MACEDONIAN WOOD INDUSTRY IN PANDEMIC CONDITIONS

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ABSTRACT

Dealing with the pandemic caused by spread of Covid-19 virus is a challenge, but also a risk for many companies around the world, our country inclusive. The purpose of this research is to give an overview of the current situation regarding operation of the companies from wood industry sector. The situation with wood industry is presented through some indicators such as: number of active business entities, number of employees, industrial production and turnover, as well as foreign trade. The analysis shows that the situation with production in the two major activities in wood industry sector - manufacture of wood and wood products, and furniture production - according to almost all indicators, has a negative trend, as a result of the new economic crisis caused by the pandemic. However, the analysis of the situation in conditions of pandemic, apart from the disadvantages, can open space for new opportunities and resolve issues imposed in the wood industry sector.

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