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Construction Cost Index (CCI), Road Cost Index (RCI), Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) and Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) in the West Bank during August 2013

### **Increase in the Construction Cost Index** (CCI)

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 113.16 with an increase of 0.19% in the West Bank during August 2013 compared to July 2013 (base month December 2007=100).

The changes in the Construction Cost Index for August 2013 are traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major construction inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
Raw materials	+0.29%
Cement, lime & gypsum	+ 1.03%
Cement products	+ 0.72%
Cutting & shaping stones	+ 0.41%
Tiles and panels from ceramic	+ 0.10%
Ceramic products	- 0.53%
Iron and steel	- 0.36%
Quarries & quarrying products	- 0.34%
Rental of equipment	+0.30%
Labor cost and wages	0.00%

### **Increase in the Road Cost Index (RCI)**

The overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 117.26 with an increase of 0.17% in the West Bank during August 2013 compared to July 2013 (base month December 2008=100).

The changes in the Road Cost Index for August 2013 are traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major road inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
Raw materials	+ 0.23%
Cement	+ 1.20%
Cement products	+ 0.79%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.65%
Road paints	+ 0.39%
Quarries & quarrying products	- 0.43%
Iron and steel	- 0.26%
Operating costs of equipment & maintenance	+ 1.25%
Transportation fees	+ 0.09%
Rental of equipment	+ 0.02%
Labor cost and wages	0.00%

### **Increase in the Water Networks Cost Index** (WNCI)

The overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 110.44 with an increase of 0.32% in the West Bank during August 2013 compared to July 2013 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Water Networks Cost Index for August 2013 are traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major water networks inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
Water Reservoirs	+ 0.40%
Concrete	+ 1.14%
Construction work and paint	+ 0.82%
Excavations	+ 0.05%
Iron	- 0.29%

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Major Groups	%Change
Water Networks	+ 0.29%
Plastic and steel pipes	+ 0.66%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.56%
Excavations	+ 0.05%
Deface Materials	- 0.77%
Administrative expenses	0.00%
Wages and other costs	0.00%

### **Decrease in the Sewage Networks Cost Index**

The overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) reached 107.04 with a decrease of 0.07% in the West Bank during August 2013 compared to July 2013 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Sewage Networks Cost Index for August 2013 are traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major sewage networks inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
Deface Materials	- 0.77%
Fountains	- 0.07%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+0.56%
Plastic and cement pipes	+ 0.19%
Excavations	+ 0.05%
Administrative expenses	0.00%
Wages and other costs	0.00%

#### Note:

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 percentage change in major groups of road, construction, water networks, and sewage networks cost index is due to the nature compositions of these major groups.

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