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Consumer Confidence Survey

Consumer confidence slightly declines in August 2017.

The Banque centrale du Luxembourg's consumer confidence indicator has declined slightly in August 2017.

All the components of the indicator have evolved unfavorably this month with the exception of the component related to households' capacity to save, which has stabilised.

In August, households' expectations about both the general economic situation in Luxembourg and their financial situation have declined. Their concerns about unemployment have risen for the third consecutive month. In total, the consumer confidence indicator, which is the arithmetic mean of the four components, has declined slightly in August 2017.¹

The results are presented in the table below:

¹ The four components of the consumer confidence indicator are seasonally adjusted.

			Expectations over the next 12 months			
		Consumer confidence indicator	General economic situation in Luxembourg	Unemployment in Luxembourg	Financial situation of household s	Savings of households
2015	August	1	-10	26	0	42
	September	0	-14	26	-2	41
	October	-1	-10	27	0	34
	November	3	-7	21	-1	39
	December	5	-6	13	-1	41
2016	January	5	-3	11	0	35
	February	7	-5	11	1	45
	March	9	-4	8	5	44
	April	8	-4	3	3	34
	May	8	-3	8	2	42
	June	10	-3	7	2	46
	July	7	-3	11	1	41
	August	10	-4	5	5	45
	September	5	-5	10	1	35
	October	6	-3	10	7	31
	November	11	2	3	5	40
	December	14	4	3	5	50
2017	January	10	1	6	4	41
	February	10	1	3	3	38
	March	16	3	-4	8	49
	April	15	6	-1	3	49
	May	17	7	-8	2	49
	June	13	3	0	3	47
	July	13	6	1	3	45
	August	12	4	2	2	45

Note: The consumer confidence indicator results from the average of balances related to consumers' expectations of (1) the general economic situation and (2) unemployment (inverted sign) in Luxembourg, of (3) their financial situation and (4) their future savings. Balances are constructed as the difference between the percentages of respondents giving positive and negative replies. In terms of unemployment, a positive reply means an unfavourable development in the labour market.

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