

PPI in Saudi Arabia records an increase of 7.5% in May 2026

Producer Price Index (PPI) in Saudi Arabia recorded an increase of 7.5% in May 2026 compared to May 2025. This increase was driven by an 8.0% rise in manufacturing prices, a 2.0% increase in prices of electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply, and an 8.3% rise in prices of water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities (Figure 1).

Figure 1. PPI annual change (%)



Annual changes by main divisions

Manufacturing prices recorded an increase of 8.0%, driven by a rise in the prices of the manufacture of refined petroleum products by 10.7%, the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products by 15.2%, the manufacture of food products by 3.2%, the manufacture of basic metals by 9.8%, and the manufacture of wearing apparel by 12.7%

In contrast, prices of the manufacture of fabricated metal products (except machinery and equipment) decreased by 4.8%. Prices also declined in the manufacture of furniture by 1.9% and in other economic activities by 5.5%

Meanwhile, prices of electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply increased by 2.0%, while prices of water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities increased by 8.3% in May 2026 (Figure 2) (Figure 3).

Figure 2. Annual PPI by main divisions

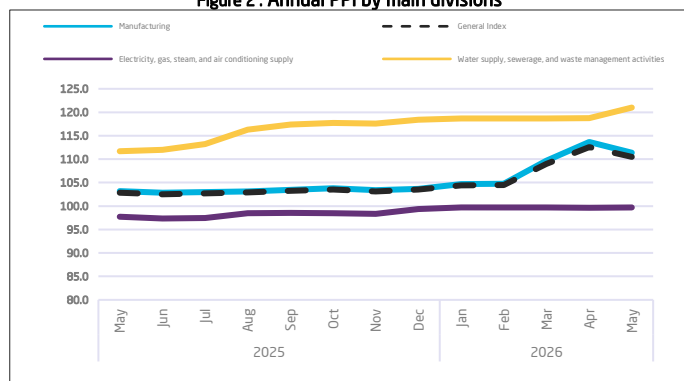
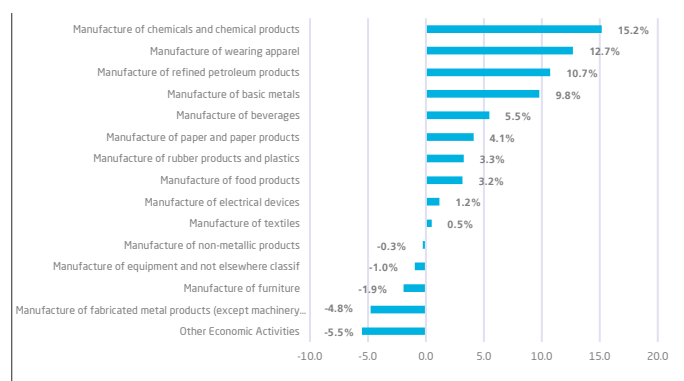


Figure 3. Annual change in prices of manufacturing activities (%)



Monthly changes by main divisions

On a month-on-month basis, the PPI decreased by 1.8% in May 2026 compared to April 2026, driven by a 2.0% decrease in manufacturing prices, which was supported by a 6.3% decrease in the prices of the manufacture of refined petroleum products, a 3.4% decrease in the manufacture of fabricated metal products (except machinery and equipment), a 1.5% decrease in other economic activities, and a 0.3% decrease in the manufacture of wearing apparel. In contrast, prices of the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products increased by 0.5%, while prices of the manufacture of basic metals increased by 9.5%. The prices of the water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities increased by 1.9%, while the electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply division recorded no significant relative change in May 2026 compared to April 2026. (Figure 4) (Figure 5).

Figure 4. PPI monthly change (%)

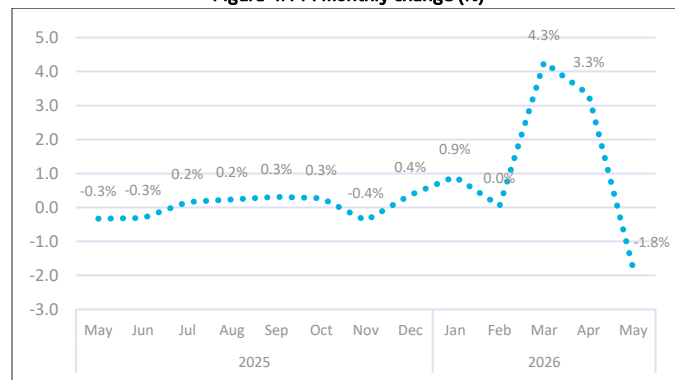


Figure 5. PPI monthly changes by main divisions



Methodology and quality

Producer Price Index (PPI) is an economic indicator that reflects relative changes in domestic product prices, based on data from the Producer Price Survey, which is conducted on a sample of industrial establishments operating in the targeted industrial activities, namely manufacturing, electricity and gas supply, and water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities.

The data for this index is published on a monthly basis and is classified according to the National Classification of Economic Activities (ISIC4).

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