

New orders in processing industry, down 8.8% in first nine months

New orders in the processing industry, reported both in the domestic and foreign markets, decreased by 8.8% in the first nine months of the year, compared to the same period in 2019, according to data published on Thursday by the National Institute of Statistics (INS).

According to official statistics, between September 1 and 30, 2020, there were decreases in activities in the consumer goods industry (-11%), the capital goods industry (-10.5%) and in the intermediate goods industry (-7.8%).

At the same time, the durable goods industry was the only branch in which there was an increase in new orders by 20.8%, respectively.

INS data also show that in September of this year, compared to the similar period in 2019, new orders in the processing industry increased by 14.2%, due to activities in the durable goods industry (+38.7%), capital goods industry (+22.3%) and intermediate goods industry (+3.5%). On the other hand, the current goods industry decreased by 12.6%.

Compared to September-August 2020, new orders in the processing industry increased by 34.2%, following the results recorded in the capital goods industry (+45.7%), the durable goods industry (+32.0%), the intermediate goods industry (+18.1%) and the current use goods industry (+13.6%).