



Press Release

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics

of Statistics **0.84% decrease in the Industrial Production Index for Remaining West Bank and Gaza Strip During the Second Quarter 2007**

The overall Industrial Production Index (IPI) reached 99.00 in the second quarter 2007, 0.84% decreases related to the first quarter 2007 in the **Remaining West Bank and Gaza Strip**¹.

The results indicate that there was a decrease in the industrial production index for the second quarter with its 2006 base year compared with the first quarter 2007 as follow:

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

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| - Manufacture of coke, refined petroleum products: | - 32.01 % |
| - Manufacture of textiles: | - 21.05 % |
| - Manufacture of rubber and plastic: | - 14.22 % |
| - Manufacturing Group: | - 0.09% |

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

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| - Water Supply: | + 23.73% |
| - Manufacture of other transport equipment: | + 13.33 % |
| - Electricity: | + 8.80% |
| - Mining and quarrying: | + 4.68 % |

Note: The weights for the year 2005 were used in computing the IPI till having the weights of 2006.

¹ Remaining West Bank: means Remaining West Bank, which includes all of the West Bank except for those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed after 1967 occupied by Israel.