

Industrial production index decreases by 2.9 % in May 2024

In May 2024, the Industrial Production Index (IPI) decreased by 2.9% compared to the same month in the previous year (May 2023). This decline was directly influenced by the decrease in mining and quarrying activity. Given the relative weights of the mining and quarrying activity which reached 61.4%, the trend of the industrial production in the mining and quarrying sector dominates the trend in the general IPI. This was followed by the manufacturing activity, electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply activities with a relative importance of 35% and 2.8% respectively, water supply, sewerage, and waste management and remediation activities by 0.69%. However, IPI increased by 0.9% compared to April 2024.

Sub index for mining and quarrying

The sub-index of mining and quarrying activity decreased by 9.7% in May 2024 compared to the same month of the previous year, as Saudi Arabia reduced its oil production to 8.9 million barrels per day in May 2024. Compared to April 2024, the sub-index of mining and quarrying activity increased by 0.1%

Sub index for manufacturing

Compared to May of the previous year, the sub-index of manufacturing activity increased by 8.2%, effected by the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, and manufacture of food products which increased by 10.0% and 15.6% respectively. Meanwhile, the activities of manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products decreased by 2.1%. On a monthly basis, the sub-index of manufacturing activity showed an increase of 0.8%, supported by the rise in the manufacture of chemicals and chemical products, which increased by 0.1%. Followed by the activities of manufacture of food products and manufacture of non-metallic products increased by 1.9% and 0.9% respectively. While the manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products decreased by 0.4

Table1. Sub-activities of manufacturing industry

Economic Activity ISIC4	Index			Change %	
	May-24	Apr-24	May-23	Monthly	Annual
Manufacture of coke and refined petroleum products	100.3	100.7	102.4	-0.4%	-2.1%
Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	116.9	116.9	106.3	0.1%	10.0%
Manufacture of food products	120.1	117.9	103.9	1.9%	15.6%
Manufacture of non-metallic products	128.8	127.6	120.8	0.9%	6.6%
Manufacture of basic metals	134.3	131.4	113.8	2.3%	18.0%
Manufacture of beverages	144.9	144.0	128.9	0.6%	12.4%
Manufacture of paper and paper products	144.2	141.5	121.5	1.9%	18.6%
Manufacture of electrical devices	156.9	156.3	130.2	0.4%	20.5%
Manufacture of furniture	125.5	124.0	105.9	1.2%	18.5%
Other Economic Activities	155.6	151.0	132.4	3.1%	17.5%

* Preliminary data

Sub-index for electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply and sub-index for water supply, sewerage and waste management and remediation activities

The sub-index of electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply activity recorded an annual increase of 6.6%. while the sub-index of water supply, sewerage and waste management and remediation activities decreased by 0.2%.

Based on the month-on-month trend, the sub-index of electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply activity, and the sub-index of water supply, sewerage and waste management and remediation activities increased by 20.8% and 2.2% respectively.

Index for oil activities and non-oil activities

The index for oil activities in May 2024 decreased by 8.4% compared to the same month of the previous year, due to the decline in oil production. While the index for non-oil activities increased by 12.8%, supported by an increase in all non-oil economic activities except for water activities. On the other hand, there is stability in the index for oil activities compared to the previous month (April 2024). While the index for non-oil activities increased by 3.0%.

Figure1. General index and monthly growth rates

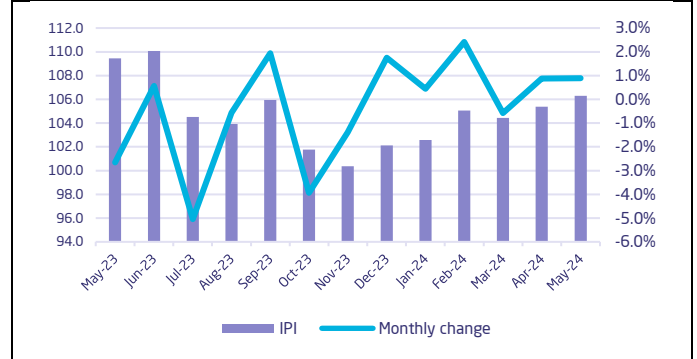


Figure2: Four Sub-Indices

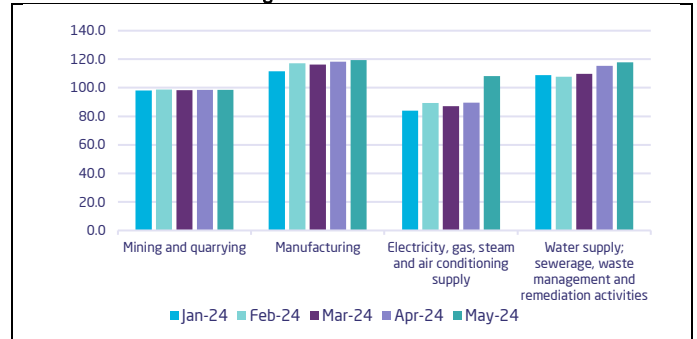


Figure3 .Monthly growth rates for sub-Indices

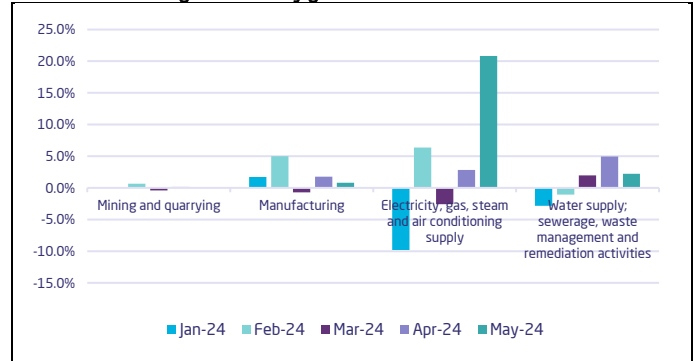
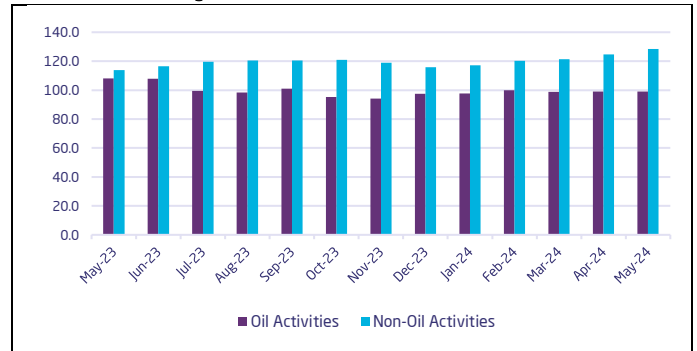


Figure4 .Index for oil and non-oil activities



IPI Reference Metadata

IPI is an economic indicator that reflects the relative changes in the volume of industrial output. It is calculated based on the industrial production survey. IPI data is based on the International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities (ISIC 4). This index is published monthly. For more details, [Reference Metadata](http://www.stats.gov.sa)