# Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

**Palestinian Wholesale Price Index During the Fourth Quarter of 2019 & During 2019**

**Increase in the Wholesale Price[[1]](#footnote-1) Index (WPI) During 2019**

The **overall Wholesale Price Index (WPI) in Palestine** with its base year (2007=100) reached 125.61 **in 2019**, which indicates an **increase by 0.11%** **compared with 2018**.

Prices of WPI for 2019 increased due to the increase in the prices of **Fishing goods by 8.89%**, **Mining and quarrying group by 2.62%, and Agricultural goods by 0.68%**, while the prices of goods in **Manufacturing group** **decreased by 0.20%**.

The prices of **local products** **increased by 1.41%**, while the prices of **imported products** **decreased by 0.86%** compared with the previous year.

**Yearly Percent Changes in the Wholesale Price Index in Palestine for 2007 – 2019**

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**Decrease in the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) During the Fourth Quarter of 2019**

The overall WPI in Palestine with its base year (2007 = 100) reached 123.92 in the Fourth quarter 2019, which indicates a decrease of 1.86% compared with the Third quarter 2019.

WPI for local products (2007 = 100) reached 127.58 in the Fourth quarter 2019, which indicates a decrease of 1.91% compared with the Third quarter 2019.

WPI for imported products (2007 = 100) reached 121.14 in the Fourth quarter 2019, which indicates a decrease of 0.91% compared with the Third quarter 2019.

**The table shows the relative share and the quarterly percent changes in WPI by major activities in Palestine for the period: First - Fourth quarter 2019**

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| **Major Activities** | **Relative Share %** | **Quarterly Percent Change** | | | |
| **2019** | | | |
| **Q1** | **Q2** | **Q3** | **Q4** |
| Agriculture | 29.0 | +0.99 | -4.25 | +2.19 | -6.04 |
| Fishing | 0.10 | +5.10 | +5.05 | +3.55 | -1.99 |
| Mining and quarrying | 0.90 | +1.09 | +0.88 | +1.47 | -2.91 |
| Manufacturing | 70.0 | -0.42 | -0.30 | +0.33 | +0.18 |
| **All Items Price Index** | **100** | **+0.06** | **-1.58** | **+0.94** | **-1.86** |

**The trend line of Wholesale Price Index in Palestine for the period: Fourth quarter 2017 – Fourth quarter 2019** **(Base year 2007 = 100)**

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1. The resale (sale without transformation) of new and used goods to retailers, industrial, commercial, institutional or professional users, to other wholesalers, or to those acting as agents or brokers in buying merchandise for, or selling merchandise to such persons or companies. The wholesale price includes VAT and any transport charges. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)