

On Industrial Production Output in February 2026

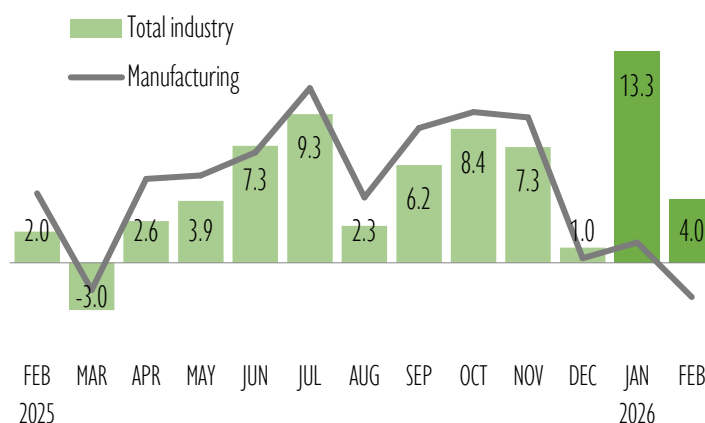
Industrial production volumes increased by 4% in February

In February, industrial production output, according to calendar-adjusted data, increased by 4% compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. As in January, growth was driven by a 24.6% increase in electricity and gas supply output. Meanwhile, manufacturing output decreased by 2.2%, while mining and quarrying output fell by 37.2%.

Manufacturing output was significantly affected by a decline in output in the largest manufacturing subsector – wood processing. Output in the manufacture of beverages, rubber and plastic products, and wearing apparel decreased more moderately. Meanwhile, the second-largest manufacturing subsector – food production – made a positive contribution to manufacturing in February compared with the previous year. Output also increased in metalworking and in the manufacture of computer, electronic and optical equipment.

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calendar-adjusted data, percentage changes compared with the corresponding period of the previous year



In February, manufacturing turnover increased in the domestic market compared with the previous year, while it decreased slightly in exports. Sales of metalworking and food products grew more rapidly, while sales of export-oriented wood processing products declined.

Although manufacturing business confidence continued to improve in March, overall growth in the sector is expected to be slower in 2026 than last year. This will be affected by the military conflict in the Middle East and persistent trade policy uncertainty, which is constraining growth – tariffs and trade barriers require companies to adjust production costs, higher prices reduce demand, and uncertainty slows new investment.

At the same time, companies increasingly need to strengthen and improve their productivity in order to maintain competitiveness in an environment where the cost structure is becoming increasingly complex and demand in international markets is becoming more demanding and selective.