



Producer Price Index (PPI)

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The Producer Price Index (PPI) measures the average change over the time in prices received by domestic producers of goods and services. The introduction of the PPI in Sri Lanka provides a more complete picture of price movements and trends for making informed policy decisions. Department of Census and Statistics (DCS) changed the references of the PPI to 2018 - Q4 in 2021 and disseminate the figures effective from month of November 2021 with 40 days of lag time up to December 2022. From the month of January 2023, the PPI is release with a time lag of 30 days.

PPI is an important macro-economic indicator. It serves as an indicator of short-term inflationary trends and as a deflator of economic series. It is also used in productivity analysis, contract escalation, business analysis and current cost accounting etc. PPI covers the "Agriculture", "Manufacturing" and "Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply" sectors of the economy under the rebased PPI also.

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- † The PPI for all economic activities: "Agriculture", "Manufacturing" and "Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply", for the month of June 2023 is 231.3.
 - † On annual basis, PPI has been compiled as negative change of 0.7 percent.
 - † Comparing the month-on-month changes, PPI in June 2023 has decreased to 231.3 from 234.6 reported in May 2023.

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Annual Changes of Producer Price Index (PPI)

The PPI for all economic activities: "Agriculture", "Manufacturing" and "Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply" for the month of June 2023 is 231.3. PPI has been compiled as negative change of 0.7 percent on annual basis. The PPI reported for the three major economic activities, "Utility Sector" ("Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply"), "Manufacturing" and "Agriculture" are 263.6, 230.7 and 223.7 respectively. All three major sectors, "Utility Sector" ("Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply") reported positive change of 152.7 percent while "Agriculture" and "Manufacturing" reported negative changes of 7.0 percent and 3.1 percent on an annual basis (Table 1).

In the Agriculture sector, the sub-activities of "Animal production" and "Growing of perennial crops" reported positive changes of 27.4 percent and 4.2 percent respectively, while "Growing of non-perennial crops" reported a negative change of 29.3 percent on an annual basis (Table 3).

The sub-activities of the Manufacturing sector: "Printing and reproduction of recorded media (35.2%)", "Manufacture of tobacco products (17.1%)", "Manufacture of beverages (14.5%)", "Manufacture of furniture (12.2%)" and "Other manufacturing (3.5%)" reported positive changes while "Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products (20.9%)", "Manufacture of textiles (11.3%)", "Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products (9.4%)", "Manufacture of basic metals (5.7%)", "Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products (4.6%)", "Manufacture of other transport equipment (4.4%)", "Manufacture of food products (3.8%)", "Manufacture of rubber and plastics products (2.9%)" and "Manufacture of wearing apparel (2.3%)" reported negative changes in the month of June 2023 compared to the same month of 2022 (Table 3).

For the month of June 2023, both sub-activities of the Utility sector ("Electricity, gas, steam, and Air conditioning supply & Water supply"), "Electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply" and "Water collection, treatment and supply" reported positive changes of 180.8 percent and 36.6 percent respectively on an annual basis (Table3).

Table 1: PPI of June 2022 & 2023 and Year on Year changes of PPI by Major Economic Activity (Base: 2018 Q4=100)

Major Economic Activity	PPI		Year on Year % change (June**2023/ June 2022)
	2022 June	2023 June**	
All Activities	232.9	231.3	-0.7
Agriculture	240.6	223.7	-7.0
Manufacturing	238.2	230.7	-3.1
Utility (Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply)	104.3	263.6	152.7

** - Provisional

Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Monthly Changes of Producer Price Index (PPI)

Comparing the month-on-month changes, PPI in June 2023 has decreased to 231.3 from 234.6 reported in May 2023. This shows a decrease of 3.3 index points or 1.4 percentages compared to May 2023. The economic activities of "Agriculture", "Manufacturing" and "Utility Sector" ("Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply & Water supply") reported negative changes of 1.6 percent, 1.4 percent and 1.3 percent respectively on a monthly basis (Table2).

The sub-activities of the "Agriculture" sector, "Animal production" and "Growing of non-perennial crops" reported positive changes of 1.9 percent and 0.7 percent while "Growing of perennial crops" reported negative change of 6.0 percent on a monthly basis in the month of June 2023 compared to May 2023 (Table 3).

In the Manufacturing sector, the sub-activities, "Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products (1.1%)" reported positive change while "Manufacture of beverages", "Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products", "Manufacture of basic metals", "Manufacture of other transport equipment" and "Manufacture of furniture" remained unchanged compared to the preceding month and "Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products (4.1%)", "Manufacture of tobacco products (3.4%)", "Manufacture of food products (2.8%)", "Other manufacturing (0.9%)", "Printing and reproduction of recorded media (0.8%)", "Manufacture of textiles (0.6%)", "Manufacture of wearing apparel (0.3%)" and "Manufacture of rubber and plastics products (0.1%)" reported negative changes on a monthly basis (Table 3).

The sub-activities of the Utility sector ("Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply"), "Water collection, treatment and supply" reported positive change of 0.1 percent while "Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply" reported 1.4 percent on a monthly basis in the month of June 2023 (Table 3).

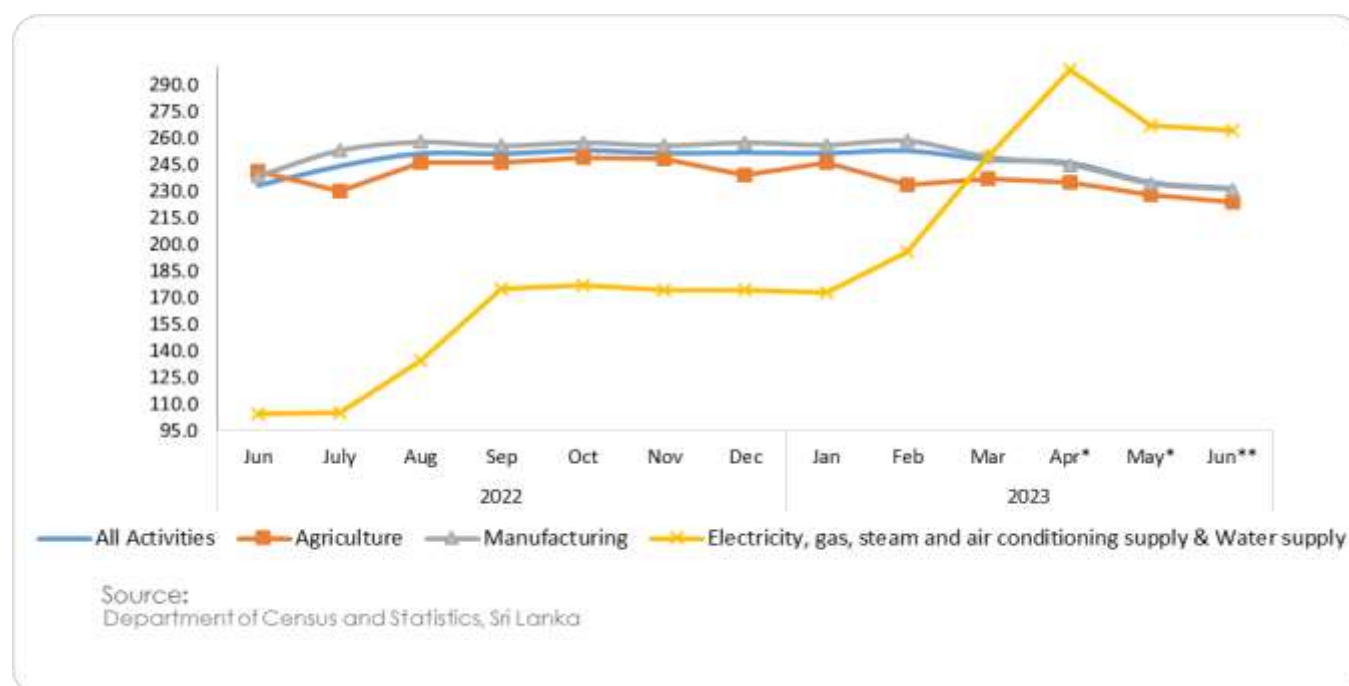
Table 2: PPI of June & May 2023 and Month to Month changes of PPI by Major Economic Activity (Base: 2018 Q4=100)

Major Economic Activity	PPI		Month to Month % change (2023 June**/ 2023 May*)
	2023 May*	2023 June**	
All Activities	234.6	231.3	-1.4
Agriculture	227.3	223.7	-1.6
Manufacturing	234.0	230.7	-1.4
Utility (Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply)	267.0	263.6	-1.3

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Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Figure 1: Movements of Monthly Producer Price Index by Major Economic Activity: June 2022-June 2023 (Base: 2018 Q4=100)



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Table 3: PPI of June 2022 & 2023 and May 2023 and percentage changes by two-digit level Economic Activity of ISIC (Base: 2018 Q4 = 100)

Description of the Economic Activity	2022	2023		% change		
	June	May*	June**	2023 June**/2022 June	2023 May*/2022 June	2023 June**/2022 June
All Activities	232.9	234.6	231.3	-1.4		-0.7
Agriculture	240.6	227.3	223.7	-1.6		-7.0
011 Growing of non-perennial crops	303.7	213.2	214.7	0.7		-29.3
012 Growing of perennial crops	196.1	217.5	204.4	-6.0		4.2
014 Animal production	215.7	269.8	274.8	1.9		27.4
Manufacturing	238.2	234.0	230.7	-1.4		-3.1
Manufacture of food products	236.9	234.5	227.9	-2.8		-3.8
Manufacture of beverages	162.5	186.0	186.0	0.0		14.5
Manufacture of tobacco products	136.2	165.1	159.5	-3.4		17.1
Manufacture of textiles	351.9	314.0	312.2	-0.6		-11.3
Manufacture of wearing apparel	189.9	186.0	185.5	-0.3		-2.3
Printing and reproduction of recorded media	173.1	235.9	234.0	-0.8		35.2
Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	247.0	223.8	223.8	0.0		-9.4
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	313.2	295.4	298.7	1.1		-4.6
Manufacture of rubber and plastics products	293.6	285.3	285.0	-0.1		-2.9
Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	267.6	220.8	211.8	-4.1		-20.9
Manufacture of basic metals	460.7	434.4	434.4	0.0		-5.7
Manufacture of other transport equipment	216.5	206.9	206.9	0.0		-4.4
Manufacture of furniture	251.5	282.2	282.2	0.0		12.2
Other manufacturing	277.3	289.5	286.9	-0.9		3.5
Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply	103.7	295.3	291.2	-1.4		180.8
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Water collection, treatment and supply	106.7	145.7	145.8	0.1		36.6
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ISIC refers to International Standard Industrial Classification of all activities (Revision 4)

Revision Policy

PPI is compiled by collecting prices received by the domestic producers 277 manufacturing and utility related establishments. Prices of 42 agricultural products are collected from 331 Divisional Secretariat Divisions covering the entire country. Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply sector prices are collected from Ceylon Electricity Board and National Water Supply & Drainage Board respectively.

In certain circumstances, it is not possible to collect requested prices by the time of releasing PPI. Such prices are therefore, statistically imputed. Therefore, indices of the latest month are released as provisional.

The Producer Price Index (PPI) (Base: 2018Q4=100) was released monthly with a lag of 40 days, with effect from November 2021 to December 2022. Also, the Producer Price Index (PPI) (Base: 2018Q4=100) will be released monthly, commencing with the PPI of January 2023, on the last working day of the following month. Accordingly, the PPI for the month of July 2023 will be released on 31st of August 2023.

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