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## Changes in the statistical database in connection with the publication on April 29, 2026

### **REVISED REPORTING PRINCIPLE**

National Institute of Economic Research (KI) is revising the reporting principle for the quarterly series in the statistical database. Survey rounds are linked to quarters as follows:

- the January survey is reported as the first quarter
- the April survey is reported as the second quarter
- the July survey is reported as the third quarter
- the October survey is reported as the fourth quarter

The change is made in order to align the reporting with the EU's reporting principles.

### **What is different from before?**

Previously, the January survey was reported as the fourth quarter of the previous year (and correspondingly for the other survey rounds).

### **What does this mean for you as a user?**

As part of the changeover, the entire time period for each time series will be shifted by one quarter. The series names in the database will remain the same.

### **CHANGED CONTENT IN THE QUARTERLY TABLES FOR INDUSTRY**

Going forward, KI will report only the series that are collected quarterly in the quarterly tables. Previously, the quarterly tables contained both series from quarterly questions and monthly values presented as quarterly values. Now, the monthly values will be available only in the monthly tables.

### **Why is this being done?**

The aim is to make the database more consistent and easier to interpret, and to align the reporting with the EU's reporting principles.

### **Historical series**

When the National Institute of Economic Research (KI) aligned the survey with the EU, it was redesigned from a quarterly survey to a monthly survey. Many of the questions that are asked every month today were already included when the survey was conducted only quarterly. Therefore, quarterly series exist for these questions that extend further back in time than the corresponding monthly series.

In addition, from 1996 up to and including April 2010, the sample of enterprises was larger in the quarterly survey than in the monthly survey. The quarterly values for that period therefore include responses from more enterprises than the corresponding monthly values. These series will be moved to separate historical tables. Using these, users can, if needed, create longer quarterly series for the questions.

For more information, see the methodology handbook, tables B3–B6, on the notation for monthly and quarterly values.

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