Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS):

An increase with 0.42% in the Industrial Production Index for the West Bank During September 2009 compared to August 2009

The overall Industrial Production Index (IPI) reached 112.40 in September 2009, compared to 111.93 in August 2009.

The results indicated that there was a 0.42% increase in the industrial production index in September 2009 compared to August 2009 (January 2009: base month).

Analysis of Industrial Production Index developments for this month indicated **increases** in the following major groups:

- Manufacture of furniture:	32.35%
- Manufacture of textiles:	19.43%
- Publishing, printing and reproduction:	14.37%
- Manufacture of wearing apparel:	13.10%
- Manufacture of wood and its products:	6.46%
- Mining and quarrying:	3.73%
- Manufacture of other equipments	3.24%

Analysis of Industrial Production Index developments for this month indicated **decreases** in the following major groups:

- Manufacture of basic metals:	-16.65%
- Manufacture of food and beverages:	-13.78%
- Manufacture of coke, refined petroleum products:	-13.46%
- Recycling:	-10.85%