

# Preliminary Report on Indices of Industrial Production for April, 2015

~ Infographic Sheets about indices of industrial production  
April, 2015 (preliminary) ~

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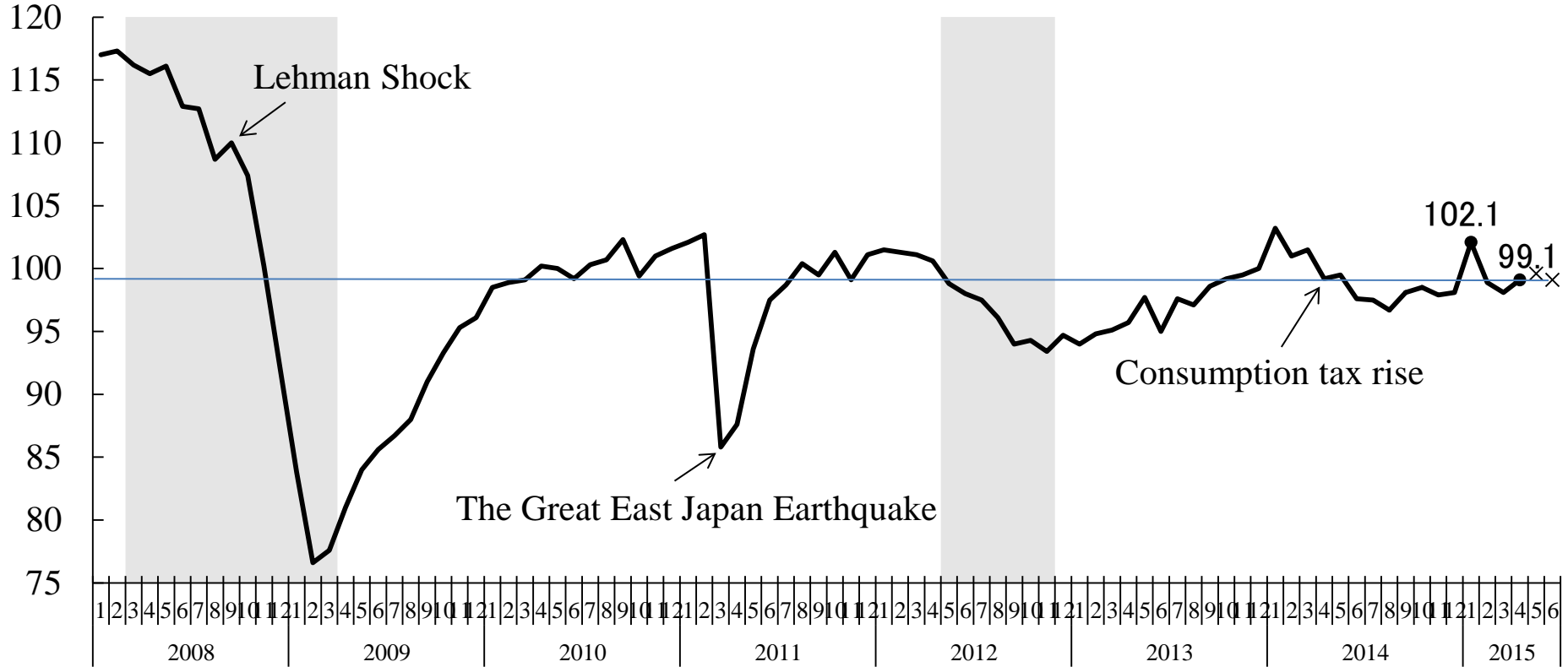
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# Trends of Indices of Industrial Production(IIP)

- The index of industrial production for April 2015 is 99.1 (up by 1.0% from the previous month) , increased for the first time in three months.
- This is the highest level since January 2015, 102.1.

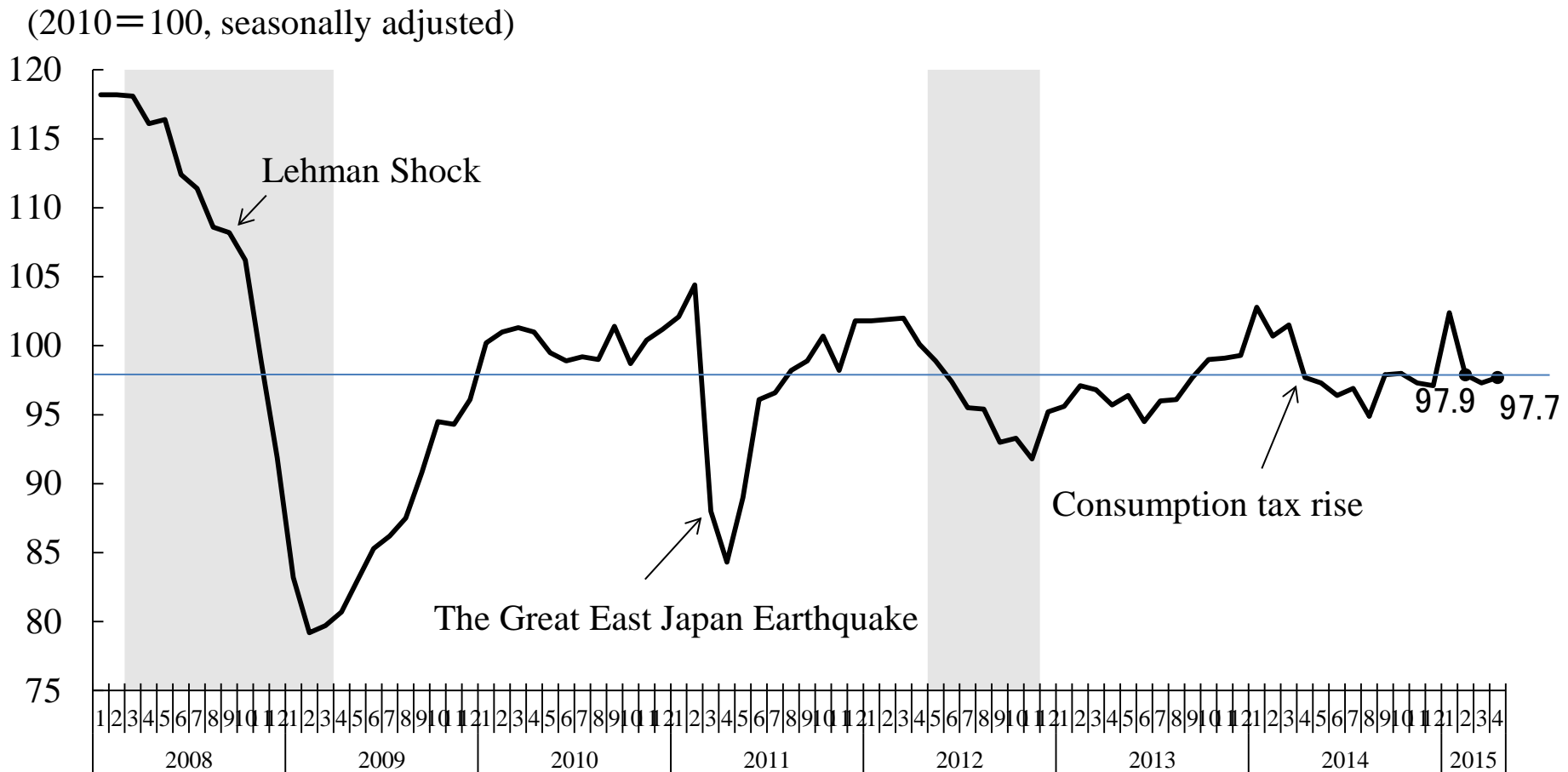
(2010=100, seasonally adjusted)



- Note: 1. Indices of Industrial Production (IIP) cover mining and manufacturing industry and are published every month. The index is expressed as a percentage of production, shipments, and inventory of mining and manufacturing industry in a base year, currently 2010. IIP indicate the trend of whole mining and manufacturing industry, such as enterprise production activities, supply and demand trends of produced products, etc.
2. “ × ” represent predicted data made from Survey of Production Forecast for May 2015 and June 2015.
3. The shadowed portions represent recession periods. The term from May to November in 2012 is provisional.

# Trends of Indices of Industrial Shipments

- The index of industrial shipments for April 2015 is 97.7 (up by 0.4% from the previous month), increased for the first time in three months.
- This is the highest level since February 2015, 97.9.

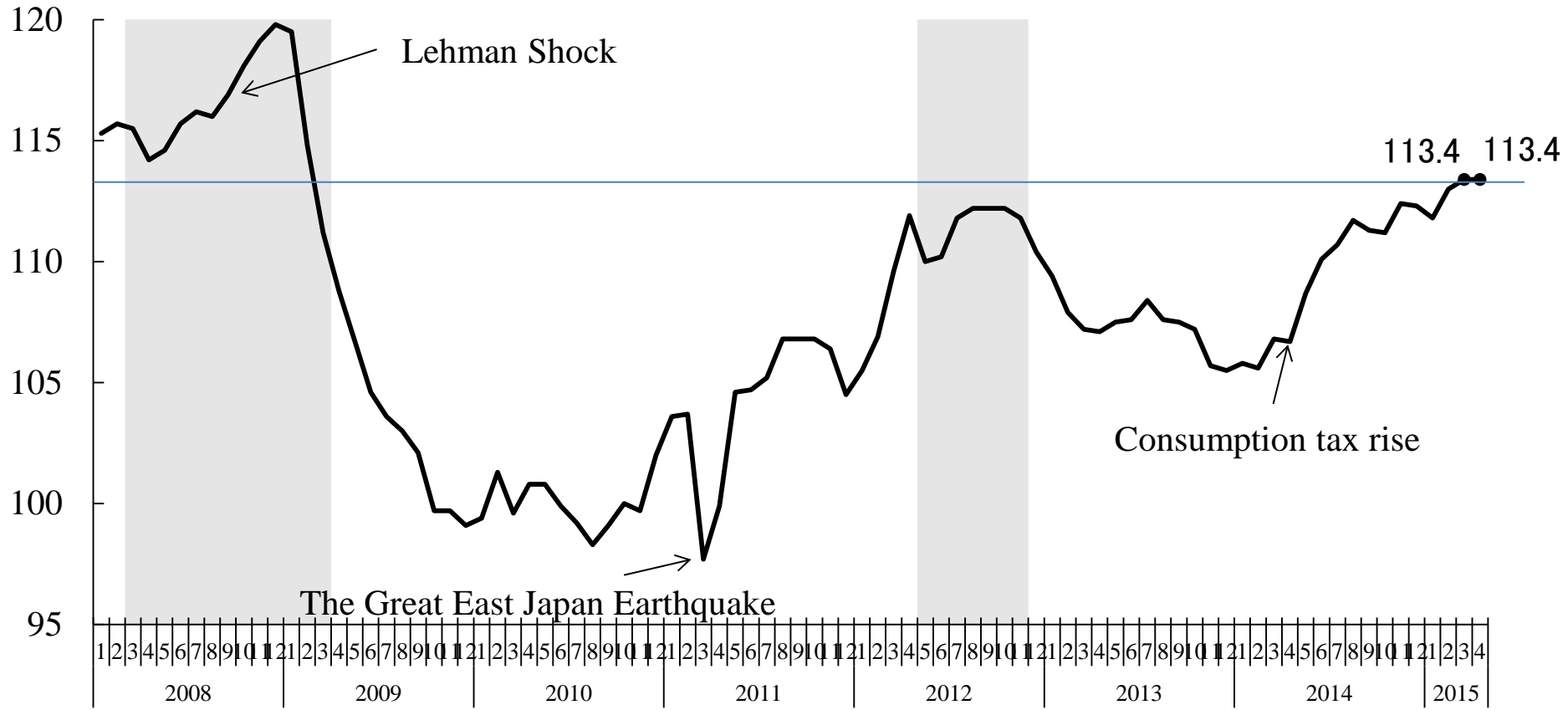


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# Trends of Indices of Industrial Inventories

- The index of industrial inventories for April 2015 is 113.4, unchanged at 0.0% from the previous month.

(2010=100, seasonally adjusted)

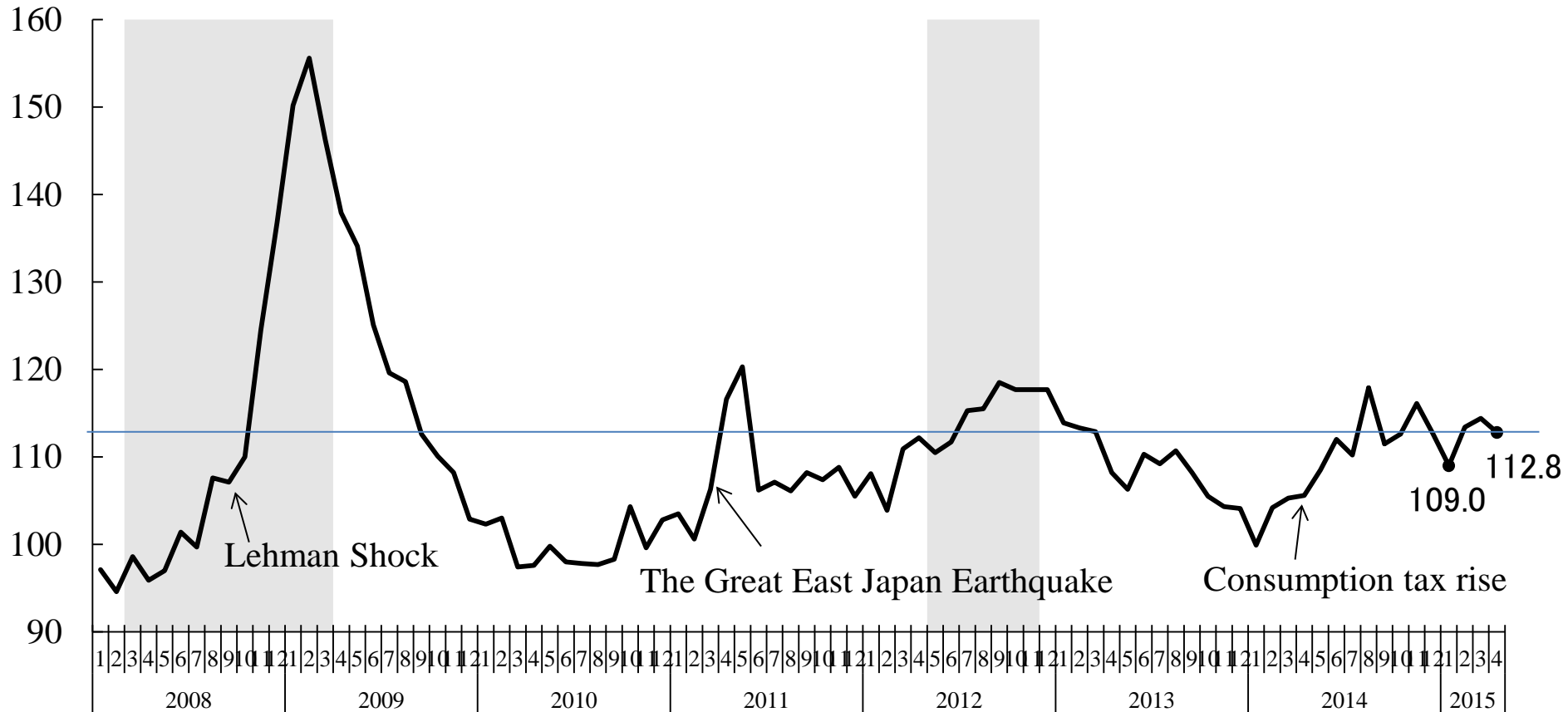


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# Trends of Industrial Inventory Ratio

- The index of industrial inventory ratio for April 2015 is 112.8(down by ▲1.4% from the previous month) , decreased for the first time in three months.
- This is the lowest level since January 2015, 109.0.

(2010=100, seasonally adjusted)

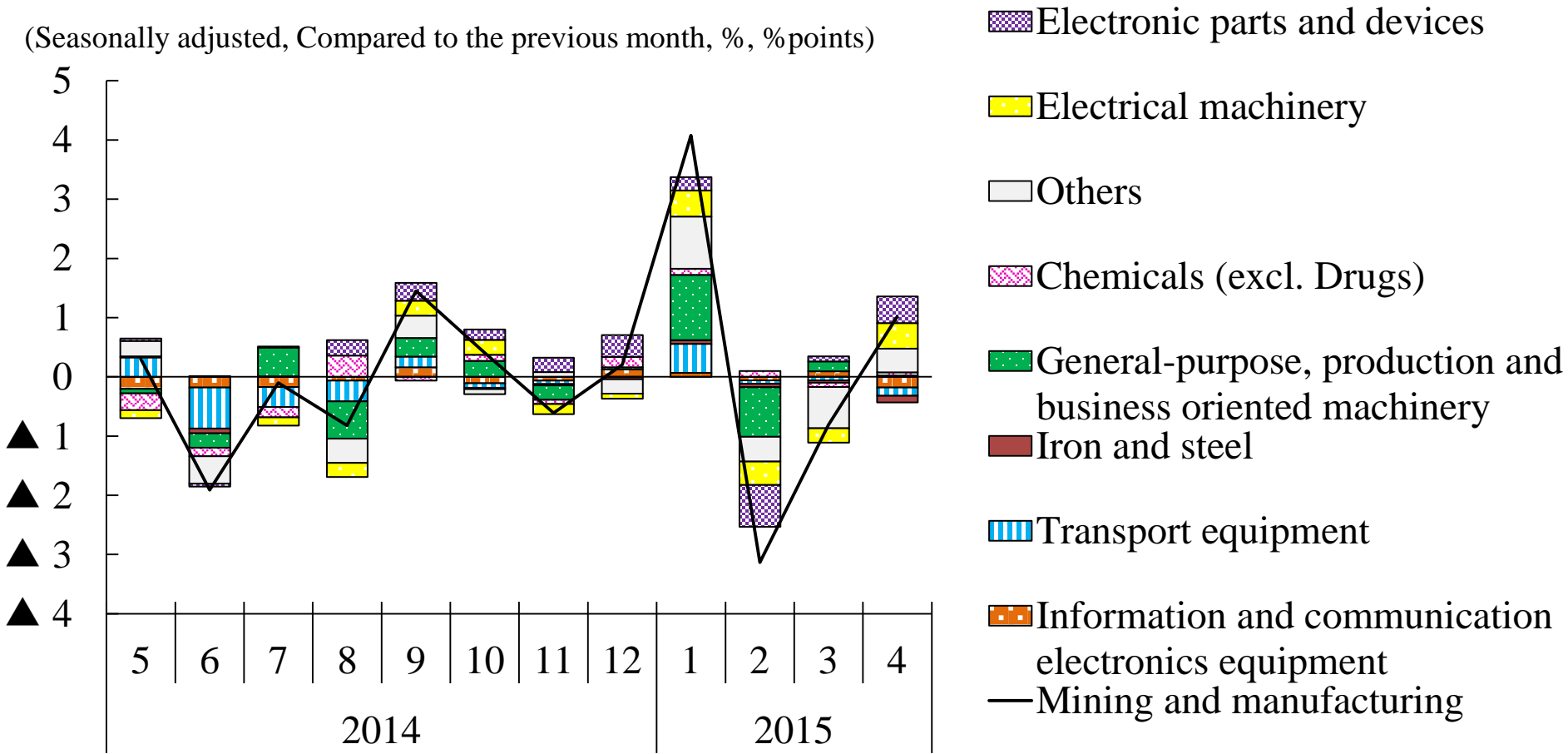


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# Contribution ratio by type of business of IIP

- The index of industrial production for April 2015 (seasonally adjusted) increased by 1.0% from the previous month.
- By type of business , production in Electronic parts and devices increased.

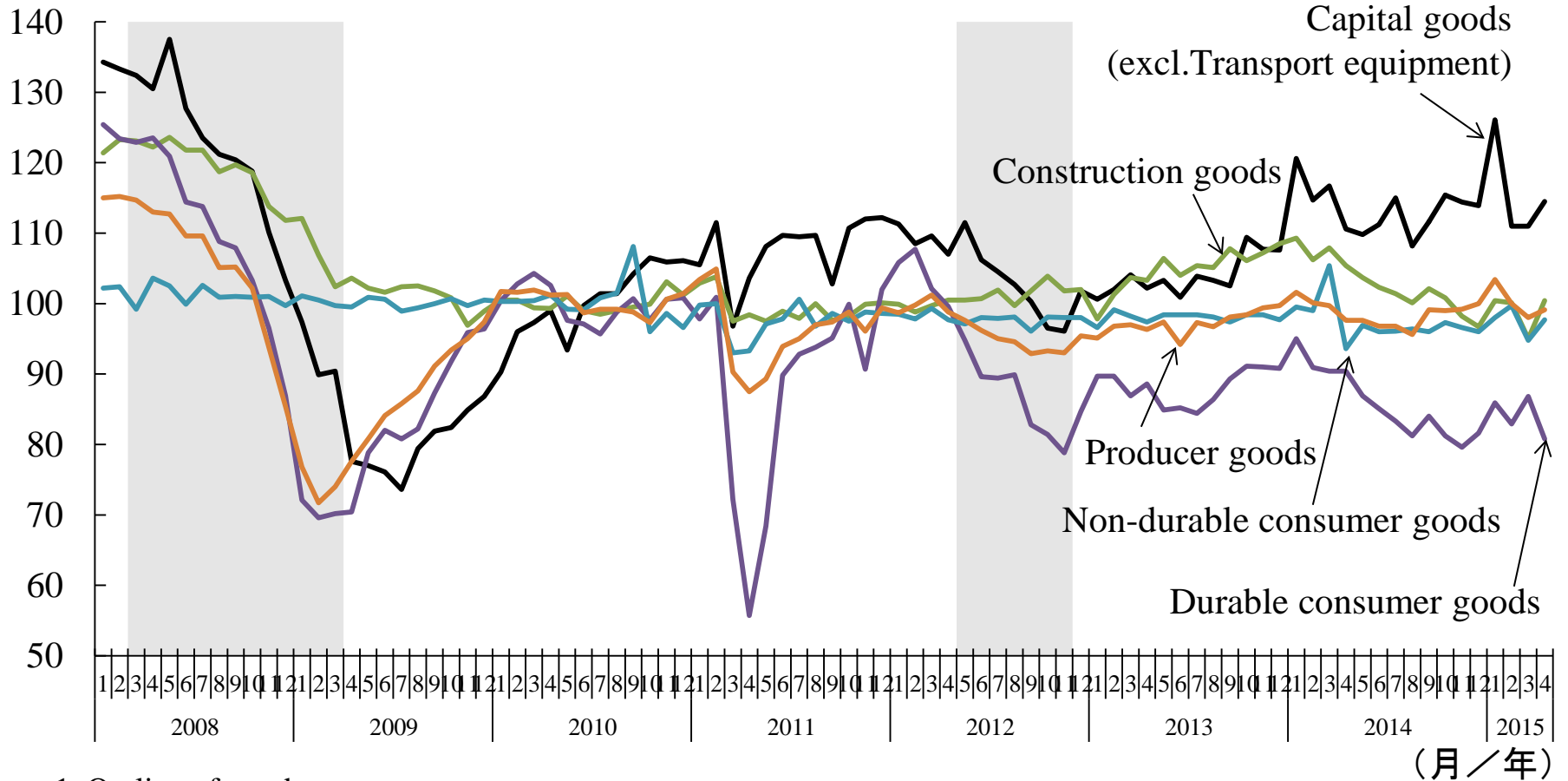
(Seasonally adjusted, Compared to the previous month, %, %points)



Note: Others includes Non-ferrous metals, Fabricated metals, Ceramics, stone and clay products, Petroleum and coal products, Plastic products, Pulp, paper and paper products, Textiles, Foods, Other manufacturing, and Mining.

# Trends of Indices of Industrial Shipments (by type of goods)

(2010=100, seasonally adjusted)

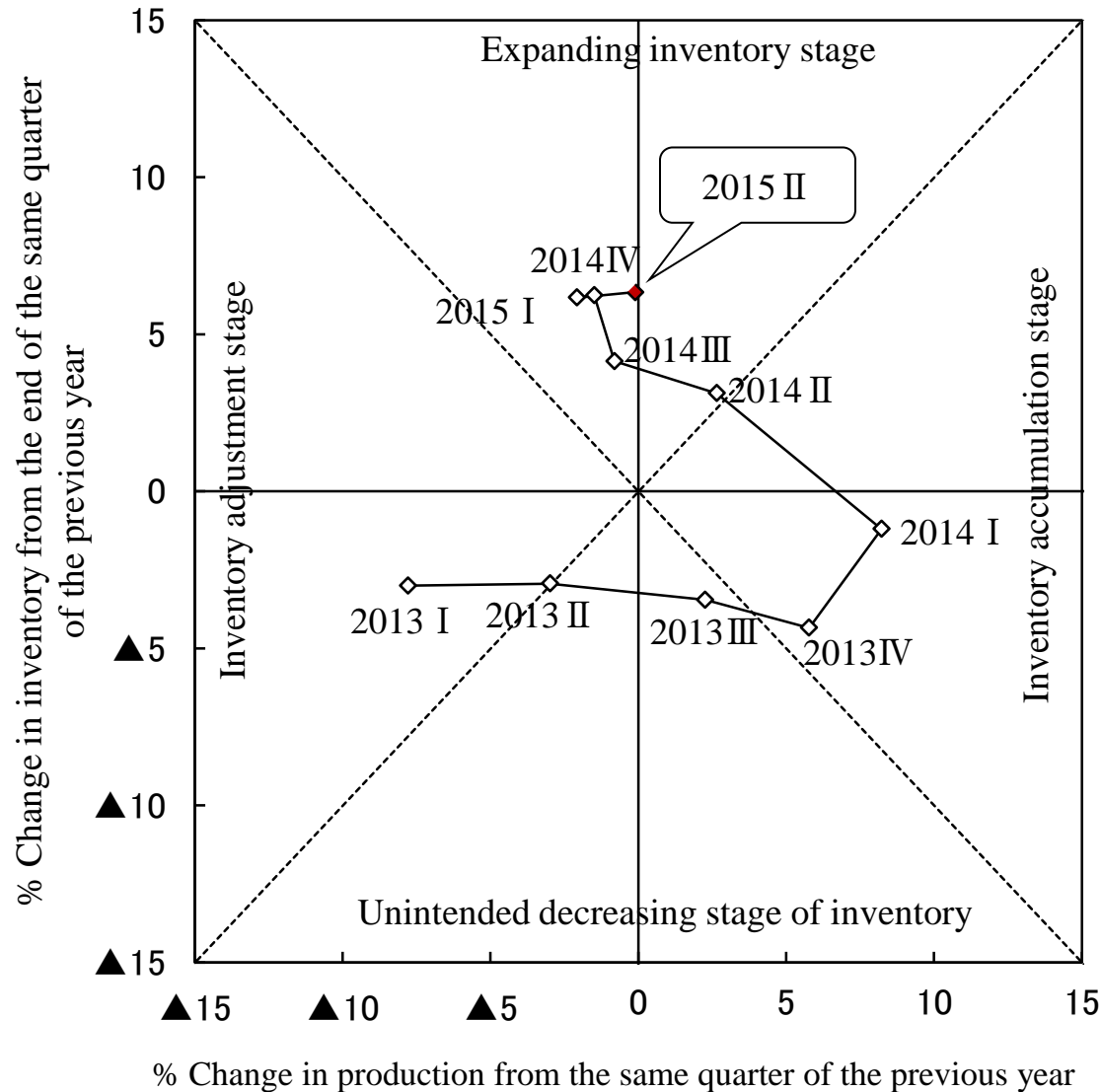


Note: 1. Outline of goods

- Capital Goods: products for capital formation including cranes and metal cutting machinery
- Construction Goods: products for construction activities including structural steel frames and cement
- Durable consumer goods: products for consumption by households including television and electric refrigerators
- Non-durable consumer goods: products for consumption by households including foods and clothes
- Producer Goods: products which are input as raw materials

2. The shadowed portions represent recession periods. The term from May to November 2012 is provisional.

# Changes in the Inventory Cycle



Note: The data of production for the second quarter of 2015 is April 2015.  
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