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## **1.0 COMMENTARY**

## 1.1 Mining Producer Price Index Quarter three(3) 2021

The Mining Producer Price Index moved from 89.8 in Quarter 2 of 2021 to 88.8 in Quarter 3 of 2021, registering a drop of 1.1 percent. The decrease was owed to a fall in section indices of Salt, Gold and diamond by 7.5, 4.8 and 1.3 percent respectively. Other minerals, namely Coal and Soda Ash, recorded an increase of 17.6 and 1.7 percent respectively. **Refer to Table 2.1** 

The Mining Producer Price Annual Inflation was 4.3 percent in the third quarter of 2021, a decline of 5.0 percentage points, from the second quarter rate of 9.3 percent. **Refer to Table 1**.

## **1.2 Mining Producer Price Index Quarter four (4) 2021**

The Mining Producer Price Index registered an increase of 18.4 percent, moving from 88.8 in Quarter 3 of 2021 to 105,1 in Quarter 4 of 2021. The rise was due to the growth in section indices of diamond (19.5 percent), coal (10.1 percent), Soda Ash (7.9 percent) and salt (5.3 percent). See Table 2.2.

The Mining Producer Price Annual Inflation for the fourth quarter of 2021 increased to 32.2 percent, compared to 4.3 percent recorded in the third quarter of 2021, a rise of 27.9 percentage points. **Refer to Table 1**.

## **1.3 Utilities (Water and Electricity) Producer Price Index**

The Utilities Producer Price Index in the third quarter and fourth quarter of 2021 remained constant at 115.9, the same index as in the second quarter of 2021. **Refer to Table 3**.

The year on year Utilities Producer Price inflation for the third and fourth quarter of 2021 remained unchanged at 3.5 percent the same rate as in the second quarter of 2021. **Refer to table 3**.

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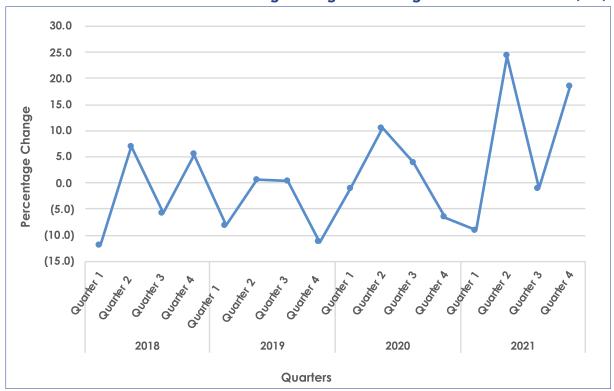


Chart 1: Quarter on Quarter Percentage Change for Mining Producer Price Index (PPI)

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			Percentage Change	
Year	Quarter	PPI Index	Quarter on Quarter	Year on Year
2017	Base Period	100.0	-	-
2018	Quarter 1	88.1	(11.9)	-
	Quarter 2	94.3	7.0	
	Quarter 3	88.8	(5.8)	-
	Quarter 4	91.4	5.4	(8.6)
2019	Quarter 1	84.0	(8.1)	(4.7)
	Quarter 2	84.5	0.6	(10.4)
	Quarter 3	84.8	0.4	(4.5)
	Quarter 4	75.2	(11.3)	(17.7)
2020	Quarter 1	74.4	(1.1)	(11.5)
	Quarter 2	82.2	10.5	(2.8)
	Quarter 3	85.1	3.9	0.4
	Quarter 4	79.5	(6.6)	5.7
2021	Quarter 1	72.2	(9.1)	(2.8)
	Quarter 2	89.8	24.3	9.3
	Quarter 3	88.8	(1.1)	4.3
	Quarter 4	105.1	18.4	32.2

#### Table 1: Mining Producer Price Index (2017=100)

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### Table 2.1: Mining Producer Price Index for Quarter 3, 2021 (2017=100.0)

			Indices		% Change
	Group	Weights	2nd Quarter 2021	3rd Quarter 2021	Quarter on Quarter
1	Mining	100.0	89.8	88.8	(1.1)
1.0	Diamond	94.7	87.9	86.8	(1.3)
2.0	Coal	0.9	107.8	126.7	17.6
3.0	Gold	1.1	163.8	155.8	(4.8)
4.0	Soda Ash	1.9	120.0	122.1	1.7
5.0	Salt	0.7	101.6	94.0	(7.5)
6.0	Quarry	0.7	115.6	115.6	0.0

#### Table 2.2: Mining Producer Price Index for Quarter 4, 2021 (2017=100.0)

			Indices		% Change
	Group	Weights	2nd Quarter 2021	3rd Quarter 2021	Quarter on Quarter
1	Mining	100.0	88.8	105.1	18.4
1.0	Diamond	94.7	86.8	103.7	19.5
2.0	Coal	0.9	126.7	139.6	10.1
3.0	Gold	1.1	155.8	155.8	0.0
4.0	Soda Ash	1.9	122.1	131.7	7.9
5.0	Salt	0.7	94.0	99.0	5.3
6.0	Quarry	0.7	115.6	115.6	0.0

#### Table 3: Utilities Producer Price Index (Water and Electricity) (2017=100.0)

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Year	Quarter	PPI Index	Quarter on Quarter	Year on Year
2017	Base Period	100.0	-	-
2018	Quarter 1	100.0	-	-
	Quarter 2	111.2	11.2	-
	Quarter 3	111.2	0.0	-
	Quarter 4	111.2	0.0	-
2019	Quarter 1	111.2	0.0	11.2
	Quarter 2	111.2	0.0	0.0
	Quarter 3	111.2	0.0	0.0
	Quarter 4	111.2	0.0	0.0
2020	Quarter 1	111.2	0.0	0.0
	Quarter 2	112.0	0.7	0.7
	Quarter 3	112.0	0.0	0.7
	Quarter 4	112.0	0.0	0.7
2021	Quarter 1	112.0	0.0	0.7
	Quarter 2	115.9	3.5	3.5
	Quarter 3	115.9	0.0	3.5
	Quarter 4	115.9	0.0	3.5

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