



**Construction Cost Index (CCI), Road Cost Index (RCI), Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) and Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) in the West Bank during June 2012**

**Decline in Construction Cost Index (CCI)**

The overall Construction Cost Index (CCI) reached 113.39 with a decrease of 0.33% in the West Bank during June compared to May 2012 (base month December 2007=100).

The changes in the Construction Cost Index for June 2012 is traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major construction inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
<b>Raw materials</b>	<b>- 0.54%</b>
Iron and steel	- 2.06%
Cement, lime & gypsum	- 0.35%
Cement Products	- 0.30%
Ceramic Products	+ 0.17%
Cutting and shaping stones	+ 0.16%
<b>Rental of equipment</b>	<b>+ 0.28%</b>
<b>Labor cost and wages</b>	<b>+ 0.17%</b>

**Stability in Road Cost Index (RCI)**

The overall Road Cost Index (RCI) reached 114.00 with slight decrease of 0.02% in the West Bank during June compared to May 2012 (base month December 2008=100).

The changes in the Road Cost Index for June 2012 is traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major road inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
<b>Raw materials</b>	<b>- 0.10%</b>
Iron and steel	- 2.31%
Cement	- 0.43%
Quarries & quarrying products	- 0.06%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.24%
<b>Operating costs of equipment &amp; maintenance</b>	<b>- 0.35%</b>
<b>Transportation Fees</b>	<b>- 0.47%</b>
<b>Rental of equipment</b>	<b>+ 0.32%</b>
<b>Labor costs and wages</b>	<b>+ 0.08%</b>

**Decline in Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI)**

The overall Water Networks Cost Index (WNCI) reached 108.84 with a decrease of 0.40% in the West Bank during June compared to May 2012 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Water Networks Cost Index for June 2012 is traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major water networks inputs compared to the previous month:

Major Groups	%Change
<b>Water Reservoirs</b>	<b>- 1.08%</b>
Iron	- 2.34%
Concrete	- 0.39%
Construction work and paint	- 0.16%
<b>Water Networks</b>	<b>- 0.07%</b>
Plastic and steel pipes	- 0.16%
Deface materials	- 0.15%
Asphalt, bitumen mixture and its products	+ 0.25%



### **Stability in Sewage Networks Cost Index**

The overall Sewage Networks Cost Index (SNCI) recorded stability in the West Bank during June compared to May 2012. It reached 104.50 (base month January 2010=100).

The changes in the Sewage Networks Cost Index for June 2012 is traced back to the changes in the cost of the following major sewage networks inputs compared to the previous month:

<b>Major Groups</b>	<b>%Change</b>
Asphalt, bitumen mixture & its products	+ 0.25%
Plastic and cement pipes	+ 0.13%
Deface materials	- 0.15%
Fountains	- 0.06%

**Note:**

The data of the West Bank doesn't cover those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.

**NB:**

1. Gaza Strip data is not available.
2. The difference in the percentage change in major groups of road, construction, water networks, and sewage networks cost index is due to the nature compositions of these major groups.

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