



### **Decrease in the Producer Price<sup>1</sup> Index (PPI) during August 2018**

The overall Producer Price Index (PPI) for Palestine with its base month (December 2015 = 100) reached 104.92 in August 2018, as it decreased by 1.12% compared to July 2018.

#### **PPI for locally consumed products**

Producer Price Index for locally consumed products (December 2015 = 100) reached 105.48 in August 2018, which indicates a decrease of 1.24% compared to July 2018.

#### **PPI for local exported products**

Producer Price Index for local exported products (December 2015 = 100) reached 100.00 in August 2018, which indicates a slight decrease of 0.02% compared to July 2018.

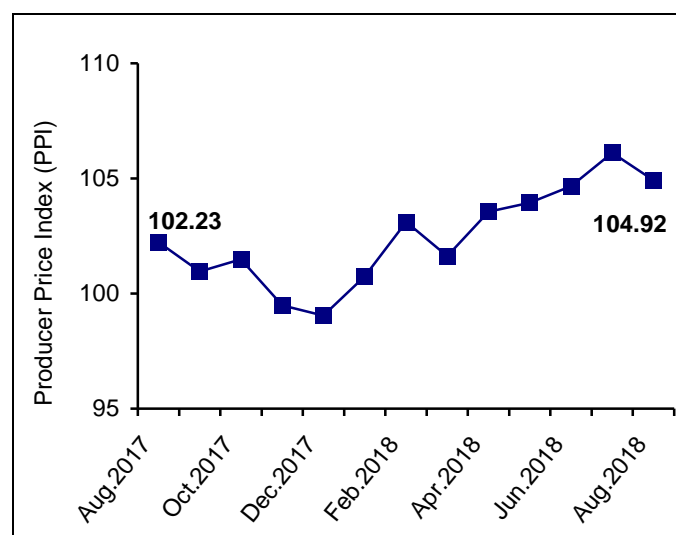
The changes of PPI for August 2018 were traced back to changes in prices of the following major activities compared to the previous month:

<b>Major Activities</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	- 4.58%
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	- 3.21%
Agriculture, forestry and fishing goods	- 1.99%
Manufacturing	- 0.10%
Mining and quarrying	0.00%

### **The table shows Monthly percent changes in Palestinian PPI for the period January – August 2018:**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Local Products</b>	<b>Exported Products</b>	<b>Total Products</b>
January	+ 1.92	+ 0.09	+ 1.73
February	+ 2.63	- 0.07	+ 2.34
March	- 1.59	- 0.12	- 1.44
April	+ 2.03	+ 0.80	+ 1.91
May	+ 0.40	+ 0.10	+ 0.37
June	+ 0.80	- 0.26	+ 0.69
July	+ 1.52	+ 0.26	+ 1.39
August	- 1.24	- 0.02	- 1.12

### **The trend line of the PPI in Palestine, for the period: August 2017 - August 2018 (Base Month December 2015 = 100)**



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<sup>1</sup> The producer's price is the amount receivable by the producer from the purchaser for a unit of a good or service produced as output minus any VAT, or similar deductible tax, invoiced to the purchaser. The producer's prices exclude any transport charges invoiced separately by the producer.