



PRODUCER PRICE INDICES IN INDUSTRY, APRIL 2024

1. Total Producer Price Indices in Industry

The Total Producer Price Index in Industry fell by 0.1% in April 2024 compared to the previous month. Lower prices were registered in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply - by 4.5%. An increase was observed in the mining and quarrying industry - by 6.1%, and in the manufacturing industry - by 0.9%.

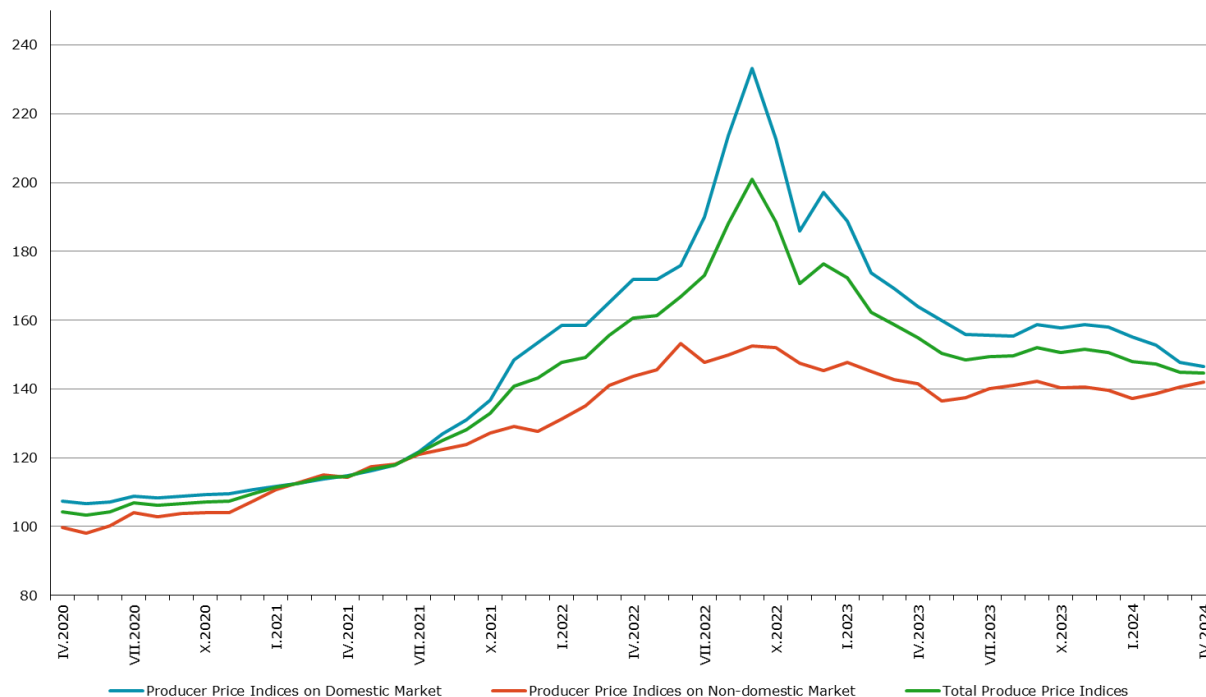
In the manufacturing, the prices went up in the manufacture of basic metals - by 3.0%, in the manufacture of leather and related products - by 0.9%, and in the manufacture of rubber and plastic products - by 0.8%. A decrease was seen in the other manufacturing - by 2.4%, and in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products - by 1.4%.

The Total Producer Price Index went down by 6.6% in April 2024 compared to the same month in 2023. There was a considerable decrease in prices in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply - by 28.3%. An increase was observed in the mining and quarrying industry - by 8.2%, and in the manufacturing industry - by 0.6%.

In the manufacturing, the most significant increase in prices was reported in the manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products - by 11.1%, in the manufacture of rubber and plastic products - by 10.0%, and in the repair and installation of machinery and equipment - by 9.6%. Considerable decrease was registered in the manufacture of leather and related products - by 9.9%, in the manufacture of wood and products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials - by 8.7%, and in the manufacture of paper and paper products - by 7.4%

Figure 1. Total Producer Price Indices in Industry

(2015 = 100)



2. Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market

The Producer Price Index on the Domestic Market decreased by 0.8% in April 2024 compared to March 2024. The domestic prices went down in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply - by 4.1%. An increase was observed in the mining and quarrying industry - by 4.9%, and in the manufacturing industry - by 0.4%.

In the manufacturing, compared to the previous month, higher prices were reported in the manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers - by 2.1%, in the manufacture of rubber and plastic products - by 1.4%, and in the manufacture of basic metals - by 1.3%. A decrease was observed in the other manufacturing - by 3.5%, and in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products - by 1.2%.

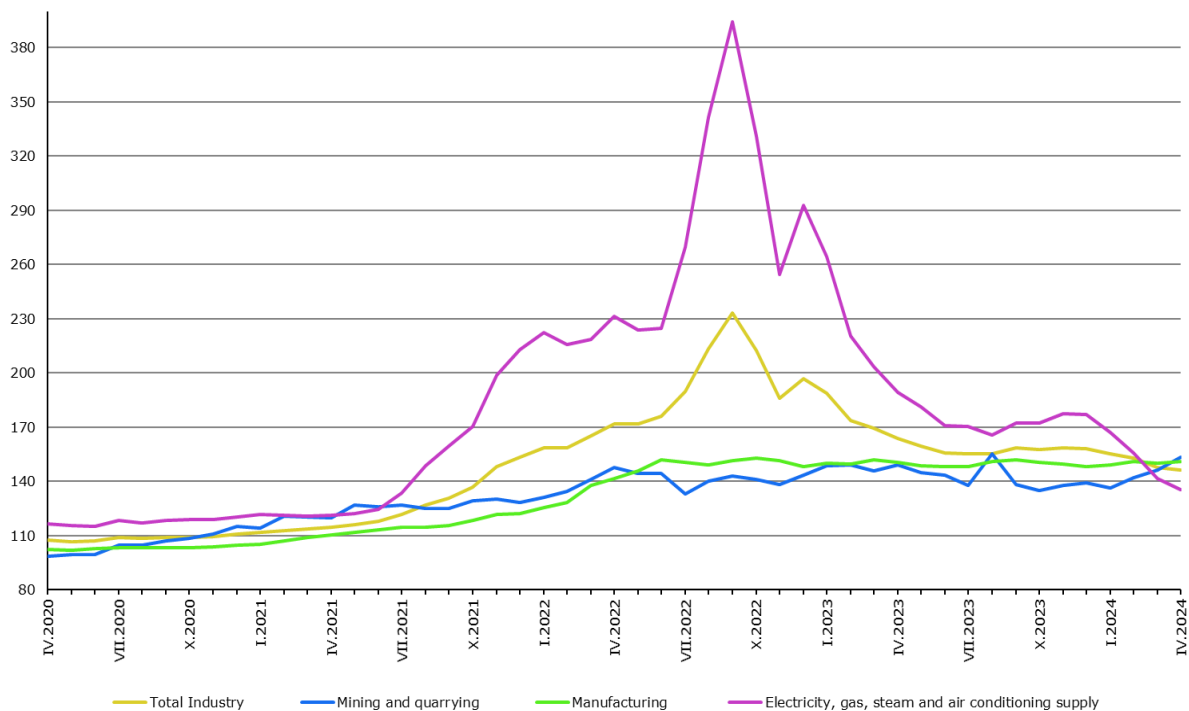
The Producer Price Index on the Domestic Market fell by 10.6% compared to April 2023. A drop was reported in the electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply - by 28.4%. An increase was observed in the mining and quarrying industry - by 2.8%, and in the manufacturing industry - by 0.1%.

Compared to April 2023, in the manufacturing higher prices were seen in the manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers - by 9.0%, in the manufacture of wearing apparel and also in the repair and installation of machinery and equipment - both by 8.2%,

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and in the manufacture of furniture - by 7.4%. A significant drop was registered in the manufacture of wood and products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials - by 9.9%, in the manufacture of basic metals - by 8.8%, and in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products - by 8.7%.

**Figure 2. Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market in Industry
(2015 = 100)**



3. Producer Price Indices on Non-domestic Market

The Producer Price Index on the Non-domestic Market increased by 1.1% in April 2024 compared to the previous month, and by 0.4% compared to the same month of 2023.

Methodological notes

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 an early measure of the current inflation process in the economy and they can be used for international comparisons. Information for the calculation of Producer Price Indices is received on the basis of monthly surveys on producer prices of industrial products sold on the domestic market and on industrial products sold on the non-domestic market. Producer price surveys are based on a constant sample of groups of products, and that sample is representative of total industrial production.

Total Producer Price Indices are calculated from Producer Price Indices on the Domestic Market and Producer Price Indices on the Non-domestic Market weighted with the turnover structure on the domestic and the non-domestic market to the total value of turnover in the base year (2015).

Producer Price Indices on the Domestic Market are calculated at a constant base (2015), weighed with the turnover structure on the domestic market.

Producer Price Indices on the Non-domestic Market are calculated at a constant base (2015), weighed with the turnover structure on the non-domestic market.

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Annex

Table 1

Total Producer Price Indices in April 2024

Economic activities	2015 = 100	The previous month = 100	The same month of the previous year = 100
Industry	144.7	99.9	93.4
Mining and quarrying	160.4	106.1	108.2
Mining of coal and lignite	121.3	101.8	101.1
Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	..	..	..
Mining of metal ores	187.3	110.2	114.4
Other mining and quarrying	157.0	100.3	103.4
Mining support service activities	..	..	..
Manufacturing	145.6	100.9	100.6
Manufacture of food products	152.6	100.1	98.0
Manufacture of beverages	138.5	100.2	105.2
Manufacture of tobacco products	163.4	100.0	101.0
Manufacture of textiles	133.0	100.0	100.9
Manufacture of wearing apparel	138.9	100.3	104.2
Manufacture of leather and related products	120.6	100.9	90.1
Manufacture of wood and products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	160.5	100.3	91.3
Manufacture of paper and paper products	131.8	100.3	92.6
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	131.8	100.1	100.9
Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	..	..	..
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	135.8	98.6	94.2
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	121.7	100.4	95.2
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	156.4	100.8	110.0
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	159.6	100.5	101.5
Manufacture of basic metals	165.6	103.0	97.8
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	143.3	99.6	98.2
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	132.7	99.3	111.1
Manufacture of electrical equipment	138.2	100.1	102.9
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	136.2	100.1	102.7
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	124.7	100.1	102.3
Manufacture of other transport equipment	110.3	100.1	101.6
Manufacture of furniture	149.2	100.6	107.0
Other manufacturing	111.6	97.6	96.6
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	143.8	100.6	109.6
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	137.1	95.5	71.7
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Table 2

Producer Price Indices on Domestic Market in April 2024

Economic activities	2015 = 100	The previous month = 100	The same month of the previous year = 100
Industry	146.4	99.2	89.4
Mining and quarrying	153.4	104.9	102.8
Mining of coal and lignite	121.9	101.8	101.1
Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	..	..	..
Mining of metal ores	182.1	108.5	104.4
Other mining and quarrying	150.8	100.4	104.9
Mining support service activities	..	..	..
Manufacturing	150.8	100.4	100.1
Manufacture of food products	157.9	99.9	98.7
Manufacture of beverages	139.0	100.2	104.6
Manufacture of tobacco products	179.6	100.0	101.6
Manufacture of textiles	150.7	99.8	107.1
Manufacture of wearing apparel	137.1	100.8	108.2
Manufacture of leather and related products	148.2	101.1	100.3
Manufacture of wood and products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	176.2	100.7	90.1
Manufacture of paper and paper products	135.7	100.0	95.4
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	135.2	100.2	100.8
Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	..	..	..
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	154.5	98.8	91.3
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	116.9	99.8	92.3
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	136.4	101.4	101.8
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	161.0	100.1	101.9
Manufacture of basic metals	149.9	101.3	91.2
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	147.4	99.5	97.4
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	122.1	99.7	102.3
Manufacture of electrical equipment	145.8	100.7	103.0
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	143.9	100.2	104.5
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	142.0	102.1	109.0
Manufacture of other transport equipment	126.1	100.0	102.5
Manufacture of furniture	163.7	100.8	107.4
Other manufacturing	99.1	96.5	96.9
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	155.4	100.9	108.2
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	135.6	95.9	71.6
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Producer Price Indices on Non-domestic Market in April 2024

Economic activities	2015 = 100	The previous month = 100	The same month of the previous year = 100
Industry	142.1	101.1	100.4
Mining and quarrying	196.0	111.4	136.8
Mining of coal and lignite	-	-	-
Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	-	-	-
Mining of metal ores	..	..	..
Other mining and quarrying	187.6	100.1	98.1
Mining support service activities	-	-	-
Manufacturing	140.7	101.4	101.1
Manufacture of food products	137.8	100.5	95.8
Manufacture of beverages	133.2	100.0	112.6
Manufacture of tobacco products	123.1	100.0	98.5
Manufacture of textiles	124.0	100.1	97.4
Manufacture of wearing apparel	139.9	100.1	102.4
Manufacture of leather and related products	107.7	100.8	84.6
Manufacture of wood and products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials	137.7	99.5	93.8
Manufacture of paper and paper products	124.8	101.0	87.5
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	110.2	100.0	101.6
Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	..	..	..
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	113.7	98.3	99.3
Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	129.5	101.4	100.0
Manufacture of rubber and plastic products	175.4	100.3	117.0
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	157.4	101.0	100.9
Manufacture of basic metals	168.7	103.4	99.0
Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	135.8	100.0	99.9
Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	136.6	99.2	114.4
Manufacture of electrical equipment	135.2	99.8	102.8
Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.	132.1	100.1	101.6
Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers	122.7	99.9	101.5
Manufacture of other transport equipment	102.5	100.1	101.1
Manufacture of furniture	122.4	100.0	105.9
Other manufacturing	117.3	98.0	96.5
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	121.6	100.0	113.1
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	164.7	88.9	72.4
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