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Quarterly Index of Industrial Production (QIIP)
Third Quarter 2024
(Base year: 2018 =100)

1. Introduction

The Index of Industrial Production shows the evolution of the volume of output of the Industrial Sector, which covers "Mining and quarrying", "Manufacturing", "Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply" and "Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities". The value added of these activities accounts for around 15% of Gross Value Added (GVA). The index compiled on a quarterly basis is one of the most important industrial short-term indicators, which aims at measuring, on a quarterly basis, the changes in the volume of industrial output.

2. Contents of publication

This issue of "Economic and Social Indicators" presents the quarterly indices for the first quarter of 2019 to the third quarter of 2024.

The indices are given separately for the four sections, namely, "Mining and quarrying", "Manufacturing", "Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply" and "Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities". Within "Manufacturing", estimates by broad group, namely "Export Oriented Enterprises" (EOE), "Non-EOE" and "Sugar milling" as well as by main industry group are given. Wherever possible, the annual averages of the quarterly indices have been worked out and included in the tables. It is to be noted that, due to incomplete data, indices for the third quarter of 2024 are provisional and published at section and broad group level only. They are therefore subject to revision in future issues of the Economic and Social Indicators on QIIP.

The published indices are not seasonally adjusted. The user is therefore advised to base comparisons for a particular quarter of a year on the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

The methodology used for the computation of QIIP including its limitations, are given at Annex.

3. Overall index - Industrial Sector

In the third quarter of 2024, the overall index of industrial production increased by 3.6% compared to the previous quarter and by 2.3% when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023.

The index for the year ending third quarter 2024, which is the average of quarterly indices for the period under review, grew by 2.6%. This is explained by expansions in "Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply" (+5.0%), "Manufacturing" (+2.4%) and "Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities" (+3.0%).

Chart 1: Industrial Sector: Quarterly index of industrial production, Q₁ 2019 - Q₃ 2024

4. Changes by section

4.1 Mining and quarrying

"Mining and quarrying" comprise activities relating to quarrying of decorative stones, sand and salt extraction as well as stone crushing and represents only 2% of the output of the industrial sector. In the third quarter of 2024, real output increased by 3.3% compared to the previous quarter and by 13.1% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023. In year ending third quarter 2024, a decline of 0.6% was noted (Table 1).

Chart 2: Mining and Quarrying- Quarterly index of production, Q₁ 2019 - Q₃2024
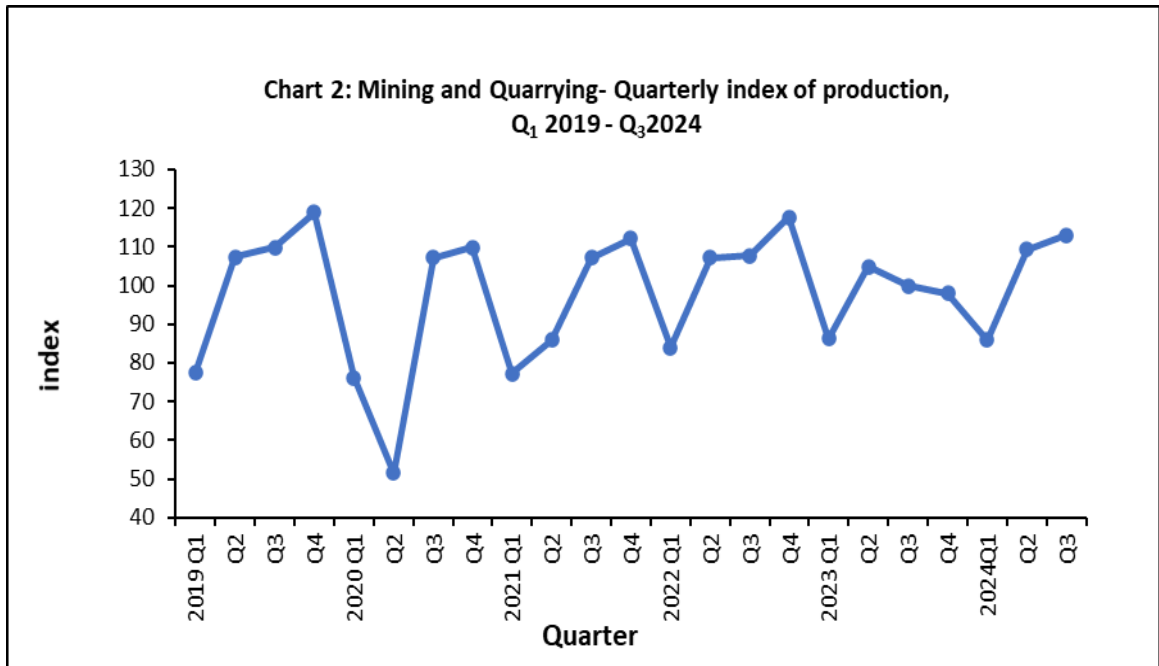
4.2 Manufacturing

Manufacturing output, which covers the production of a wide range of goods, represented 85% of the output of the industrial sector in 2018. For analysis purposes, "Manufacturing" is broken down into the following broad groups:

- Sugar milling representing 1.3% of manufacturing output
- EOE (40%)
- Non–EOE (59%)

Manufacturing output in the third quarter of 2024 grew by 3.6% compared to the previous quarter and by 2.1% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023 (Table 1). In year ending third quarter 2024, a growth of 2.4% was noted in real manufacturing output. This is due to positive growth in "Non-EOE" (+3.6%) partly offset by negative growths of 5.2% in "Sugar milling" and 2.7% in "EOE" The performances of "EOE" and "Non-EOE" by detailed industry group up to second quarter 2024 are analysed separately in Section 5.

Chart 3: Manufacturing- Quarterly index of production, Q₁ 2019 - Q₃ 2024

Chart 4: % growth in Manufacturing output in year ending third quarter 2024
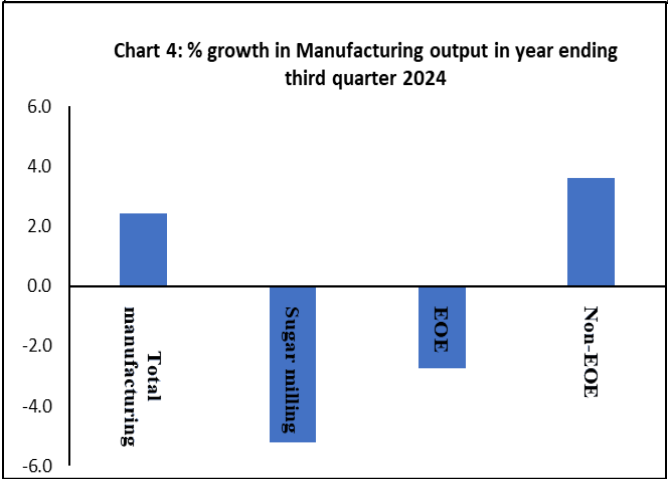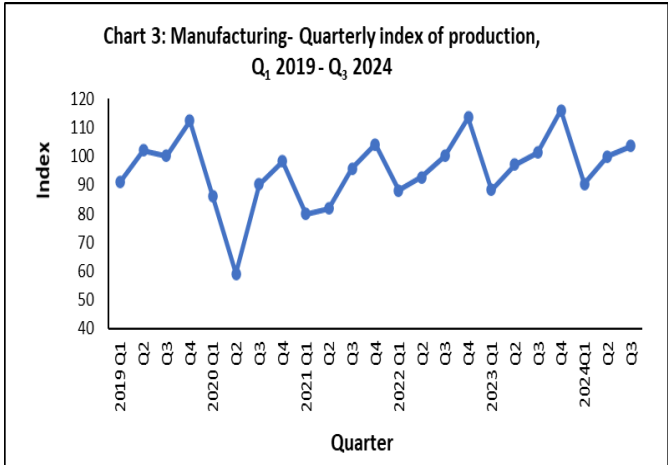
4.3 Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply

"Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply" accounts for 10.5% of the output of the industrial sector. In the third quarter of 2024, real output of this sector increased by 6.9% compared to the previous quarter and by 1.7% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023. In year ending third quarter 2024, production grew by 5.0% (Table1).

Chart 5: Electricity,gas, steam& air conditioning supply- Quarterly index of production, Q₁ 2019 - Q₃ 2024

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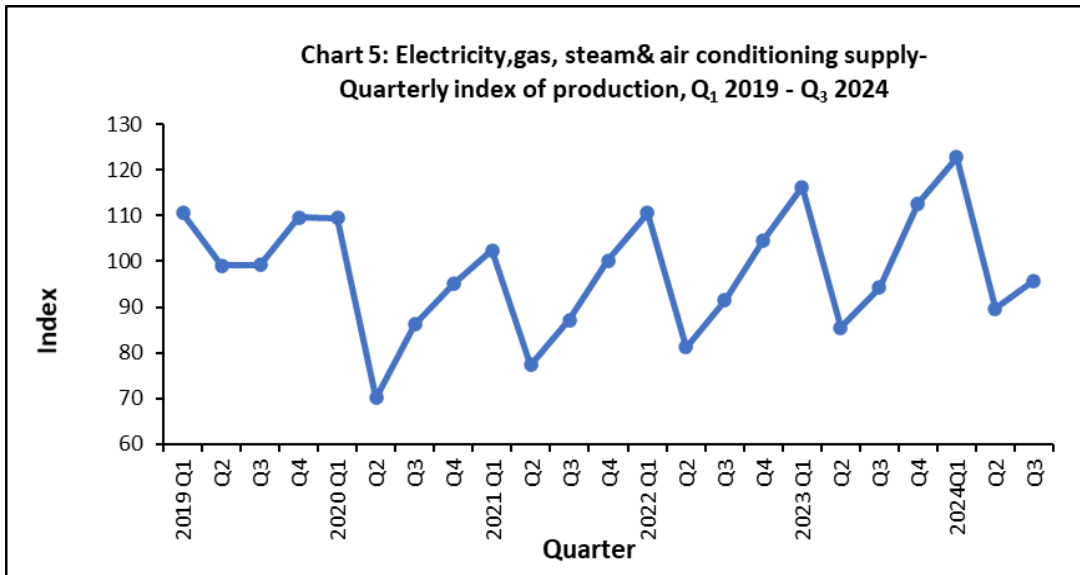
4.4 Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities

"Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities" accounts for around 2.4% of the output of the industrial sector. In the third quarter of 2024, real output of this sector decreased by 5.3% compared to the previous quarter but grew by 2.3% when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023. In year ending third quarter 2024, real output went up by 3.0% (Table1).

Chart 6: Water supply; sewerage, waste management & remediation activities - Quarterly index of production, Q_1 2019 - Q_3 2024
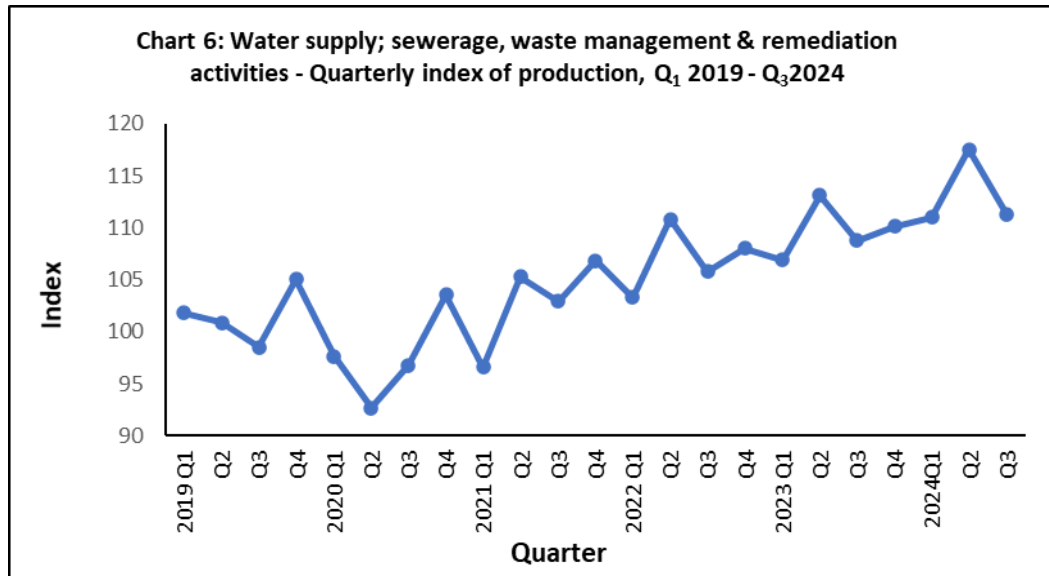
5. Changes by broad group

5.1 Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE)

Real output of EOE sector increased by 2.2% in the third quarter of 2024 compared to the previous quarter but contracted by 2.0% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023. In year ending third quarter 2024, the EOE sector decreased by 2.7% (Table 1).

Chart 7: EOE - Quarterly index of production, Q_1 2019 - Q_3 2024
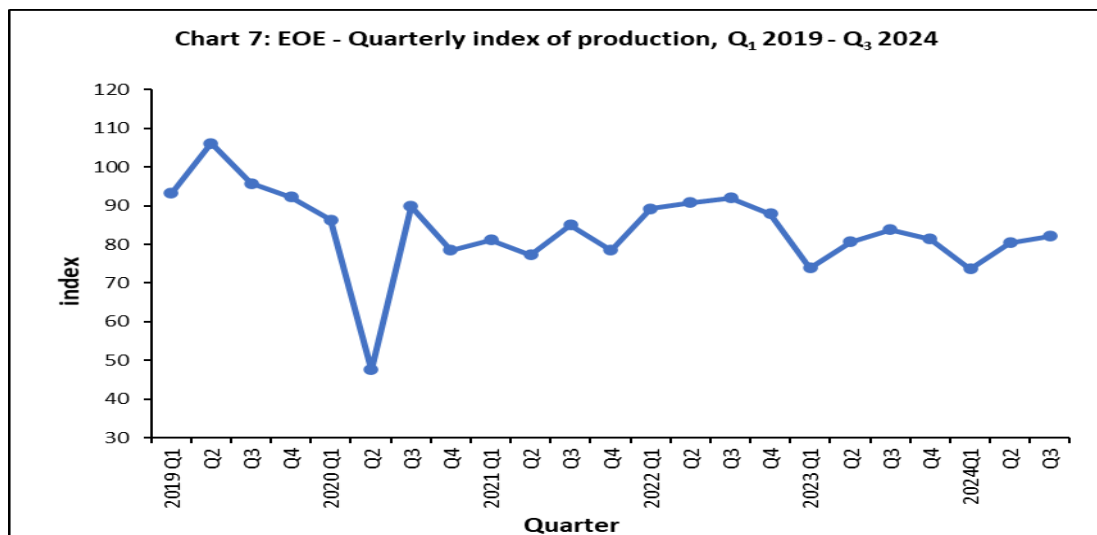
Lower-level indices for the third quarter of 2024 are not yet available. However, an indication of the annual performance at sub-group levels can be obtained by comparing indices available for year ending second quarter 2024 to those for year ending second quarter 2023 (Table 3). Real output of "Wearing apparel", the most important industry group within the EOE, declined by 13.8% and that of "Textiles" dropped by 3.4%. These two sub-groups account for almost 63% of the total weight allocate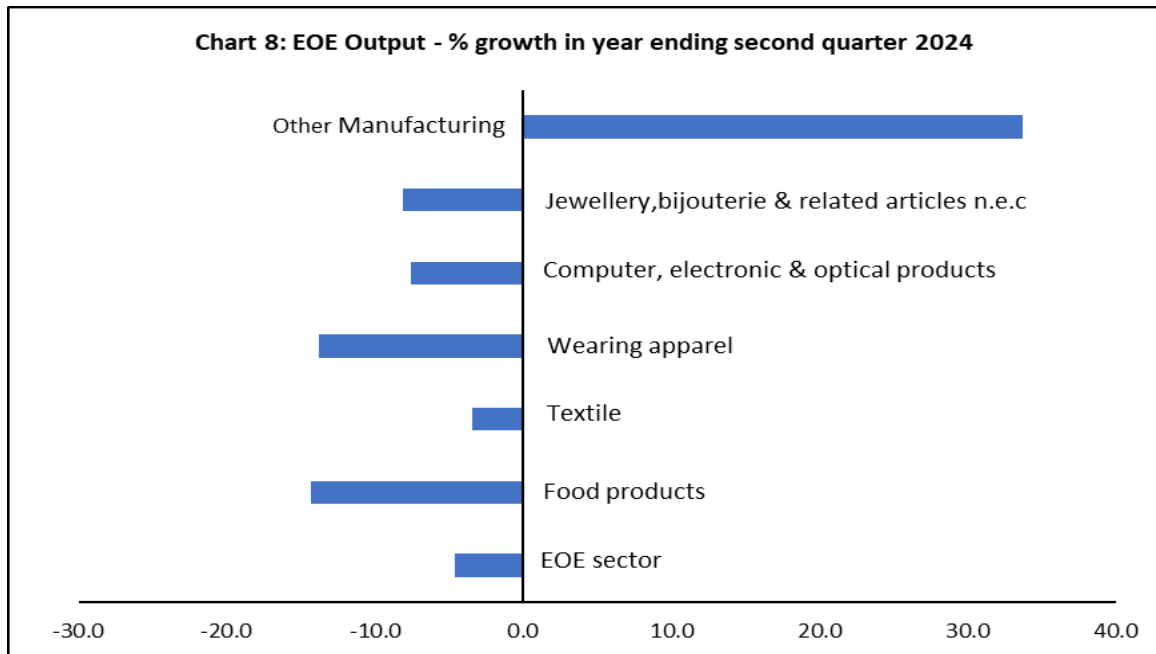d to the EOE. The only expansion noted was in "Other manufacturing" (+33.7%). However, negative growths were observed in "Food products (-14.3%), "Jewellery, bijouterie & related articles n.e.c" (-8.1%) and "Computer, electronic and optical products" (-7.6%)'.

Chart 8: EOE Output - % growth in year ending second quarter 2024

5.2 Non-EOE excluding "Sugar milling"

In the third quarter of 2024, the real output of Non-EOE sector increased by 4.1% compared to the previous quarter and by 2.8% when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2023. In year ending third quarter 2024, it grew by 3.6% (Table 1).

Chart 9: Non-EOE Excl. "Sugar Milling" - Quarterly index of production, Q_1 2019 - Q_3 2024
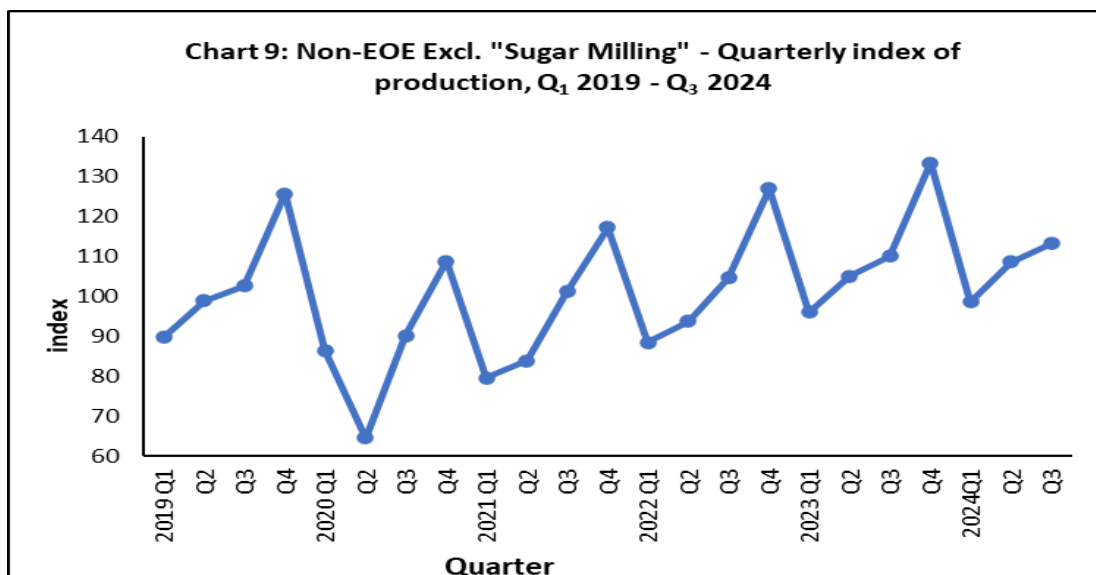
The annual performance at sub-group level is obtained by comparing the detailed indices available for year ending second quarter 2024 to those for year ending second quarter 2023 (Table 4). Expansions were noted in "Food products excluding sugar" (+4.5%), "Beverages" (+9.3%), "Chemicals & chemical products" (5.2%), "Plastic and non-metallic product" (+6.3%), "Basic metals and fabricated metal products" (+1.2%), "Furniture" (+18.1) and "Other manufacturing" (+1.7%) while negative growths were noted in "Textiles & wearing apparel" (-8.8%) and "Printing and reproduction of recorded media" (-4.1%) as illustrated in Chart 10.
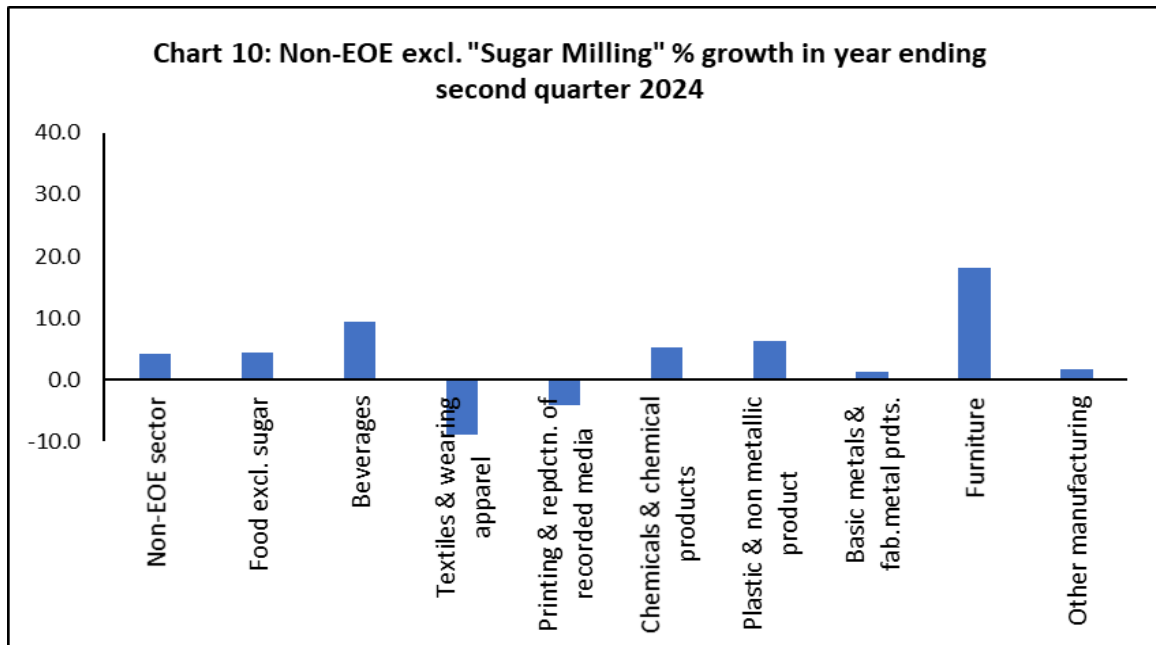
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Table 1: Index of industrial production by industry group - annual and quarterly indices, Q_1 2019 to Q_3 2024

Base period: Year 2018 = 100

	Industrial sector	Mining and quarrying	Manufacturing					Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	Water supply; sewerage, waste management & remediation
			Total	Total exc. sugar milling	Sugar milling	EOE	Non-EOE		
NSIC Division/Subclass	05 - 33, 35 - 39	05 - 09	10 - 33	10 - 33 except 10720	10720	10 - 33	10 - 33	35	36-39
Weight (Year 2018)	1000	23	848	837	11	336	501	105	24
Annual									
2019	100.0	103.3	101.4	101.3	109.3	96.8	104.2	104.6	101.6
2020	84.6	86.2	83.4	83.3	90.6	75.6	87.5	90.2	97.7
2021	90.5	95.6	90.4	90.5	86.0	80.5	95.5	91.7	102.9
2022	98.8	104.1	98.6	99.0	78.8	90.0	103.4	97.0	107.0
2023	100.9	97.2	100.7	101.1	80.7	80.0	111.1	102.2	109.7
Quarterly									
2019 Q1	93.0	77.3	91.0	91.2	76.8	93.2	89.8	110.5	101.8
Q2	99.8	107.3	102.1	101.8	120.9	106.1	98.9	99.0	100.9
Q3	97.8	109.8	100.2	99.9	120.4	95.8	102.7	99.2	98.5
Q4	109.3	118.9	112.3	112.2	119.2	92.2	125.6	109.6	105.0
2020 Q1	88.6	76.1	86.1	86.4	63.6	86.4	86.5	109.5	97.7
Q2	61.0	51.6	59.2	58.6	100.1	47.6	64.5	70.0	92.7
Q3	90.4	107.2	90.3	90.1	99.8	89.9	90.2	86.2	96.8
Q4	98.3	109.9	98.2	98.1	98.8	78.5	108.8	95.0	103.5
2021 Q1	82.6	77.3	79.9	80.2	60.4	81.2	79.7	102.4	96.6
Q2	81.9	85.9	81.9	81.7	95.0	77.3	83.9	77.3	105.3
Q3	94.6	107.2	95.7	95.8	94.7	85.0	101.2	87.1	102.9
Q4	103.1	112.1	104.1	104.2	93.7	78.5	117.2	100.2	106.8
2022 Q1	90.4	83.9	88.2	88.7	55.3	89.3	88.5	110.5	103.3
Q2	92.5	107.1	92.6	92.7	87.1	90.8	93.7	81.2	110.8
Q3	99.8	107.7	100.2	100.4	86.8	92.1	104.7	91.4	105.8
Q4	112.7	117.6	113.5	113.9	85.9	87.9	126.9	104.6	108.0
2023 Q1	90.9	86.2	88.3	88.9	56.7	73.9	96.0	116.3	106.9
Q2	96.7	104.9	97.1	97.2	89.2	80.7	105.1	85.5	113.1
Q3	100.9	99.9	101.3	101.6	88.9	83.8	110.0	94.2	108.7
Q4	115.2	97.9	116.1	116.7	88.0	81.3	133.5	112.6	110.2
2024 Q1	93.6	85.9	90.4	91.2	52.1	73.6	98.6	122.8	111.0
Q2	99.6	109.4	99.9	100.3	82.1	80.4	108.6	89.6	117.5
Q3	103.2	113.0	103.5	104.0	81.8	82.1	113.1	95.8	111.3
% change, latest quarter over: [1]									
previous quarter	3.6	3.3	3.6	3.7	-0.4	2.2	4.1	6.9	-5.3
same quarter a year ago	2.3	13.1	2.1	2.4	-8.0	-2.0	2.8	1.7	2.3
% growth in output in year ending									
3rd Quarter 2024	2.6	-0.6	2.4	2.6	-5.2	-2.7	3.6	5.0	3.0

[1] Provisional

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Table 2: Index of industrial production by main industry group of the manufacturing sector, Q₁ 2019 to Q₂ 2024

Base period: Year 2018 = 100

	Total manufacturing	Food incl. sugar	Beverages	Textile	Wearing apparel	Printing & reproduction of recorded media	Chemical products	Non Metallic products	Basic metals& fabricated metals	Furniture	Other
NSIC Division	10 -33	10	11	13	14	18	20 & 21	22 & 23	24 & 25	31	15-17, 19, 26-30,32,33
Weight (Year 2018)	1000	226	138	40	248	26	48	40	55	36	144
Annual											
2019	101.4	100.7	103.9	90.9	95.2	105.5	109.4	99.5	103.9	120.2	153.6
2020	83.4	89.4	92.8	67.5	66.1	79.6	111.4	81.2	87.2	96.9	82.9
2021	90.4	91.9	98.8	72.5	72.1	80.9	95.3	89.6	108.3	115.4	95.5
2022	98.6	102.3	110.1	78.3	76.7	81.5	95.1	94.7	124.3	103.7	103.3
2023	100.7	103.8	117.2	71.6	66.3	76.8	95.5	96.7	121.6	153.1	113.9
Quarterly											
2019 Q1	91.0	94.9	91.2	83.5	87.5	89.1	89.6	85.1	99.5	83.8	130.1
Q2	102.1	101.2	96.5	103.3	102.7	99.3	105.4	101.0	98.9	91.6	151.1
Q3	100.2	101.6	95.4	86.7	95.5	95.9	117.0	103.6	102.9	122.1	149.2
Q4	112.3	105.1	132.4	90.0	94.9	138.0	125.7	108.5	114.4	183.6	184.0
2020 Q1	86.1	91.9	92.7	67.9	76.0	105.5	124.9	66.8	83.4	78.2	83.5
Q2	59.2	80.5	66.8	39.3	37.1	56.4	81.3	55.5	60.7	41.9	51.3
Q3	90.3	91.9	93.4	80.0	78.2	72.5	126.8	97.1	78.1	120.7	92.7
Q4	98.2	93.3	118.3	82.9	73.0	84.1	112.6	105.4	126.5	146.8	104.0
2021 Q1	79.9	84.3	86.6	56.9	66.6	73.5	112.8	70.5	99.3	52.9	71.1
Q2	81.9	87.3	90.8	77.4	65.3	69.8	70.5	90.9	91.0	76.0	83.6
Q3	95.7	92.2	86.9	73.4	85.7	87.1	93.2	99.3	115.6	176.1	115.5
Q4	104.1	103.8	130.9	82.1	70.7	93.2	104.7	97.5	127.3	156.6	111.9
2022 Q1	88.2	93.9	93.2	72.1	64.4	76.5	82.8	79.5	110.8	64.3	98.7
Q2	92.6	99.4	102.9	78.9	72.8	73.8	86.7	102.5	110.2	76.9	91.7
Q3	100.2	100.6	102.0	79.0	84.7	84.8	95.8	96.8	146.5	104.1	104.2
Q4	113.5	115.4	142.2	83.2	85.0	91.0	115.0	100.1	129.6	169.7	118.4
2023Q1	88.3	92.8	100.3	62.8	54.5	65.0	81.6	81.7	110.9	130.4	102.1
Q2	97.1	101.7	109.6	72.8	67.1	75.2	86.7	94.7	107.5	129.1	111.1
Q3	101.3	100.8	109.7	66.4	74.4	75.3	96.4	102.3	135.7	140.5	114.8
Q4	116.1	119.7	149.3	84.4	69.2	91.8	117.1	108.3	132.2	212.2	127.6
2024Q1	90.4	91.1	112.8	62.4	49.8	65.6	89.3	96.0	122.9	123.2	95.0
Q2	99.9	95.8	125.2	83.9	59.3	72.3	96.6	116.4	104.2	154.4	113.0
% change, latest quarter over:											
previous quarter	10.6	5.2	11.0	34.5	19.0	10.2	8.1	21.2	-15.2	25.4	19.0
same quarter a year ago	2.9	-5.8	14.2	15.2	-11.5	-3.8	11.5	23.0	-3.1	19.6	1.7
% growth in output in year ending:											
2nd Quarter 2024	2.2	-0.7	9.4	-0.3	-13.2	-3.4	5.4	13.3	0.1	18.2	3.4

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Table 3: Index of industrial production by main industry group of the EOE sector, Q$_1$ 2019 to Q$_2$ 2024

Base period: Year 2018 = 100

	EOE, Manufacturing	Food products	Textiles	Wearing apparel	Main industry group Computer, electronic & optical products	Jewellery, bijouterie& related articles n.e.c	Other manufacturing
NSIC Division/Subclass	10 - 33	10	13	14	26	32100	11,15-18, 20-23, 25, 27, 31, 32 except 32100
Weight (Year 2018)	1000	184	73	553	26	30	134
Annual							
2019	96.8	96.5	89.4	93.8	102.4	98.1	112.4
2020	75.6	88.6	66.8	61.7	79.8	71.3	109.5
2021	80.5	87.1	69.7	63.5	174.2	48.5	112.9
2022	90.0	108.7	73.9	67.9	125.1	40.6	101.4
2023	80.0	97.4	58.4	56.9	112.1	44.6	128.7
Quarterly							
2019 Q1	93.2	98.1	84.7	90.1	96.7	108.7	100.0
Q2	106.1	104.8	108.5	102.1	111.6	104.8	122.7
Q3	95.8	90.4	82.0	96.3	100.7	82.1	110.6
Q4	92.2	92.7	82.3	86.9	100.7	96.6	116.4
2020 Q1	86.4	107.6	68.8	72.7	77.2	90.5	116.5
Q2	47.6	65.2	39.6	31.1	45.4	28.3	87.7
Q3	89.9	90.9	79.3	77.2	101.2	87.1	131.9
Q4	78.5	90.7	79.7	65.7	95.5	79.3	101.9
2021 Q1	81.2	101.2	59.9	58.6	125.7	73.8	117.4
Q2	77.3	87.3	82.4	57.9	246.1	35.8	91.5
Q3	85.0	76.3	67.2	72.3	216.8	42.3	118.0
Q4	78.5	83.5	69.3	65.2	108.2	42.2	124.6
2022 Q1	89.3	105.5	75.3	62.8	107.6	34.7	116.4
Q2	90.8	106.6	79.9	66.3	127.1	46.2	106.9
Q3	92.1	102.2	71.2	75.4	138.7	35.2	97.9
Q4	87.9	120.5	69.3	67.1	127.0	46.2	84.5
2023 Q1	73.9	96.0	60.6	52.5	107.5	42.1	109.0
Q2	80.7	106.5	56.8	55.0	109.7	41.6	129.3
Q3	83.8	82.7	56.7	64.9	122.8	49.1	143.2
Q4	81.3	104.4	59.5	55.2	108.4	45.8	133.1
2024Q1	73.6	84.9	54.7	47.5	130.0	20.4	130.0
Q2	80.4	92.4	78.3	47.8	85.1	36.5	156.4
% change, latest quarter over:							
previous quarter	9.2	8.9	43.2	0.5	-34.5	78.9	20.2
same quarter a year ago	-0.4	-13.3	37.9	-13.1	-22.4	-12.4	20.9
% growth in output in year ending:							
2nd Quarter 2024	-4.6	-14.3	-3.4	-13.8	-7.6	-8.1	33.7

Table 4: Index of industrial production by main industry group of the Non-EOE sector (exc. Sugar), Q₁ 2019 to Q₂ 2024

Base period: Year 2018 = 100

	Non-EOE, manufacturing	Food excl. Sugar	Beverages	Textiles & wearing apparel	Printing and reproduction of recorded media	Chemicals & chemical products	Plastic & non metallic product	Basic metals & fabricated metal products	Furniture	Other
NSIC Division	10-33	10	11	13 &14	18	20	22 & 23	24 &25	31	15-17, 19, 21, 26-30, 32-33
Weight (Year 2018)	1000	238	227	67	36	72	55	88	59	157
Annual										
2019	104.2	102.1	104.0	102.3	108.4	106.3	97.4	104.0	120.3	76.6
2020	87.5	89.6	94.4	84.7	77.2	97.5	79.3	87.2	97.5	73.0
2021	95.5	94.5	99.4	103.5	74.5	99.0	88.1	108.6	115.8	74.1
2022	103.4	102.2	110.2	111.5	75.3	95.9	92.9	122.5	104.2	92.2
2023	111.1	108.3	117.2	110.7	73.5	96.7	94.5	123.0	153.8	107.6
Quarterly										
2019 Q1	89.8	94.9	91.2	71.5	92.1	85.1	81.0	100.0	83.7	65.9
Q2	98.9	97.6	96.8	102.5	101.0	100.9	99.2	97.6	91.9	76.0
Q3	102.7	105.6	95.4	92.1	97.2	115.8	101.1	103.6	122.5	74.9
Q4	125.6	110.3	132.5	143.3	143.4	123.3	108.5	114.8	183.2	89.6
2020 Q1	86.5	88.3	93.0	87.0	107.9	94.9	64.0	83.4	79.1	71.0
Q2	64.5	84.8	68.2	61.4	52.5	70.7	50.9	60.5	42.3	48.7
Q3	90.2	91.6	95.5	83.3	67.6	105.2	97.6	77.0	121.2	79.8
Q4	108.8	93.9	120.9	107.2	80.9	119.0	104.6	127.8	147.4	92.7
2021 Q1	79.7	79.3	87.3	90.1	72.1	85.0	68.1	100.1	53.0	62.2
Q2	83.9	86.6	91.4	90.6	65.3	86.2	92.7	90.6	76.2	62.1
Q3	101.2	98.8	87.5	132.9	79.4	100.6	99.3	115.6	177.1	81.3
Q4	117.2	113.3	131.3	100.2	81.2	124.3	92.3	128.0	157.0	90.5
2022 Q1	88.5	93.3	93.4	70.2	69.3	83.3	77.0	111.0	64.6	91.3
Q2	93.7	97.9	103.0	97.2	65.4	87.1	99.7	106.4	77.4	78.7
Q3	104.7	101.4	102.2	121.4	76.6	97.1	95.2	140.3	104.6	92.3
Q4	126.9	116.4	142.2	157.2	90.0	116.0	99.7	132.5	170.3	106.4
2023 Q1	96.0	95.4	100.3	65.8	64.5	80.6	79.6	114.0	131.1	96.4
Q2	105.1	101.3	109.8	123.3	73.1	88.9	95.0	108.1	129.8	113.0
Q3	110.0	108.3	109.8	112.9	67.3	98.1	102.3	132.7	141.2	108.4
Q4	133.5	128.4	148.9	141.0	89.1	119.1	100.9	137.3	213.2	112.4
2024Q1	98.6	97.8	112.9	64.9	65.1	87.7	85.0	124.9	123.5	85.1
Q2	108.6	98.6	125.2	107.6	70.5	97.7	104.6	106.0	154.8	109.2
% change, latest quarter over:										
previous quarter	10.2	0.8	10.9	65.8	8.3	11.5	23.0	-15.2	25.4	28.3
same quarter a year ago	3.4	-2.7	14.1	-12.7	-3.6	9.9	10.0	-2.0	19.3	-3.4
% growth in output in year ending:										
2nd Quarter 2024	4.2	4.5	9.3	-8.8	-4.1	5.2	6.3	1.2	18.1	1.7

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Quarterly Index of Industrial Production (QIIP)

Methodology for the computation of the QIIP

1.   Introduction

The Index of Industrial Production shows the movement of the volume of output of the Industrial Sector. Prior to 2001, the index was calculated annually and published in the Digest of Industrial Statistics. Following the needs expressed by various institutions, both public and private, Statistics Mauritius started to compile and disseminate the index on a quarterly basis as from the first quarter of 2001. The compilation and dissemination of high frequency (monthly/quarterly) Index of Industrial Production is also one of the requirements of the **I**nternational **M**onetary **F**und (**IMF**) **S**pecial **D**ata **D**issemination **S**tandard (**SDDS**)**.**

2.   Objectives

The **Q**uarterly **I**ndex of **I**ndustrial **P**roduction (**QIIP**) is one of the most important industrial short-term indicators which aims at measuring, on a quarterly basis, the ups and downs of the volume of industrial output with a special focus on detecting, as early as possible, the turning points of the business cycle. This enables planners, decision makers and the business community at large to be aware of any sign of change in the progress of the economy in order to take appropriate and timely measures.

The index provides useful and reliable inputs for the estimates of quarterly and annual value added for the Industrial Sector.

3.   Concepts and definitions

Basically, the Index of Industrial Production is a measurement of the change in real value added (value added at constant price). Value added is defined as the difference between output and input. Computation of quarterly value added at current and constant prices requires data on inputs and outputs in the different industry groups within a given time frame. In the absence of the detailed data required, an approximation of the index is based on change in deflated turnover, physical quantity of goods produced and other indicators of change in real value added generated by industrial enterprises.

The indicators/methods used in compiling QIIP and data sources by sector/industry group are given at section 5.

4.   Scope and classification

The indices are compiled by industry group according to the National Standard Industrial Classification Rev.2 (NSIC Rev.2), based on the UN International Standard Industrial Classification Rev.4 (ISIC Rev.4).

The Quarterly Index of Industrial Production covers the Industrial Sector, which comprises the following sections of NSIC Rev.2:

Section B: Mining and quarrying;

Section C: Manufacturing;

Section D: Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply; and

Section E: Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities

5.   Indicators and data sources

The table below shows price and volume indicators used as well as corresponding data sources by industry group.

Sector/Industry group	Indicators used	Data sources
Mining and quarrying	Value added deflated by relevant components of Consumer Price Index (CPI)	• Quarterly survey of establishments • Monthly and quarterly data from VAT Department
Industry groups within manufacturing (excluding sugar milling)	Turnover data deflated by: (i) Export Price Index (EPI) for EOE (ii) Producer Price Index – Manufacturing (PPI-M) for Non-EOE	• Monthly and quarterly data from VAT Department • Quarterly exports statistics • Quarterly Stock Survey. • Building permits statistics for small establishments engaged in the manufacture fabricated metal products.
Sugar milling	Gross output deflated by sugar prices and inputs deflated by a weighted price index based on relevant components of CPI.	• Annual survey of establishments • Production of sugar and prices from Mauritius Sugar Syndicate
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	Volume of electricity produced	• Quarterly returns from Central Electricity Board and Independent Power Producers (IPPs)
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	Volume of water sold used as volume indicator for water supply and waste management services; Value added deflated by relevant components of CPI for other activities.	• Quarterly returns from Central Water Authority • Monthly and quarterly data from VAT Department

6.   Weights

For the manufacturing sector the weights are computed separately for Export Oriented Enterprises (EOE) and Non-EOE sub-sectors. Prior to 2008, the weight of the Non-EOE sub-sector was based on large establishments (engaging 10 or more persons) only. As from 2008, value added of small establishments (engaging less than 10 persons) has been considered in the calculation of the weights.

7.   Reliability of the indices

The practical difficulties in compiling an index showing the evolution of value added at constant prices requires a number of approximation methods which are listed at section 5. Each of these methods has a number of constraints, the main ones being:

Deflated turnover:
- Quality of the data from the different sources. The output figures in a given industry group may include output of some other activities (secondary activities) which should have been classified elsewhere;
- Time-lag between production and sales may lead to a late identification of a turning point in the business cycle;
- Turnover data need to be adjusted for changes in stocks for a true picture of production. This exercise is partly done, based on available information from the Quarterly Stock Survey;
- The quality of the index is subject to the precision and relevance of the different price indices used for deflation; and
- The base year ratio of value added to gross output is maintained throughout the period covered by the indices, when, in fact, the ratio may change as a result of technological changes, productivity changes as well as seasonal variation in the production structure.

Volume of production:
- does not take account of quality changes

Indirect Indicators
- In the absence of data for small establishments, indirect indicators such as household consumption expenditure and building permits are used for activities concerned

In spite of the above limitations, it is observed that the index shows relative consistency and is of reliable quality for the measurement of quarterly and other changes. However, great care should be taken when interpreting small changes at the more detailed level.

8.   Index calculation

The QIIP is calculated according to a modified Laspeyre's index as follows:

$$I_t = \frac{\sum W_i (Q_{it}/Q_{io})}{\sum W_i} \times 100$$

with I_t = index for quarter t
        W_i = weight for activity i

(Q_{it}/Q_{io}) = is the growth in real value added of activity i in quarter t relative to the base

year as estimated by an appropriate proxy indicator