

**No. 38 : INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES IN INDIA - BY GROUPS AND
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(Base : 1981-82=100)**

Average of months/ Average of weeks ended Saturday	Weight	1990-91	1995-96	1996-97	1997		1998				
		(April-March)			May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. (P)	May (P)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ALL COMMODITIES	100.000	182.7	295.8	314.6	322.4	334.4	338.2	337.3	336.8	338.4	342.9
I. Primary Articles	32.295	184.9	304.1	328.4	331.3	344.5	353.9	351.6	347.5	354.3	363.7
(A) Food Articles	17.386	200.6	335.7	375.1	379.7	395.3	408.2	400.6	392.8	402.8	420.3
a. Foodgrains (Cereals + Pulses)	7.917	179.2	313.0	353.8	363.0	364.3	380.0	371.8	364.9	360.7	362.0
a1. Cereals	6.824	171.5	299.2	338.6	349.2	351.2	363.1	355.5	350.3	346.6	348.9
a2. Pulses	1.093	227.5	398.9	448.7	449.2	446.1	484.7	473.8	455.9	449.0	443.6
b. Fruits & Vegetables	4.089	204.1	323.9	388.9	356.2	365.9	372.8	358.6	354.4	402.8	464.6
b1. Vegetables	1.291	234.6	389.2	461.7	310.7	384.6	416.8	391.8	404.7	497.1	594.7
b2. Fruits	2.798	190.0	293.8	355.3	377.2	357.3	352.5	343.3	331.2	359.2	404.6
c. Milk	1.961	209.2	313.8	319.0	336.8	352.0	357.6	357.1	359.3	360.4	369.3
d. Eggs, fish & meat	1.783	194.5	391.5	409.0	435.0	454.8	458.6	462.3	460.8	459.8	465.0
e. Condiments & spices	0.947	284.6	453.6	514.5	516.5	570.8	588.9	598.9	592.4	602.7	605.1
f. Other food articles	0.689	301.5	422.2	418.1	502.2	653.8	708.0	672.8	587.1	586.0	601.8
(B) Non-Food Articles	10.081	194.2	321.7	329.8	330.9	342.1	350.0	355.8	356.0	360.3	359.9
a. Fibres	1.791	174.4	377.4	340.0	338.5	337.6	352.7	353.6	356.2	358.5	355.6
b. Oil seeds	3.861	194.9	284.6	285.3	283.1	290.0	299.1	313.2	312.4	322.5	330.3
c. Other non-food articles	4.429	201.6	331.6	364.4	369.6	389.6	393.3	393.8	394.0	394.0	387.4
(C) Minerals	4.828	109.0	153.5	157.3	158.1	166.4	166.4	166.5	166.5	166.9	167.7
a. Metallic Minerals	0.231	164.8	401.6	432.3	448.4	451.9	453.3	453.3	453.3	453.3	453.3
b. Other minerals	0.323	194.1	284.6	293.3	281.2	284.9	284.7	285.0	285.1	289.9	301.7
c. Petroleum crude & natural gas	4.274	99.6	130.2	132.1	133.1	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.0	142.1	142.1

See 'Notes on Tables'.

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		(April-March)			May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. (P)	May (P)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(C) Textiles	11.545	171.2	294.6	304.1	305.7	312.0	313.6	314.7	316.4	317.0	318.1
a. Cotton textiles	6.093	172.8	323.1	332.0	340.3	343.6	343.8	344.6	344.7	347.9	355.8
a1. Cotton yarn	1.232	189.9	396.7	374.2	380.8	389.0	390.1	393.8	391.8	392.9	390.7
a2. Cotton cloth (Mills)	3.159	158.8	297.1	322.6	334.8	334.2	334.2	334.2	335.3	337.3	339.0
a3. Cotton cloth (Powerloom)	0.906	176.7	255.1	255.1	255.1	255.1	255.1	255.1	255.1	267.9	318.0
a4. Cotton cloth (Handloom)	0.740	201.3	386.2	387.2	391.8	407.9	407.9	407.9	407.9	407.9	407.9
a5. Khadi cloth	0.056	148.4	439.1	452.0	459.4	459.4	459.4	459.4	459.4	459.4	459.4
b. Man made textiles	2.921	133.6	186.6	193.8	192.3	196.5	195.5	196.5	197.8	197.4	196.9
c. Woolen textiles	0.339	156.9	251.3	244.8	252.3	266.7	266.7	266.7	264.1	258.1	258.1
d. Jute,hemp & mesta textiles	0.689	282.7	464.3	494.3	443.4	438.2	467.6	474.6	497.0	483.8	485.0
e. Manufacturing of textiles n.e.c.	1.503	190.0	321.4	331.4	334.2	360.9	360.9	361.0	360.9	361.0	361.0
(D) Wood & Wood Products	1.198	159.1	442.0	445.8	446.4	597.8	598.6	598.6	598.6	598.6	598.6
(E) Paper & Paper Products	1.988	222.4	374.0	377.4	369.9	369.6	371.1	371.1	371.1	371.2	371.1
a. Paper & pulp	0.808	215.2	379.0	387.4	365.3	365.3	369.1	369.1	369.1	369.1	368.8
b. Manufacture of board	0.440	165.5	229.5	240.8	243.9	242.3	242.3	242.3	242.3	242.5	242.5
c. Printing & publishing of newspapers etc.	0.740	264.1	454.4	447.6	449.9	449.9	449.9	449.9	449.9	449.9	449.9
(F) Leather & Leather Products	1.018	224.3	276.8	281.2	285.3	295.5	295.5	295.9	295.9	296.4	296.4

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		(April-March)			May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. (P)	May (P)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(G) Rubber & Plastic Products	1.592	164.9	235.4	244.0	246.0	245.0	245.0	245.1	245.1	245.1	245.1
a. Tyres & tubes	0.766	153.3	232.7	239.1	238.0	235.8	235.9	236.1	236.1	236.1	236.1
a1. Tyres	0.697	151.3	229.3	236.0	235.3	232.9	232.9	232.9	232.9	232.9	232.9
a2. Tubes	0.069	173.3	267.2	270.0	265.4	265.4	266.0	268.5	268.5	268.5	268.5
b. Plastic products	0.442	187.2	207.6	224.9	233.8	233.8	233.8	233.8	233.8	233.8	233.8
c. Other rubber & plastic products	0.384	162.4	272.8	275.6	276.1	276.2	276.2	276.2	276.2	276.2	276.2
(H) Chemicals & Chemical Products	7.355	147.9	249.9	259.3	266.9	270.8	271.1	271.1	270.8	270.3	270.0
a. Basic heavy inorganic chemicals	0.764	185.1	351.5	392.9	385.3	365.9	366.9	366.9	364.6	364.3	362.7
b. Basic heavy organic chemicals	0.452	111.8	153.4	150.8	154.6	153.4	151.1	150.4	148.8	142.0	134.7
c. Fertilizers & pesticides	1.950	105.2	220.1	219.1	230.3	230.6	230.6	230.6	230.6	230.8	230.8
c1. Fertilizers	1.748	99.1	210.7	211.9	224.3	223.5	223.5	223.5	223.5	223.7	223.7
c2. Pesticides	0.202	158.2	301.4	281.8	281.9	292.3	292.3	292.3	292.3	292.3	292.3
d. Paints, varnishes & lacquer	0.240	204.9	318.6	334.4	342.3	347.0	347.0	347.0	347.0	347.0	347.0
e. Dyestuff & indigo	0.336	161.1	256.9	253.3	250.9	249.4	249.4	249.4	249.4	249.4	249.4
f. Drugs & medicines	1.065	149.6	235.3	242.2	247.7	266.9	266.9	266.9	266.9	266.8	266.8
g. Perfumes, cosmetics, toiletries etc.	1.215	161.6	261.2	278.6	299.7	309.3	309.1	309.1	309.1	307.0	307.1
g1. Soaps & detergents	0.880	160.5	251.2	270.0	294.1	298.2	298.2	298.2	293.2	295.7	296.3
g2. Others	0.335	164.5	287.3	301.2	314.3	338.7	337.9	337.9	337.9	336.8	335.6
h. Turpentine, synthetic resins and plastic materials	0.477	168.7	266.4	266.2	261.8	260.2	258.5	258.5	258.5	257.8	257.1
i. Matches, explosives, inedible oils etc.	0.856	176.3	249.0	260.6	269.0	283.2	286.7	287.3	..	289.6	293.4

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		(April-March)			May	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. (P)	May (P)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
(K) Machinery & Machine Tools	6.268	180.2	282.8	295.0	300.0	300.0	298.7	298.5	298.6	298.8	299.4
a. Non-electrical machinery & parts	3.277	190.0	283.4	301.0	313.1	312.0	312.3	311.9	312.1	311.7	313.1
a1. Heavy machinery & parts	1.393	189.9	312.0	330.8	342.7	343.0	343.2	347.2	349.0	346.9	351.8
a2. Industrial machinery for food & textiles	0.713	159.2	217.4	227.2	234.6	235.6	235.6	235.6	235.6	235.5	235.5
a3. Fridge, office equipment & non-elecl. machinery	1.171	208.8	289.4	310.6	325.8	321.7	322.3	316.2	314.6	316.1	314.5
b. Electrical machinery	2.991	169.4	282.2	288.5	285.7	286.8	283.9	283.9	283.9	284.6	284.3
b1. Electrical industrial machinery	1.147	170.4	308.4	320.9	326.2	327.0	326.9	326.9	326.9	327.2	325.6
b2. Industrial wires & cables	0.728	195.7	366.1	361.0	338.5	334.8	323.3	323.2	323.1	324.9	326.3
b3. Dry & wet batteries/cells	0.231	177.0	242.0	270.6	282.0	293.9	293.9	293.9	293.9	295.9	295.9
b4. Electrical apparatus, appliances & parts	0.424	144.4	197.1	202.4	203.7	209.1	209.1	209.1	209.1	209.1	209.1
b5. Radio & T.V. sets	0.461	144.4	183.0	181.6	178.7	178.7	178.7	178.7	178.7	178.6	178.6
(L) Transport Equipment & Parts	2.705	181.3	254.5	265.9	270.4	278.4	278.4	278.6	278.8	278.6	279.4
a. Locomotives, railways wagons & parts	0.274	216.5	309.1	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5	309.5
b. Motor vehicles, scooters bicycles & parts	2.431	177.4	248.3	261.0	266.0	274.9	274.9	275.1	..	275.1	276.1
(M) Other Misc. Manufacturing Industries	0.972	119.0	169.9	175.1	178.6	178.7	179.2	179.9	181.0	181.4	181.4

Source : Office of the Economic Adviser, Ministry of Industry, Government of India.