



# HessenChemie Economic stenogram

Chemical and pharmaceutical industry of Hesse

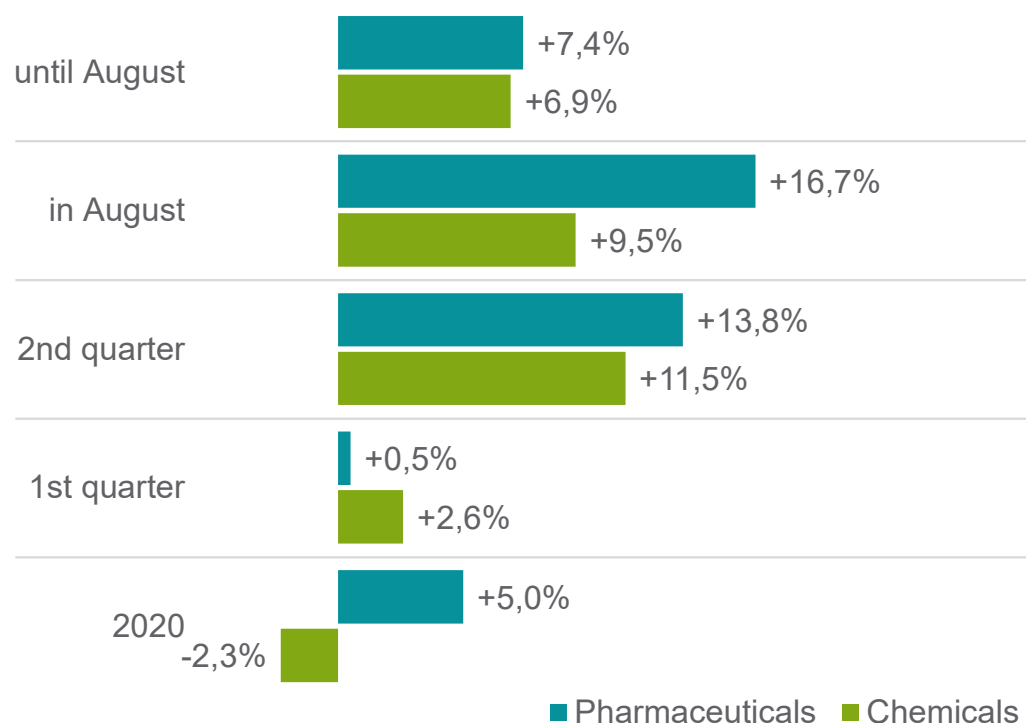
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# Production

## Development of production – chemicals and pharmaceuticals

Seasonally adjusted; change from last year in percent



In August 2021, production in the Hessian chemical and pharmaceutical industry increased by 12.5 percent on a seasonally adjusted basis. Up to and including August, the increase was 7.0 percent.

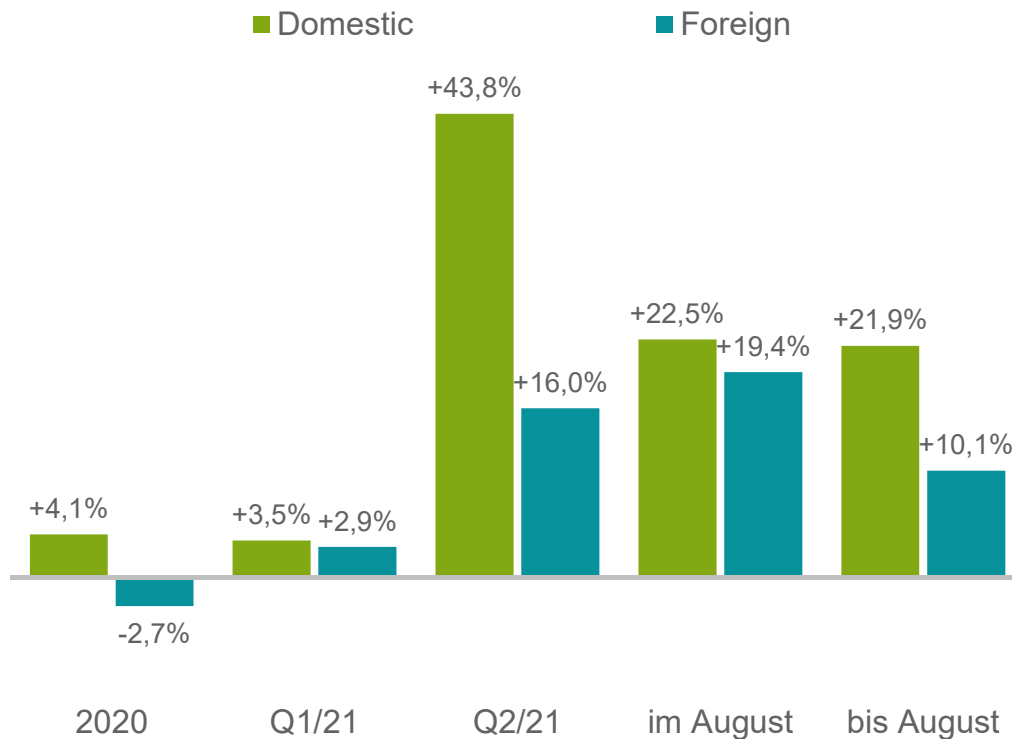
There was an increase of 9.5 percent in the classic chemical divisions compared to the previous year. The momentum remains below the 2nd quarter, in which production, also influenced by statistical base effects, had increased by almost 12 percent.

Cumulatively up to August, production in classical chemistry was 6.9 percent above its previous year's level. Production in the pharmaceutical sector rose by 16.7 percent year-on-year in August, more than the 2nd quarter average. Up to and including August, the division grew by 7.4 percent year-on-year.

# Sales

## Development of domestic and foreign sales

Change from last year in percent



Total sales in the Hessian chemical and pharmaceutical industry in August amounted to just under 2.4 billion euros, up 20.4 percent on the previous year. Cumulatively up to and including August, there was an increase of 14.0 percent to a good 20.2 billion euros.

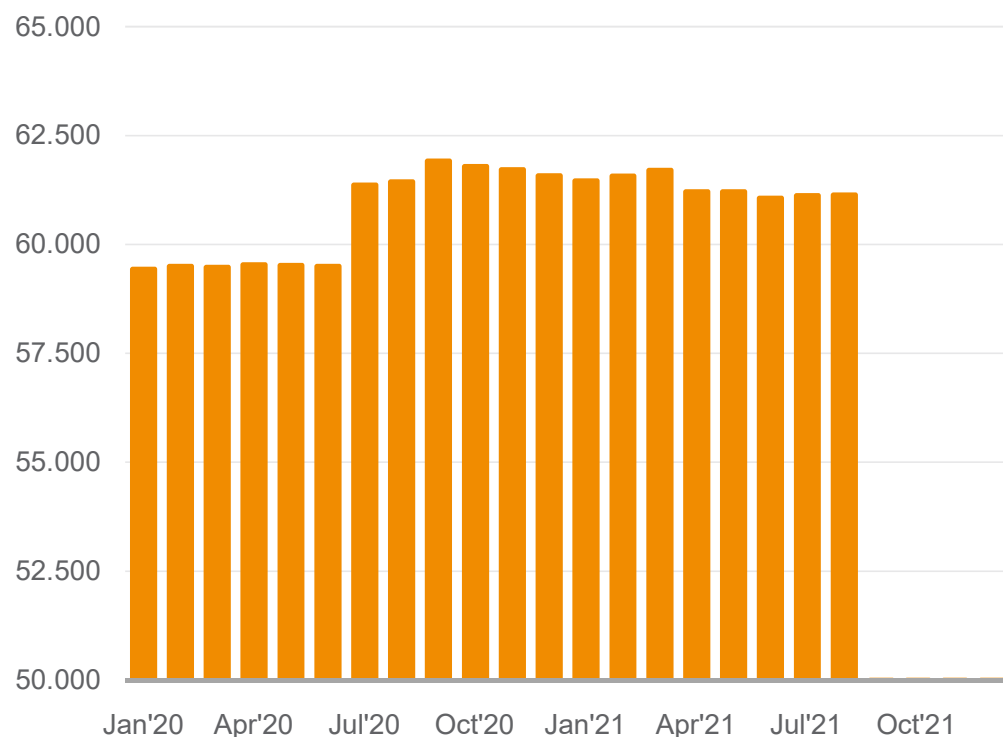
At 827 million euros, domestic sales in August were 22.5 percent higher than in the previous year, while foreign business grew by 19.4 percent to just under 1.6 billion euros.

Overall, the growth momentum was slightly below the value of the 2nd quarter. Cumulatively up to August, domestic business grew by 21.9 percent to 7.1 billion euros, while export business grew by 10.1 percent and reached around 13.1 billion euros.

# Employment

## Number of employees

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Employment in the chemical-pharmaceutical industry in Hesse in August was 0.5 percent below the previous year. Up to and including August, however, it was 2.2 percent higher.

The overall result is artificially distorted upwards by statistical special effects in classical chemistry, whereby the effects there are now beginning to expire.

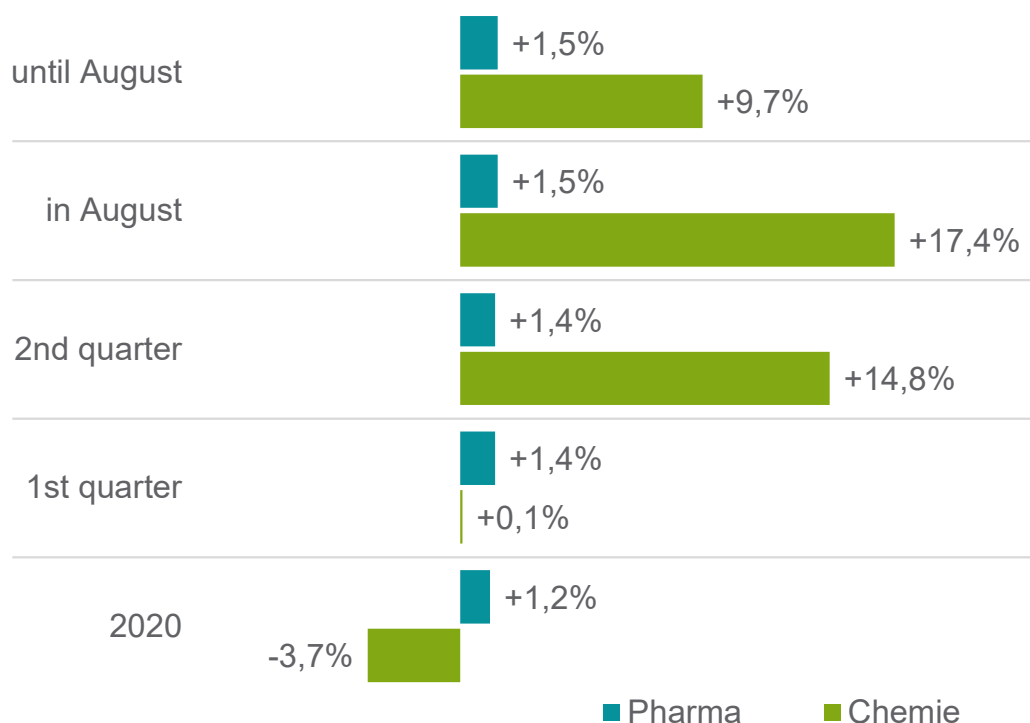
Employment in August was only 0.2 percent above the previous year; cumulatively until August, there was still an increase of 4.0 percent. The pharmaceutical division had 1.6 percent fewer employees in August than in the previous year.

Up to and including August, the decline was already 0.7 percent. Overall, the industry thus shows a downward trend over the course of the year.

# Prices

## Price development for chemical and pharmaceutical products

Change from last year in percent



In August 2021, producer prices in the Hessian chemical and pharmaceutical industry rose by 10.5 percent. Up to and including August, the price increase was 6.2 percent.

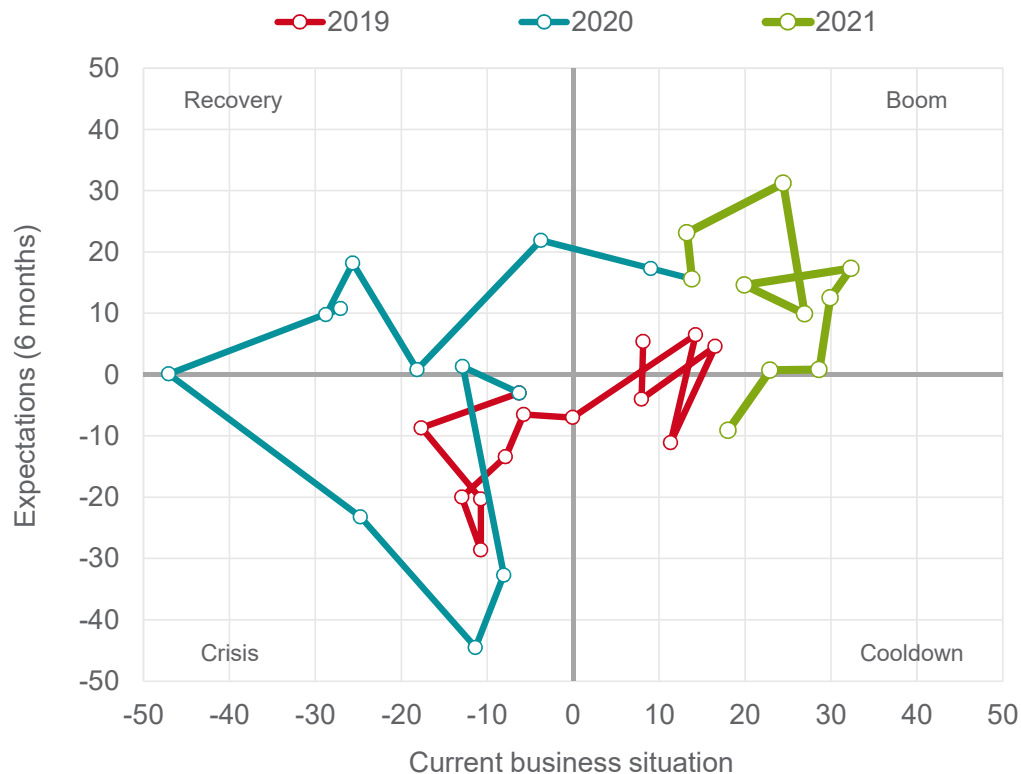
In traditional chemistry, prices rose by 17.4 percent, which is even stronger than the average of the 2nd quarter, in which the price increase had already amounted to almost 15 percent. Cumulatively until July, producer prices exceeded the previous year's level by 9.7 percent.

Producer prices in the pharmaceutical sector in August were 1.5 percent higher than in the previous year and thus continued to develop evenly. Up to and including August, the division increased its producer prices by 1.5 percent year-on-year.

# ifo-business climate

## Business clock for the chemical industry in October 2021

Balance from positive and negative answers; federal level



The business climate in the German chemical and pharmaceutical industry deteriorated significantly in October with a balance of 10.9 points compared to the previous month. While the balance of business expectations fell from 1.6 to -8.2 points, the balance for the current business situation also fell from 37.0 to 32.1 points.

44 percent of the industry companies rated their current business situation as good in October. 44 percent rated it as stable and 12 percent as bad.

In terms of business expectations, 19 percent of companies expected an increase in the next six months. 54 percent expected business to remain stable and 27 percent expected business to decline.

# Key figures for the economic situation

## Economic situation and business climate – August 2021

Absolute values; Change from last year in percent

	Chemicals				Pharmaceuticals				Total			
	in August		until August		in August		until August		in August		until August	
<b>Employees</b> (comp. off 50 employees)	38.792	+0,2%	38.804	+4,0%	22.348	-1,6%	22.505	-0,7%	61.140	-0,5%	61.310	+2,2%
<b>Production</b> (2015 = 100)	100,4	+9,5%	99,9	+6,9%	115,1	+16,7%	115,2	+7,4%	105,5	+12,5%	105,6	+7,0%
<b>Prices</b> (2015 = 100)	117,4	+17,4%	111,0	+9,7%	106,0	+1,5%	105,6	+1,5%	112,4	+10,5%	108,6	+6,2%
<b>Total sales</b> (Mio. €)	1.393,7	+27,5%	11.195,6	+15,3%	990,1	+11,7%	9.031,0	+12,4%	2.383,8	+20,4%	20.226,5	+14,0%
Domestic sales (Mio. €)	387,4	+19,3%	3.320,5	+14,5%	440,0	+25,4%	3.779,7	+29,3%	827,3	+22,5%	7.100,2	+21,9%
Foreign sales (Mio. €)	1.006,3	+31,0%	7.875,1	+15,7%	550,2	+2,7%	5.251,3	+2,7%	1.556,5	+19,4%	13.126,4	+10,1%
	in October		prev. month		in October		prev. month		in October		prev. month	
<b>ifo-business climate</b>	16,9		-8,7		-7,2		-4,6		10,9		-7,7	
<b>ifo-business situation</b>	43,3		-3,5		-1,4		-9,1		32,1		-4,9	
<b>ifo-business expectations</b>	-6,7		-12,9		-12,8		-0,5		-8,2		-9,8	

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