

Piraeus, 12 May 2017

PRESS RELEASE

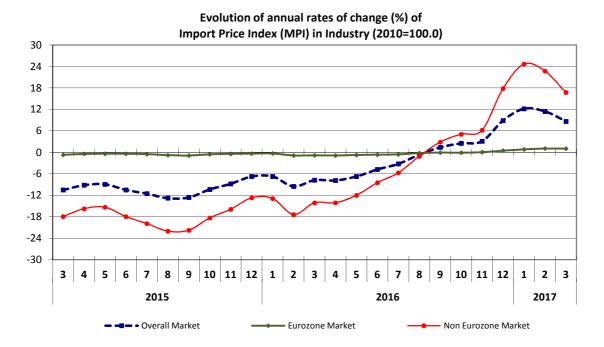
IMPORT PRICE INDEX IN INDUSTRY: March 2017, y-o-y increase of 8.6%

The Overall Import Price Index in Industry (MPI) with base year 2010=100.0 in March 2017 recorded an increase of 8.6% compared with March 2016. The corresponding index in March 2016 had recorded a decrease of 7.8% compared with March 2015 (Table 1.II).

The Overall Index in March 2017 recorded a decrease of 1.1% compared with February 2017. The corresponding index in March 2016 had recorded an increase of 1.4% compared with February 2016 (Table 1.I).

The twelve-month average Overall Index from April 2016 to March 2017, increased by 1.8% in comparison with the corresponding index of the period from April 2015 to March 2016 (Table 4).

The time series of MPI are available on the website of ELSTAT, at: http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/DKT18/-



Information:

Economic and Short-Term Indicators Division Wholesale Prices and Price Indices Section Evridiki Vlachokosta

Tel: +30 213 1352742 Fax: +30 213 1352715

E-mail: e.vlachokosta@statistics.gr

1. Monthly rates of change: March 2017 compared with February 2017

The decrease of 1.1% in the Overall Import Price Index in Industry in March 2017 compared with February 2017 is on account of:

- a. 2.1% decrease in the MPI of the Non-Eurozone Market (Table 3.I).
- b. The MPI of the Eurozone Market remained unchanged (Table 2.I).

2. Annual rates of change: March 2017 compared with March 2016

The increase of 8.6% in the Overall Import Price Index in Industry in March 2017 compared with March 2016 is on account of:

- a. 1.0% increase in the MPI of the Eurozone Market (Table 2.I).
- b. 16.7% increase in the MPI of the Non-Eurozone Market (Table 3.I).

Table 1. Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry: Overall Market

Base year: 2010=100.0

I. Monthly changes

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient	March	February	Rates of change (%)	March	February	Rates of change (%)
			2017	2017		2016	2016	
20	Overall Market	100,000	96.3	97.4	-1.1	88.6	87.4	1.4
40	Intermediate Goods	24,001	103.5	103.3	0.2	101.3	101.2	0.1
50	Capital Goods	15,729	101.5	101.6	-0.1	101.3	101.4	0.0
60	Durable Consumer Goods	4,300	100.4	100.7	-0.3	100.5	100.3	0.2
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	28,296	98.6	98.6	0.1	98.3	98.8	-0.5
90	Energy	27,674	83.9	88.1	-4.8	58.5	53.8	8.8

II. Annual changes

	Main Industrial	Weighting coefficient		March	Rates of change (%)		
Codes	Groups - MIGs		2017	2016	2015	2017/2016	2016/2015
20	Overall Market	100,000	96.3	88.6	96.1	8.6	-7.8
40	Intermediate Goods	24,001	103.5	101.3	103.9	2.2	-2.5
50	Capital Goods	15,729	101.5	101.3	100.8	0.2	0.5
60	Durable Consumer Goods	4,300	100.4	100.5	100.0	-0.2	0.6
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	28,296	98.6	98.3	98.8	0.3	-0.5
90	Energy	27,674	83.9	58.5	83.1	43.3	-29.6

Note: The indices and percantage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published

Table 2. Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry: Eurozone Market

Base year: 2010=100.0

I. Monthly changes

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient	March	February	Rates of change (%)	March	February	Rates of
			2017	2017		2016	2016	change (%)
20	Overall Market	45,610	101.0	101.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	0.0
40	Intermediate Goods	13,708	104.1	103.8	0.3	102.5	102.5	0.1
50	Capital Goods	10,395	101.4	101.6	-0.2	101.2	101.2	0.0
60	Durable Consumer Goods	2,518	102.0	102.1	-0.1	101.4	101.4	0.0
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	18,135	99.0	99.0	0.1	98.8	99.2	-0.3
90	Energy	854	84.8	91.5	-7.3	63.1	57.4	9.9

II. Annual changes

0.1		Weighting coefficient		March	Rates of change (%)		
Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs		2017	2016	2015	2017/2016	2016/2015
20	Overall Market	45,610	101.0	100.0	100.8	1.0	-0.9
40	Intermediate Goods	13,708	104.1	102.5	104.0	1.5	-1.4
50	Capital Goods	10,395	101.4	101.2	100.7	0.3	0.5
60	Durable Consumer Goods	2,518	102.0	101.4	101.3	0.5	0.1
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	18,135	99.0	98.8	99.1	0.2	-0.2
90	Energy	854	84.8	63.1	86.6	34.4	-27.2

Note: The indices and percantage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published

Table 3. Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry: Non Eurozone Market

Base year: 2010=100.0

I. Monthly changes

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient	March	February	Rates of change (%)	March	February	Rates of
			2017	2017		2016	2016	change (%)
20	Overall Market	54,390	92.3	94.3	-2.1	79.1	76.8	2.9
40	Intermediate Goods	10,293	102.8	102.7	0.1	99.6	99.4	0.1
50	Capital Goods	5,334	101.7	101.6	0.0	101.7	101.7	-0.1
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1,782	98.1	98.7	-0.6	99.3	98.8	0.5
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	10,161	97.8	97.8	0.0	97.4	98.1	-0.7
90	Energy	26,820	83.9	88.0	-4.7	58.4	53.7	8.7

II. Annual changes

II. Allilua		Weighting coefficient		March	Rates of change (%)		
Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs		2017	2016	2015	2017/2016	2016/2015
20	Overall Market	54,390	92.3	79.1	92.1	16.7	-14.1
40	Intermediate Goods	10,293	102.8	99.6	103.7	3.2	-3.9
50	Capital Goods	5,334	101.7	101.7	101.1	0.0	0.6
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1,782	98.1	99.3	98.1	-1.2	1.2
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	10,161	97.8	97.4	98.3	0.4	-0.9
90	Energy	26,820	83.9	58.4	83.0	43.6	-29.7

Note: The indices and percantage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published

Table 4. Changes of Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry

Base year: 2010=100.0 12-month average Monthly rates of Annual rates of 12-month moving average Year and month **Overall Index** index (moving change (%) change (%) rates of change (%) average) 2015: 93.4 -1.9 -13.2 104.1 -4.6 2 96.6 3.5 -10.8 103.1 -5.3 3 96.1 -0.6 -10.5 102.2 -5.9 4 97.4 -9.2 101.3 -6.6 1.4 5 0.7 -8.9 100.5 -7.2 98.1 6 97.1 -1.0 -10.5 99.6 -8.1 7 -2.4 98.6 -8.8 94.7 -11.5 -2.2 8 92.7 -12.8 97.4 -9.7 9 -0.8 96.3 91.9 -12.6 -10.4 10 92.1 0.2 -10.4 95.4 -10.9 -1.0 -8.8 94.7 -11.0 11 91.2 12 88.8 -2.7 -6.8 94.2 -10.5 Annual average 94.2 94.2 -10.5 2016: 1 87.1 -1.9 -6.7 93.6 -10.0 2 87.4 0.4 -9.5 92.9 -9.9 3 88.6 1.4 -7.8 92.3 -9.7 4 89.7 1.3 -7.9 91.6 -9.6 5 91.5 1.9 -6.7 91.1 -9.4 6 92.5 -4.8 90.7 -9.0 1.1 7 91.7 -0.9 90.4 -3.2 -8.3 8 92.1 0.4 -0.7 90.4 -7.2 9 93.2 90.5 1.2 1.4 -6.1 10 1.3 2.5 90.7 -5.0 94.4 90.9 11 94.1 -0.4 3.1 -4.0 12 96.6 2.7 8.9 91.6 -2.8 Annual average 91.6 -2.8 91.6 2017: 12.1 1 97.7 1.1 92.4 -1.3 2 93.3 97.4 -0.3 11.4 0.4 3 96.3 8.6 93.9 1.8 -1.1 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Note: The indices and percantage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published

Annual average

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Generally

The Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry, in its current form, has been compiled since January 2005, when it replaced the Final Products Wholesale Price Index with foreign final products from abroad. The Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry was revised with base year 2010=100.0 and the time series were revised accordingly.

Purpose of the index – definitions

The purpose of the Import Price Index in Industry (MPI) is to measure the monthly rates of change of the prices of imported products in the sectors of mining, processing and energy and that are sold to resident enterprises irrespective of their branch of economic activity.

The Import Price Index is a monthly index and it is composed by the sub-indices of the import prices of the two market zones: the euro-zone and the non-euro-zone countries depending on the country of origin of imports.

The collected prices of imported products are CIF (Cost Insurance Freight) prices at the Greek border, free of all taxes and duties payable by the import enterprises. This means that they include the product transport (freight) and insurance costs incurred by the enterprise for their importation.

The selected price data for the compilation of the MPI are collected from units-enterprises that import the goods. The prices refer mainly to the transactions between the resident enterprises that import products and the enterprises established abroad which act as exporters of products to Greece.

Legal basis

The compilation of MPI is governed by Council Regulation (EC) 1165/98 "concerning short-term statistics" and by the Regulation 1158/05 (amending the above mentioned Regulation) of the European Parliament and of the Council. Furthermore, the MPI is governed by Regulation (EC) 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council, by Commission Regulation (EC) 656/2007 and the Regulation (EC) 451/2008 of the Council.

Reference period

Month.

Base year

2010=100.0.

Revision

The MPI is a fixed base index. The index was revised with the new base year 2010 = 100.0 by virtue of Council Regulation (EC) 1165/98, according to which the short-term statistics indices are revised every five (5) years and more specifically in year ending in 0 or 5.

Statistical classifications

At the level of branches of economic activities the new Eurostat classification NACE Rev.2 was used (Regulation 1893/2006), while at the level of main industrial groups, the allocation of two-digit and three-digit NACE Rev.2 headings to categories of aggregate classification was used, in accordance with Commission Regulation 656/2007. At product level, the new Eurostat classification CPA 2008 was used, according to the Council Regulation 451/2008.

Geographical coverage

The Index covers the whole of the country, with data from Attica and other 32 prefectures of the country.

Coverage of economic activities

The index covers the sections of mining-quarrying manufacturing, energy and natural gas, the main industrial groups, and all the levels of economic activities (divisions, groups, classes) and the level of imported products.

Statistical survey

The data are collected from approximately 1,061 enterprises and the total number of observations (prices) is approximately 2,620. More specifically, the following items are surveyed: 329 product codes, derived from euro-zone countries (with 13 refer as new products), and 275 product codes that originate from non-euro-zone countries (with 34 refer as new products).

Publication of data

The MPI with the new base year 2010=100.0 is released since September 2013, with July 2013 as the first reference month. Data with base year 2010=100.0 are available from 2000 onwards.

References

More information on the methodology concerning the compilation and calculation of the index, as well as the time series is available on the website of ELSTAT at the following link:

http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/DKT18/-