

Veneto Economic Report 2016

2016: a year of moderate growth for the Veneto region

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World economic growth is slowed down by currencies, stock markets and oil prices: GDP +3.1%, trade volume +2.6%



A PRECARIOUS BALANCE:

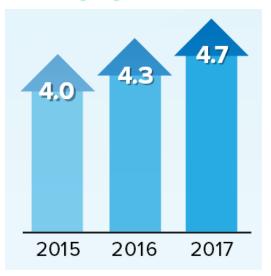
- geopolitical tensions in North Africa and the Middle East;
- Russian embargo (-3.7%);
- financial market turmoil and depreciation of Asian currencies;
- decreasing prices and decrease in international demand;
- lower growth in developing Countries (Brazil -3.8%, China +6.9%);
- deceleration of advanced economies (USA +2.5% e EMU +1.5%).

Advanced economies



Sources: IMF, World Economic Outlook Database, January 2016

Emerging economies



Italian GDP is finally growing after 3 years of contraction: +0.8%

GDP GROWTH Chain-linked volumes

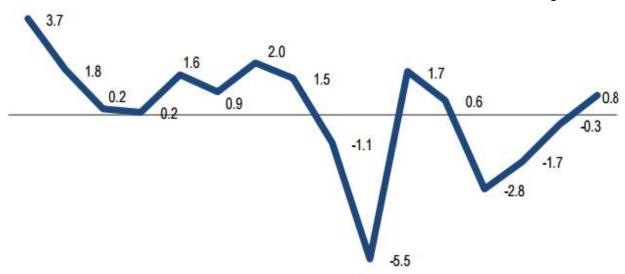
Years 2000-2015

+6.0% imports

+0.5% household consumption

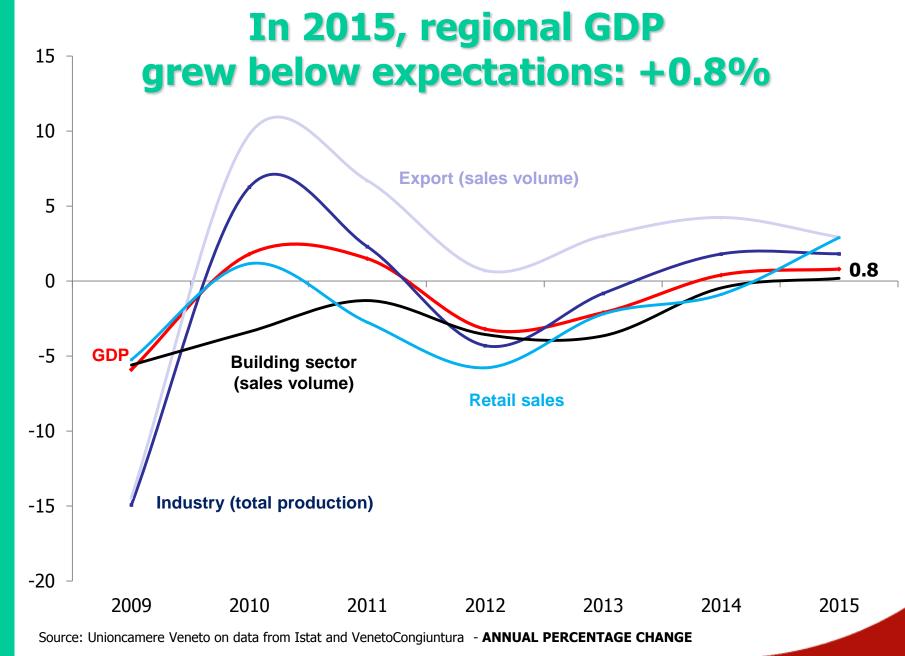
+0.8% gross fixed capital formation

+4.3% exports



2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015

Source: Istat - "GDP and General Government net borrowing", 1st March 2016



Positive trends for household consumption and capital investment, while external demand is slowing down

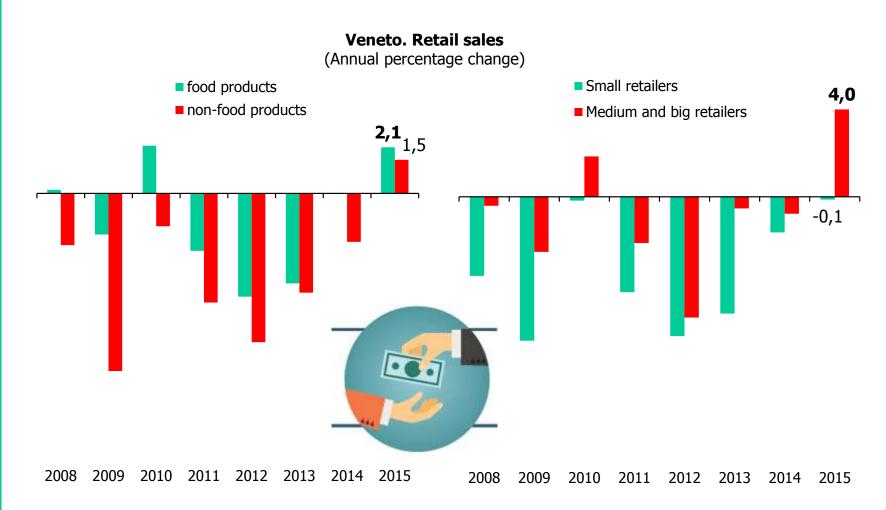


+1.4% acceleration in household expenditure

+0.7% awakening in gross fixed capital investment

+2.4% slowdown in external demand

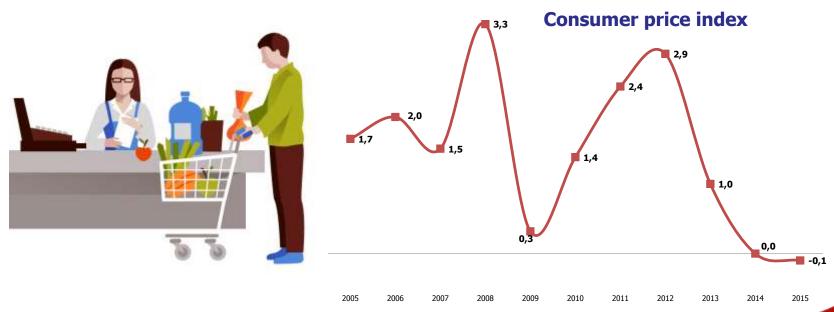
After 4 years of contraction, retail sales finally grew (+2.9%)



Source: Unioncamere Veneto - VenetoCongiuntura

Disposable income and household expenditure grew

- +0.4% household disposable income (20,395 €/year)
- +8.2% household expenditure on durable goods (2,533 €/year)
- **❖** +15.3% **vehicles registered** (121,207 on 2015)



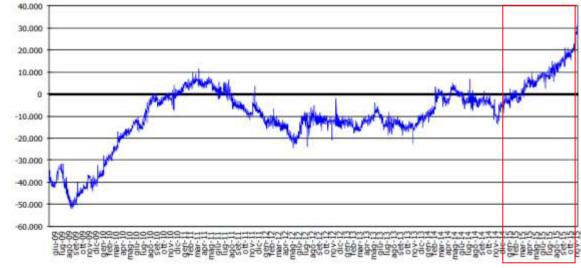
Source: Unioncamere Veneto on data from Osservatorio Findomestic, Unrae and Istat

Recruitment skyrocketed, employment did not



Veneto. No. people in employed work

(variation, 12 months)



Veneto Lavoro, Silv

+36,600 new jobs (the balance recorded -10,900 in 2014)

+12.3% recruitments (+81% permanent, +73% transformations)

+5.2% terminations

Source: elaboration by Veneto Lavoro on data from Silv

Istat, Rfl

-1.7% total number of self-employed workers

-0.3% total number of employed workers

63.6% employment rate (stable)

7.1% unemployment rate (slightly decreasing)

Less births, more deaths, an ageing population: -12,000 people in 2015



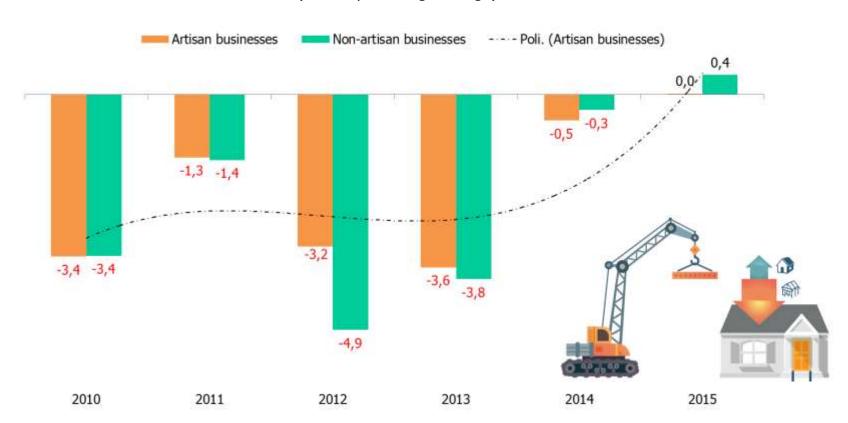
- ❖ Resident population is decreasing: 4.9 million (-0.24%), 4.4 million Italians and 502,000 foreigners
- **Peak in mortality rates**: 49,663 deaths (+8.1%)
- ❖ Negative record of births: a negative rate of natural increase (-2.1‰) is flanked by a decreasing birth rate (8‰)
- ❖ Population is growing older: over 65s account for 22% of the total pop. and the average age is 44.8
- ❖ Emigration continues to grow (net migration rate 1.2‰), immigration decreases and internal mobility slows down (net internal migration rate 0.2‰)

Source: Unioncamere Veneto on data from Istat – Demographic indicators – 2015 outlook

Positive figures for the building sector

Veneto. Turnover of the building sector

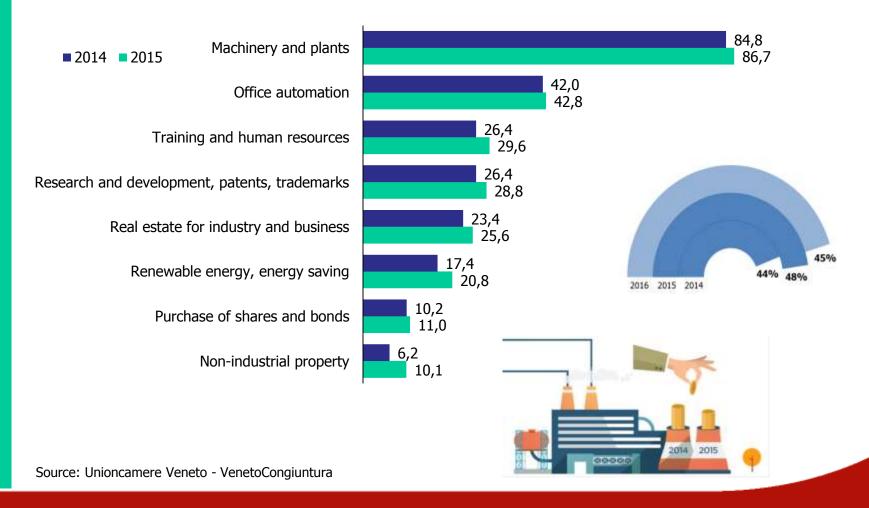
(Annual percentage change)



Source: Unioncamere Veneto - VenetoCongiuntura

47.7% of manufacturing businesses set-aside resources for tangible and intangible investments

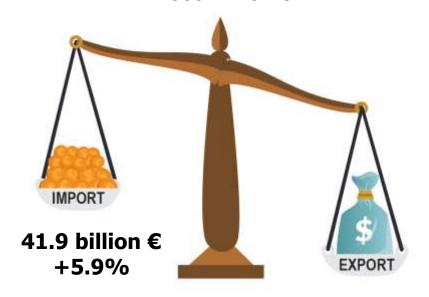
Investments made by manufacturing businesses with more than 10 employees, by type (% on the total amount of businesses that invested in 2015, multiple choice)



External demand is (apparently) recovering: exports grew by +5.3% in 2015

Positive balance of trade: 15.6 billion €

+588 million €



57.5 billion € +5.3%

Annual percentage variation 2015/2014

| ♣ Clothing industry | -1.8% |
|----------------------------|-------|
| ♣ Knitwear | -4.7% |

| ◆Food products | +13.7% |
|-----------------------|--------|
| ↑ Eyewear | +12.7% |
| ↑ Chemicals | +11.7% |
| ↑ Beverages | +10.0% |
| ↑ Machinery | +6.0% |
| ↑ Furniture | +5.6% |
| | |

♠ positive changes for all the other sectors

Source: Unioncamere Veneto on data from Istat

Regional manufacturing exports are supported by global demand

-11.9% -30.2% +12.4% +4.6% +30.6%







Veneto - Export of manufacturing products.

Annual percentage variation 2015/2014:

+5.2%

North America +15.2%

EU 28 +5.4% European Countries -8.5%

Middle East +9.8%

Central Asia +8.4%

Non EU

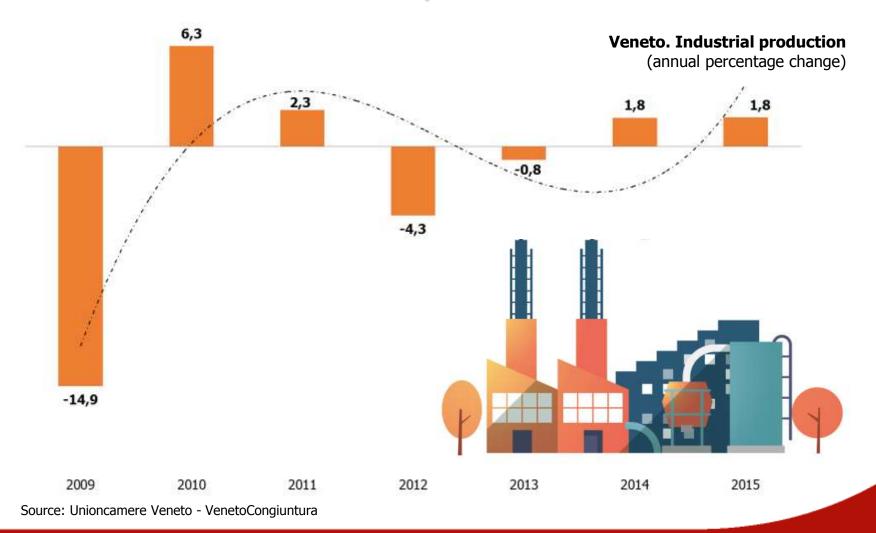
Africa +**9.5**% *East Asia* +8.2%

Central and South America +5.8%

Oceania + 2.2%

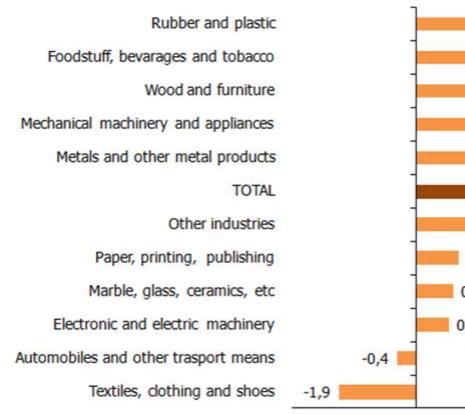
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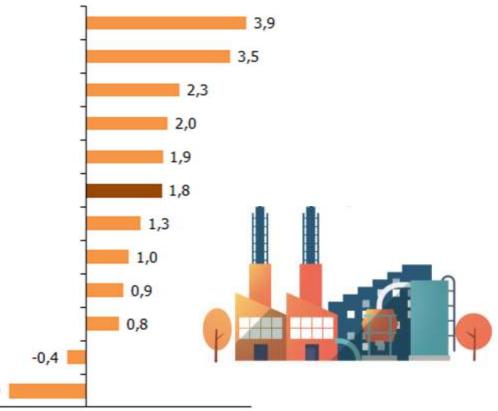
The industrial sector is keeping pace: production +1.8%, turnover +2.3%, internal demand +1.9%, external demand +3.1%



Industrial production grew in almost all sectors

Veneto. Industrial production per sector, average 2015 (annual % change)





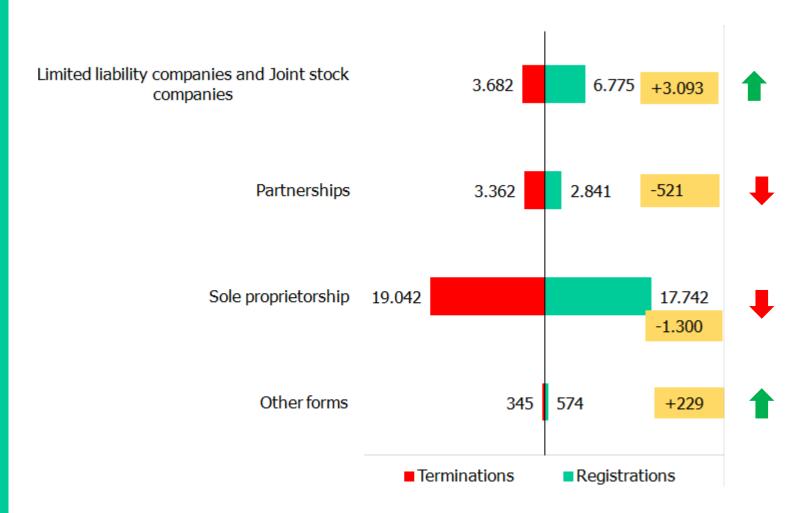
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The balance between registrations (+0.3%) and closures (-3.7%) is positive again (+1,500)



Source: elab. Unioncamere Veneto on Infocamere data

The entrepreneurial ecosystem is growing: +3,000 new capital companies



Source: Unioncamere Veneto on data from Infocamere-Movimprese



More than 20,000 businesses lost between 2010 and 2015



(1,474, **+1.2%**)



2015

The total number of dissolution and liquidation proceedings decreased (7,721, -5.8%)

2013

2014

Source: Unioncamere Veneto on data from Infocamere-Movimprese

2012

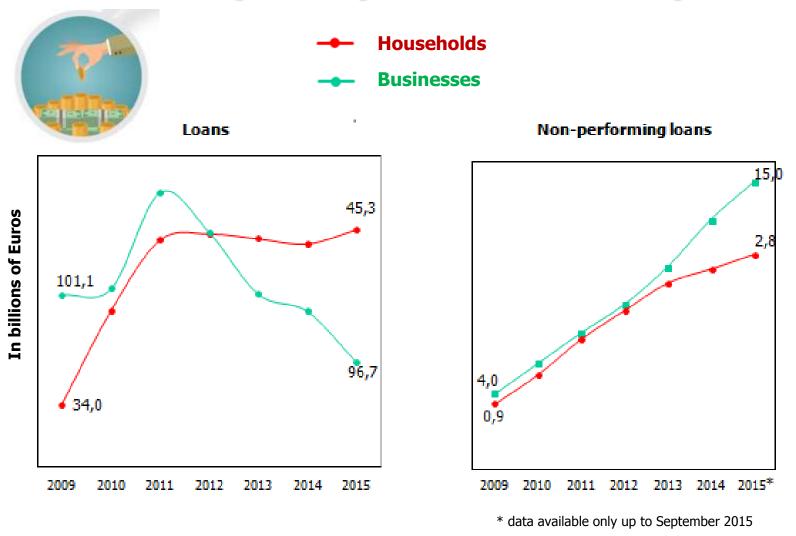
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2015

2011

2010

Non-performing loans are rising, both for businesses (+15%) and households (+7.3%)



Source: elaborated by Unioncamere Veneto on data from Banca d'Italia

Adverse summer climate affected regional crops

sectors

(-0.7%)

5.7 billion Euros gross agricultural output (-1%)

68,498 agribusinesses (-1.4%), **3,376** food companies (+1.8%)

(-464 mln): exports grew 62,551 than imports (+1.4%)total employees in



Trade deficit decreased by half (+12.4%) more

Source: Veneto Agricoltura, Istat, Infocamere-Movimprese

The regional tourist industry ranks 1st in Italy and 6th in Europe



Record of **17.2 million** annual arrivals, +6.1% especially in the mountains and lakesides

63.2 million overnight stays (+2.2%) especially in art cities and lakesides





2/3 of the tourists were foreigners (mainly from Germany, Austria and the Netherlands)

Total spending by tourists was

11.3 billion Euros: 6.3
billion spent by Italians and 5
by foreigners (CISET
estimate)



Source: Veneto Region Data Processing- Regional Statistical System on ISTAT data Source

Passenger and cargo traffic are increasing



Venice-Treviso Airport:

3° Italian hub after Rome and Milan, 11.1 mln passengers (+3.8%), 100,000 movements (+5%); 51,000 tons of freight exchange (+14.7%)

Verona airport:

2.6 million passengers (-6.6%), mainly due to political instability in North-Africa and the depreciation of the Ruble. Nevertheless, 30,000 tons of cargo are managed by Catullo Spa in Brescia airport





Port of Venice:

25 million tons of goods (+15.3%), **3,402 ships** (+1.2%),

1.7 million passengers (-9.8%)

Source: Save spa, Catullo spa, Port of Venice

Despite a positive start 2016 is not expected to be an easy year. Stability is undermined by:

- Turmoil in financial markets
- Weak external demand
- Low interest rates and (imported) deflation
- Recovery supported by household consumption
- Low business confidence

The Veneto region is experiencing a steady although moderate growth

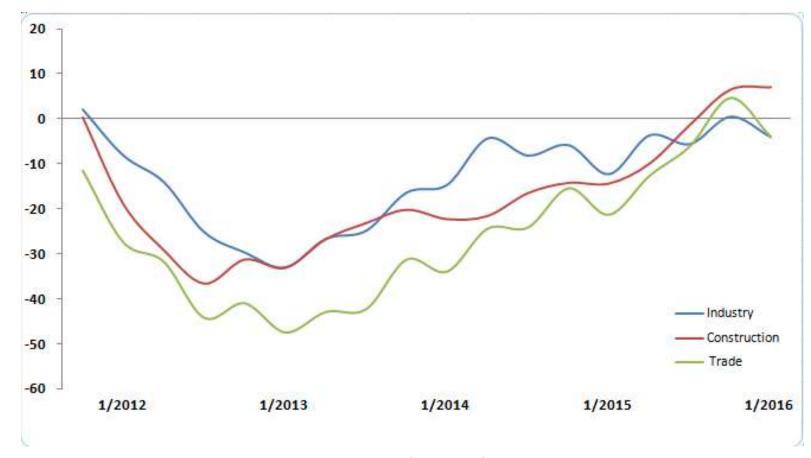


| | | 2015 | 2016 |
|----------------|-----------------------|------|------|
| € | GDP | +0,8 | +1,3 |
| W | HOUSEHOLD CONSUMPTION | +1,4 | +1,7 |
| € ← | EXPORT | +2,4 | +3,0 |
| 100 100 | IMPORT | +7,2 | +4,7 |
| İ | INVESTIMENT | +0,7 | +2,6 |
| 0 | EMPLOYMENT | +0,8 | +0,7 |
| | UNEMPLOYMENT | 7,1 | 6,7 |

Source: elaborated by Unioncamere Veneto on data from various sources

Business *mood* is changing, except for constructions

Veneto. Business confidence in the first quarter of 2016 (% opinions)



Source: Unioncamere Veneto - Survey VenetoCongiuntura (4,000 cases)



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