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**PRODUCER PRICE INDEX FOR
MANUFACTURING SECTOR (PPI-M)
FIRST QUARTER 2011**

Background

This is the twenty fifth publication of monthly Producer Price Index for the Manufacturing sector (PPI-M). Work on the development of the methodology for the construction of the PPI-M started in March 2003 with technical assistance from the IMF East AFRITAC and financial assistance from the UK DFID. The PPI project is a joint project between the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NSIR) and the National Bank of Rwanda (NBR).

Table 1: Monthly Producer Price Indices by activity group: **First Quarter 2011**
Goods Produced mainly for local sales
(Base Period: Fourth Quarter 2003 = 100)

Activity group	Weight	2010			2011			2010	2011
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	1 st Qrt	1 st Qrt
PPI for Mainly Local Sold products	1000	153.91	153.72	155.33	164.20	165.65	165.73	154.32	165.19
<i>% change, previous month/quarter^(*)</i>		-0.22	-0.13	1.05	-0.06	0.88	0.05	0.46	0.89
<i>% change, 12 months</i>		-2.28	-2.75	-1.74	6.68	7.76	6.70	-2.26	7.05
Food Products, Beverages and Tobacco	456	153.50	153.50	156.92	161.78	161.70	161.83	154.64	161.77
<i>% change, previous month/quarter^(*)</i>		0.60	0.00	2.22	-0.41	-0.05	0.08	2.19	-0.24
<i>% change, 12 months</i>		0.61	-0.04	2.06	5.39	5.34	3.13	0.88	4.61
Food products	129	189.57	189.57	189.53	175.62	175.36	175.80	189.56	175.59
<i>% change, previous month/quarter^(*)</i>		1.73	0.00	-0.02	-1.32	-0.15	0.25	4.20	-0.77
<i>% change, 12 months</i>		1.87	0.01	-0.35	-7.36	-7.50	-7.24	0.50	-7.37
Production, processing and preserving of meat and meat products	3	220.85	220.85	220.85	220.85	220.85	220.85	220.85	220.85
Processing and preserving of fruits and vegetables	8	151.41	151.41	151.41	168.53	168.53	168.53	151.41	168.53
Manufacture of dairy products	32	196.24	196.24	196.24	211.43	211.43	211.43	196.24	211.43
Manufacture of grain mill and animal feeds products	27	184.89	184.89	184.68	145.37	144.94	146.72	184.82	145.68
Manufacture of bakery products, pastry, biscuits	13	205.40	205.40	205.40	172.89	172.89	172.89	205.40	172.89
Manufacture of sugar	45	187.91	187.91	187.91	167.50	167.02	167.23	187.91	167.25
Beverages and Tobacco	327	139.20	139.20	143.99	156.29	156.29	156.29	140.80	156.29
<i>% change, previous month/quarter^(*)</i>		0.00	0.00	3.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.15	0.00
<i>% change, 12 months</i>		-0.06	-0.06	3.37	12.27	12.27	8.54	1.08	11.00
<i>Manufacture of beer, soft drinks and tobacco</i>	327	139.20	139.20	143.99	156.29	156.29	156.29	140.80	156.29
Other than Food, Beverages and Tobacco	544	154.26	153.90	154.00	166.23	168.96	169.01	154.05	168.07
<i>% change, previous month/quarter^(*)</i>		-0.90	-0.23	0.07	0.22	1.64	0.03	-0.95	1.82
<i>% change, 12 months</i>		-4.56	-4.90	-4.78	7.76	9.78	9.74	-4.75	9.10
Manufacture of textiles, wearing apparel, tanning and dressing of leather	47	146.22	146.22	146.16	175.12	174.37	174.95	146.20	174.81
Manufacture of paper and paper products, publishing of books, newspapers	40	124.30	120.09	121.57	145.01	147.33	147.33	121.99	146.55
Manufacture of chemical products	172	136.53	136.53	136.53	149.06	157.31	157.31	136.53	154.56
Manufacture of plastic products, tubes, retreading and rebuilding of rubber tyres	45	151.32	151.32	151.32	151.32	151.32	151.32	151.32	151.32
Manufacture of ceramic products, cement, lime and articles of concrete	126	182.52	182.52	182.52	196.08	196.08	196.08	182.52	196.08
Manufacture of fabricated metal products	70	168.53	168.16	168.16	177.27	177.27	177.27	168.28	177.27
Manufacture of furniture	43	159.44	159.44	159.44	156.00	156.00	156.00	159.44	156.00

(*) Only for quarterly figures

Source: Quarterly Producer Price Index Survey

Table 1b: Monthly Producer Price Indices by activity group: **First Quarter 2011**
Goods produced mainly for export

(Base Period: Fourth Quarter 2003 = 100)

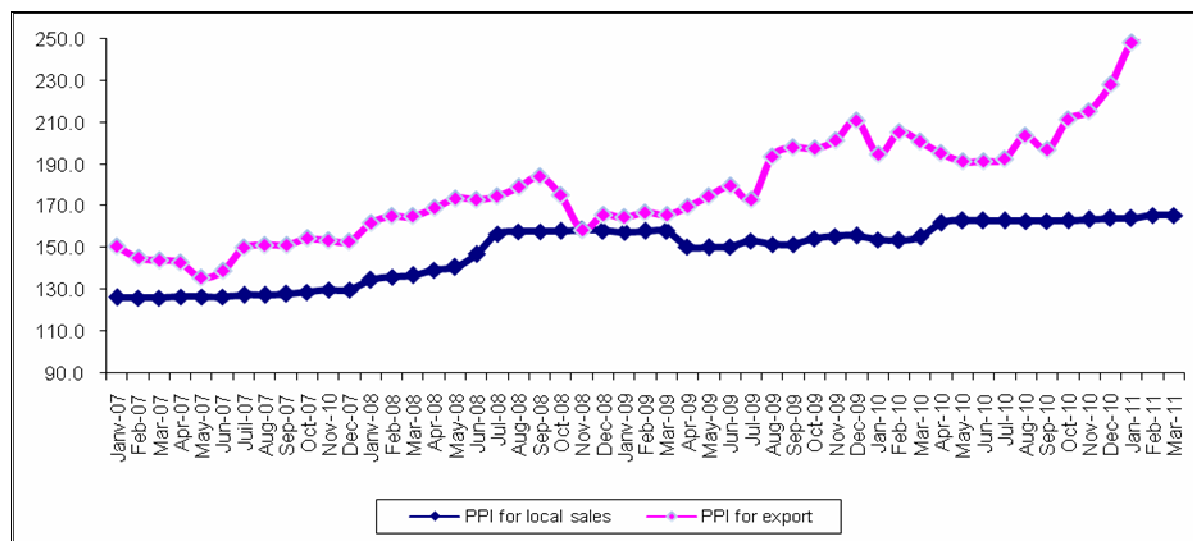
Activity group	Weight	2010			2011			2010	2011
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Jan.	Jan.	Feb.	1 st Qrt	1 st Qrt
PPI for Mainly Export Products	1000	197.85	208.71	203.39	248.06	254.59	255.92	203.32	252.86
% change, previous month/quarter ^(*)		-7.28	5.49	-2.55	-0.78	2.63	0.52	0.12	6.70
% change, 12 months		24.47	30.20	28.60	25.38	21.98	25.83	27.76	24.37
Manufacture of other food products n.e.c	978	193.33	201.00	199.00	244.27	250.94	252.31	197.77	249.17
% change, previous month/quarter ^(*)		-7.61	3.97	-0.99	-0.85	2.73	0.54	-0.48	7.02
% change, 12 months		24.24	28.17	28.70	26.35	24.85	26.79	27.04	25.99
Production of tea	585	157.22	169.10	168.22	177.66	181.77	177.69	164.84	179.04
% change, previous month/quarter ^(*)		-15.52	7.56	-0.52	-4.01	2.31	-2.24	-6.90	3.61
% change, 12 months		29.50	32.52	32.64	13.00	7.49	5.63	31.59	8.61
Production of coffee	392	247.18	248.56	244.91	343.60	354.10	363.58	246.88	353.76
% change, previous month/quarter ^(*)		1.39	0.56	-1.47	1.73	3.06	2.68	6.87	9.74
% change, 12 months		19.64	24.05	24.90	39.01	42.46	48.46	22.81	43.29
Manufacture of pesticides and other agro-chemical products	22	396.90	548.67	396.90	415.16	415.16	415.16	447.49	415.16
% change, previous month/quarter ^(*)		0.44	38.24	-27.66	1.14	0.00	0.00	13.40	-0.98
% change, 12 months		29.47	74.64	26.33	4.60	-24.33	4.60	43.59	-7.22
Production of pyrethrum	22	396.90	548.67	396.90	415.16	415.16	415.16	447.49	415.16

(*) Only for quarterly figures

Source: Quarterly Producer Price Index Survey

Graph1: PPI for local sales and export products

(Fourth quarter 2003=100)



Source: Quarterly Producer Price Index Survey

I. Monthly PPI-M (Base period: 4th Quarter 2003 =100)

1.1 PPI-M: Local sales (table 1a)

In March 2011, the index for products manufactured for sale on the local market stood at 165.73, which is a slight increase of 0.05% compared to the index of February 2011 (165.65).

On annual basis, the index for March 2011 was 6.70% higher. This increase is mainly attributable to price increases in the following subgroups: « Food products, beverages and tobacco» (+3.13 %) and «Other than food, beverages and tobacco » (+9.74%). Within the subgroup « Food products, beverages and tobacco», prices of «Beverages and tobacco» rose by 8.54%, whereas the prices of « Food products » dropped by 7.24%. The decrease of 7.24% is due to price changes of the food products of which: «Manufacture of Sugar» (-11.01%), «Manufacture of bakery products, pastry, biscuits» (-15.83%) and «Manufacture of grain mill and animal feeds products» (-20.56%). However, «Manufacture of dairy products» and «Processing and preserving of fruits and vegetables» increased by 7.74% and 11.31%, respectively.

The index of the subgroup « Other than food, beverages and tobacco » increased by 9.74% in March 2011 compared to the index of the same month of the year 2010. This increase is mostly attributable to the overall effect of price changes in the following classes: «Manufacture of textiles, wearing apparel, tanning and dressing of leather» (+19.69%), «Manufacture of paper and paper products, publishing of books, newspapers» (+21.19%), «Manufacture of chemical products» (+15.23%), and «Manufacture of ceramic products, cement, lime and articles of concrete» (+7.43%). Nevertheless, «Manufacture of furniture (-2.16%) » have partially offset the positive trend of this subgroup.

1.2 PPI-M Exports (table 1b)

As shown in the table 1b, the index for goods mainly produced for exports stood at 248.06 in January, 254.59 in February and 255.92 in March 2011. Prices fetched for tea exports registered increase of 2.31% in February 2011 and decreases of 4.01% and 2.24% in January and March 2011, respectively. On the other hand, export price of coffee went up by 1.73%, 3.06 % and 2.68% in January, February and March 2011, respectively.

On an annual basis, the index of export products registered an increase of 25.8% in March 2011 compared to the index of the same month of the previous year.

II. Quarterly PPI-M (Base period: 4th Quarter 2003 =100)

2.1 PPI-M Local sales

The index for the first quarter registered an increase of 0.89% compared to the index of the previous quarter and an increase of 7.05% compared to the index of the first quarter of the year 2010.

2.2 PPI-M Exports

The quarterly index for manufacturing exports registered an increase of 6.70% in the first quarter of the year 2011 compared to the index of the previous quarter and an increase of 24.37% compared to the index of the same quarter of the previous year.

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Technical Note on PPI-M

1. Scope and composition: For the purpose of these indices, manufacturing encompass all products produced for sale on the domestic market as well as for the exports that is divisions 15 to 36. The PPI-M will initially cover manufacturing establishments that operate with 10 or more workers.

2. Items and weights: These indices are fixed weight indices. The weights were obtained from the gross output value reported by manufacturers at the 2000 Census of Industrial Production conducted in 2001. Gross output is valued at basic prices, and thus excludes all taxes on products, namely excise duties and Value added tax. Each selected product is assigned a weight representing its share in the total turnover for the fourth quarter of 2003 as reported by the establishments.

3. Price information: The point of pricing is the establishment. The price is the selling price received by the producer for the selected product as it leaves the factory gate. In general prices are collected at *mid – point of each month*.

4. Reference base period for PPI_M: The reference period for the calculation of PPI-M is the fourth quarter 2003. The base price for a particular product is an arithmetic mean of the fourth quarter monthly prices in 2003.

5. Index formula: The PPI is calculated according to the Laspeyres formula, which is the weighted average of price relatives.

$$I_c = \sum \frac{w_i * (P_{ci} / P_{oi})}{\sum w_i} * 100$$

Where I_c = Index for current month

W_i = Weight associated with product i

P_{ci} = Price of product i for the current month

P_{oi} = Price for product i for the reference period

6. Uses of the PPI

The main uses of the PPI are:

- As a leading indicator of inflationary trends.
- As deflators for national accounting at constant prices.
- As “escalators” to adjust prices of inputs in long term sales contracts.

7. Dissemination of PPI-M: The monthly PPI-M will be published in each quarter, about 8 weeks following the quarter under review.
