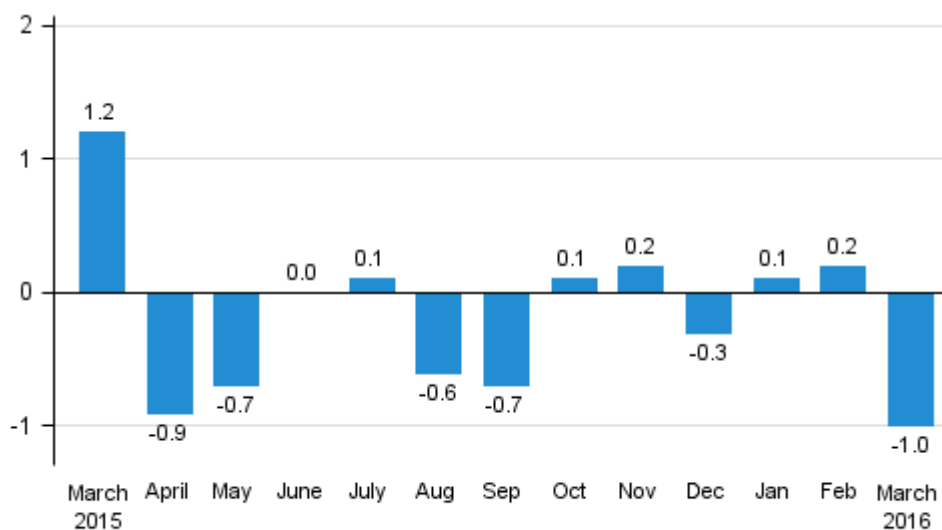
Turnover estimate of large enterprises

2016, March

Turnover of large enterprises contracted in March

According to Statistics Finland's preliminary data, the turnover of large enterprises contracted in March 2016. Seasonally adjusted turnover decreased in March by 1.0 per cent from February. In February, the seasonally adjusted turnover of large enterprises was 0.2 per cent and in January 0.1 per cent higher than in the preceding month.

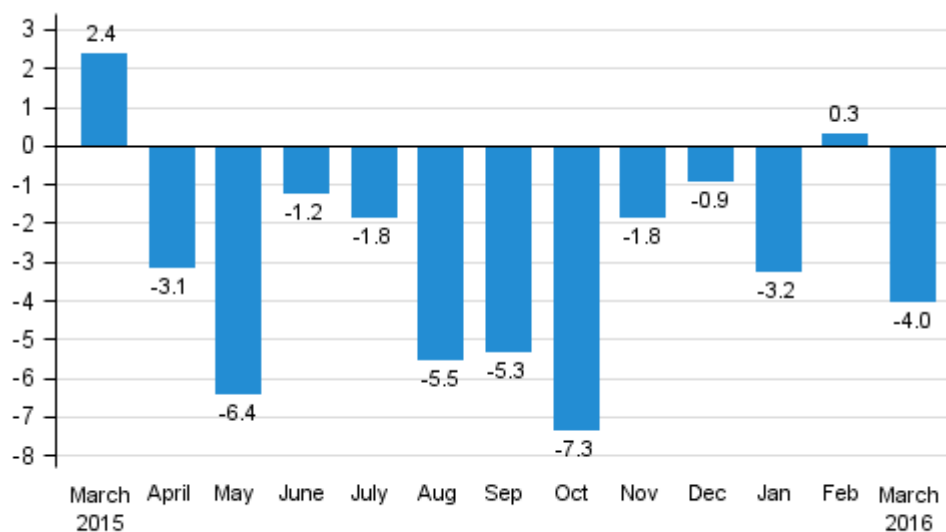
Seasonally adjusted change in the turnover of large enterprises from the previous month, %



Source: Statistics Finland

The turnover of large enterprises not adjusted for seasonal variation fell by 4.0 per cent in March 2016 compared with March 2015. The turnover of large enterprises decreased by 2.4 per cent in January to March from one year ago.

Annual change in the turnover of large enterprises, %



Source: Statistics Finland

The turnover estimate of large enterprises is based on a sample formed of 2,000 enterprises with the most significant turnover in manufacturing, construction, trade and other service industries. Excluded from the statistics are enterprises engaged in primary production, and bank and insurance activities.

The enterprises described in the statistics make up nearly 70 per cent of the turnover of all enterprises operating in Finland, represent more than one-half of the investments made and employ good 40 per cent of the personnel of all enterprises.

The data can be used for short-term monitoring of development in business activities and the market. The economic situation of the whole enterprise sector cannot be assessed solely based on these statistics, because the economic development of smaller enterprises may differ from large enterprises.

More detailed data on the development of various industries are published monthly on [the home pages](#) of business trend indicators.

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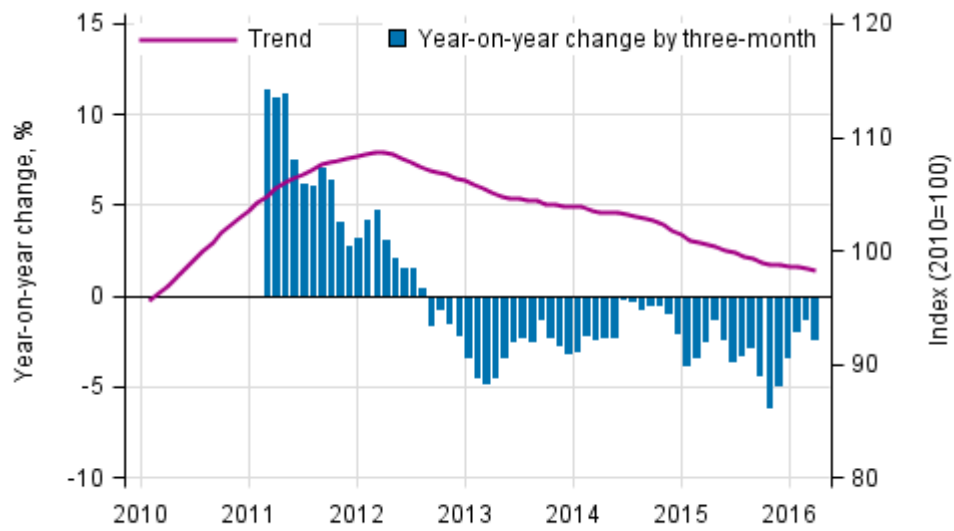
Appendix table 1. Year-on-year change of large enterprises, %

	Year-on-year change by three-month period, % ¹⁾				Year-on-year change in the latest month, % ¹⁾
	04-06/2015	07-09/2015	10-12/2015	01-03/2016	03/2016
Large enterprises	-3,6	-4,3	-3,4	-2,4	-4,0

1) Year-on-year change compares the value for an examined time period to the value for the corresponding time period twelve months back.

Appendix figures

Appendix figure 1. Year-on-year change of large enterprises, trend series



Source: Statistics Finland

Revisions in these statistics

The data of the statistics have become revised according to the table below.

Revisions to data on annual changes of large enterprises¹⁾

Reference period	Year-on-year change,%		Revision, percentage point
	1st release	Latest release (2016-04-29)	
10/2015	-7,4	-7,3	0,1
11/2015	-2,2	-1,8	0,4
12/2015	-0,1	-0,9	-0,8
01/2016	-3,3	-3,2	0,1
02/2016	-0,5	0,3	0,8

1) The 1st release refers to the time when data for the reference period were released for the first time. The revision describes the difference of annual change percentages between the first and latest release.

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