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Describe the line graph in 6 sentences.

Match the statements of the similar meaning.

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| 1) went up and down a lot:           | a. the figure shot up / rose sharply      |
| 2) did not change                    | b. there was a steady downward trend      |
| 3) went up a little:                 | c. reached a peak                         |
| 4) went up very quickly              | d. fluctuated a great deal                |
| 5) arrived at its highest point:     | e. there was a small increase             |
| 6) went up noticeably over a period: | f. had fallen to / there was a drop       |
| 7) went down                         | g. there was a marked upward trend        |
| 8) went down gradually over a period | h. remained stable / stayed at this level |

Complete the sentences with the correct prepositions from the box.

around	at	between	by	from	in	of	to	until
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The graph shows our online sales figures from the EU market 1) ..... 2008. In the first quarter, online sales averaged 2) ..... 50,000 and 52,000 euros. In April, sales increased 3) ..... 61,000 euros and remained steady 4) ..... the end of the second quarter. In the third quarter we notice a sharp rise 5) ..... 61,000 to 87,000 euros, an increase 6) ..... 50 per cent. In October and November, sales fluctuated 7) ..... the 85,000 euro mark. This was followed by a slight decline in December, with online sales falling 8) ..... 10 per cent, reaching 73,000 euros 9) ..... the end of the year.