



Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS):

Construction Cost Index (CCI) Increased by 0.07%, and Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) Increased by 0.42%, while Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) Decreased by 0.15%, and Road Cost Index (RCI) Decreased by 0.08% in the West Bank* in July 2010 Compared with the Previous Month

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 109.31 in July 2010 with an increase of 0.07% compared with the previous month, (December 2007=100), and the overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) reached 102.51 in July 2010 with an increase of 0.42% compared with the previous month, (January 2010=100), while the overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 103.04 in July 2010 with a decrease of 0.15% compared with the previous month, (January 2010=100), and the overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 107.50 in July 2010 with a decrease of 0.08% compared with the previous month, (December 2008=100).

Analysis of Construction Cost developments for July indicates changes in the following major construction inputs compared with the previous month:

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| - Cement products | + 0.34% |
| - Cutting and shaping stones | + 0.27% |
| - Cement, lime & gypsum | + 0.22% |
| - Ceramic products | + 0.19% |
| - Tiles and panels from ceramic | + 0.17% |
| - Iron and steel | - 0.94% |
| - Quarries and quarrying products | - 0.15% |

Analysis of Sewage Networks Cost Index developments for July indicates changes in the cost of the following major Sewage Networks inputs compared with the previous month:

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| - Fountains | + 0.90% |
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| - Plastic and cement pipes | + 0.51% |
| - Excavations | + 0.43% |
| - Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products | - 0.81% |
| - Deface materials | - 0.16% |

Analysis of Water Networks Cost Index developments for July indicates changes in the cost of the following major Water Networks inputs compared with the previous month:

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| - Water Reservoirs | - 0.24% |
| - Iron | - 1.14% |
| - Construction work and paint | + 0.59% |
| - Excavation | + 0.43% |
| - Concrete | + 0.32% |
| - Water Networks | - 0.11% |
| - Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products | - 0.81% |
| - Plastic and steel pipes | - 0.27% |
| - Deface materials | - 0.16% |
| - Excavations | + 0.43% |

Analysis of Road Cost developments for July indicates changes in the cost of the following major road inputs compared with the previous month:

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| - Iron and steel | - 1.11% |
| - Asphalt and bitumen mixture and its products | - 0.82% |
| - Cement products | + 0.30% |
| - Cement | + 0.21% |
| - Quarries and quarrying products | + 0.21% |
| - Plastic products | + 0.19% |

* West Bank: Excluding those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.

NB:

1. Data of Gaza Strip is not available, due to the closure of PCBS' offices in Gaza Strip since 15/04/2008.
2. The difference in the percent change in major groups of Road, Construction, water networks, and sewage networks Cost Index is due to the nature compositions of these major groups.