World Manufacturing Production
March 2023

Global manufacturing
Global index of manufacturing production

Year-over-year growth rate of global production, remaining below 1% for the fourth consecutive month

Regional performance
Year-over-year growth rate of manufacturing production by region

China achieved the best regional performance with a 4.2% expansion, while three regions faced a declining manufacturing production.

Sectoral trends
Global index of manufacturing production by technology level

The only sectoral group that is currently expanding is higher-technology industries.

Medium-high and high tech: 2.4%
Medium-low tech: -0.3%
Low tech: -2.8%

Top 5 manufacturers of selected high-tech industries
Year-over-year growth rate, per cent

Computers and electronics
Motor vehicles

China  -0.6%
Germany  38.3%
United States  -2.9%
Rep. of Korea  21.4%
Japan  -13.0%
Japan  14.9%
China, Taiwan Prov.  -21.5%
China  13.0%
Rep. of Korea  -25.8%
United States  1.2%

Various high-tech sectors are experiencing diverging trends. While motor vehicles recorded an accelerating growth (13.6%), computers and electronics remains in negative territory (-6.0%).

Note: This report is based on seasonally-adjusted series of official indices of industrial production (IIPs). Data used to create the infographic can be downloaded in this link while the full database of monthly IIPs can be accessed through the UNIDO Data Portal. Methodological details can be found in this document. For additional information, contact UNIDO Statistics.