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## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES OF BUILDING MATERIALS THIRD QUARTER 2021

The Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials increased by 1.4% from 273.3 in the second quarter 2021 to 277.0 in the third quarter 2021.

This increase was directly attributable to increases observed in all sections:

- Electrical installation & fixtures: 2.3%
- Plumbing and Plumbing Fixtures: 1.6%
- Site Preparation, Structure and Concrete Frame: 1.3%
- Walls and Roof : 1.3%
- Finishing, Joinery Units, Painting and External Works: 1.2%
- Windows, Doors & Balustrading: 0.5%

### Special points of interest:

- \* The Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials is a measure of the price movements in the inputs into construction.
- \* The All Sections Index for third quarter 2021 was 277.0 an increase of 1.4% over the index for the previous quarter.

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When a year on year analysis is undertaken, the index for the third quarter 2021 increased by 12.6% over the third quarter 2020. This increase was noticed in all sections as follows:

- Walls and Roof : 16.9%
- Plumbing and Plumbing Fixtures: 12.7%
- Finishing, Joinery Units, Painting and External Works: 11.5%
- Site Preparation, Structure and Concrete Frame: 9.2%
- Electrical installation & fixtures: 8.2%
- Windows, Doors & Balustrading: 3.8%

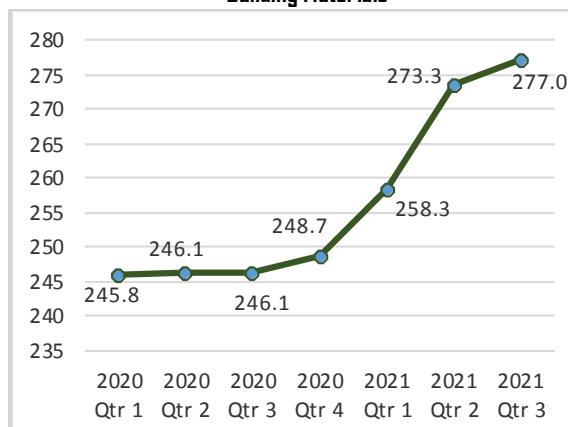
### What is the Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials?

The Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials is a quarterly measure of the relative change in the retail prices of building materials used in the construction of an average home based on a sample of retail stores of different types and sizes.

It is an important indicator of movements in the prices of building materials and useful in the analysis of cost, price fluctuations, trends and the Construction Sector.

The Index is also a component of the Retail Price Index.

### The Movement in the Index of Retail Prices of Building Materials



## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES OF BUILDING MATERIALS

(Base Period: Average of 4 quarters 1996 = 100)

3rd Quarter 2021

Industry	Weight	Qtr 1 2020	Qtr 2 2020	Qtr 3 2020	Qtr 4 2020	Qtr 1 2021 <sup>r</sup>	Qtr 2 2021 <sup>r</sup>	Qtr 3 2021
<b>Site Preparation, Structure and Concrete Frame</b>	1637	293.6	293.1	293.3	293.8	306.7	316.2	320.2
<b>Walls and Roof</b>	3795	296.2	296.7	296.3	303.4	316.2	341.9	346.4
<b>Electrical Installation and Fixtures</b>	979	306.3	308.2	309.0	309.7	320.7	326.8	334.3
<b>Plumbing and Plumbing Fixtures</b>	541	235.6	236.0	237.1	238.2	255.3	262.9	267.2
<b>Windows, Doors and Balustrading</b>	1242	156.1	156.0	155.9	155.6	157.1	161.0	161.9
<b>Finishing, Joinery Units, Painting and External Works</b>	1806	128.7	128.3	128.6	126.9	129.5	141.6	143.3
<b>ALL SECTIONS INDEX</b>	<b>10000</b>	<b>245.8</b>	<b>246.1</b>	<b>246.1</b>	<b>248.7</b>	<b>258.3</b>	<b>273.3</b>	<b>277.0</b>

*r-revised***SOURCE: CENTRAL STATISTICAL OFFICE**

Differences in totals may be due to rounding