

Press release

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05 Prices

Producer and Import Price Index in September 2023

Producer and Import Price Index fell by 0.1% in September

The Producer and Import Price Index fell in September 2023 by 0.1% compared with the previous month, reaching 108.6 points (December 2020 = 100). Lower prices were seen in particular for petroleum and natural gas. Petroleum products, in contrast, became more expensive. Compared with September 2022, the price level of the whole range of domestic and imported products fell by 1.0%. These are the results from the Federal Statistical Office (FSO).

The **producer price index** registered falling prices compared with the previous month, particularly for petroleum products.

In particular, lower prices for petroleum and natural gas were responsible for the decline in the **import price index** compared with August 2023. Cheaper prices were also seen for motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts, wearing apparel, basic metals and semi-finished metal products, leather and related products as well as food products. In contrast, prices rose for petroleum products.

Main results	Index level	Change in % compared with		
September 2023	(Base Dec. 2020 = 100)	previous month September 2022		
Producer and Import Price Index (Total)	108.6	-0.1	-1.0	
- Producer Price Index	107.3	0.0	0.9	
- Import Price Index	111.5	-0.2	-4.7	
Manufactured products - Domestic sales - Exports	111.0 102.1	-0.1 -0.1	0.9 –1.2	

Applicable prices

The prices of domestic products are surveyed for the domestic market at the first marketing stage (i.e. ex works). These ex works prices include neither valued added tax nor consumption tax (e.g. on tobacco, alcohol or petroleum products).

For exports, net sales prices are surveyed FOB (free on board) which, pursuant to definition, do not include valued added tax.

For imports, prices are surveyed at the Swiss border minus valued added, consumption and customs taxes.

In general, the market prices (transaction prices) for products are surveyed at the time of ordering. Price reductions (discounts) are deducted. Prices in foreign currencies are converted at the exchange rate on the first working day of the survey reference period in Swiss francs. The reference period always covers the period from the 1st to 8th of the survey month. This provision allows the results for the reference month to be calculated and published in the course of the subsequent month.

Producer price index for selected services

Over a period of several years, the producer price index has gradually been extended to the service sector. The latest results are available at (in German):

https://www.bfs.admin.ch/bfs/en/home/statistics/prices/producer-prices-importprices/services.html

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In compliance with current legislation and the exercise of its monetary mandate, the Swiss National Bank (SNB) received this press release four working days before its release. For the preparation of economic forecasts and calculation of the quarterly GDP, the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) also received the press release four working days before publication. The press agencies received this press release with an embargo of 15 minutes.

Statistical key figures in September 2023

Main product groups	Weight in %	Index	Change compare	Change	
			in %	Contribution to	compared with
				monthly change	prev. year in %
Producer Price Index: Total	100.0000	107.3	0.0	-0.031	0.9
Agricultural and forestry products	2.0714	109.2	1.1	0.023	2.1
Stone, sand and gravel, salt	0.5816	106.1	0.0	0.000	4.1
Manufactured products	92.7394	105.8	-0.1	-0.062	-0.3
Food products, beverages, tobacco products	9.7630	106.0	-0.2	-0.020	2.4
Textiles, wearing apparel, leather and related products, shoes	0.8706	107.4	-0.3	-0.003	2.1
Timber products	2.3191	122.2	0.0	0.000	3.7
Paper and paper products, printing	1.6073	117.2	0.0	0.000	0.9
Petroleum products	0.7139	194.8	-1.6	-0.021	-25.8
Chemical and pharmaceutical products	29.8095	97.0	0.0	0.000	-3.3
Rubber and plastic products	2.2682	110.3	0.0	0.000	-1.6
Non-metallic mineral products	1.9258	115.6	0.0	0.000	7.6
Basic metals, metal products	7.2602	117.4	-0.2	-0.018	-4.0
Computer, electronic and optical products, watches	14.5092	107.1	0.0	0.000	2.6
Electrical equipment	5.8293	107.6	0.0	0.001	2.5
Machinery	9.6393	107.6	0.0	0.000	3.8
Motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, other transport equipment	1.0376	104.8	-0.2	-0.002	2.9
Furniture and other manufacturing	3.7788	103.1	0.0	0.000	1.6
Repair and installation of machinery and equipment	1.4076	102.8	0.2	0.002	2.4
Electricity and gas supply	3.2092	158.4	0.0	0.001	35.4
Water treatment and distribution, waste collection, recovery	1.3984	86.7	0.6	0.007	-13.3
Manufactured products: domestic sales	41.4213	111.0	-0.1	-0.050	0.9
Manufactured products: exports	58.5787	102.1	-0.1	-0.074	-1.2
Agricultural and forestry products	2.0714	109.2	1.1	0.023	2.1
Intermediate goods	28.0695	109.2	-0.1	-0.026	1.0
Capital goods	27.5147	107.1	-0.1	0.002	2.0
Consumer durables	1.9576	107.1	-0.2	-0.002	2.0
Consumer non-durables	35.0655	98.2	-0.2	-0.003	-2.0
Energy	4.1181	162.0	-0.3	-0.015	-2.0
Core inflation ¹⁾	90.4465	102.0	-0.3	-0.019	0.6
Import Price Index: Total	100.0000	111.5	-0.2	-0.213	-4.7
Agricultural products	1.8769	113.8	-1.5	-0.028	-7.0
Mining and quarrying products	1.5903	284.8	-3.5	-0.147	-26.0
Manufactured products	96.5328	108.6	0.0	-0.039	-3.4
Food products, beverages, tobacco products	5.0468	108.4	-0.4	-0.018	1.2
Textiles, wearing apparel, leather and related products, shoes	7.0884	102.3	-1.7	-0.112	-0.6
Timber products	1.1761	120.8	0.0	0.000	-4.5
Paper and paper products	1.4007	114.1	0.0	0.000	-2.6
Petroleum products	2.6323	219.6	4.9	0.243	-21.7
Chemical and pharmaceutical products	28.1239	100.5	-0.1	-0.015	-5.4
Rubber and plastic products	3.3334	112.1	0.0	0.000	-2.8
Non-metallic mineral products	1.6343	121.8	0.0	0.000	2.8
Basic metals, metal products	7.5282	118.9	-0.6	-0.047	-10.5
Computer, electronic and optical products	9.1448	98.7	0.0	0.003	-1.1
Electrical equipment	4.9474	105.3	0.0	0.001	1.9
Machinery	8.1482	107.3	0.0	0.000	2.7
Motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts, other transport equipment	10.8729	106.5	-0.8	-0.086	1.7
Furniture and other manufacturing	5.4554	105.5	-0.2	-0.008	3.9
Agricultural products	1.8769	113.8	-1.5	-0.028	-7.0
Intermediate goods	27.0753	113.9	-0.2	-0.054	-6.9
Capital goods	28.9669	105.3	-0.3	-0.076	1.5
Consumer durables	4.9830	104.0	-0.2	-0.008	1.4
Consumer non-durables	33.0429	98.8	-0.5	-0.144	-1.2
Energy	4.0550	250.2	1.1	0.097	-23.9
Core inflation 1)	89.4018	104.7	-0.3	-0.231	-1.1
Price Index Total Supply: Total ²⁾	100.0000	108.6	-0.1	-0.091	-1.0
Core inflation 1)	90.1118	104.7	-0.1	-0.093	0.1
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¹⁾ Total excluding raw materials and any product groups close to raw materials whose prices are subject to high volatility (in particular agricultural

products, meat, petroleum products, metals, gas).

 $^{2)}$ Total of producer price index (67.0869%) and import price index (32.9131%).

³⁾ Total of producer price index, domestic supply (45.7786%), and import price index (54.2214%).

Most important contributions to the change in the total index in September 2023

Item	Contribution to the change in the total index compared with the previous survey	Weight in %	Index	Change compared with August 2023 in %	Change compared with previous year in %
Producer Price Index					
Raw milk	0.017	0.5232	111.9	3.2	-1.7
Food products Basic metals, semi-finished metal products Petroleum products	-0.013 -0.018 -0.021	8.8716 1.5702 0.7139	106.0 128.4 194.8	-0.1 -0.9 -1.6	2.7 -16.1 -25.8
Import Price Index					
Petroleum products	0.243	2.6323	219.6	4.9	-21.7
Green coffee Vegetables, melons and potatoes Pharmaceutical preparations Food products Leather and related products Basic metals, semi-finished metal products Wearing apparel Motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts Petroleum and natural gas	-0.011 -0.011 -0.015 -0.020 -0.034 -0.047 -0.074 -0.078 -0.146	0.3363 0.3206 16.5234 3.8578 2.0147 3.7956 3.9659 8.0293 1.4128	137.0 104.3 94.3 110.0 105.7 123.0 99.6 107.6 307.8	-2.6 -3.6 -0.1 -0.5 -1.7 -1.1 -2.0 -1.0 -3.6	-24.0 -0.1 -2.2 1.0 1.7 -18.8 -1.4 2.0 -26.2

