World trade of commercial services slightly decreased in Q1 2019 compared to the previous quarter, as measured in seasonally adjusted terms.

Asian exports continued expanding for the 4th consecutive quarter (+1.7%) and imports resumed growth (+0.3%). North American imports continued growing at a similar pace as Q4 2018 (+1.0%) while imports accelerated during Q1 2019 (+0.9%).

Quarter-over-quarter growth, seasonally adjusted, %

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Source: WTO-UNCTAD-ITC

For the 4th consecutive quarter, Goods-related services was the most performant sector, increasing by 0.6%. Aside from Transport, which decreased by 1.1%, all sectors recorded positive growth.

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NOTES

Annualized short-term statistics may differ from the annual statistics disseminated through WTO's online databases, publications or press releases. Data for the latest period are provisional.

1. Data can be downloaded at data.wto.org, by selecting the following indicators:
   • Commercial services exports by main sector - quarterly
   • Commercial services imports by main sector - quarterly

2. The publication is updated with the same frequency as the data release.
   Q1 mid-July
   Q2 mid-October
   Q3 mid-January
   Q4 end-March / early April, along with the release of preliminary annual data.

3. For more information on the methodology, please refer to the metadata.

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