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Indicators from the chemical-pharmaceutical industry in Germany

Indicators for the 1st half 2017

Comparison with the 1st half 2016 (figures are rounded)		
	Change in percent	1st half-year 2017
■ Production	+ 1,5	-
▸ Chemistry excluding pharma	+/- 0	
■ Producer prices	+ 3,5	-
■ Sales	+ 5,0	96,9 billion €
▸ domestic	+ 4,5	37,5 billion €
▸ foreign	+ 5,0	59,4 billion €
■ Number of employed	+ 0,5	449.300
■ Capacity utilisation	83,9 percent (half-year 2016)	87 percent

Forecast 2017

Forecast for the overall year 2017 (change in percent against 2016)	
Chemistry including pharma	
■ Production	+ 1,5
■ Producer prices	+ 3,5
■ Sales	+ 5,0
▸ domestic	+ 4,5
▸ foreign	+ 5,0
■ Investments (domestic)	+ 6,7 (to 7,5 billion €)

Production development by sectors in the 1st half 2017

Sector	Change against 1st half 2016 in %
► Inorganic basic chemicals	+ 3,0
► Petrochemicals and derivatives	- 3,5
► Polymers	+ 2,5
► Fine and specialty chemicals	+ 1,5
► Pharmaceuticals	+ 3,5
► Detergents and personal care products, cosmetics	+ 1,5

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