



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

**Decline in the Construction Cost Index (CCI)**

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 113.40 with a decrease of 0.25% in the West Bank during April 2013 compared to March 2013 (base month December 2007=100).

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

Major Groups	%Change
<b>Raw materials</b>	<b>- 0.35%</b>
Iron and steel	- 1.44%
Cement, lime & gypsum	- 1.28%
Cement Products	- 0.37%
Ceramic products	+ 0.43%
Quarries & quarrying products	+ 0.23%
Cutting and shaping stones	+ 0.18%
<b>Rental of equipment</b>	<b>+ 0.14%</b>
<b>Labor cost and wages</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Decline in the Road Cost Index (RCI)**

The overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 116.99 with a decrease of 0.26% in the West Bank during April 2013 compared to March 2013 (base month December 2008=100).

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

Major Groups	%Change
<b>Raw materials</b>	<b>- 0.37%</b>
Cement	- 1.45%
Iron and steel	- 1.37%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	- 0.77%
Cement products	- 0.17%
Quarries & quarrying products	+ 0.30%
<b>Operating costs of equipment &amp; maintenance</b>	<b>- 3.66%</b>
<b>Transportation fees</b>	<b>+ 0.52%</b>
<b>Rental of equipment</b>	<b>+ 0.22%</b>
<b>Labor cost and wages</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Stability in the Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI)**

The overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 110.59 with a decrease of 0.04% in the West Bank during April 2013 compared to March 2013 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Water Networks Cost Index for April 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
<b>Water Reservoirs</b>	<b>- 0.72%</b>
Iron	- 1.37%
Concrete	- 0.55%
Excavations	+ 0.06%
Administrative expenses	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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Major Groups	%Change
<b>Water Networks</b>	<b>+ 0.27%</b>
Plastic and steel pipes	+ 0.65%
Deface Materials	+ 0.50%
Excavations	+ 0.06%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	- 0.79%
Administrative expenses	0.00
Wages and other costs	0.00

### Decline in the Sewage Networks Cost Index

The overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) reached 107.24 with a decrease of 0.10% in the West Bank during April 2013 compared to March 2013 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Sewage Networks Cost Index for April 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
Asphalt, bitumen mixture & its products	- 0.79%
Fountains	- 0.65%
Plastic and cement pipes	- 0.05%
Deface Materials	+ 0.50%
Excavations	+ 0.06%
Administrative expenses	0.00
Wages and other costs	0.00