Table 1: Business Receipts Indices of selected service industries and service domains, Q3 2013 to Q3 2014

(Quarterly average of 2008 = 100)

|  | 2013              |                   |                  | 2014              |                   | Q1-Q3             |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  | Q3                | Q4                | Q1               | Q2                | Q3 #              | 2014#             |
| Service Industry                                     |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |
| Import/export trade                                  | 113.0             | 119.8             | 102.7            | 107.5             | 113.7             | 107.9             |
|  | (+0.2%)           | (-1.8%)           | (+0.9%)          | (-0.5%)           | (+0.6%)           | (+0.3%)           |
| Wholesale  | 136.2             | 142.1             | 129.2            | 130.3             | 133.8             | 131.1             |
|  | (+3.4%)           | (+5.1%)           | (+3.1%)          | (+3.4%)           | (-1.8%)           | (+1.5%)           |
| Retail   | 167.7<br>(+7.5%)  | 186.1<br>(+6.8%)  | 197.2<br>(+4.2%) | 168.4<br>(-7.0%)  | 170.3 (+1.6%)     | 178.6<br>(-0.4%)  |
| Transportation                                       | 109.2             | 113.4             | 104.3            | 112.0             | 117.0             | 111.1             |
|  | (-0.3%)           | (+4.3%)           | (+5.9%)          | (+7.2%)           | (+7.1%)           | (+6.8%)           |
| within which: Land transport                         | 136.0             | 144.6             | 134.2            | 139.8             | 146.7             | 140.2             |
|  | (+6.6%)           | (+11.4%)          | (+8.5%)          | (+8.0%)           | (+7.9%)           | (+8.1%)           |
| Water transport                                      | 90.8              | 90.5              | 85.2             | 93.4              | 97.8              | 92.1              |
|  | (-7.1%)           | (-2.0%)           | (+4.9%)          | (+8.7%)           | (+7.7%)           | (+7.1%)           |
| Air transport  | 117.7             | 124.7             | 112.5            | 120.5             | 125.3             | 119.4             |
|  | (+2.7%)           | (+6.5%)           | (+5.5%)          | (+5.8%)           | (+6.5%)           | (+6.0%)           |
| Warehousing and storage                              | 174.7             | 170.6             | 171.1            | 174.2             | 188.4             | 177.9             |
|  | (+14.4%)          | (+16.6%)          | (+10.8%)         | (+10.0%)          | (+7.8%)           | (+9.5%)           |
| Courier  | 252.7             | 224.9             | 205.2            | 211.4             | 212.4             | 209.7             |
|  | (+53.0%)          | (+19.8%)          | (+24.7%)         | (+13.8%)          | (-15.9%)          | (+4.3%)           |
| Accommodation services <sup>®</sup>                  | 141.0             | 174.8             | 157.4            | 150.2             | 154.8             | 154.1             |
|  | (+2.6%)           | (+2.9%)           | (+10.0%)         | (+9.8%)           | (+9.8%)           | (+9.9%)           |
| Food services  | 121.9             | 127.7             | 127.0            | 121.1             | 127.7             | 125.3             |
|  | (+3.8%)           | (+2.0%)           | (+3.6%)          | (+3.8%)           | (+4.8%)           | (+4.1%)           |
| Information and communications                       | 124.6             | 137.7             | 119.9            | 128.6             | 134.6             | 127.7             |
|  | (+6.7%)           | (+2.4%)           | (-0.1%)          | (-0.4%)           | (+8.1%)           | (+2.5%)           |
| within which: Telecommunications                     | 134.4<br>(+11.1%) | 156.6<br>(+3.8%)  | 135.5 (+1.0%)    | 141.2<br>(+5.3%)  | 151.8<br>(+13.0%) | 142.8<br>(+6.5%)  |
| Film entertainment                                   | 82.6              | 75.2              | 62.2             | 65.5              | 72.3              | 66.7              |
|  | (-5.2%)           | (-7.9%)           | (-2.5%)          | (-17.8%)          | (-12.5%)          | (-11.5%)          |
| Banking  | 151.9             | 156.5             | 165.9            | 165.6             | 169.1             | 166.9             |
|  | (+16.8%)          | (+18.6%)          | (+5.5%)          | (+3.8%)           | (+11.3%)          | (+6.8%)           |
| Financing (except banking)                           | 99.7              | 106.4             | 105.5            | 108.9             | 118.2             | 110.9             |
|  | (+10.5%)          | (-5.4%)           | (-5.8%)          | (+0.7%)           | (+18.5%)          | (+4.0%)           |
| within which: Financial markets and asset management | 93.2              | 100.1             | 101.9            | 105.4             | 114.7             | 107.4             |
|  | (+9.9%)           | (-8.2%)           | (-4.7%)          | (+0.4%)           | (+23.1%)          | (+5.5%)           |
| within which: Asset management                       | 128.3             | 148.0             | 134.0            | 144.9             | 147.4             | 142.1             |
|  | (+13.1%)          | (+19.5%)          | (+4.8%)          | (+4.9%)           | (+14.9%)          | (+8.1%)           |
| Insurance  | 160.9<br>(+16.0%) | 163.9<br>(+18.6%) | 177.2 (+23.1%)   | 183.8<br>(+19.0%) | 186.9<br>(+16.2%) | 182.6<br>(+19.3%) |
| Real estate  | 127.0             | 146.5             | 138.1            | 163.6             | 159.7             | 153.8             |
|  | (-10.6%)          | (+8.4%)           | (+2.3%)          | (+22.1%)          | (+25.8%)          | (+16.5%)          |
| Professional, scientific and technical services      | 129.4             | 136.0             | 129.6            | 140.4             | 138.9             | 136.3             |
|  | (+6.7%)           | (+7.3%)           | (+6.9%)          | (+6.2%)           | (+7.4%)           | (+6.8%)           |
| Administrative and support services                  | 136.6             | 134.9             | 127.3            | 141.7             | 145.0             | 138.0             |
|  | (+10.8%)          | (+8.6%)           | (+11.6%)         | (+10.2%)          | (+6.1%)           | (+9.2%)           |
| Service Domain                                       |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |
| Tourism, convention and exhibition services          | 223.6             | 245.6             | 225.1 #          | 208.7 #           | 229.3             | 221.0             |
|  | (+15.3%)          | (+9.7%)           | (+6.9%)          | (-7.5%)           | (+2.6%)           | (+0.5%)           |
| Computer and information technology services         | 145.6<br>(+0.4%)  | 146.4<br>(+0.8%)  | 132.2<br>(-7.8%) | 150.1<br>(+0.7%)  | 146.3             | 142.8<br>(-2.2%)  |

Notes: # Provisional figures.

<sup>()</sup> Figures in brackets denote percentage changes as compared with the same period of the preceding year.

<sup>@</sup> Accommodation services cover hotels, guesthouses, boarding houses and other establishments providing short term accommodation.

Table 2: Quarter-to-quarter rates of change in Business Receipts Indices of selected service industries and service domains based on the seasonally adjusted series<sup>(1)(2)</sup>, Q3 2013 to Q3 2014

|  | 2013   |        | 2014    |         |       |
|--|--------|--------|---------|---------|-------|
|  | Q3     | Q4     | Q1      | Q2      | Q3 #  |
| Service Industry   |        |        |         |         |       |
| Import/export trade                                      | -1.2%  | +5.2%  | -1.1%   | -3.1%   | -0.4% |
| Wholesale  | +2.2%  | +4.0%  | -1.2%   | -1.5%   | -3.1% |
| Retail   | -3.7%  | +2.8%  | +0.8%   | -7.0%   | +5.7% |
| Transportation   | -0.4%  | +3.4%  | +3.3%   | +1.2%   | -0.9% |
| within which: Land transport                             | +2.4%  | +4.6%  | -1.6%   | +2.4%   | +2.3% |
| Water transport  | -0.9%  | +4.0%  | +5.7%   | §       | -2.0% |
| Air transport  | -1.2%  | +1.7%  | +3.7%   | +1.9%   | -0.9% |
| Warehousing and storage                                  | +8.4%  | +0.9%  | -1.3%   | +2.2%   | +5.8% |
| Courier  | +38.2% | -16.1% | +5.3%   | -6.5%   | +1.7% |
| Accommodation services <sup>@</sup>                      | +1.3%  | -1.1%  | +7.6%   | +1.8%   | +1.3% |
| Food services  | +0.9%  | +0.5%  | +1.4%   | +1.0%   | +1.8% |
| Information and communications                           | -0.7%  | +2.6%  | -4.1%   | +1.8%   | +8.3% |
| within which: Telecommunications                         | +2.8%  | +11.2% | -12.4%  | +5.5%   | +9.8% |
| Film entertainment                                       | -2.7%  | -4.5%  | -10.4%  | -2.2%   | +5.5% |
| Banking  | +1.6%  | -2.2%  | +9.0%   | -3.9%   | +8.5% |
| Financing (except banking) (3)                           | -7.9%  | +6.7%  | -0.8%   | +3.2%   | +8.5% |
| within which: Financial markets and asset management (3) | -11.3% | +7.3%  | +1.9%   | +3.5%   | +8.8% |
| within which: Asset management (3)                       | -7.1%  | +15.4% | -9.5%   | +8.1%   | +1.7% |
| Insurance (3)  | +4.1%  | +1.9%  | +8.1%   | +3.7%   | +1.7% |
| Real estate (3)  | -5.2%  | +15.3% | -5.7%   | +18.5%  | -2.4% |
| Professional, scientific and technical services          | -1.1%  | +1.9%  | +1.8%   | +3.3%   | +0.3% |
| Administrative and support services                      | +3.4%  | -0.2%  | -0.5%   | +7.0%   | +0.2% |
| Service Domain   |        |        |         |         |       |
| Tourism, convention and exhibition services              | -5.8%  | +1.5%  | -0.7% # | -3.3% # | +5.4% |
| Computer and information technology services             | -5.0%  | +3.4%  | -6.0%   | +9.4%   | -5.7% |

Notes: # Provisional figures.

 $<sup>\</sup>$  Change within  $\pm 0.05\%$ .

<sup>@</sup> Accommodation services cover hotels, guesthouses, boarding houses and other establishments providing short term accommodation.

<sup>(1)</sup> The quarter-to-quarter rates of change in the business receipts indices (BRIs) of selected service industries/domains are derived based on the seasonally adjusted series to reflect the underlying trend of business receipts. These seasonally adjusted BRIs are compiled using the X-12 ARIMA method, which is a standard method applied in compiling seasonally adjusted statistical data series.

<sup>(2)</sup> Seasonally adjusted series may be revised as more data become available. The seasonally adjusted BRIs of the retail industry will be revised annually when the figures for the fourth quarter of the current year are published, while those of the other service industries will be revised when the figures for the first quarter are published.

<sup>(3)</sup> The BRIs of a few service industries are found to have no clear seasonal patterns in the seasonal adjustment exercise. Seasonal adjustment is therefore not applied to the BRIs of these industries.