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### IMPORT PRICE INDEX IN INDUSTRY: May 2019, y-o-y increase of 1.9%

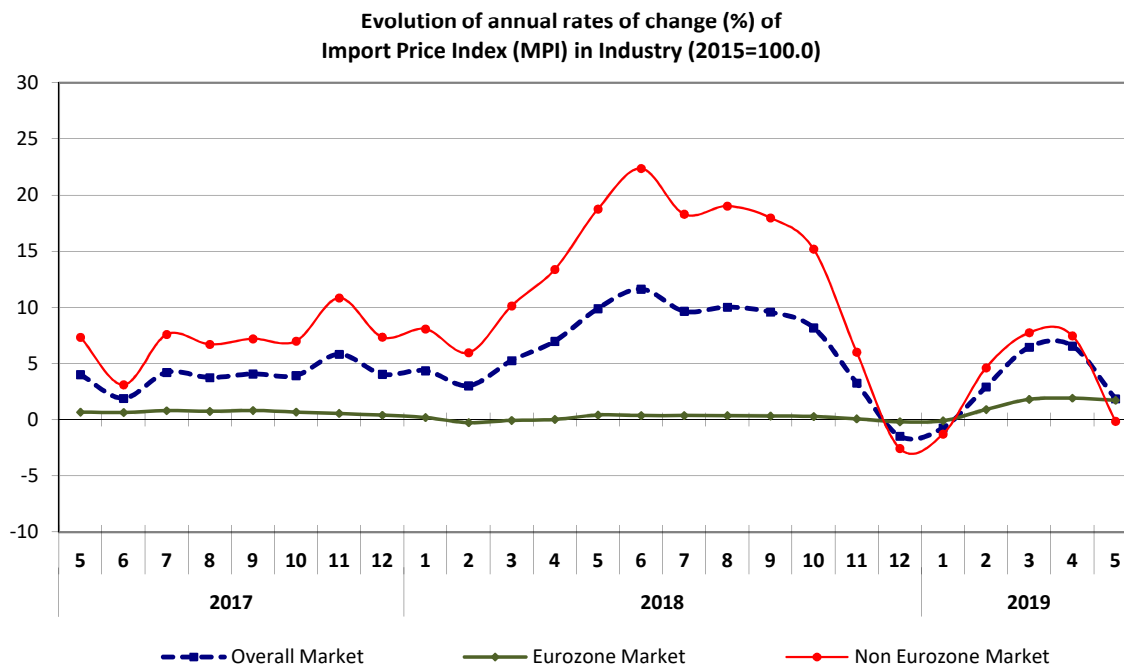
The Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) announces the revised Import Price Index in Industry, with base year 2015=100.0. The revision was carried out in compliance with the Council Regulation (EEC) No.1165/98, where for reasons of comparability, these indicators are revised every (5) five years and specifically with base year in years that end in (0) and (5).

The Overall Import Price Index in Industry (MPI) with base year 2015=100.0 in May 2019 recorded an increase of 1.9% compared with May 2018. The corresponding index in May 2018 had recorded an increase of 9.9% compared with May 2017 (Table 1.I).

The Overall Index in May 2019 recorded a decrease of 2.9% compared with April 2019. The corresponding index in May 2018 had recorded an increase of 1.6% compared with April 2018 (Table 1.II).

The twelve-month average Overall Index from June 2018 to May 2019, increased by 5.6% in comparison with the corresponding index of the period from June 2017 to May 2018, while the increase recorded between the previous twelve-month periods amounted to 4.8% (Table 4).

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



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## 1. Annual rates of change: May 2019 compared with May 2018

The increase of 1.9% in the Overall Import Price Index in Industry in May 2019 compared with May 2018 is on account of the yearly changes of the sub-indices of the markets as follows:

- a. 1.7% increase in the MPI of the Eurozone Market (Table 2.I).
- b. 0.1% decrease in the MPI of the Non-Eurozone Market (Table 3.I).

More specifically, the aforementioned increase was the result of the yearly changes mainly of the sub-indices in the following NACE Rev.2 Divisions:

Code	Division	Rates of change (%)
35	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	11.8
19	Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	5.3
25	Manufacture of fabricated metal products except machinery and equipment	1.5
13	Manufacture of textiles	1.4
14	Manufacture of wearing apparel	1.2
17	Manufacture of paper-pulp, paper and paper products	1.0
32	Other manufacturing	0.7
10	Manufacture of food products	0.4
21	Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	-0.2
26	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	-0.6
24	Manufacture of basic metals	-2.3
06	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	-5.4

## 2. Monthly rates of change: May 2019 compared with April 2019

The decrease of 2.9% in the Overall Import Price Index in Industry in May 2019 compared with April 2019 is on account of the monthly 4.6% decrease in the MPI of the Non-Eurozone Market (Table 3.II), while the MPI of the Eurozone Market remained unchanged (Table 2.II).

More specifically, the aforementioned decrease was the result of the monthly changes mainly of the sub-indices in the following NACE Rev.2 Divisions:

Code	Division	Rates of change (%)
06	Extraction of crude petroleum and natural gas	-9.9
24	Manufacture of basic metals	-1.4
21	Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and pharmaceutical preparations	-0.9
17	Manufacture of paper-pulp, paper and paper products	-0.3
27	Manufacture of electrical equipment	-0.2
26	Manufacture of computer, electronic and optical products	-0.1
10	Manufacture of food products	0.1
32	Other manufacturing	0.1
20	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	0.3
25	Manufacture of fabricated metal products except machinery and equipment	0.3
19	Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	0.3
13	Manufacture of textiles	0.4

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

**Base year: 2015=100.0**

**I. Annual changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May			Rates of change (%)	
			2019	2018	2017	2019/2018	2018/2017
20	Overall Market	100.00	113.1	111.0	101.0	1.9	9.9
40	Intermediate Goods	24.60	101.2	101.2	99.9	0.0	1.3
50	Capital Goods	15.33	100.7	100.7	100.5	0.0	0.2
60	Durable Consumer Goods	3.09	99.3	100.2	100.1	-0.8	0.1
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	27.64	99.5	99.0	99.8	0.5	-0.8
90	Energy	29.34	143.9	148.2	104.5	-2.9	41.8

**II. Monthly changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)
			2019	2019		2018	2018	
20	Overall Market	100.00	113.1	116.5	-2.9	111.0	109.3	1.6
40	Intermediate Goods	24.60	101.2	101.4	-0.2	101.2	100.9	0.3
50	Capital Goods	15.33	100.7	100.7	0.0	100.7	100.8	0.0
60	Durable Consumer Goods	3.09	99.3	99.3	0.0	100.2	100.0	0.2
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	27.64	99.5	99.6	-0.1	99.0	98.8	0.1
90	Energy	29.34	143.9	155.0	-7.2	148.2	141.1	5.1

*Note: The indices and percentage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.*

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

**Base year: 2015=100.0**

**I. Annual changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May			Rates of change (%)	
			2019	2018	2017	2019/2018	2018/2017
20	Overall Market	41.71	102.3	100.6	100.1	1.7	0.4
40	Intermediate Goods	12.14	101.3	101.3	100.1	0.1	1.2
50	Capital Goods	8.73	101.5	101.0	100.6	0.5	0.4
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1.50	101.4	101.0	100.5	0.4	0.5
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	17.68	99.7	98.6	99.8	1.2	-1.3
90	Energy	1.66	142.3	130.1	101.7	9.4	27.9

**II. Monthly changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)
			2019	2019		2018	2018	
20	Overall Market	41.71	102.3	102.3	0.0	100.6	100.3	0.2
40	Intermediate Goods	12.14	101.3	101.4	-0.1	101.3	101.1	0.1
50	Capital Goods	8.73	101.5	101.6	0.0	101.0	101.0	0.0
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1.50	101.4	101.4	0.0	101.0	100.8	0.2
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	17.68	99.7	99.6	0.1	98.6	98.5	0.0
90	Energy	1.66	142.3	141.5	0.6	130.1	118.9	9.4

*Note: The indices and percentage changes are rounded up to one decimal figure when published.*

**Table 3. Import Price Index (MPI) in Industry: Non Eurozone Market**
**Base year: 2015=100.0**
**I. Annual changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May			Rates of change (%)	
			2019	2018	2017	2019/2018	2018/2017
20	Overall Market	58.29	120.8	121.0	101.9	-0.1	18.8
40	Intermediate Goods	12.46	101.0	101.1	99.6	-0.1	1.5
50	Capital Goods	6.60	99.6	100.2	100.4	-0.6	-0.1
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1.59	97.3	99.0	99.5	-1.7	-0.6
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	9.96	99.1	99.7	99.7	-0.7	0.0
90	Energy	27.68	144.0	148.8	104.6	-3.3	42.2

**II. Monthly changes**

Codes	Main Industrial Groups - MIGs	Weighting coefficient (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)	May	April	Rates of change (%)
			2019	2019		2018	2018	
20	Overall Market	58.29	120.8	126.6	-4.6	121.0	117.8	2.7
40	Intermediate Goods	12.46	101.0	101.4	-0.4	101.1	100.6	0.5
50	Capital Goods	6.60	99.6	99.6	0.0	100.2	100.3	0.0
60	Durable Consumer Goods	1.59	97.3	97.4	-0.1	99.0	98.8	0.1
70	Non-Durable Consumer Goods	9.96	99.1	99.6	-0.6	99.7	99.4	0.3
90	Energy	27.68	144.0	155.8	-7.6	148.8	141.8	4.9

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

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

**Base year: 2015=100.0**

Year and month		Overall Index	Monthly rates of change (%)	Annual rates of change (%)	12-month average index (moving average)	12-month moving average rates of change (%)
<b>2017 :</b>	1	103.7	1.1	12.1	98.2	-1.3
	2	103.4	-0.3	11.4	99.1	0.4
	3	102.2	-1.1	8.6	99.7	1.8
	4	102.1	-0.1	7.2	100.3	3.1
	5	101.0	-1.1	4.0	100.6	4.1
	6	100.0	-1.0	1.9	100.8	4.7
	7	101.4	1.4	4.2	101.1	5.3
	8	101.4	0.0	3.8	101.4	5.7
	9	103.0	1.5	4.1	101.8	5.9
	10	104.2	1.2	3.9	102.1	6.0
	11	105.7	1.4	5.8	102.6	6.3
	12	106.8	1.0	4.1	102.9	5.9
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>102.9</b>				
<b>2018 :</b>	1	108.2	1.4	4.4	103.3	5.2
	2	106.5	-1.6	3.0	103.6	4.6
	3	107.6	1.0	5.3	104.0	4.3
	4	109.3	1.6	7.0	104.6	4.3
	5	111.0	1.6	9.9	105.4	4.8
	6	111.7	0.6	11.6	106.4	5.6
	7	111.2	-0.4	9.7	107.2	6.0
	8	111.6	0.3	10.0	108.1	6.6
	9	112.9	1.1	9.6	108.9	7.0
	10	112.8	-0.1	8.2	109.6	7.4
	11	109.2	-3.2	3.3	109.9	7.1
	12	105.2	-3.6	-1.5	109.8	6.6
<b>Annual average</b>		<b>109.8</b>				
<b>2019 :</b>	1	107.4	2.1	-0.7	109.7	6.2
	2	109.6	2.1	2.9	110.0	6.2
	3	114.5	4.5	6.5	110.5	6.3
	4	116.5	1.7	6.6	111.1	6.2
	5	113.1	-2.9	1.9	111.3	5.6

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## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

<b>Generally</b>	<p>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 2015=100.0 and the time series were revised accordingly.</p>
<b>Purpose of the index – definitions</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>Legal basis</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Reference period</b>	Month.
<b>Base year</b>	2015=100.0.
<b>Revision</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Statistical classifications</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Geographical coverage</b>	<p>The Index covers the whole of the country, with data from Attica and other 32 prefectures of the country.</p>
<b>Coverage of economic activities</b>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Statistical survey</b>	<p>The data are collected from approximately 880 enterprises and the total number of observations (prices) is approximately 2,540. More specifically, the following items are surveyed: 297 product codes, derived from euro-zone countries and 260 product codes that originate from non-euro-zone countries.</p>
<b>Publication of data</b>	<p>The MPI with the new base year 2015=100.0 is released since July 2019, with May 2019 as the first reference month. Data with base year 2015=100.0 are available from 2000 onwards.</p>
<b>References</b>	<p>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:</p> <p><a href="http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/DKT18/">http://www.statistics.gr/en/statistics/-/publication/DKT18/</a></p>