

## GLOBAL AND REGIONAL PERFORMANCE

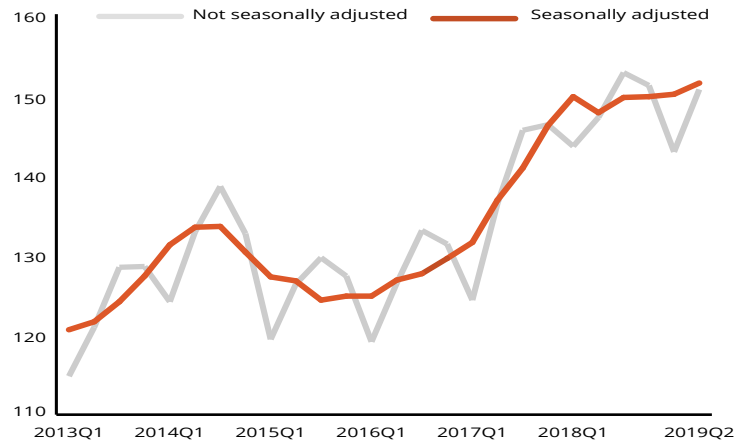
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# 1.0%

World trade of commercial services<sup>1</sup> increased by 1% in the second quarter of 2019 compared to the previous quarter, as measured in seasonally adjusted terms.

1. Average of exports and imports.  
Source: WTO-UNCTAD-ITC

Indices, 2005=100



Europe recorded the strongest rise among all regions, with exports increasing at **1.3%** and imports at **2.9%**. North America's exports were flat (**+0.1%**) while imports slightly accelerated (**+0.5%**) compared to the previous quarters. Asian exports and imports slowed down moderately (**-0.1%** and **-0.6%** respectively).

Quarter-over-quarter growth, %, seasonally adjusted

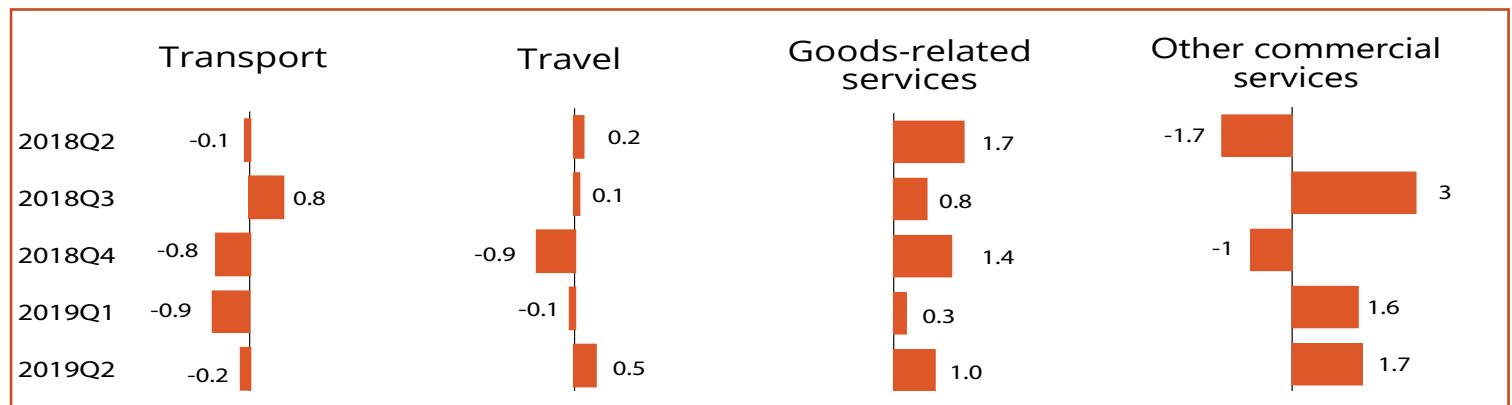
	Exports				Imports			
	2018Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2	2018Q3	2018Q4	2019Q1	2019Q2
<b>World</b>	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.7	2.3	-0.5	0.4	1.2
North America	0.8	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.6	1.2	1.0	0.5
Europe	-0.6	0.8	-1.1	1.3	4.0	-0.5	0.4	2.9
Asia	0.7	1.1	1.5	-0.1	-0.1	-1.4	0.1	-0.6
Other	2.3	-1.2	1.5	0.4	4.7	0.6	0.6	-0.3

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## SECTORAL PERFORMANCE

Aside from transport, which decreased by **0.2%** - in line with merchandise trade-, all sectors recorded positive growth. Other commercial services was the highest-performing sector (**+1.7%**)



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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](https://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 around the 20th of July

Q2 around the 20th of October

Q3 around the 20th of January

Q4 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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