

Industrial Growth: July 2018

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For the first four months of fiscal year 2018-19, the industrial production has grown at 5.4% on the cumulative basis, higher compared with 1.7% growth in the comparable period in the previous fiscal year. The base effect has helped to maintain a certain level of buoyancy as last year was typified by the GST effects that depressed production processes especially in SME segment.

In July'18, the IIP has grown substantially at 6.6% higher than 1% growth in July'17 however lower compared with 7% growth in June'18.

CARE Ratings had estimated the growth of 5% for the month of July'18.



Source: MOSPI

During FY19 (Apr-Jul), the growth has been driven by mining and manufacturing sector whereas within the used based classification it was aided by broad based growth across segments barring consumer non-durables. The higher growth can also be ascribed to lower base effect in these months a year ago due to GST related disruptions. Infrastructure and consumer durables have registered highest growth in the past 5 years on cumulative basis.



Key Highlights:

Monthly - July'18

- The growth during month was driven by higher growth in manufacturing and electricity. Consumer durables have rather grown at a highest rate in since October 2015, nearly 3 years.
- Mining sector grew by 3.7% in July'18 lower compared with 4.5% growth in the comparable month in the previous year. This is the lowest growth in the past 4 months.
- Manufacturing sector activities improved substantially as low base effect has also played a role. The sector grew by 7% over the contraction of -0.1% in July'17. It is the highest growth rate since March'18.
- Electricity sector grew by 6.7%, compared with 6.6% growth in the comparable month in FY17.
- Within the used based classification, all segments registered higher growth rates during the month than compared with July'18.
- Primary goods that has highest weight in general IIP grew by 6.9% compared with the contraction of 2.2% in July'17.
- Capital goods (3%), Intermediate goods (1.2%) and consumer durables (14.4%) have grown substantially as against the contraction registered by these segments in July'18.
- In July'18, infrastructure goods have grown at double pace of 8.4% than 4.3% in July'17.
- Consumer non-durables have also grown at higher pace at 5.6% than 4.1% in the comparable month a year ago.

Cumulative: Apr-July'18

- All sectors registered more than 5% growth that has resulted in higher overall IIP growth.
- Mining sector, index-heavyweight, grew at a 5% as against 2% growth during Apr-Jul'17.
- Manufacturing sector grew by 5.6% compared with 1.2% growth in FY18 (Apr-Jul). The favourable low base effect has pushed up the growth of the sector during this period.
 - Within the manufacturing sector, 11 out of 23 industries recorded higher growth than average manufacturing sector growth of 5.6%
 - Computer, electronic and optical products (33.9%), motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers (19.9%), furniture (17.9%), other transport equipment (14.5%) and fabricated metal products (11.2%) registered double digit growth.
 - Basic metals which have highest weight in mfg. grew at a slower pace of 2.9% compared with overall mfg. growth.
 - The highest contraction was witnessed in other manufacturing (-28.3%), tobacco (-9.8%) and rubber & plastic products (-4.1%) in FY18 (Apr-Jul).
- Electricity sector registered growth of 5.3% on the cumulative basis, lower than 5.6% growth in comparable period in the previous year.
- Within the used based classification, all segments barring consumer non-durables grew at a higher rate than the growth in FY18 (Apr-Jul). The base effect continued to favour capital goods and consumer durables.
 - o Primary goods, which have highest weight in IIP grew at 6.1%, higher than 2.2% growth in FY18 (Apr-Jul).
 - Capital goods that have lowest weight in IIP grew by 7.4% compared with a contraction by -3.5% in the comparable
 months in the previous year. Low base effect has provided an impetus here. While electric machinery has done well,
 non-electrical continues to trail.
 - o Infrastructure/construction goods grew at 8.1%, higher than 2.4% growth in FY18 (Apr-Jul) and highest in the past 5 years.



- Consumer durables grew at a highest rate in past 5 years at 9.4% as against the contraction of -1.5% in FY18 (Apr-Jul).
- o Intermediate goods grew at 1% than nil growth during the corresponding period in the previous year.
- o The growth in consumer non-durables came in lower at 2.7% than 6.8% in FY18 (Apr-Jul).

Table 1: Cumulative IIP Growth - Sectoral and Used-Based

	Above IIP (5.4%)								
%	Weight	% growth		Weight	% growth				
Electricity	7.99	5.0	Manufacturing	77.63	5.6				
Mining	14.37	5.3							
Used based Classification									
Intermediate Goods	17.22	1.0	Primary Goods	34.05	6.1				
Consumer Non-Durables	15.33	2.7	Capital Goods	8.22	7.4				
			Infrastructure /Construction Goods	12.34	8.1				
			Consumer Durables	12.84	9.4				

Source: MOSPI

Table 2: Mfg growth industry wise-Apr-Jul'18

Industry	Below Mfg growth		Industry	Above Mfg. growth	
	Weight	%		Weight	%
Tobacco products	0.8	-9.8	Food products	5.3	9.0
Textiles	3.3	1.3	Beverages	1.0	9.1
Wearing apparel	1.3	-2.8	Wood and products of wood	0.2	5.8
Leather and related products	0.5	1.2	Coke and refined petroleum products	11.8	7.1
Paper and paper products	0.9	-1.9	Other non-metallic mineral products	4.1	9.9
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	0.7	-4.0	Fabricated metal products	2.7	11.2
Chemicals and chemical products	7.9	4.9	Computer, electronic and optical products	1.6	33.9
Pharmaceuticals	5.0	1.1	Electrical equipment	3.0	7.1
Rubber and plastics products	2.4	-4.1	Motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	4.9	19.9
Basic metals	12.8	2.9	Other transport equipment	1.8	14.5
Machinery and equipment n.e.c.	4.8	2.6	Furniture	0.1	17.9
Other manufacturing	0.9	-28.3			

Source: MOSPI

CARE Ratings' View:

Going ahead, the upcoming festival season may push up the production however, the favorable base effect may fade in the coming months. We expect the industrial production to grow at around 5-6% for the full year 2018-19.

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