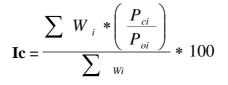
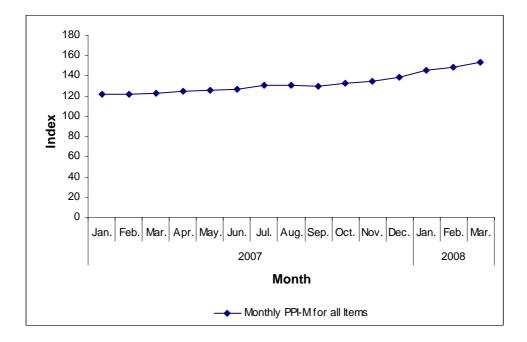
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PRODUCER PRICE INDEX FOR MANUFACTURING (PPI-M)





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January 2008 to March 2008

PPI – Total Manufacturing

In the First quarter of 2008, Producer Price Index for Total Manufacturing has increased by 5.0 percent in January, 2.4 percent increase in February, and 2.9 percent in March, as shown in Table 2 and the corresponding figure (Figure 1). Compared to the previous year's same quarter, Total Producer Price Indices increased by 19.8 percent, 22.8 and 25.2 percent in January, February and March respectively. As depicted in Table 3, this increase in producer prices of manufactured products was caused mainly by the rise in producer prices of food products. As compared to previous year's same quarter, Producer Price Index increased by 22.6 percent in the first quarter of 2008 (Table 4). Figure 1: Monthly Producer Price Indices for all items (compared to the previous month)

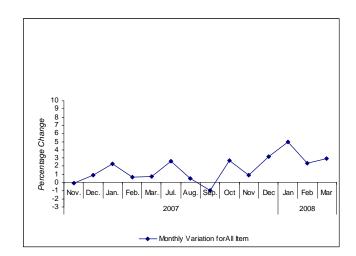
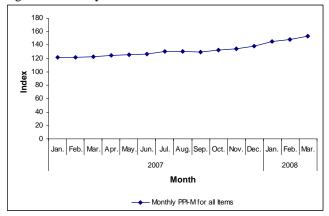


Figure 2: Monthly Producer Price Indices for all items



PPI – Food, Beverage and Tobacco

The producer price indices of food, beverage and tobacco stood at 154.8, 160.9 and 160.2 in January, February and March as depicted in Table 1. Compared to the previous month the index increased at a rate of 3.7 percent in January, 3.9 percent in February and decreased by 0.5 percent in March respectively (Table 2). As shown in Table 3, compared to the same quarter in 2007, producer price indices exhibited a hike of around 22.0 percent in January, 26.3 percent in February and 23.7 percent in March, respectively. This was mainly attributed to the rise in prices of animal and vegetable oil and dairy products. The percentage change in producer price indices revealed that there was a 24.0 percent rise in prices of food, beverage and tobacco products in this quarter compared to the previous year's same quarter as shown in Table 4.

PPI – Other than Food, Beverage and Tobacco

The monthly producer price indices for manufacturing products other than food, beverage and tobacco products stood at 139.1, 140.7 and 148.4 in January, February and March, as shown in Table 1. Table 2 shows that, producer price indices increased by 6.0 percent in January, followed by a 1.2 percent in February, and a 5.5 percent increase in March. On the other hand, compared to previous year's same period, producer price indices exhibited a 18.2 percent, 20.2 percent and 26.3 percent rise in January, February and March, respectively (Refer to Table 3). This rise was mainly due to the increase in prices of basic iron and steel and fabricated metal products except machinery & equipment. The percentage change in producer price indices between the corresponding quarters also indicated that there was a 21.5 percent increase in prices of products other than food, beverage and tobacco products as shown in Table 4.

Table 1: Monthl	Producer Price indices for Manufacturing, January 2007 to March 200	8

		2007												2008				
ISIC code	Description	Weight	Jan. I	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. N	May.	Jun.	Jul. A	ug. S	ep.	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan F	Feb N	Mar	
15-36	Total Manufacturing-PPI	1000	121.4	121.2	122.3	125.1	125.9	126.9	130.1	130.8	129.5	133.0	134.2	138.4	145.4	148.8	153.1	
15 Food , Beverage and Tobacco		401	126.9	127.4	129.5	131.9	132.4	132.7	138.7	139.1	135.2	139.0	141.3	149.2	154.8	160.9	160.2	
1514	Vegetable and Animal Oils and Fats	10	109.7	111.4	115.8	127.1	134.7	139.6	146.3	168.0	173.7	176.2	179.8	179.1	187.5	189.6	199.4	
1520	Dairy Products	6	123.2	123.2	123.2	145.4	145.4	147.1	147.1	157.7	165.9	170.0	170.0	180.8	180.8	180.8	180.8	
1531	Grain Mill Products	49	135.1	138.5	138.4	141.2	142.9	142.9	145.5	145.8	147.8	148.6	154.5	157.5	171.4	190.6	209.1	
1541	Bakery Products	21	111.9	112.4	114.7	112.8	112.8	112.8	122.2	122.2	122.2	130.5	131.8	136.4	157.3	157.3	173.5	
1542	Sugar	116	152.2	152.1	154.4	157.9	158.2	158.3	173.7	171.2	149.3	151.5	149.3	156.8	170.6	183.3	166.0	
1544	Macaroni and Pasta	17	108.4	109.5	111.5	123.6	123.8	123.8	114.9	117.0	117.2	122.8	124.2	128.3	138.7	145.9	158.9	
1549	Other Food Products	17	105.9	105.9	111.3	111.3	111.3	114.5	115.8	122.3	127.6	130.3	130.3	130.7	131.2	124.5	124.9	
1551	Liquors	8	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	108.4	108.4	108.4	108.3	108.3	108.3	108.3	108.8	109.8	
1553	Beer And Malt	74	114.1	114.1	117.7	117.9	117.9	117.9	122.1	122.1	124.6	136.7	143.4	169.7	158.0	158.0	160.0	
1554	Soft drinks and Mineral Water	50	112.2	112.2	114.1	114.5	114.5	114.5	114.6	115.0	124.3	124.2	130.4	130.4	132.7	132.7	132.7	
1600	Tobacco	34	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	117.4	
17-36	Other than Food, Beverage and Tobacco	599	117.7	117.1	117.5	120.5	121.6	123.0	124.4	125.2	125.7	128.9	129.4	131.2	139.1	140.7	148.4	
17	Spinning ,Weaving and Finishing of Textiles	87	102.4	102.4	102.4	106.8	106.6	106.5	106.8	107.3	107.3	112.7	114.5	117.1	122.7	129.9	134.3	
18	Wearing Apparel Except Fur Apparel	9	94.0	94.1	95.0	95.5	95.5	95.5	99.2	100.1	100.1	100.1	101.0	101.0	112.4	115.9	117.9	
19	Leather and Footwear	79	107.0	106.7	108.7	111.1	111.1	111.1	114.4	116.9	116.7	119.0	117.5	118.4	121.2	122.0	123.4	
21-22	Paper , Paper Products and Printing	56	110.8	111.0	111.3	110.4	109.1	110.9	114.2	115.3	116.2	116.8	115.3	120.1	123.1	123.9	124.1	
24	Chemical and Chemical Products	67	102.5	102.7	102.4	103.3	103.5	104.1	107.0	108.4	110.1	114.2	115.2	116.9	121.2	122.1	124.5	
25	Rubber and Plastic Products	50	115.9	115.9	115.9	116.6	119.7	119.7	120.9	121.9	121.9	126.7	126.7	128.5	132.7	132.7	137.1	
26	Other Non-Metallic Mineral products	107	164.9	159.0	158.4	162.4	162.4	165.9	166.4	166.4	166.4	166.6	166.6	166.8	191.2	186.0	214.8	
27	Basic Iron and Steel	69	115.1	115.9	117.6	123.9	131.7	133.7	133.2	133.1	134.8	141.5	143.3	147.6	151.5	158.3	164.4	
28	Fabricated Metal Products Except Machinery and Equipment	30	110.0	110.0	113.6	117.3	118.5	124.8	126.5	126.5	126.5	131.9	136.6	136.6	144.3	152.6	152.6	
34	Bodies for Motor Vehicles ,Trailers and Semi-Trailers	25	93.5	103.1	100.6	107.6	107.6	107.6	107.2	107.2	107.3	109.2	109.2	109.2	112.3	112.3	120.6	
20 & 36	Wood and Furniture	21	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.6	112.1	115.8	115.9	117.4	117.4	117.4	120.3	120.3	121.1	

Base: First quarter2005=100