

PRESS RELEASE

Index of producer prices for industrial products

Indice dei prezzi alla produzione dei prodotti industriali

August 2008

Production price index for industrial products - August 2008

| Index number 2000=100 | | | Percentage changes | |
|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|--------------------------|--|
| August 2007 | July 2008 | August 2008 | Change on previous month | Change on corresponding month of previous year |
| 121,3 | 131,5 | 131,2 | - 0,2 | + 8,2 |

Production price index numbers for industrial products by sector of economic activity

| Sectors | Index numbers 2000=100 | Percentage changes | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | Change on previous month | Change on corresponding month of previous year |
| Minerals | 156,8 | + 2,3 | + 14,3 |
| Food, beverages and tobacco | 126,1 | + 0,1 | + 8,1 |

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|--|-------|-------|--------|
| Textile products. clothing | 110,1 | 0,0 | + 1,4 |
| Leather. leather and hide articles | 109,6 | + 0,1 | + 0,2 |
| Wood and wooden articles (excluding furniture) | 116,6 | - 0,1 | + 0,3 |
| Paper and publishing | 113,2 | + 0,1 | + 1,4 |
| Coke. petroleum products | 176,0 | - 5,3 | + 26,4 |
| Chemical products and synthetic fibres | 119,2 | + 0,8 | + 3,1 |
| Rubber and plastic products | 117,0 | + 0,5 | + 3,5 |
| Non metal minerals | 120,1 | + 0,3 | + 1,5 |
| Metal and metal products | 149,5 | + 0,6 | + 9,0 |
| Machinery and mechanical equipment | 114,0 | - 0,2 | + 2,7 |
| Electrical machinery. electrical and optical equipment | 110,4 | 0,0 | + 0,5 |
| Means of transport | 113,1 | + 0,1 | + 2,8 |
| Other products of manufacturing industries (including furniture) | 122,1 | - 0,1 | + 3,0 |
| Electricity. gas. water | 174,4 | + 1,4 | + 21,5 |
| Overall index | 131,2 | - 0,2 | + 8,2 |

For more details please refer to Italian version

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