



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.

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 August 2022 is 248.7.
 - ▣ The annual change in the PPI has been compiled as 103.4 percent.
 - ▣ Comparing the month-on-month changes, PPI in August 2022 has increased to 248.7 from 243.0 reported in July 2022.
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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 August 2022 is 248.7. The annual change in the PPI has been compiled as 103.4 percent. The PPI reported for the three major economic activities, "Manufacturing", "Agriculture" and "Utility sector" ("Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply") are 256.1, 245.8 and 105.3 respectively. All three major sectors, "Manufacturing", "Agriculture" and "Utility Sector" ("Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply") reported positive changes of 108.6 percent, 96.0 percent and 2.6 percent respectively on annual basis (Table 1).

In the Agriculture sector, the sub-activities of "Animal production", "Growing of non-perennial crops" and "Growing of perennial crops" reported positive changes of 127.3 percent, 113.2 percent and 66.7 percent respectively on annual basis (Table 3).

The sub-activities of the Manufacturing sector: "Manufacture of textiles"(202.9%), "Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products" (182.7%), "Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products" (155.5%), "Manufacture of furniture" (129.2%), "Manufacture of rubber and plastics products" (128.3%), "Manufacture of food products" (128.1%), "Manufacture of basic metals" (116.0%), "Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products" (114.3%), "Other manufacturing" (106.5%), "Manufacture of other transport equipment" (79.7%), "Manufacture of beverages" (69.5%), "Printing and reproduction of recorded media" (66.8%), "Manufacture of wearing apparel" (61.9%) and "Manufacture of tobacco products" (23.3%) reported positive growth rates in the month of August 2022 compared to the same month of 2021 (Table 3).

For the month of August 2022, the sub-activities in 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 2.9 percent and 1.6 percent on annual basis (Table3).

Table 1: PPI of August 2021 & 2022 and Year on Year changes of PPI by Major Economic Activity (Base: 2018 Q4=100)

Major Economic Activity	PPI		Year on Year % change (Aug 2022**/ Aug 2021)
	2021 Aug	2022 Aug**	
All Activities	122.3	248.7	103.4
Agriculture	125.4	245.8	96.0
Manufacturing	122.8	256.1	108.6
Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply	102.6	105.3	2.6

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Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Monthly Changes of Producer Price Index

Comparing the month-on-month changes, PPI in August 2022 has increased to 248.7 from 243.0 reported in July 2022. This shows an increase of 5.7 index points or 2.3 percentage compared to July 2022. The economic activities of "Agriculture", "Manufacturing" and "Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply & Water supply" reported positive changes of 7.0 percent, 1.8 percent and 0.7 percent on monthly basis (Table 2).

The sub-activities of the "Agriculture" sector, "Animal production" and "Growing of perennial crops" reported positive changes of 22.0 percent and 11.9 percent while "Growing of non-perennial crops" reported negative change of 4.0 percent in the month of August 2022 compared to the July 2022(Table 3).

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In the Manufacturing sector, the sub-activities, "Printing and reproduction of recorded media" (16.1%), "Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products (10.1%)", "Manufacture of textiles (2.9%)", "Manufacture of beverages" (2.5%), "Manufacture of tobacco products" (2.2%), "Manufacture of food products" (1.9%), "Manufacture of rubber and plastics products" (1.9%) , "Manufacture of furniture" (1.4%) and "Manufacture of wearing apparel" (0.2%) reported positive changes on monthly basis. "Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products" and "Manufacture of basic metals" remained unchanged while "Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products (0.4%)", "Manufacture of other transport equipment" (0.1%) and "Other manufacturing" (0.1%) reported negative changes on monthly basis (Table 3).

The 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 change of 0.8 percent and 0.1 percent respectively on monthly basis in the month of August 2022 (Table 3).

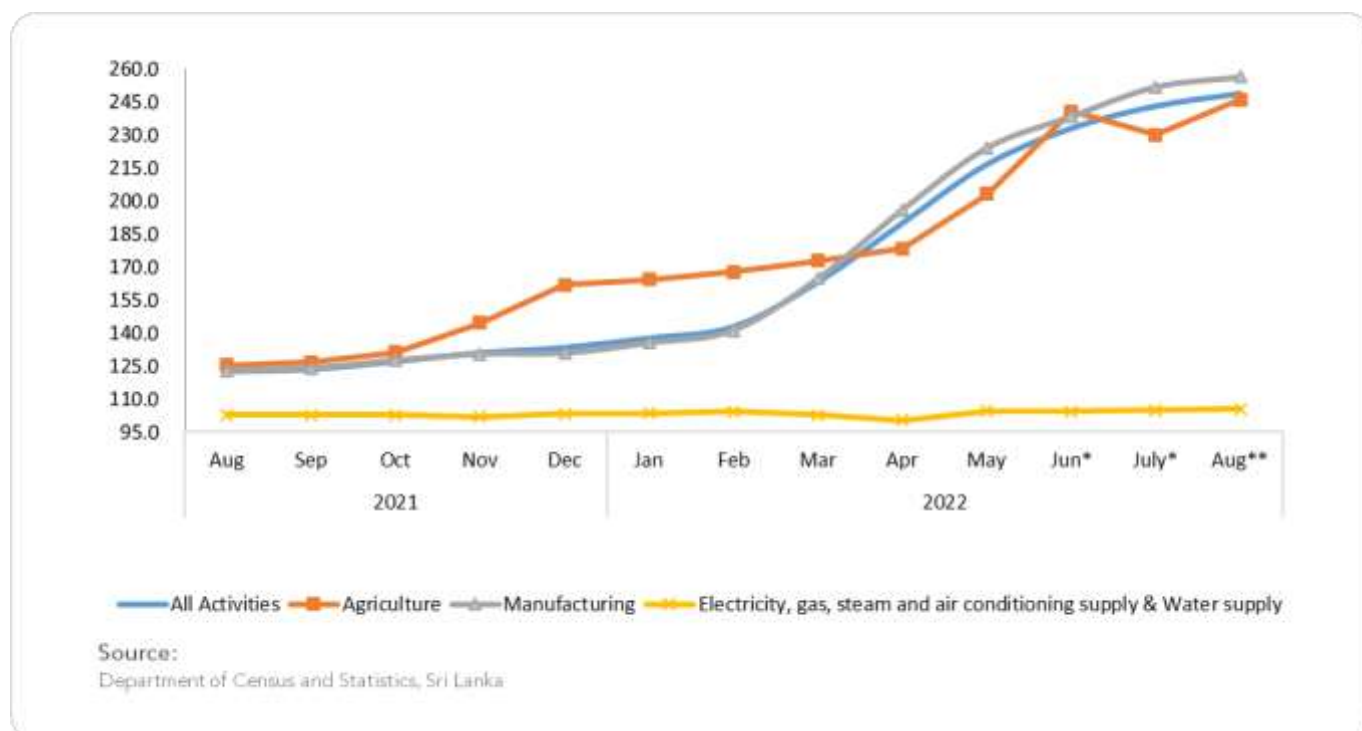
Table 2: PPI of August & July 2022 and Month to Month changes of PPI by Major Economic Activity (Base: 2018 Q4=100)

Major Economic Activity	PPI		Month to Month % change (2022 Aug** / 2022 July*)
	2022 July*	2022 Aug**	
All Activities	243.0	248.7	2.3
Agriculture	229.7	245.8	7.0
Manufacturing	251.6	256.1	1.8
Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply & Water supply	104.6	105.3	0.7

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Source: Department of Census and Statistics

Figure 1: Movements of Monthly Producer Price Index by Major Economic Activity: August 2021 – August 2022 (Base: 2018 Q4=100)



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Table 3: PPI of July 2022 and August 2021 & 2022 and percentage changes by two-digit level Economic Activity of ISIC (Base: 2018 Q4 = 100)

ISIC Rev.4.0	Description of the Economic Activity	2021	2022		% change	
		Aug	July*	Aug**	2022 Aug**/ 2022 July*	2022 Aug**/ Aug 2021
	All Activities	122.3	243.0	248.7	2.3	103.4
A	Agriculture	125.4	229.7	245.8	7.0	96.0
	011 Growing of non-perennial crops	122.4	271.8	261.0	-4.0	113.2
	012 Growing of perennial crops	132.3	197.0	220.5	11.9	66.7
	014 Animal production	117.4	218.7	266.9	22.0	127.3
C	Manufacturing	122.8	251.6	256.1	1.8	108.6
10	Manufacture of food products	115.7	258.9	263.9	1.9	128.1
11	Manufacture of beverages	107.4	177.5	182.0	2.5	69.5
12	Manufacture of tobacco products	118.9	143.5	146.6	2.2	23.3
13	Manufacture of textiles	117.6	346.2	356.2	2.9	202.9
14	Manufacture of wearing apparel	127.5	206.0	206.4	0.2	61.9
18	Printing and reproduction of recorded media	121.2	174.1	202.2	16.1	66.8
19	Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	96.2	247.0	272.0	10.1	182.7
20	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	146.6	315.5	314.2	-0.4	114.3
22	Manufacture of rubber and plastics products	136.7	306.2	312.1	1.9	128.3
23	Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products	116.9	298.8	298.7	0.0	155.5
24	Manufacture of basic metals	211.8	457.5	457.5	0.0	116.0
30	Manufacture of other transport equipment	124.4	223.8	223.5	-0.1	79.7
31	Manufacture of furniture	120.7	272.8	276.6	1.4	129.2
32	Other manufacturing	132.7	274.2	274.0	-0.1	106.5
D	Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply	101.9	104.1	104.9	0.8	2.9
35	Electricity, gas, steam and Air conditioning supply	101.9	104.1	104.9	0.8	2.9
E	Water collection, treatment and supply	105.3	106.9	107.0	0.1	1.6
36	Water collection, treatment and supply	105.3	106.9	107.0	0.1	1.6

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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.

Producer Price Index (PPI) is released monthly with 40 days time lag with effect from the month of November 2021. The PPI for the month of September 2022 will be released on 10th of November 2022.

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