



**Press Release**

**Industrial Production Index Indicate a stability in the West Bank in February 2010  
compared with the previous month**

The overall Industrial Production Index (IPI) reached 112.40 in February 2010, compared to 111.71 in January 2010.

The results indicated that there was an increase by 0.62% in the industrial production index in February 2010 compared to January 2010.

Analysis of Industrial Production Index developments for February 2010 indicated **an increase** in the following major groups compared to January 2010:

- Mining and quarrying:	11.28%
- Manufacture of tobacco products:	7.14%
- Tanning of leather, manufacture of bags:	6.39%
- Manufacture of electrical machinery:	6.35%
- Recycling:	4.85%
- Manufacture of metal products:	2.76%
- Manufacture of paper and its products:	2.50%

Analysis of Industrial Production Index developments for February 2010 indicated **a decrease** in the following major groups compared to January 2010:

- Manufacture of rubber and plastic:	-9.21%
- Manufacture of wood and its products:	-5.41%
- Manufacture of wearing apparel:	-4.60%
- Manufacture of medical equipments:	-2.44%

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**Industrial Production Index Indicator**

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(2009 : ) 2010

**Monthly Industrial Production Index and its Percent Changes by Industrial  
Activities in the West Bank during February 2010  
(Base Month January 2009)**

Major Economic Activities	West Bank			
	% Change	2010 Feb.2010	2010 Jan.2010	
Mining and quarrying	11.28	59.75	53.70	
Manufacturing	0.27	114.12	113.82	
Manufacture of food and beverages	-2.03	106.76	108.97	
Manufacture of tobacco products	7.14	76.53	71.43	
Manufacture of textiles	1.24	128.31	126.74	
Manufacture of wearing apparel	-4.60	110.30	115.61	
Tanning of leather, manufacture of bags	6.39	129.91	122.11	
Manufacture of wood and its products	-5.41	97.14	102.69	
Manufacture of paper and its products	2.50	211.83	206.66	( )
Publishing, printing and reproduction	1.00	94.23	93.30	
Manufacture of coke, refined petroleum products	1.22	97.96	96.77	
Manufacture of chemicals & its products	0.86	91.95	91.17	
Manufacture of rubber and plastic	-9.21	31.28	34.45	
Cutting & formation of stones	0.58	155.27	154.37	
Manufacture of basic metals	-0.76	110.98	111.84	
Manufacture of metal products	2.76	90.83	88.39	
Manufacture of other equipments	-2.02	123.61	126.15	
Manufacture of electrical machinery	6.35	106.35	100.00	
Manufacture of medical equipments	-2.44	220.20	225.71	
Manufacture of furniture	3.79	90.41	87.11	
Recycling	4.85	75.89	72.38	
Electricity	2.34	99.19	96.93	
Water Supply	2.24	131.82	128.93	
All items of industrial production index	<b>0.62</b>	<b>112.40</b>	<b>111.71</b>	