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Services Sector Price Indices (SSPI). Base 2006
Second quarter of 2012. *Provisional data*

The greatest price decreases in the annual rate are produced in *Advertising and market studies* (–9.7%), *Telecommunications* (–4.4%) and *Information services* (–1.8%)

The greatest price increases in the annual rate are registered in *Scheduled passenger air transport* (4.3%), *Sea freight transport* (2.2%) and *Security services* (1.4%)

Annual evolution of prices in services

Eight of the 14 activities in the services sector for which price indices are calculated, experienced a decrease in their interannual variation rate in the second quarter of 2012.

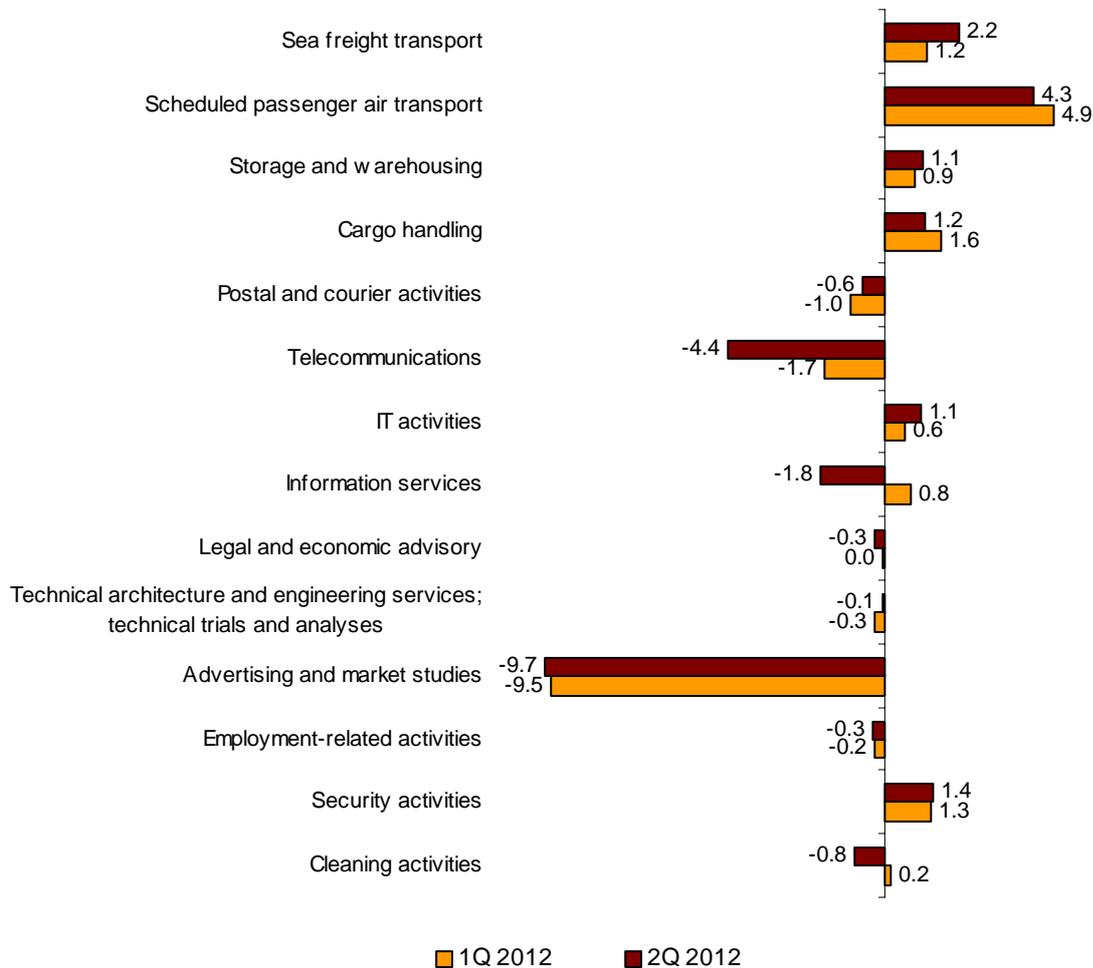
Among the services with a decrease in annual rate, the most noteworthy were:

- ***Telecommunications***, whose interannual rate decreased more than two-and-a-half points, up to –4.4%. This drop was due to the decrease in prices registered this quarter, as compared with the increase experienced in the same period of the previous year.
- ***Information services***, with an interannual rate of –1.8%, more than two-and-a-half points below that registered in the first quarter of 2012. This was due to the decrease in prices this quarter, as compared with the increase in 2011.
- ***Cleaning Activities***, whose interannual rate stood at –0.8%, one point lower than the previous quarter. This variation was due to the decrease in prices of this activities in the second quarter, as compared with the increase in the same period of 2011.

In turn, among the services with an increase in annual rate, worth noting:

- **Sea freight transport**, with an interannual rate of 2.2%, one point above than the previous quarter. This variation was due to that the prices of this activity decreased less this quarter than second quarter the previous year.
- **IT activities**, whose annual variation increased more than five tenths, up to 1.1%, due to that the prices increased this quarter than the same period of the previous year.
- **Postal and courier activities**, that increased its annual rate four tenths and stood at – 0.6%. This variation was due to that the prices of these activities increased more this quarter than those registered in the previous year.

Annual rates of the SSPI, base 2006 Index by sector

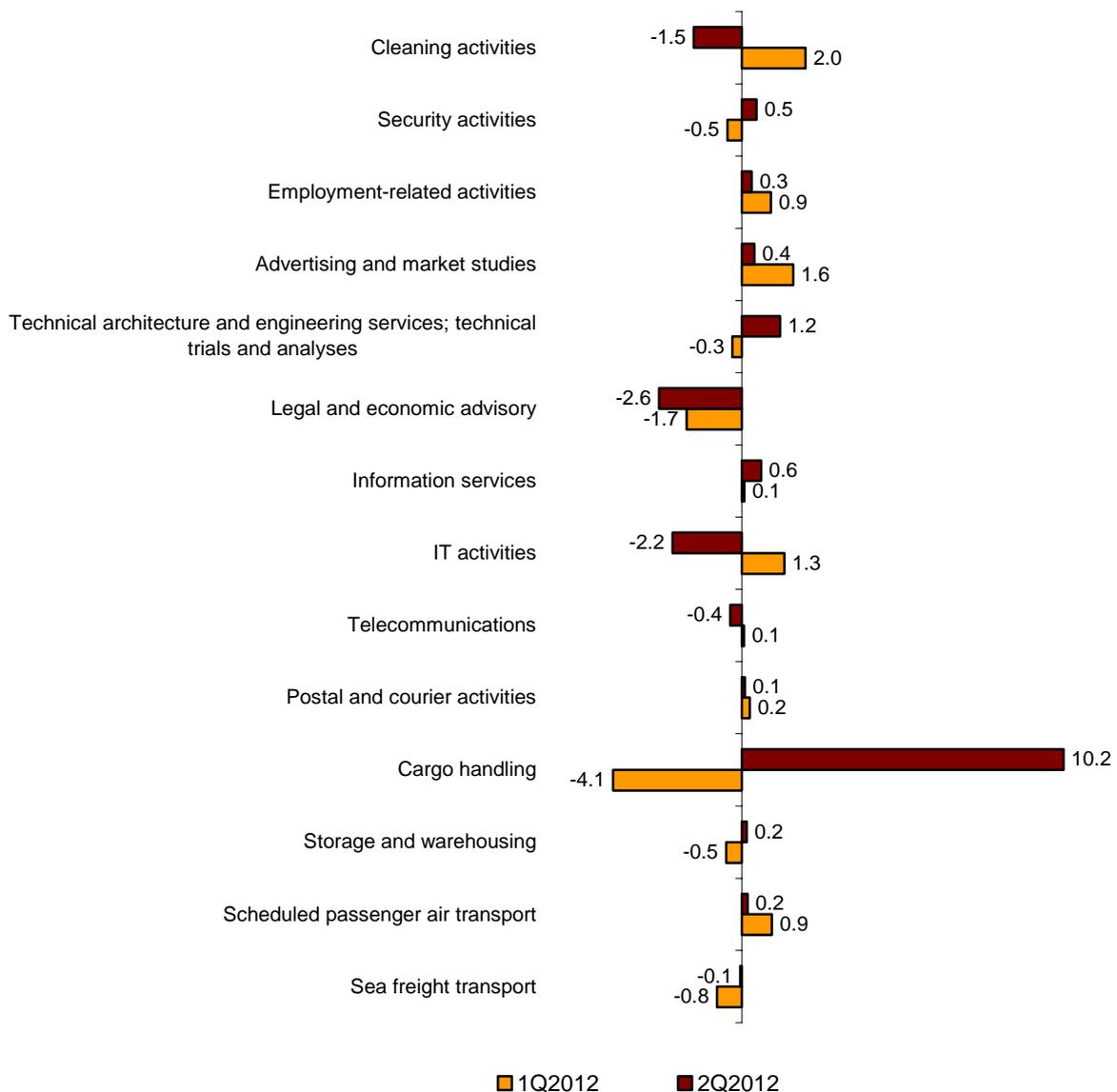


Quarterly evolution of the prices of services

The greatest price increases as compared with the first quarter of 2012 were recorded in *Advertising and market studies* (10.2%), *Postal and courier activities* (1.2%) and *IT activities* (0.6%).

Conversely, prices decreased this quarter as compared with the previous quarter in *Telecommunications* (-2.6%), *Information services* (-2.2%) and *Sea freight transport* (-1.5%).

**Quarterly rates of the SSPI, base 2006
Index by sector**



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1. National indices by sector

	Index	% Variation		
		Over previous quarter	Year-to-date	Interannual
1. Sea freight transport	104.8	-1.5	0.5	2.2
2. Scheduled passenger air transport	123.5	0.5	0.0	4.3
3. Storage and warehousing	109.6	0.3	1.2	1.1
4. Cargo handling	114.3	0.4	2.0	1.2
5. Postal and courier activities	97.7	1.2	0.9	-0.6
6. Telecommunications	74.8	-2.6	-4.3	-4.4
7. IT activities	107.2	0.6	0.7	1.1
8. Information services	100.4	-2.2	-0.9	-1.8
9. Legal and economic advisory	108.9	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3
10. Technical architecture and engineering services; technical trials and analysis	112.3	0.1	0.3	-0.1
11. Advertising and market studies	118.6	10.2	5.7	-9.7
12. Employment-related activities	108.7	0.2	-0.3	-0.3
13. Security services	110.7	0.2	1.1	1.4
14. Cleaning activities	106.7	-0.1	-0.8	-0.8

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