



Press Release

**Construction Cost Index in the remaining West Bank increased by 3.06% in
April 2008**

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) for the *remaining West Bank reached 112.65 in April 2008 compared with 109.30 during the previous month (December 2007=100).

Analysis of Construction Cost developments for April indicates **increases in** the following major construction cost groups:

- Quarry products	+ 1.49 %
- Cement and its products	+ 1.43 %
- Iron and metal products	+11.24 %
- Aluminum and metal doors and windows	+ 3.17 %
- Wood products	+ 4.43 %
- Hiring of equipments	+ 2.15 %
- Labor cost and wages	+ 0.88 %

At the same time, there were no **declines registered** of any other groups during this month

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* **R.West Bank:** Means West bank except those parts of Jerusalem, which were annexed by Israel in1967