



PRODUCER PRICE INDICES IN INDUSTRY¹

MARCH 2010

1. Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market²

Producer Price Index on Domestic Market in March 2010 rose by 1.3% compared to the previous month. The domestic prices increased in the manufacturing by 2.3%, while the price decrease was seen in the mining and quarrying industry by 1.1% and in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply by 0.4%.

In the manufacturing, the more significant price increases comparing to the previous month were seen in the manufacture of basic metals by 7.2% and in the repair and installation of machinery and equipment by 1.6%, while the prices decreased in the manufacture of tobacco products by 1.3%.

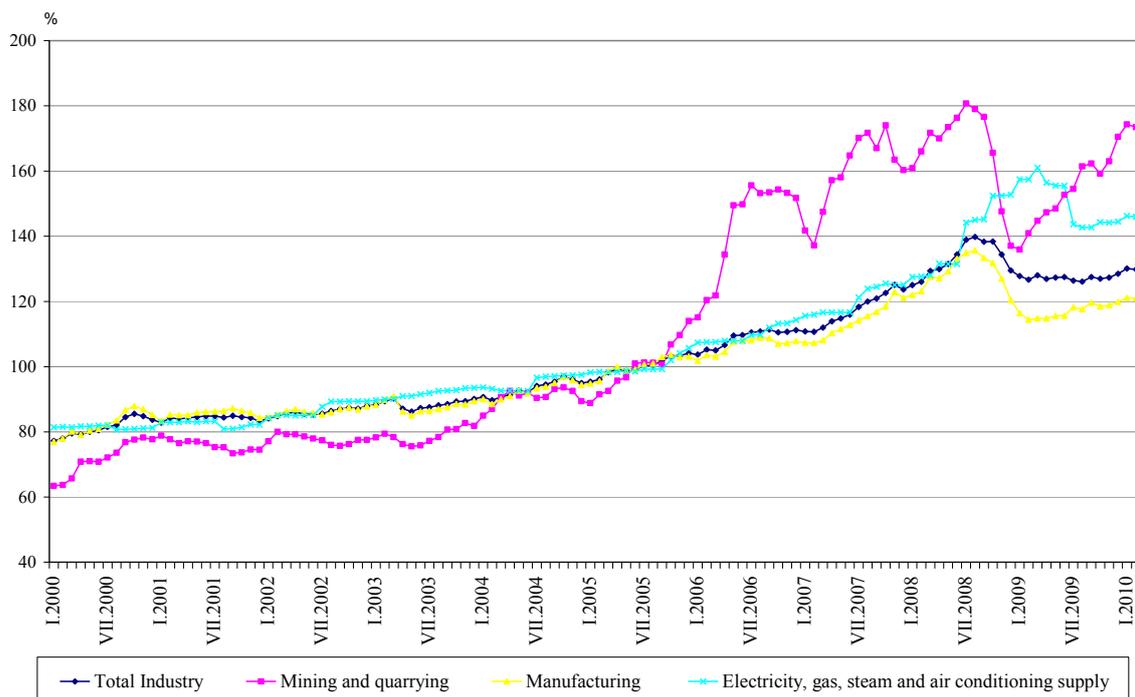
Producer Price Index on Domestic Market in March 2010 rose by 2.8% compared to the same month of 2009. The domestic prices increased in the mining and quarrying industry by 18.6% and in the manufacturing by 7.7% while in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply the prices fell by 9.7%.

In the manufacturing compared to the same month of 2009, the price increase was registered in the in the manufacture of basic metals by 27.8%, in the manufacture of tobacco products by 20.0%, in the manufacture of other transport equipment by 5.2%. The price decrease was seen in the manufacture of wood and of products of wood, except furniture by 8.5%, in the manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products by 5.4%, in the manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment by 5.3%.

¹**Producer Price Indices** measure the average change in the prices of industrial products, which are produced and sold by Bulgarian enterprises. They can be considered as an early measure of the current inflation process in the economy and also they can be used for international comparisons. Information for calculation of Producer Price Indices is received on the bases of monthly surveys on producer prices of industrial products, sold on domestic market and on industrial products sold on non-domestic market. Producer price surveys are based on constant sample of groups of products, and that sample is representative for total industrial production.

² Producer Price Indices on domestic market are calculated at constant base (2005) weighed with turnover structure on domestic market.

Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market in Industry (2005 = 100)



2. Total Producer Price Indices in Industry³

Total Producer Price Index in Industry in March 2010 increased by 1.3% compared to the previous month. The higher prices were registered in the manufacturing by 1.9%, while in the prices fell in the mining and quarrying industry by 0.8% and in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply by 0.6%.

In the manufacturing, more significant price increase was seen in the manufacture of basic metals by 2.1%, in the manufacture of paper and paper products and in the repair and installation of machinery and equipment by 1.3%.

Total Producer Price Index in March 2010 increased by 5.2% comparing to the same month of 2009.

In the manufacturing, the prices rose by 10.1% as compared to March 2009. More significant price increases were seen in the manufacture of basic metals by 36.2%, in the manufacture of tobacco products by 16.5% and in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products by 9.0%, while the producer prices decreased in the manufacture of wood and of products of wood, except furniture by 7.5%, in the manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products by 5.2% and in the manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment by 4.4%.

³ Total Producer Price Index is calculated from Producer Price Index on Domestic Market and Producer Price Index on Non-domestic Market weighted with the turnover structure on domestic and on non-domestic market to the total value of turnover in the base year 2005.

Total Producer Price Indices in Industry (2005 = 100)

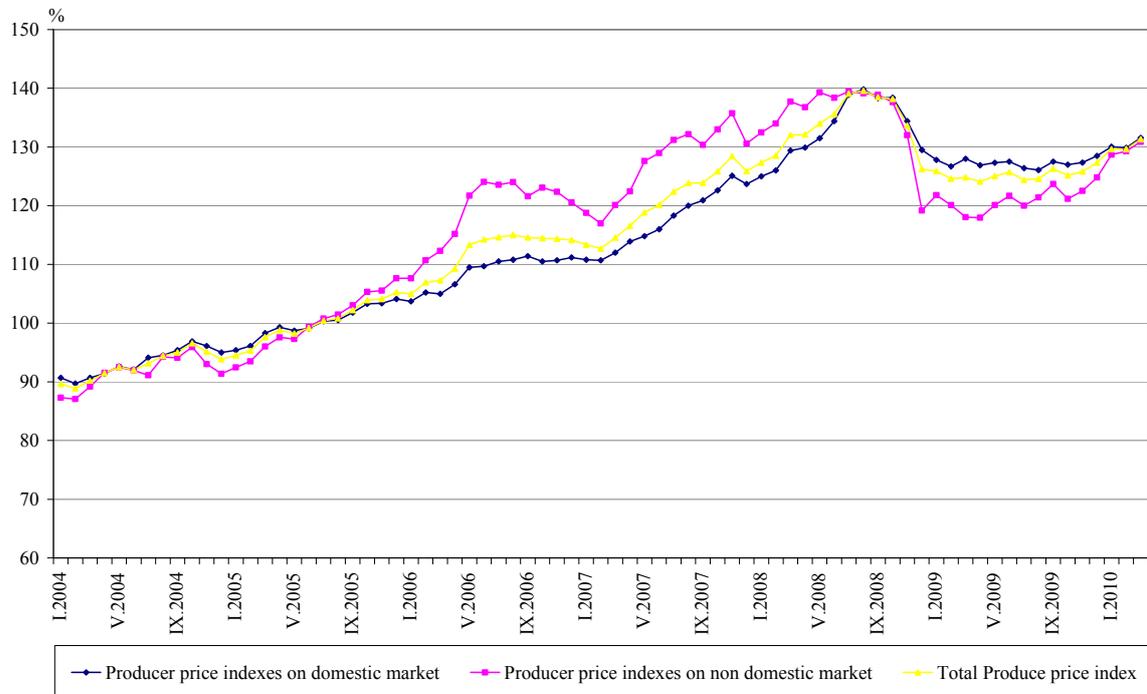


Table 1

Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market in March 2010⁴

Economic activities	2005=100	The previous month=100	The same month of 2009=100
Industry	131.6	101.3	102.8
Mining and quarrying	171.7	98.9	118.6
of which:			
Mining of coal and lignite	157.8	100.3	99.2
Mining of metal ores	220.8	97.2	173.0
Other mining and quarrying	131.4	100.3	95.1
Manufacturing	123.7	102.3	107.7
of which:			
Manufacture of food products	134.6	100.1	97.3
Manufacture of beverages	140.6	100.0	102.5
Manufacture of tobacco products	108.3	98.7	120.0
Manufacture of textiles	122.4	100.4	103.6
Manufacture of wearing apparel	121.3	99.8	101.0
Manufacture of leather and related products	119.8	100.4	103.6
Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	116.3	99.8	91.5
Manufacture of paper and paper products	117.7	100.9	99.5
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	112.1	100.0	102.4
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	131.4	100.9	101.5
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	108.0	100.1	101.7
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	107.9	100.2	99.6
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	126.7	100.0	94.6
Manufacture of basic metals	123.4	107.2	127.8
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	115.3	100.1	94.7
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	111.5	99.5	100.6
Manufacture of electrical equipment	130.7	100.5	103.1
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	123.8	101.0	100.9
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	121.4	100.0	99.9
Manufacture of other transport equipment	110.8	100.1	105.2
Manufacture of furniture	117.6	100.3	102.4
Other manufacturing	111.8	100.0	100.9
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	129.7	101.6	100.2
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	145.4	99.6	90.3
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Total Producer Price Indices in March 2010⁵

Economic activities	2005=100	The previous month=100	The same month of 2009=100
Industry	131.3	101.3	105.2
Mining and quarrying	165.7	99.2	108.2
of which:			
Mining of coal and lignite	157.8	100.3	99.2
Mining of metal ores	194.1	98.1	124.9
Other mining and quarrying	129.0	100.3	95.5
Manufacturing	126.4	101.9	110.1
of which:			
Manufacture of food products	134.4	100.1	97.0
Manufacture of beverages	137.5	100.0	102.1
Manufacture of tobacco products	108.8	98.9	116.5
Manufacture of textiles	115.0	100.8	102.0
Manufacture of wearing apparel	125.1	99.7	98.5
Manufacture of leather and related products	113.2	101.0	101.2
Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	113.3	99.9	92.5
Manufacture of paper and paper products	119.2	101.3	101.6
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	111.6	100.0	102.4
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	141.2	100.7	109.0
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	124.3	100.3	100.9
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	112.1	100.1	99.7
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	125.6	99.9	94.8
Manufacture of basic metals	140.2	102.1	136.2
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	114.5	100.3	95.6
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	107.0	100.1	99.6
Manufacture of electrical equipment	127.5	100.3	103.4
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	117.7	100.5	99.7
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	99.6	100.4	99.8
Manufacture of other transport equipment	106.4	100.8	101.4
Manufacture of furniture	116.9	100.8	99.9
Other manufacturing	110.4	101.8	101.6
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	126.1	101.3	100.4
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	144.5	99.4	89.6
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