



INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX (IPI)



First Quarter 2018

(Base Year 2012) (Preliminary)

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Briefing

In the light of the rapid economic and social development in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, production indices and indicators are considered key tools that express changes in the volumes of industrial and commercial production and services .These indices are also considered important economic indicators that provide accurate data to decision makers, economists, researchers, policy makers and other users of official statistic.

The remarkable economic development witnessed by Abu Dhabi Emirate has called for the construction of a statistical index that reflects the growth of the economic production sectors. Therefore, Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi constructed the industrial production and price index for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.

The Industrial Production Index (IPI), which is calculated on a quarterly basis, cover the manufacturing sector. The IPI design is based on the main list of products of the industrial manufacturing activities in the International Standard Industrial Classification-revision 4 (ISIC4) which covers all manufacturing economic activities.

During the next phase development of the IPI, separate indices will be compiled for producers in extractive industries and in the electricity and water sectors.



Key Points

- The IPI decreased by 3.9% in the first quarter of 2018 compared with the same quarter in 2017, falling to 122.2% in the first quarter of 2018 from 127.1% in the first quarter of 2017.
- The IPI decreased by 7.5% in the first quarter of 2018 compared with the fourth quarter of 2017.
 Where the IPI falling to 122.2% in the first quarter of 2018 from 132.1% in the fourth quarter of 2017.
- The key activity that recorded an decrease in the IPI during the first quarter of 2018 compared with the fourth quarter of 2017, is the 'Manufacture of machinery and equipment n.e.c.' for which the production quantity decreased by 78.7% and contributed 128.6% in the overall increase.

Figure 1: Quarterly Industrial Production Index (IPI) for 2017, 2018 (2012=100)



Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi



Notes

Technical notes

For better understanding of the statistical indicators mentioned in this summary, please refer to the accompanied technical notes on the SCAD website.

Data sources

Data are collected from 65 establishments at the 2-digit level of the International Standard Industrial Classification. The sample distribution covers 52 establishments in the Abu Dhabi region and 13 establishments in the Al Ain region.

More information and detailed release

The IPI for Q2 2018 will be released during September 2018. For more information about the IPI and other official statistics, please visit the statistics link on the SCAD website at http://www.scad.ae

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