

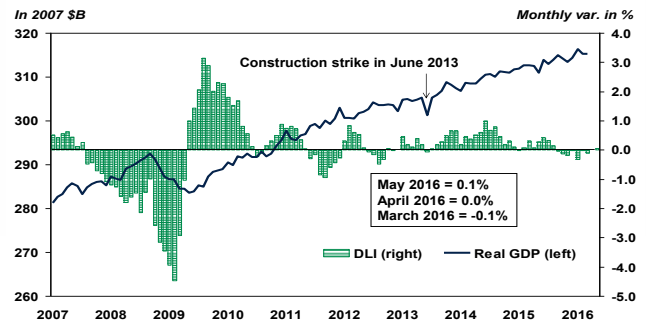
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Modest advances in the DLI in May

The Desjardins Leading Index (DLI) posted a slight increase of 0.1% in May after recording several straight months of stability and mild decreases. Quebec's economy should therefore keep expanding in the next three to six months, but growth will be limited.

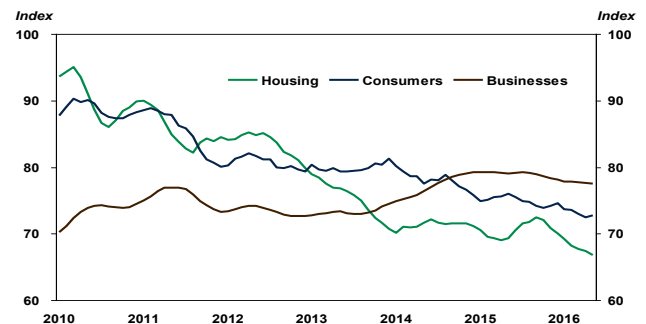
- **Consumers component:** recorded a 0.4% increase in May following four months of consecutive decreases. This is a positive sign, but in order for the contribution of the consumers component to strengthen, other advances will be needed.
- **Housing component:** continued to trend down, slipping 1.0% in May. In this context, the housing component's contribution to Quebec's economic growth will remain weak.
- **Business component:** drifted into negative territory again in May, recording a 0.2% slide, therefore suggesting that the business component's contribution to the economy will remain flat.

Evolution of the Desjardins Leading Index (DLI)



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Evolution of the three DLI components



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