



Press Release

**2.09% increase for Wholesale Price Index and 1.49% for Producer Price Index  
during the third quarter 2007**

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) released the third quarter statistical release on the price indices in the Palestinian Territory for the year 2007.

The results indicate that there was an increase in the price index for the Palestinian Territory with its 1996 base year (1996=100) as follow:

The overall wholesale Price Index (WHI) reached 154.28 in q3 2007, a 2.09% increase relative to q2 2007. The overall producer Price Index (PPI) reached 144.89 in q3 2007, a 1.49% increase relative to q2 2007.

Analysis of wholesale price developments for this quarter indicates **increases in** the following major groups:

- Manufacturing group:	+ 2.42 %
- Mining and quarrying:	+ 2.37 %
- Agriculture goods:	+ 1.08 %
- Fishing:	+ 0.99 %

Analysis of producer price developments for this quarter indicates **increases in** the following major groups:

- Mining and quarrying:	+ 2.36 %
- Manufacturing group:	+ 1.97 %
- Agriculture goods:	+ 0.95 %
- Fishing:	+ 0.92 %

Comparing prices of third quarter 2007 with the same quarter 2006, the results show that there was an increase by 3.47% for wholesale price index, and by 2.54% for producer price index.