



PRODUCER PRICE INDEXES IN INDUSTRY¹

APRIL 2009

1. Producer Price Indexes on domestic market²

Producer Price Index on Domestic Market in April 2009 fell by 0.8 per cent compared to the previous month. In manufacturing industry the prices are at the level of previous month, in electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply prices decreased by 2.8 per cent, in mining and quarrying industry prices increased by 1.8 per cent. The more significant increases of prices in manufacturing industry were: 3.7% in manufacture of basic metals, 1.9 per cent in manufacture of furniture. The prices fell by 2.6 per cent, in repair and installation of machinery and equipment. In mining and quarrying industry between March to April the producer prices increased in mining of metal ores by 3.3 per cent, in mining of coal and lignite by 2.4%.

Producer Price Index on Domestic Market in April 2009 decreased by 2.3 per cent compared to the same month of 2008. In manufacturing industry, prices fell by 9.7 per cent comparing to April 2008, while in electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply prices increased by 18.9 per cent.

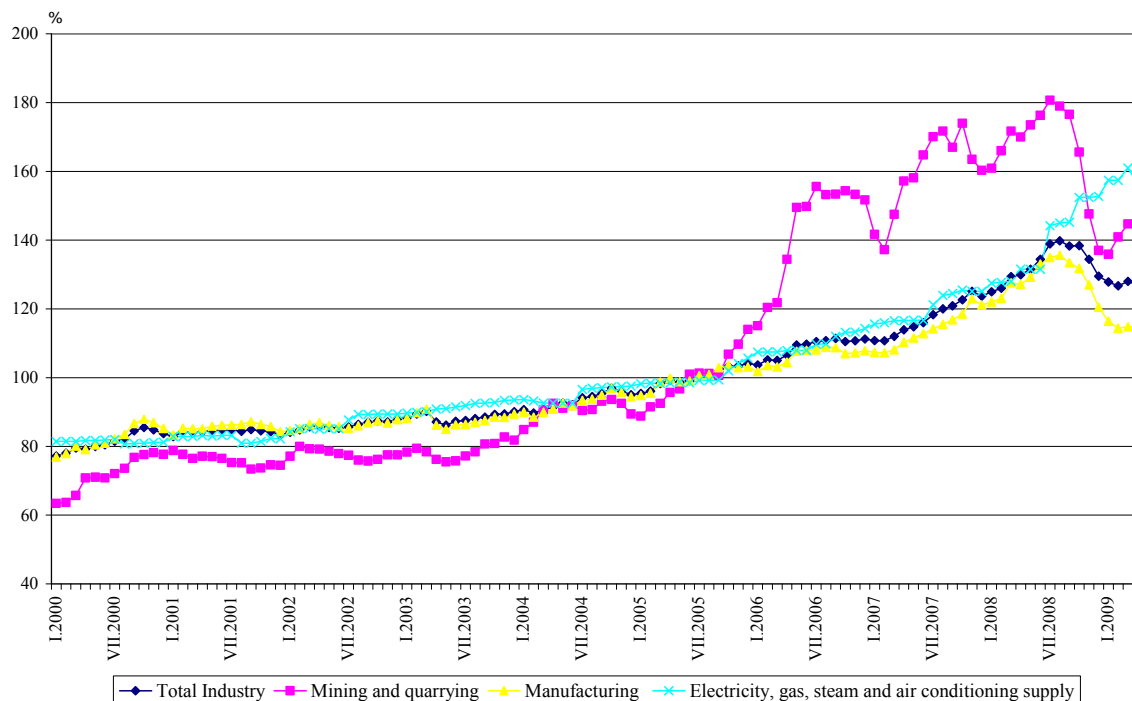
In manufacturing industry comparing to the same month of 2008 the prices decreased in manufacture of basic metals by 26.4 per cent, in manufacture of food products by 5.1 per cent, in manufacture of rubber and plastic products by 2.9 per cent, in manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products by 2.2 per cent. The prices rose 11.9 per cent in manufacture of beverages, 9.5 per cent in manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, 8.6 per cent in manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment.

¹ Since January 2009, Producer Price Indexes are calculated according to the new Classification of Economic Activities NACE.BG 2008. At the same time, the base year has been changed and indexes are calculated at 2005 as a base year. Historical data series have been recalculated back to 2000 and they are posted in NSI web-site (http://www.nsi.bg/Op_e/Op_e.htm).

Producer price indexes 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 indexes 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 indexes on domestic market are calculated at constant base (2005) weighed with turnover structure on domestic market.

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



2. Total Producer Price Indexes in Industry³

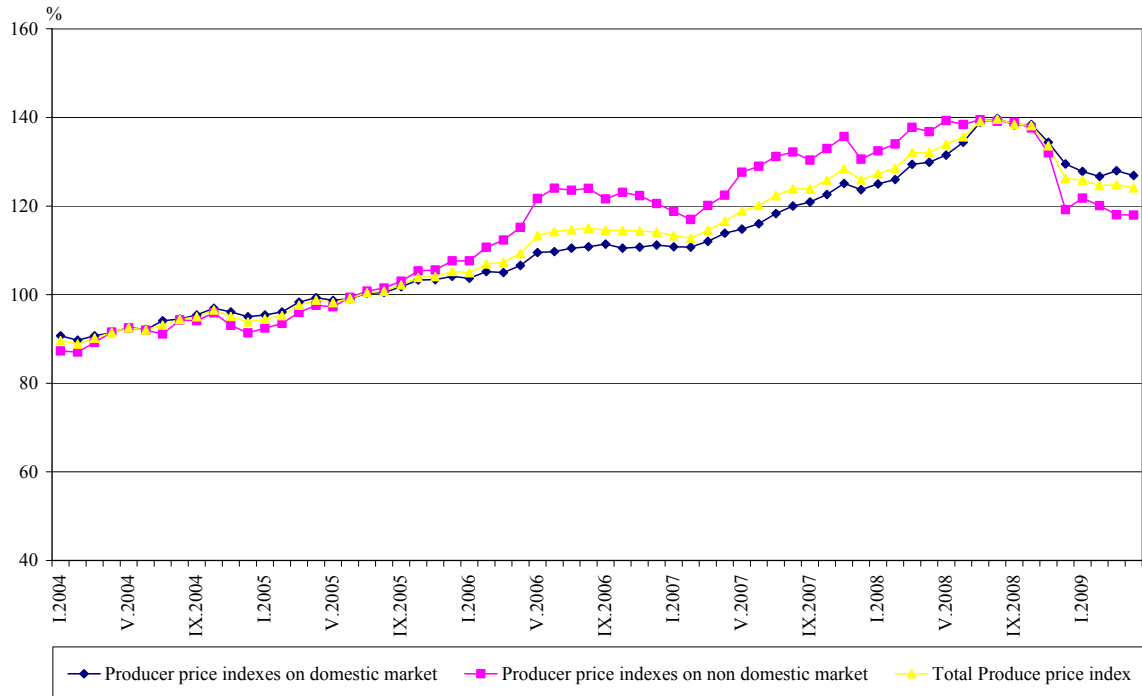
Total Producer Price Index in industry in April 2009 decreased by 0.6 per cent compared with March 2009. In electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply, the prices fell by 3.5 per cent, in manufacturing industry prices increased by 0.5 per cent. In manufacturing industry, the prices rose 3.3 per cent in manufacture of basic metals, 1.2 per cent in manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, while comparing to March the prices fell by 1.1 per cent in manufacture of food products, by 2.1 per cent in repair and installation of machinery and equipment.

Total Producer Price Index in April 2009 r. decreased by 6.1 per cent comparing to the same month of 2008.

In manufacturing industry, producer prices in April 2009 compared to the April 2008 decreased by 11.0 per cent, while in electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply prices increased by 14.7 per cent. In manufacturing industry more significant price decrease by 30.5 per cent was registered in manufacture of basic metals.

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 Indexes in Industry (2005 = 100)



Producer Price Indexes on Domestic Market in April 2009⁴

Economic activities	2005=100	The previous month=100	The same month of 2008=100
Industry	126.9	99.2	97.7
Mining and quarrying	147.3	101.8	86.6
of which:			
Mining of coal and lignite	162.8	102.4	127.9
Mining of metal ores	131.8	103.3	56.9
Other mining and quarrying	137.1	99.2	106.0
Manufacturing	114.8	100.0	90.3
of which:			
Manufacture of food products	138.6	100.1	94.9
Manufacture of beverages	138.2	100.7	111.9
Manufacture of tobacco products	90.0	99.7	106.3
Manufacture of textiles	118.6	100.4	107.7
Manufacture of wearing apparel	119.9	99.8	106.2
Manufacture of leather and related products	116.4	100.6	105.6
Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	126.0	99.1	101.1
Manufacture of paper and paper products	118.1	99.8	101.5
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	109.8	100.4	102.3
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	130.9	101.1	109.5
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	106.3	100.1	101.8
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	108.6	100.3	97.1
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	133.8	99.9	108.5
Manufacture of basic metals	100.1	103.7	73.6
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	120.6	99.0	108.6
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	111.1	100.2	97.8
Manufacture of electrical equipment	126.9	100.0	99.9
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	123.0	100.2	104.2
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	121.7	100.1	103.6
Manufacture of other transport equipment	105.9	100.6	103.2
Manufacture of furniture	117.1	101.9	104.9
Other manufacturing	110.5	99.6	101.2
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	126.0	97.4	104.6
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	156.4	97.2	118.9
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Total Producer Price Indexes in April 2009⁵

Economic activities	2005=100	The previous month=100	The same month of 2008=100
Industry	124.1	99.4	93.9
Mining and quarrying	149.6	97.7	86.2
of which:			
Mining of coal and lignite	162.8	102.4	127.9
Mining of metal ores	145.0	93.3	64.8
Other mining and quarrying	134.2	99.3	107.9
Manufacturing	115.3	100.5	89.0
of which:			
Manufacture of food products	137.0	98.9	92.7
Manufacture of beverages	135.5	100.7	111.3
Manufacture of tobacco products	93.2	99.7	108.0
Manufacture of textiles	112.4	99.8	107.8
Manufacture of wearing apparel	125.9	99.1	106.2
Manufacture of leather and related products	111.8	99.9	117.5
Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	121.6	99.3	100.4
Manufacture of paper and paper products	117.1	99.9	99.3
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	109.3	100.4	102.8
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Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	123.1	99.9	108.4
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	113.1	100.5	99.5
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	132.4	99.9	108.0
Manufacture of basic metals	106.4	103.3	69.5
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	118.8	99.1	110.3
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	107.2	99.8	102.6
Manufacture of electrical equipment	123.1	99.9	98.8
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	118.1	100.1	103.8
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	99.5	99.7	92.9
Manufacture of other transport equipment	104.5	99.6	116.8
Manufacture of furniture	118.1	100.9	107.8
Other manufacturing	106.9	98.4	105.1
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	122.9	97.9	107.0
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	155.6	96.5	114.7
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