



Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Construction Cost Index (CCI), Road Cost Index (RCI), Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) and Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) in the West Bank during March 2011

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 111.48 with a decrease of 0.03% (base month December 2007=100), the overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 109.65 with an increase of 0.31% (base month December 2008=100), the overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 105.71 with an increase of 0.16% (base month January 2010=100), and the overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) reached 103.20 with an increase of 0.19% (base month January 2010=100), in the West Bank during March 2011 compared with February 2011.

The decrease in the Construction Cost Index for March is traced to changes in the costs of the following major construction inputs compared with the previous month:

- Iron and steel	- 1.16%
- Tiles and panels from ceramic	- 0.13%
- Cement, lime & gypsum	+ 0.44%
- Cutting and shaping stones	+ 0.42%
- Quarries and quarrying products	+ 0.41%
- Cement products	+ 0.26%

The rise of Road Cost Index for March is traced to changes in the cost of the following major road inputs compared with the previous month:

- Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.66%
- Cement	+ 0.40%
- Quarries and quarrying products	+ 0.30%
- Cement products	+ 0.24%
- Iron and steel	- 1.29%



The rise of Water Networks Cost Index for March is traced to changes in the cost of the following major water networks inputs compared with the previous month:

- Water Reservoirs	- 0.28%
- Iron	- 1.32%
- Construction work and paint	- 0.11%
- Excavation	+ 0.46%
- Concrete	+ 0.39%
- Water Networks	+ 0.37%
- Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.64%
- Deface materials	+ 0.64%
- Excavations	+ 0.46%
- Plastic and steel pipes	+ 0.24%

The rise of Sewage Networks Cost Index for March is traced to changes in the cost of the following major sewage networks inputs compared with the previous month:

- Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.64%
- Deface materials	+ 0.64%
- Excavations	+ 0.46%
- Fountains	+ 0.07%
- Plastic and cement pipes	- 0.32%

The data of the West Bank doesn't cover those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.

NB:

1. Gaza Strip data is not available.
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.