

**Regulatory
Developments**

Insurance business structure optimized in 2016 Q1

Statistics of China Insurance Regulatory Commission (CIRC) show that the insurance industry developed rapidly in the first quarter this year. Generally speaking, while the insurance market registered fast growth, it also effectively prevented operational risks, continuously optimized the business structure and enhanced its capability to serve the society. It displayed the following characteristics - steady and fast growth of insurance business; continuously optimized business structure; high-speed growth in life insurance business; increasing market share of foreign-funded insurance companies; sufficient cash flow in the insurance industry and more insurance employees.

In 2016 Q1, insurance industry registered 1,197.912 billion RMB premium income from original insurance, up by 42.18% YOY, of which property insurance companies and personal insurance companies registered a business growth of 11.17% and 52.50% respectively YOY. Compensation expenses reached 289.133 billion RMB, rose by 25.10% YOY, total assets of the insurance industry reached 13,853.534 billion RMB, grew by 12.09% from the beginning of the year, and the industry is expected to make 38.936 billion profits RMB, down by 55.29% YOY. The yield of capital use was 1.20% in the insurance industry, decreased by 1.03 percentage points YOY.

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Statistics

Large industrial enterprises make more profits in Q1

According to the latest data released by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), industrial enterprises that operate nationwide in China registered a total profits of 1,342.15 billion RMB from January to March, up by 7.4% YOY, 2.6 percentage points faster than the growth rate in January-February. In March, industrial enterprises that operate nationwide made a total profits of 561.24 billion RMB, which was the highest growth rate since July 2014, rose by 11.1% YOY.

[NBS News](#) (Currently Only Available in Chinese)

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