Monthly Economic Activity Index

December 2025

Development Economic Activity[1]

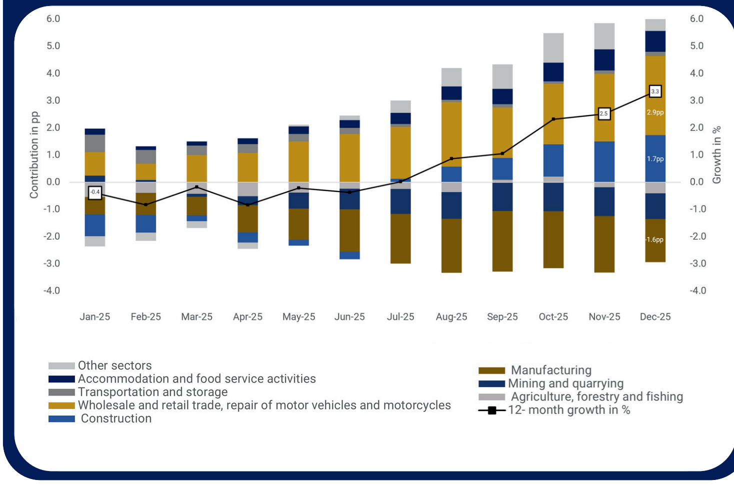
Economic activity accelerated from 2.5% in November 2025[2] to 3.3% in December 2025, driven by manufacturing and trade. The contraction in manufacturing eased significantly, mainly due to a strong recovery in the gold production in the fourth quarter of 2025, while the growth in trade continued to increase.

The sectors that contributed the most to the 3.3% growth are explained in more detail below (See graph):

- *Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles* contributed 2.9 percentage point, primarily driven by a 19% increase in the sales of building materials.

- *Construction* recorded an impact of 1.7 percentage point, as the import of construction materials increased by 24%.

MEAI 12-month growth and contribution



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Although *manufacturing* continued to contract (1.6 percentage point), the pace of decline eased significantly due to a rebound in gold production toward the end of 2025, thereby reducing the drag on overall growth.

Revisions

The MEAI growth rates have been revised from January 2025 onwards, mainly due to data updates from companies in *Construction and Mining* & *quarrying.*

For more information on the methodology used in the compilation of the MEAI, please refer to the following link:
https://www.cbvs.sr/images/content/2025/DME2025/MEAI/Methodological_Description_MEAI_ENG_secured.pdf
For the historical series of the MEAI, please refer to the following link: https://www.cbvs.sr/images/content/statistieken/Database/RealSectorStatistics.xlsx

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[1] The growth rates, unless otherwise indicated, are based on the 12-month moving average: January 2025 until December 2025 compared to January 2024 until December 2024.
[2] The growth estimate for November 2025 was revised from 2.6% to 2.5% and is further explained in 'Revisions'