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## ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE IN THE PPI FOR NOVEMBER 1996 HIGHER AT 8,5%

*The Production Price Index (PPI) for all commodities for South African consumption shows an annual rate of increase of 8,5% at November 1996, i.e. for the period November 1995 to November 1996. This rate is 0,2 of a percentage point higher than the annual rate of increase of 8,3% at October 1996.*

*The monthly increase in this index during the period October 1996 to November 1996 is 0,5%, and 0,8% in the seasonally adjusted index.*

## HIGHER ANNUAL PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN THE PPI FOR LOCALLY PRODUCED COMMODITIES

The annual rate of increase in the PPI for locally produced commodities is 8,8% at November 1996. This is 0,3 of a percentage point higher than the corresponding annual rate of 8,5% at October 1996. The monthly increase, i.e. from October 1996 to November 1996 in this index is 0,5%, while the seasonally adjusted index increased by 0,9% over this period.

## ANNUAL RATE OF INCREASE IN THE PPI FOR IMPORTED COMMODITIES SLIGHTLY HIGHER

The PPI for imported commodities reflects an annual rate of increase of 7,8% at November 1996, 0,1 of a percentage point higher than the corresponding annual rate of 7,7% at October 1996. From October 1996 to November 1996 this index increased by only 0,1%, resulting from a monthly increase of 0,8% in the prices of manufactured products (with a weight of 89,88 out of 100) which was partially counteracted by a decrease of 6,6% in the recorded price of crude petroleum (with a weight 6,66 of out of 100). The seasonally adjusted index reflects a monthly increase of 0,5%.

The recorded import price of crude petroleum is supplied to the CSS by Customs and Excise. It reflected a monthly decrease of 6,6%. The average unit price, which increased by 13,01c per litre from 56,12c per litre in September 1996 to the high 69,13c per litre in October 1996, decreased to 64,54c per litre in November 1996. The decrease reflects the fact that several large consignments during the month accounting for nearly half the total quantity of imported crude petroleum for the month, came in at average unit prices appreciably less than the average for the preceding month. The lower unit prices tend to correspond to larger consignments in the period.

## MONTHLY CHANGES IN THE PPI FOR ALL COMMODITIES FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUMPTION

Relatively large monthly increases occurred in the indices for other agricultural products (+0,7%), fishing products (+6,5%), food at manufacturing (+1,5%), products of petroleum and coal (+1,8%), non-metallic mineral products (+0,7%), basic metals (+0,9%), metal products (+2,1%), non-electrical machinery and equipment (+1,3%), electrical machinery and apparatus (+0,5%), transport equipment (+1,4%) and furniture (+1,9%). Against these, a relatively large monthly decrease occurred in the index for mining and quarrying products (-1,9%).

## MONTHLY CHANGES IN THE PPI FOR IMPORTED COMMODITIES

Monthly increases occurred in the prices of agricultural products (+3,5%), food at manufacturing (+2,8%), textiles and made-up goods (+1,2%), chemicals and chemical products (+0,3%), metal products (+9,4%), non-electrical machinery and equipment (+0,8%) and transport equipment (+3,0%), while the prices of forestry products (+0,0%) remained virtually unchanged. Against these, a decrease occurred in the prices of mining and quarrying products (-5,8%, due to a decrease of 6,6% in the prices of crude petroleum), while the prices of wood and wood products (-0,0%) and paper, paper products and printing (-0,0%) remained virtually unchanged.

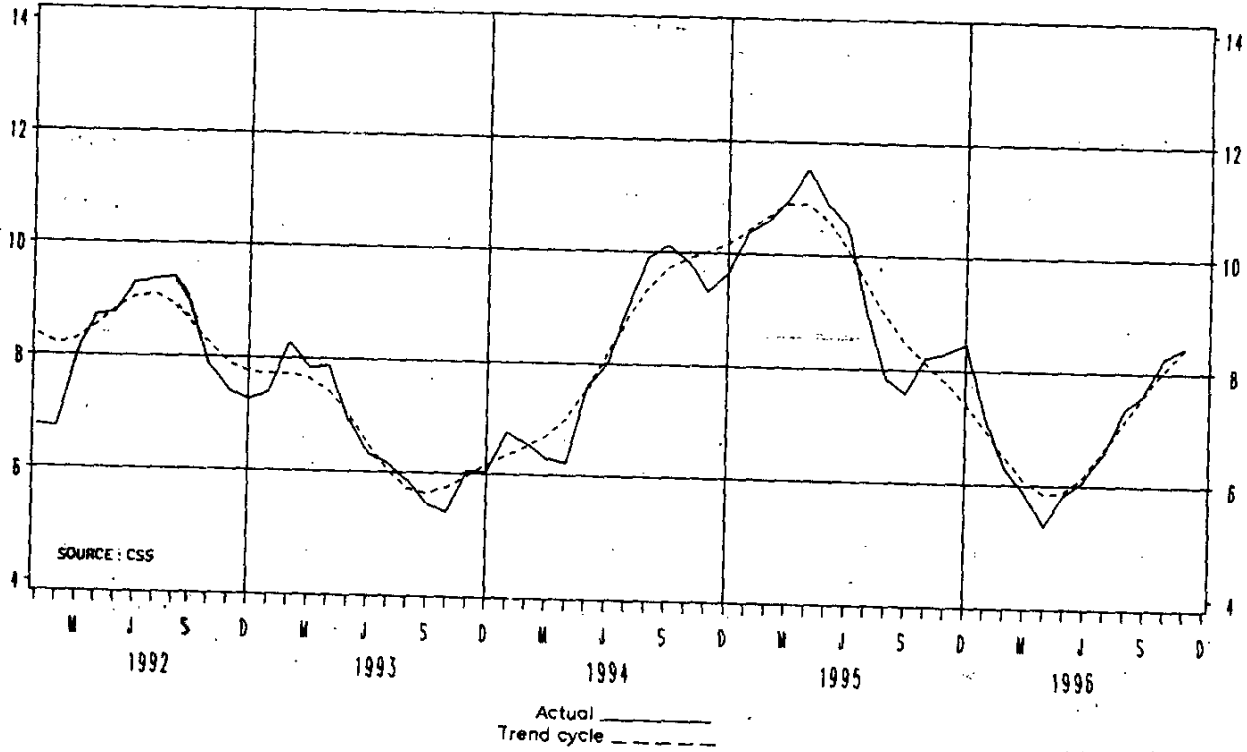
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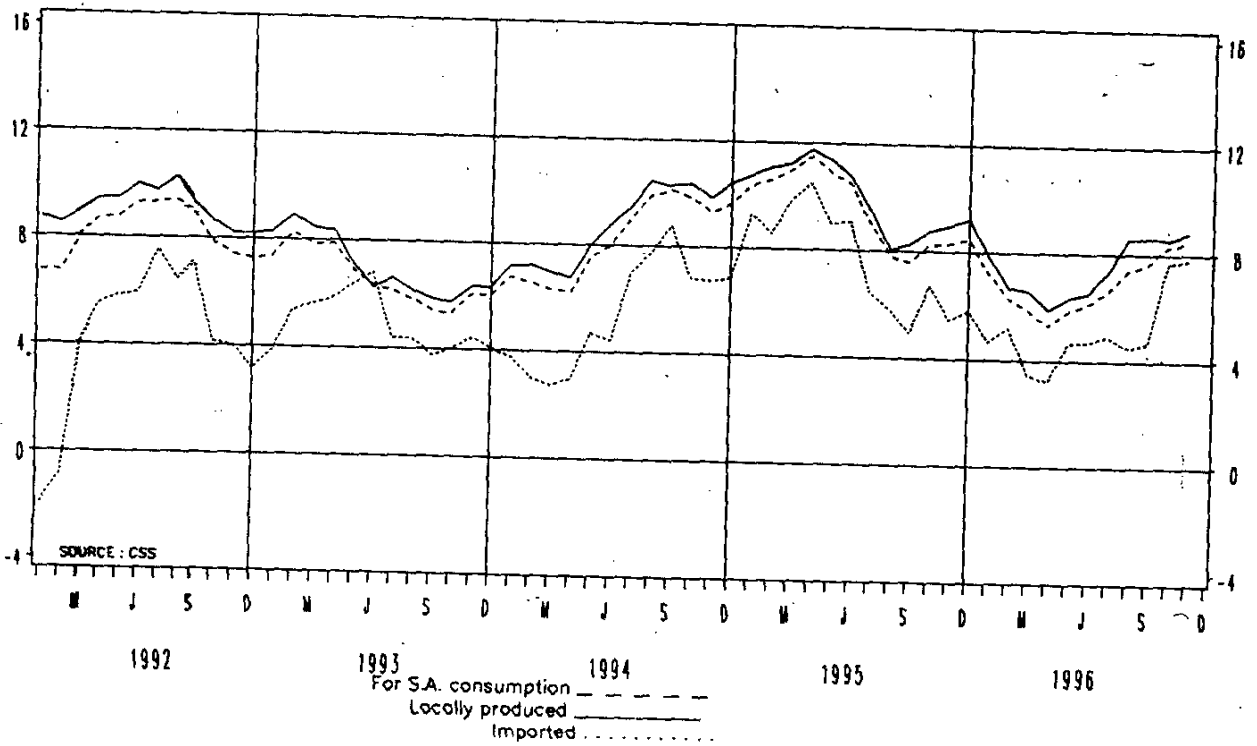
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# PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX COMMODITIES FOR S.A. CONSUMPTION

## ANNUAL CHANGE PERCENTAGE



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## PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX

BASE : June 1995 = 100

DESCRIPTION	INDICES			PERCENTAGE CHANGE COMPARED WITH -		
	Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995	Oct. 1996		Nov. 1995
				Actual %	Seasonally adjusted %	Actual %
All commodities for consumption in South Africa	110,3	109,8	101,7	+0,5	+0,8	+8,5
Locally produced commodities	111,1	110,5	102,1	+0,5	+0,9	+8,8
Imported commodities	108,1	108,0	100,3	+0,1	+0,5	+7,8
Output of South African industry						
Total output	112,5	111,7	102,4	+0,7	+1,0	+9,9
For South African consumption	111,1	110,5	102,1	+0,5	+0,9	+8,8

## PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX FOR IMPORTED COMMODITIES

GROUP	WEIGHT	MONTHLY % CHANGE	
		Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996
ALL GROUPS	100,00	+0,1	+3,0
1. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND MINING	10,08	-4,8	+16,9
1.1 Agriculture	1,02	+3,5	+1,3
1.1.1 Food	0,58	+5,0	+2,1
1.1.2 Other agriculture	0,44	+1,1	+0,2
1.2 Forestry	0,76	+0,0	0,0
1.3 Fishing	0,06	0,0	0,0
1.4 Mining and quarrying, including crude petroleum	8,24	-5,8	+19,8
2. MANUFACTURING	89,88	+0,8	+1,1
2.1 Food	1,71	+2,8	+0,3
2.2 Beverages	0,52	0,0	0,0
2.3 Tobacco products	0,05	0,0	+5,3
2.4 Textiles and made-up goods	2,79	+1,2	+0,1
2.5 Wearing apparel	0,38	0,0	0,0
2.6 Leather and leather products	0,38	0,0	0,0
2.7 Footwear	0,26	0,0	0,0
2.8 Wood and wood products	0,48	-0,0	0,0
2.9 Paper, paper products and printing	2,30	-0,0	+1,2
2.10 Products of petroleum and coal	0,95	0,0	0,0
2.11 Chemicals and chemical products	9,54	+0,3	+2,1
2.12 Rubber and plastic products	1,36	0,0	+4,3
2.13 Non-metallic mineral products	0,75	0,0	0,0
2.14 Basic metals	1,83	0,0	0,0
2.15 Metal products	1,78	+9,4	0,0
2.16 Non-electrical machinery and equipment	10,96	+0,8	0,0
2.17 Office, accounting and computing machinery	2,68	0,0	0,0
2.18 Electrical machinery and apparatus	2,54	0,0	0,0
2.19 Radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus	1,97	0,0	0,0
2.20 Medical, precision and optical instruments	2,48	0,0	0,0
2.21 Transport equipment	10,51	+3,0	+5,9
2.22 Furniture	0,11	0,0	0,0
2.23 Other manufactures	33,55	0,0	0,0
3. ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER	0,04	0,0	0,0
3.1 Electricity	0,04	0,0	0,0

+0,0 increase smaller than 0,05

-0,0 decrease smaller than 0,05

It should be noted that, in calculating the percentage change in a group of commodities, the CSS does not weigh the percentage changes, but rather weigh the underlying indices for the respective months and then calculates the percentage change in the weighted indices.

TABLE 1.1 - PRICE INDICES FOR COMMODITIES FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUMPTION

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
		1996	1996	1995	1996	1995
ALL GROUPS	100,00	110,3	109,8	101,7	+0,5	+8,5
South African	80,74	111,1	110,5	102,1	+0,5	+8,8
Imported	19,26	108,1	108,0	100,3	+0,1	+7,8
1. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND MINING	17,90	115,3	116,2	102,1	-0,8	+12,9
1.1 Agriculture	8,17	115,1	115,2	102,0	-0,1	+12,8
1.1.1 Food	7,70	115,7	115,9	102,6	-0,2	+12,8
Grain	1,57	119,9	116,0	105,6	+3,4	+13,5
Sugar cane	0,55	99,5	98,7	96,7	+0,8	+2,9
Oil seeds	0,28	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Vegetables and dried beans	0,75	119,4	142,6	101,9	-16,3	+17,2
Fruit	0,50	151,1	152,5	153,0	-0,9	-1,2
Meat	2,63	116,7	112,9	96,3	+3,4	+21,2
Milk and eggs	1,08	112,6	112,3	95,4	+0,3	+18,0
Other	0,34	79,2	79,2	100,0	0,0	-20,8
1.1.2 Other agriculture	0,47	105,2	104,5	93,4	+0,7	+12,6
1.2 Forestry	2,39	98,2	98,2	99,4	0,0	-1,2
1.3 Fishing	0,21	119,0	111,7	100,0	+6,5	+19,0
1.4 Mining and quarrying	7,13	121,2	123,6	103,2	-1,9	+17,4
Coal	1,93	114,4	111,7	108,6	+2,4	+5,3
Metal ores	0,87	103,5	104,8	97,4	-1,2	+6,3
Other minerals	4,33	127,8	132,7	101,9	-3,7	+25,4
2. MANUFACTURING	76,30	110,0	109,1	101,8	+0,8	+8,1
South African	59,93	112,3	111,4	102,5	+0,8	+9,6
Imported	16,37	104,5	103,7	100,1	+0,8	+4,4
2.1 Food	9,45	118,5	116,8	103,7	+1,5	+14,3
Meat	1,72	120,8	117,3	102,4	+3,0	+18,0
Fresh meat	1,30	122,8	118,6	102,7	+3,5	+19,6
Meat products	0,42	114,8	113,2	101,5	+1,4	+13,1
Fish and fish products	0,40	124,3	119,1	104,5	+4,4	+18,9
Fruit and vegetable products	0,58	110,8	109,2	101,0	+1,5	+9,7
Fats and oils	0,83	111,5	109,5	101,7	+1,8	+9,6
Milk products	0,51	119,1	118,7	101,4	+0,3	+17,5
Grain mill products	1,82	120,4	120,2	106,7	+0,2	+12,8
Sugar	0,48	104,9	104,9	99,9	0,0	+5,0
Coffee and tea	0,20	113,6	113,6	104,4	0,0	+8,8
Other	2,91	121,0	119,0	104,9	+1,7	+15,3
2.2 Beverages	3,27	108,2	108,2	100,5	0,0	+7,7
Alcoholic	2,57	107,3	107,3	100,2	0,0	+7,1
Non-alcoholic	0,70	111,3	111,3	101,4	0,0	+9,8
2.3 Tobacco products	0,59	115,9	115,9	103,3	0,0	+12,2
2.4 Textiles and made-up goods	3,11	106,4	106,0	103,6	+0,4	+2,7
Spinning, weaving and finishing of textiles	1,86	106,1	105,9	103,6	+0,2	+2,4
Other textiles	1,25	106,8	106,2	103,6	+0,6	+3,1
2.5 Wearing apparel	2,11	107,9	107,9	100,8	0,0	+7,0
Knitted and crocheted fabrics and articles	0,49	108,9	108,9	101,4	0,0	+7,4
Wearing apparel	1,62	107,6	107,6	100,6	0,0	+7,0
Men's and boys' clothing	0,74	107,1	107,1	101,1	0,0	+5,9
Women's and girls' clothing	0,83	108,1	108,1	100,0	0,0	+8,1
Other, including articles of fur	0,05	108,6	108,6	103,2	0,0	+5,2
2.6 Leather and leather products	0,32	121,2	121,2	100,7	0,0	+20,4
2.7 Footwear	0,84	113,9	113,9	104,3	0,0	+9,2
2.8 Wood and wood products	1,20	110,3	110,3	102,5	0,0	+7,6
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,62	112,2	112,2	103,8	0,0	+8,1
Products of wood, cork and plaiting materials	0,58	108,3	108,3	101,1	0,0	+7,1
2.9 Paper, paper products and printing	4,40	114,5	114,5	109,6	0,0	+4,5
Paper and paper products	2,90	117,3	117,3	114,5	0,0	+2,4
Publishing and printing	1,50	109,4	109,4	102,9	0,0	+6,3
2.10 Products of petroleum and coal	5,20	129,2	126,9	97,0	+1,8	+33,2
2.11 Chemicals and chemical products	8,52	108,5	108,4	102,0	+0,1	+6,4
Basic chemicals	4,12	111,4	111,4	103,1	0,0	+8,1
Fertilizers	0,49	118,4	118,0	100,6	+0,3	+17,7
Other	3,63	110,7	110,7	104,3	0,0	+6,1
Other chemical products	4,40	106,0	105,9	101,0	+0,1	+5,0
Pharmaceutical products	1,40	104,0	104,0	100,4	0,0	+3,6
Other	3,00	107,3	107,2	101,4	+0,1	+5,8
2.12 Rubber and plastic products	2,49	112,2	112,2	103,8	0,0	+8,1
Rubber products	0,85	111,5	111,5	102,6	0,0	+8,7
Plastic products	1,64	112,5	112,5	104,4	0,0	+7,8

TABLE 1.1 - PRICE INDICES FOR COMMODITIES FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUMPTION (CONCLUDED)

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995
2.13 Non-metallic mineral products	2,52	109,8	109,0	102,1	+0,7	+7,5
Glass and glass products	0,49	102,8	104,7	100,8	-1,8	+2,0
Other	2,03	111,5	110,1	102,4	+1,3	+8,9
2.14 Basic metals	4,39	106,5	105,5	102,4	+0,9	+4,0
Ferrous	3,29	108,7	107,4	103,2	+1,2	+5,3
Non-ferrous	1,10	99,9	99,9	100,0	0,0	-0,1
2.15 Metal products	3,93	111,5	109,2	100,6	+2,1	+10,9
Structural metal products	1,61	109,0	108,0	100,1	+0,9	+8,9
Other	2,32	113,2	110,1	101,0	+2,8	+12,1
2.16 Non-electrical machinery and equipment	6,95	105,9	104,5	100,6	+1,3	+5,3
General purpose machinery	2,12	102,4	101,9	100,2	+0,5	+2,2
Special purpose machinery	4,30	107,8	105,9	100,7	+1,8	+7,1
Household appliances	0,53	104,0	103,7	100,7	+0,3	+3,3
2.17 Office, accounting and computing machinery	0,77	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
2.18 Electrical machinery and apparatus	2,45	105,5	105,0	101,4	+0,5	+4,0
Electric motors, generators and transformers	0,63	106,6	105,1	100,6	+1,4	+6,0
Electricity distribution and control apparatus	0,54	104,2	104,1	100,0	+0,1	+4,2
Insulated wire and cable	0,58	105,0	105,9	103,9	-0,8	+1,1
Other	0,70	106,3	105,1	101,2	+1,1	+5,0
2.19 Radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus	1,52	103,4	103,1	100,1	+0,3	+3,3
2.20 Medical, precision and optical instruments	0,82	101,2	101,2	100,6	0,0	+0,6
Medical appliances and instruments for measuring, checking, testing and navigating	0,66	101,0	101,0	100,6	0,0	+0,4
Other, including watches and clocks	0,16	101,6	101,6	100,6	0,0	+1,0
2.21 Transport equipment	9,34	108,3	106,8	100,7	+1,4	+7,5
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories	8,20	109,4	107,7	100,8	+1,6	+8,5
Motor vehicles	6,19	105,2	104,6	100,7	+0,6	+4,5
Bodies, trailers and semi-trailers	0,23	108,2	108,9	101,5	-0,6	+6,6
Parts and accessories	1,78	119,9	115,7	101,6	+3,6	+18,0
Other transport equipment	1,14	100,3	100,3	100,1	0,0	+0,2
2.22 Furniture	1,13	109,9	107,8	101,3	+1,9	+8,5
2.23 Other manufactures	0,98	100,8	100,7	100,5	+0,1	+0,3
3. ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER	5,80	100,2	100,5	98,4	-0,3	+1,8
3.1 Electricity	5,02	97,5	97,9	97,7	-0,4	-0,2
3.2 Gas and water	0,78	117,0	117,0	102,4	0,0	+14,3

Note: Weights are based on the value of South African production minus exports plus imports

Indices reflect prices of locally produced and sold commodities as well as prices of imported commodities

TABLE 1.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR OUTPUT OF SOUTH AFRICAN INDUSTRY GROUPS  
1.2.1 - TOTAL OUTPUT

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995
ALL GROUPS	100,00	112,5	111,7	102,4	+0,7	+9,9
South African	100,00	112,5	111,7	102,4	+0,7	+9,9
Imported	-	-	-	-	-	-
1. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND MINING	29,85	116,6	116,1	103,0	+0,4	+13,2
1.1 Agriculture	8,61	114,3	114,3	102,8	0,0	+11,2
1.1.1 Food	7,94	114,9	115,2	103,4	-0,3	+11,1
Grain	1,66	115,6	112,7	104,4	+2,6	+10,7
Sugar cane	0,52	99,5	98,7	96,7	+0,8	+2,9
Oil seeds	0,28	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Vegetables and dried beans	0,71	119,1	141,9	101,8	-16,1	+17,0
Fruit	0,88	136,0	136,9	138,2	-0,7	-1,6
Meat	2,58	116,0	112,3	96,5	+3,3	+20,2
Milk and eggs	1,01	112,6	112,3	95,4	+0,3	+18,0
Other	0,30	77,8	77,8	100,0	0,0	-22,2
1.1.2 Other agriculture	0,67	106,5	104,5	95,3	+1,9	+11,8
1.2 Forestry	2,07	98,0	98,0	99,4	0,0	-1,4
1.3 Fishing	0,25	115,3	109,4	100,0	+5,4	+15,3
1.4 Mining and quarrying	18,92	119,7	119,0	103,6	+0,6	+15,5
Coal	3,54	124,5	126,7	107,3	-1,7	+16,0
Metal ores	11,91	121,6	119,8	102,8	+1,5	+18,3
Other minerals	3,47	108,4	108,3	102,5	+0,1	+5,8
2. MANUFACTURING	64,59	111,6	110,7	102,5	+0,8	+8,9
South African	64,59	111,6	110,7	102,5	+0,8	+8,9
Imported	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 Food	9,22	117,5	115,9	103,7	+1,4	+13,3
Meat	1,64	120,3	116,9	102,4	+2,9	+17,5
Fresh meat	1,25	122,1	118,0	102,6	+3,5	+19,0
Meat products	0,39	114,8	113,2	101,5	+1,4	+13,1
Fish and fish products	0,32	116,4	113,8	105,8	+2,3	+10,0
Fruit and vegetable products	0,75	109,0	107,5	100,9	+1,4	+8,0
Fats and oils	0,73	112,2	110,1	101,9	+1,9	+10,1
Milk products	0,48	118,9	118,4	101,3	+0,4	+17,4
Grain mill products	1,65	120,2	120,0	106,2	+0,2	+13,2
Sugar	0,75	107,2	107,2	101,6	0,0	+5,5
Coffee and tea	0,18	113,5	113,5	104,4	0,0	+8,7
Other	2,72	121,0	119,0	104,9	+1,7	+15,3
2.2 Beverages	3,02	108,5	108,5	100,5	0,0	+8,0
Alcoholic	2,34	107,8	107,8	100,2	0,0	+7,6
Non-alcoholic	0,68	110,9	110,9	101,4	0,0	+9,4
2.3 Tobacco products	0,55	116,1	116,1	103,2	0,0	+12,5
2.4 Textiles and made-up goods	2,30	107,0	107,0	104,3	0,0	+2,6
Spinning, weaving and finishing of textiles	1,46	106,8	106,8	104,3	0,0	+2,4
Other textiles	0,84	107,5	107,5	104,3	0,0	+3,1
2.5 Wearing apparel	1,97	108,3	108,3	100,8	0,0	+7,4
Knitted and crocheted fabrics and articles	0,45	109,0	109,0	101,4	0,0	+7,5
Wearing apparel	1,52	108,0	108,0	100,6	0,0	+7,4
Men's and boys' clothing	0,71	107,5	107,5	101,1	0,0	+6,3
Women's and girls' clothing	0,76	108,5	108,5	100,0	0,0	+8,5
Other, including articles of fur	0,05	109,3	109,3	103,3	0,0	+5,8
2.6 Leather and leather products	0,35	106,0	106,0	99,9	0,0	+6,1
2.7 Footwear	0,72	114,7	114,7	104,8	0,0	+9,4
2.8 Wood and wood products	1,10	110,7	110,7	102,6	0,0	+7,9
Sawmilling and planing of wood	0,53	113,8	113,8	104,2	0,0	+9,2
Products of wood, cork and plaiting materials	0,57	107,9	107,9	101,1	0,0	+6,7
2.9 Paper, paper products and printing	4,19	111,8	111,8	110,2	0,0	+1,5
Paper and paper products	3,01	115,9	115,9	114,3	0,0	+1,4
Publishing and printing	1,18	108,6	108,6	103,4	0,0	+5,0
2.10 Products of petroleum and coal	5,06	130,7	128,1	96,7	+2,0	+35,2
2.11 Chemicals and chemical products	6,40	110,1	110,1	102,8	0,0	+7,1
Basic chemicals	3,33	112,4	112,4	104,1	0,0	+8,0
Fertilizers	0,48	117,2	117,2	100,6	0,0	+16,5
Other	2,85	112,6	112,6	104,8	0,0	+7,4
Other chemical products	3,07	107,8	107,8	101,5	0,0	+6,2
Pharmaceutical products	0,72	106,0	106,0	100,8	0,0	+5,2
Other	2,35	107,9	107,9	101,5	0,0	+6,3
2.12 Rubber and plastic products	2,05	111,8	111,8	104,3	0,0	+7,2
Rubber products	0,67	109,3	109,3	103,0	0,0	+6,1
Plastic products	1,38	113,0	113,0	105,0	0,0	+7,6



TABLE 1.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR OUTPUT OF SOUTH AFRICAN INDUSTRY GROUPS  
1.2.1 - TOTAL OUTPUT (CONCLUDED)

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995
2.13 Non-metallic mineral products	2,29	110,2	109,4	102,2	+0,7	+7,8
Glass and glass products	0,43	103,0	105,2	100,8	-2,1	+2,2
Other	1,86	111,9	110,4	102,5	+1,4	+9,2
2.14 Basic metals	6,61	107,3	105,1	103,8	+2,1	+3,4
Ferrous	5,10	109,4	107,0	105,4	+2,2	+3,8
Non-ferrous	1,51	100,1	98,7	98,1	+1,4	+2,0
2.15 Metal products	3,59	108,3	107,5	100,6	+0,7	+7,7
Structural metal products	1,51	110,6	109,6	100,1	+0,9	+10,5
Other	2,08	106,6	105,9	101,1	+0,7	+5,4
2.16 Non-electrical machinery and equipment	3,90	106,7	104,9	101,1	+1,7	+5,5
General purpose machinery	0,78	107,3	105,8	100,6	+1,4	+6,7
Special purpose machinery	2,73	106,7	104,6	101,3	+2,0	+5,3
Household appliances	0,39	105,1	104,7	100,9	+0,4	+4,2
2.17 Office, accounting and computing machinery	0,05	100,1	100,1	100,0	0,0	+0,1
2.18 Electrical machinery and apparatus	1,74	107,7	107,0	101,9	+0,7	+5,7
Electric motors, generators and transformers	0,44	108,9	106,9	100,8	+1,9	+8,0
Electricity distribution and control apparatus	0,29	108,6	108,6	100,0	0,0	+8,6
Insulated wire and cable	0,53	105,1	106,0	104,1	-0,8	+1,0
Other	0,48	109,2	107,5	101,7	+1,6	+7,4
2.19 Radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus	0,94	105,4	104,9	100,2	+0,5	+5,2
2.20 Medical, precision and optical instruments	0,15	107,0	107,0	103,3	0,0	+3,6
Medical appliances and instruments for measuring, checking, testing and navigating	0,12	106,6	106,6	103,3	0,0	+3,2
Other, including watches and clocks	0,03	108,4	108,4	103,1	0,0	+5,1
2.21 Transport equipment	6,44	106,1	105,4	101,0	+0,7	+5,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories	5,96	106,4	105,7	101,0	+0,7	+5,3
Motor vehicles	4,40	106,5	105,7	100,9	+0,8	+5,6
Bodies, trailers and semi-trailers	0,30	108,8	109,5	101,6	-0,6	+7,1
Parts and accessories	1,26	105,2	104,9	101,7	+0,3	+3,4
Other transport equipment	0,48	101,7	101,7	100,2	0,0	+1,5
2.22 Furniture	1,08	109,8	107,7	101,3	+1,9	+8,4
2.23 Other manufactures	0,87	108,4	107,4	105,6	+0,9	+2,7
3. ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER	5,56	100,1	100,4	98,4	-0,3	+1,7
3.1 Electricity	4,83	97,6	97,9	97,8	-0,3	-0,2
3.2 Gas and water	0,73	117,0	117,0	102,4	0,0	+14,3

Note: Weights are based on the value of South African production

Indices reflect prices of locally produced commodities (both locally sold and exported)

TABLE 1.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR OUTPUT OF SOUTH AFRICAN INDUSTRY GROUPS (CONCLUDED)  
1.2.2 - FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUMPTION

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
		1996	1996	1995	1996	1995
ALL GROUPS						
South African	100,00	111,1	110,5	102,1	+0,5	+8,8
Imported	100,00	111,1	110,5	102,1	+0,5	+8,8
1. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND MINING						
1.1 Agriculture	18,61	110,6	110,4	102,2	+0,2	+8,2
1.1.1 Food	9,80	115,2	115,5	102,1	-0,3	+12,8
Grain	9,34	115,6	115,9	102,5	-0,3	+12,8
Sugar cane	1,83	118,8	115,4	105,3	+2,9	+12,8
Oil seeds	0,68	99,5	98,7	96,7	+0,8	+2,9
Vegetables and dried beans	0,33	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Fruit	0,92	119,6	143,0	101,9	-16,4	+17,4
Meat	0,60	152,5	154,0	154,5	-1,0	-1,3
Milk and eggs	3,26	116,7	112,9	96,3	+3,4	+21,2
Other	1,33	112,6	112,3	95,4	+0,3	+18,0
1.1.2 Other agriculture	0,39	77,4	77,4	100,0	0,0	-22,6
1.2 Forestry	0,46	107,6	107,0	92,8	+0,6	+15,9
1.3 Fishing	2,68	98,0	98,0	99,4	0,0	-1,4
1.4 Mining and quarrying	0,24	120,7	112,7	100,0	+7,1	+20,7
Coal	5,89	108,3	107,4	103,9	+0,8	+4,2
Metal ores	2,35	114,6	111,9	108,7	+2,4	+5,4
Other minerals	1,00	103,8	105,1	97,2	-1,2	+6,8
	2,54	104,3	104,2	102,0	+0,1	+2,3
2. MANUFACTURING						
South African	74,23	112,3	111,4	102,5	+0,8	+9,6
Imported	74,23	112,3	111,4	102,5	+0,8	+9,6
2.1 Food						
Meat	11,10	118,4	116,7	103,7	+1,5	+14,2
Fresh meat	2,09	121,0	117,4	102,4	+3,1	+18,2
Meat products	1,57	123,0	118,8	102,7	+3,5	+19,8
Fish and fish products	0,52	114,8	113,2	101,5	+1,4	+13,1
Fruit and vegetable products	0,35	116,3	113,7	105,4	+2,3	+10,3
Fats and oils	0,70	111,0	109,4	101,0	+1,5	+9,9
Milk products	0,86	112,6	110,4	101,9	+2,0	+10,5
Grain mill products	0,61	119,2	118,7	101,4	+0,4	+17,6
Sugar	2,14	120,1	119,9	106,3	+0,2	+13,0
Coffee and tea	0,58	105,0	105,0	99,9	0,0	+5,1
Other	0,24	113,7	113,7	104,4	0,0	+8,9
2.2 Beverages	3,53	121,3	119,3	105,0	+1,7	+15,5
Alcoholic	3,86	108,5	108,5	100,5	0,0	+8,0
Non-alcoholic	3,00	107,7	107,7	100,2	0,0	+7,5
2.3 Tobacco products	0,86	111,3	111,3	101,4	0,0	+9,8
2.4 Textiles and made-up goods	0,72	116,1	116,1	103,3	0,0	+12,4
Spinning, weaving and finishing of textiles	2,86	107,4	107,4	104,6	0,0	+2,7
Other textiles	1,81	107,1	107,1	104,6	0,0	+2,4
2.5 Wearing apparel	1,05	107,8	107,8	104,5	0,0	+3,2
Knitted and crocheted fabrics and articles	2,48	108,3	108,3	100,9	0,0	+7,3
Wearing apparel	0,58	109,2	109,2	101,5	0,0	+7,6
Men's and boys' clothing	1,90	108,1	108,1	100,7	0,0	+7,3
Women's and girls' clothing	0,89	107,3	107,3	101,2	0,0	+6,0
Other, including articles of fur	0,95	108,8	108,8	100,0	0,0	+8,8
2.6 Leather and leather products	0,06	109,2	109,2	103,3	0,0	+5,7
2.7 Footwear	0,26	108,8	108,8	101,1	0,0	+7,6
2.8 Wood and wood products	0,95	114,7	114,7	104,8	0,0	+9,4
Sawmilling and planing of wood	1,33	111,4	111,4	102,8	0,0	+8,4
Products of wood, cork and plaiting materials	0,67	113,7	113,7	104,4	0,0	+8,9
2.9 Paper, paper products and printing	0,66	109,0	109,0	101,1	0,0	+7,8
Paper and paper products	4,63	114,8	114,8	111,3	0,0	+3,1
Publishing and printing	3,10	117,8	117,8	115,2	0,0	+2,3
2.10 Products of petroleum and coal	1,53	108,6	108,6	103,4	0,0	+5,0
2.11 Chemicals and chemical products	6,10	130,9	128,4	96,9	+1,9	+35,1
Basic chemicals	7,15	110,6	110,6	102,9	0,0	+7,5
Fertilizers	3,46	114,0	114,0	104,6	0,0	+9,0
Other	0,54	118,8	118,8	100,7	0,0	+18,0
Other chemical products	2,92	113,1	113,1	105,3	0,0	+7,4
Pharmaceutical products	3,69	107,7	107,7	101,5	0,0	+6,1
Other	0,87	106,0	106,0	100,7	0,0	+5,3
2.12 Rubber and plastic products	2,82	107,8	107,8	101,6	0,0	+6,1
Rubber products	2,61	112,0	112,0	104,4	0,0	+7,3
Plastic products	0,84	109,5	109,5	102,9	0,0	+6,4
	1,77	113,2	113,2	105,1	0,0	+7,7

TABLE 1.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR OUTPUT OF SOUTH AFRICAN INDUSTRY GROUPS  
1.2.2 - FOR SOUTH AFRICAN CONSUMPTION (CONCLUDED)

BASE : June 1995 = 100

GROUP	WEIGHT	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
		Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
		1996	1996	1995	1996	1995
2.13 Non-metallic mineral products	2,86	110,7	109,9	102,3	+0,7	+8,2
Glass and glass products	0,49	103,5	105,9	101,0	-2,3	+2,5
Other	2,37	112,2	110,7	102,6	+1,4	+9,4
2.14 Basic metals	4,79	107,4	106,3	102,7	+1,0	+4,6
Ferrous	3,67	109,7	108,3	103,6	+1,3	+5,9
Non-ferrous	1,12	99,9	99,9	100,0	0,0	-0,1
2.15 Metal products	4,23	108,2	107,3	100,7	+0,8	+7,4
Structural metal products	1,90	109,4	108,4	100,1	+0,9	+9,3
Other	2,33	107,1	106,4	101,2	+0,7	+5,8
2.16 Non-electrical machinery and equipment	4,70	106,7	104,8	101,1	+1,8	+5,5
General purpose machinery	0,81	107,8	106,0	100,8	+1,7	+6,9
Special purpose machinery	3,39	106,6	104,5	101,3	+2,0	+5,2
Household appliances	0,50	105,3	104,9	100,9	+0,4	+4,4
2.17 Office, accounting and computing machinery	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.18 Electrical machinery and apparatus	2,13	107,8	107,2	102,0	+0,6	+5,7
Electric motors, generators and transformers	0,56	109,2	107,1	100,9	+2,0	+8,2
Electricity distribution and control apparatus	0,33	108,5	108,5	100,0	0,0	+8,5
Insulated wire and cable	0,66	105,4	106,4	104,2	-0,9	+1,2
Other	0,58	109,4	107,7	101,8	+1,6	+7,5
2.19 Radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus	1,19	105,4	104,9	100,2	+0,5	+5,2
2.20 Medical, precision and optical instruments	0,13	108,9	108,9	104,3	0,0	+4,4
Medical appliances and instruments for measuring, checking, testing and navigating	0,10	108,5	108,5	104,6	0,0	+3,7
Other, including watches and clocks	0,03	110,3	110,3	103,6	0,0	+6,5
2.21 Transport equipment	7,83	106,0	105,4	101,0	+0,6	+5,0
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories	7,35	106,3	105,6	101,1	+0,7	+5,1
Motor vehicles	5,60	106,4	105,6	100,9	+0,8	+5,5
Bodies, trailers and semi-trailers	0,26	108,8	109,6	101,6	-0,7	+7,1
Parts and accessories	1,49	105,3	105,0	101,7	+0,3	+3,5
Other transport equipment	0,48	100,9	100,9	100,2	0,0	+0,7
2.22 Furniture	1,36	109,9	107,8	101,3	+1,9	+8,5
2.23 Other manufactures	0,96	110,4	109,2	106,6	+1,1	+3,6
3. ELECTRICITY, GAS AND WATER	7,16	100,2	100,5	98,4	-0,3	+1,8
3.1 Electricity	6,20	97,5	97,9	97,7	-0,4	-0,2
3.2 Gas and water	0,96	117,0	117,0	102,4	0,0	+14,3

Note: Weights are based on the value of South African production minus exports

Indices reflect prices of locally produced and sold commodities

TABLE 2.1 - PRICE INDICES FOR MATERIALS USED IN CERTAIN INDUSTRIES

BASE : June 1995 = 100

ITEM	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
	1996	1996	1995	1996	1995
Building and construction	112,5	111,9	102,5	+0,5	+9,8
Building industries	111,1	110,7	102,8	+0,4	+8,1
Civil engineering	112,0	111,1	101,2	+0,8	+10,7
Mechanical engineering	107,4	106,4	103,2	+0,9	+4,1
Electrical engineering	105,9	105,5	101,1	+0,4	+4,7

TABLE 2.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR SELECTED MATERIALS

BASE : June 1995 = 100

ITEM	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
	1996	1996	1995	1996	1995
Wool, auction prices, 18 types	104,6	102,7	83,7	+1,9	+25,0
Coal, bituminous	114,5	111,8	108,6	+2,4	+5,4
Coal, bituminous - for local sales	125,7	113,0	105,1	+11,2	+19,6
- Cobbles, grade A	129,5	126,6	106,5	+2,3	+21,6
- Cobbles, grade B	116,1	113,5	99,3	+2,3	+16,9
- Large nuts, grade A	129,0	127,9	100,7	+0,9	+28,1
- Large nuts, grade B	124,6	124,5	110,0	+0,1	+13,3
- Small nuts, grade A	121,1	121,2	109,0	-0,1	+11,1
- Small nuts, grade B	95,5	95,6	100,0	-0,1	-4,5
- Peas, grade A	120,5	119,6	100,8	+0,8	+19,5
- Peas, grade B	114,1	115,6	102,8	-1,3	+11,0
Anthracite - for local sales					
- Grade SP	96,2	102,1	91,6	-5,8	+5,0
- Grade A	99,9	104,0	91,6	-3,9	+9,1
Wood products, excluding minewood	104,2	104,2	101,6	0,0	+2,6
SA Pine, kiln dried	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Paper, newsprint	135,7	135,7	133,7	0,0	+1,5
Kraft paper	119,4	119,4	115,6	0,0	+3,3
Boxes, corrugated cardboard	119,8	119,8	109,8	0,0	+9,1
Leather, bovine hide	104,9	104,9	97,7	0,0	+7,4
Rubber crude	101,1	101,1	101,1	0,0	0,0
- Natural	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
- Synthetic	102,3	102,3	102,2	0,0	+0,1
- Synthetic - Local	102,3	102,3	102,3	0,0	0,0
Tyres and tubes	108,9	108,9	101,1	0,0	+7,7
Plastic bottles	105,8	105,8	97,6	0,0	+8,4
Plastic, bulk forms	106,6	106,6	104,0	0,0	+2,5
Sulphuric acid	114,8	114,8	98,4	0,0	+16,7
Glycerine	93,2	93,2	99,1	0,0	-6,0
Paints	110,8	110,8	104,4	0,0	+6,1
Foam insulation materials	109,5	109,5	103,7	0,0	+5,6
- Polyurethane	118,1	119,1	107,1	0,0	+10,3
- Polystyrene	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Petro-chemical building materials	106,6	106,6	101,3	0,0	+5,2
Waterproofing	102,1	102,1	100,5	0,0	+1,6
Resilient floor coverings	104,6	104,6	100,9	0,0	+3,7
Petrol, 93 octane - Coast	115,1	112,7	92,1	+2,1	+25,0
- Witwatersrand	115,1	112,7	92,1	+2,1	+25,0
Diesel oil - Coast	145,4	137,9	95,3	+5,4	+52,6
- Witwatersrand	145,4	137,9	95,3	+5,4	+52,6
Transformer oil	94,2	94,4	99,7	-0,2	-5,5
Bitumen	111,1	109,8	100,0	+1,2	+11,1
Tar	121,8	121,6	103,6	+0,2	+17,6
Bricks - Stock	111,3	111,3	101,5	0,0	+9,7
- Face	129,3	129,3	113,6	0,0	+13,8
Sand	102,7	102,7	100,0	0,0	+2,7
Aggregated crushed stone	116,8	113,7	103,6	+2,7	+12,7
Cement	110,4	110,4	101,9	0,0	+8,3
Ordinary and extended cement	103,2	103,2	103,2	0,0	0,0
Natural stone, cut and sawn	105,5	106,3	101,4	-0,8	+4,0
Glass, for building industry	114,3	111,6	108,6	+2,4	+5,2

TABLE 2.2 - PRICE INDICES FOR SELECTED MATERIALS (CONCLUDED)

BASE : June 1995 = 100

ITEM	INDICES			% CHANGE COMPARED WITH	
	Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995	Oct. 1996	Nov. 1995
Ironmongery	106,4	104,4	100,6	+1,9	+5,8
Drainage	113,6	113,6	100,0	0,0	+13,6
Plumbing	100,8	100,8	100,0	0,0	+0,8
Ceramic and encaustic wall and floor tiles and mosaics	110,9	107,7	100,1	+3,0	+10,8
Ceiling materials	108,8	104,8	100,5	+3,8	+8,3
Partitioning materials	108,8	104,8	100,5	+3,8	+8,3
Fibrous insulation - Preformed pipe sections	107,0	107,0	100,0	0,0	+7,0
- Batten board	108,0	108,0	100,0	0,0	+8,0
- Mattresses	108,0	108,0	100,0	0,0	+8,0
- Ceiling insulation	108,1	108,1	100,0	0,0	+8,1
Insulator, porcelain	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Containers, glass	99,0	104,7	101,5	-5,4	-2,5
Billets, mild steel	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Angles, mild steel	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Structural steel, unworked	104,9	104,8	100,0	+0,1	+4,9
Reinforcing steel	115,8	115,8	104,8	0,0	+10,5
Plate, mild steel	109,4	109,4	101,3	0,0	+8,0
Sheet, uncoated	105,6	105,5	100,0	+0,1	+5,6
Sheet, galvanized	109,4	109,4	101,3	0,0	+8,0
Tinplate	103,2	100,0	100,0	+3,2	+3,2
Steel tubes, pipes and fittings	106,3	104,4	101,4	+1,8	+4,8
Copper, basic forms	98,8	98,8	100,0	0,0	-1,2
Aluminium - Anodising	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
- Basic forms	93,3	94,6	99,6	-1,4	-6,3
- Extruded products	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
- Sheetting	77,7	78,2	100,0	-0,6	-22,3
Bearings, ball and roller	126,4	112,9	98,9	+12,0	+27,8
Electrical contracting materials	109,9	108,9	105,5	+0,9	+4,2
Construction machinery (excluding trucks)	116,6	115,3	100,2	+1,1	+16,4
Trucks	97,8	97,6	98,3	+0,2	-0,5
Mining machinery	107,3	106,4	101,1	+0,8	+6,1
Rubber industry's indices:					
Natural rubber (imported)	83,5	83,5	89,5	0,0	-6,7
SBR tyres 1500 (local)	155,7	155,7	146,4	0,0	+6,4
Acrylonitrile butadiene rubber KRYNOC 805	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Polychloroprene rubber WRT type (imported)	102,8	102,8	100,0	0,0	+2,8
Carbon black - N774 (local)	104,0	104,0	100,0	0,0	+4,0
- N660	115,2	115,2	105,4	0,0	+9,3
Accelerator ORAC NS (local)	111,8	111,8	106,8	0,0	+4,7
Anti-oxidant OROX - ER (local)	109,0	109,0	108,3	0,0	+0,6
- Q	135,6	135,6	114,6	0,0	+18,3
Anti-ozonant ORFLEX PP (local)	142,5	142,5	116,7	0,0	+22,1
Bulk yarn - Nylon	116,0	116,0	105,5	0,0	+10,0
- Cotton	109,0	109,0	103,9	0,0	+4,9
Stearic acid (local)	100,0	100,0	100,0	0,0	0,0
Plasticiser DDDP (local)	122,3	122,3	122,3	0,0	0,0
Coumarone indene resin (imported)	120,0	120,0	100,0	0,0	+20,0
Chlorobutyl rubber (imported)	108,0	108,0	101,0	0,0	+6,9
EPDM Vistalon 5600 (imported)	102,3	102,3	100,0	0,0	+2,3
Zinc oxide	105,8	105,8	100,0	0,0	+5,8
Synthetic rubber - 1502	114,6	114,6	110,2	0,0	+4,0
- 1712	109,7	109,7	109,2	0,0	+0,5
Polybutadiene	110,6	110,6	107,8	0,0	+2,6
Processing oil	105,4	105,4	105,4	0,0	0,0
Bead wire	101,5	101,5	100,0	0,0	+1,5
Steel cord wire	118,5	118,5	118,5	0,0	0,0
Nylon fabric - 940 X 2	103,3	103,3	103,3	0,0	0,0
- 1400 X 2	102,7	102,7	103,1	0,0	-0,4
Rayon fabric - 1840 X 2	104,9	104,9	104,9	0,0	0,0

TABLE 3 - SEASONALLY ADJUSTED INDICES

DESCRIPTION	Nov. 1996	Oct. 1996	Sep. 1996	Aug. 1996	Jul. 1996
All commodities for consumption in south Africa	110,7	109,8	108,2	107,4	106,5
Locally produced commodities	111,5	110,5	109,5	108,4	107,2
Imported commodities	108,1	107,6	104,2	104,0	104,2
Output of South African industry					
Total output	112,8	111,7	110,4	109,3	108,0
For South African consumption	111,5	110,5	109,5	108,4	107,2
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	112,4	111,0	107,6	105,1	102,3
Tobacco and Beverages	111,3	110,4	108,6	107,9	107,0
Textiles, Clothing and Footwear	110,7	110,1	109,6	108,8	108,2
Machinery and Transport equipment	106,4	106,2	105,9	105,0	104,1
Mining, Electricity, Gas and Water	105,7	105,1	106,0	107,1	106,3
Basic metals and Metal products	108,5	107,7	107,3	106,5	104,7
Food	118,2	117,0	115,9	114,1	112,2
Total Manufacturing	112,6	111,5	110,7	109,6	108,4

**NOTES**1. WEIGHTING BASIS

<u>TABLE 1.1:</u> Commodities for South African consumption	- Value of South African production, minus exports plus imports
<u>TABLE 1.2:</u> Output of South African industry groups	- Value of South African production
- Total output	- Value of South African production minus exports
- For South African consumption	
<u>TABLE 2.1:</u> Materials used in certain industries	- Value of materials used

2. PRICING BASIS

All indices are based on producer prices at the point of production in the case of commodities produced in South Africa, and wholesale prices "ex-warehouse", in the case of imported commodities. Prices "delivered" or "free on rail" are accepted if this is the normal basis of quotation. Price information refers to the first seven days of the relevant month. General sales tax is excluded but can be accounted for by multiplying a particular index by 1,04 prior to March 1982; 1,05 from March 1982; 1,06 from September 1982; 1,07 from February 1984; 1,10 from July 1984; 1,12 from April 1985; and 1,13 from April 1989. Value added tax can be added by multiplying the relevant index by 1,10 from October 1991; and by 1,14 from April 1993.

**THE PRICES OF ALL ITEMS EXCLUDE VAT.**

Further details are provided in the **Bulletin of Statistics** and the annual statistical release on production prices of commodities (P0142.3).

SYMBOLS USED

- .. = not available.
- = nil or not applicable.
- \* = revised since previous publication.