

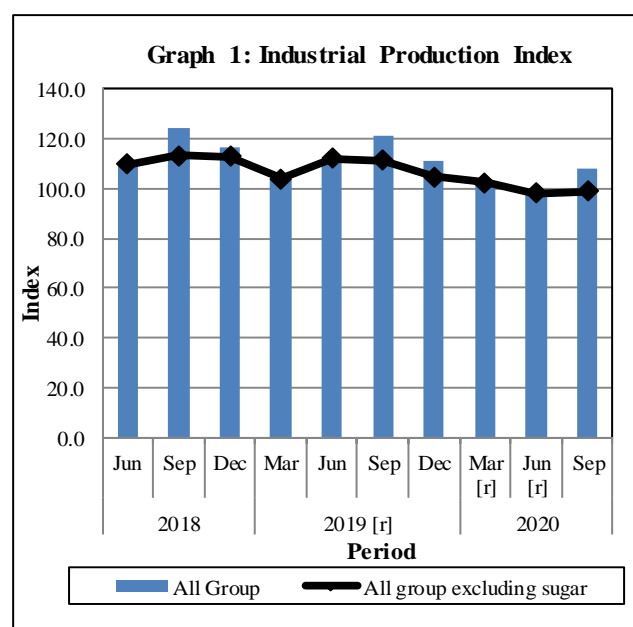
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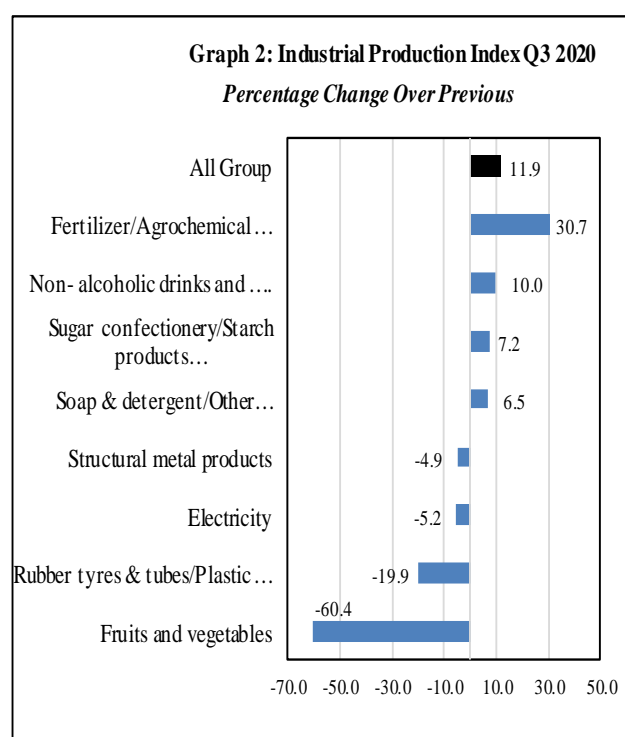
INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION INDEX September Quarter 2020

The Industrial Production Index (IPI) is an economic indicator that measures production volume changes in the following industries; Mining and Quarrying, Manufacturing, Electricity and Water.



Key Facts

- The All Group Industrial Production Index (IPI) stood at 108.0 in the September quarter of 2020. This represented an increase of 11.9 percent when compared to the June quarter of 2020.
- The All Group Index registered a decline of 10.5 percent when compared to the September quarter of 2019.
- The All Group Index excluding sugar showed an increase when compared to June quarter 2020 but a decline when compared to September quarter of 2019.



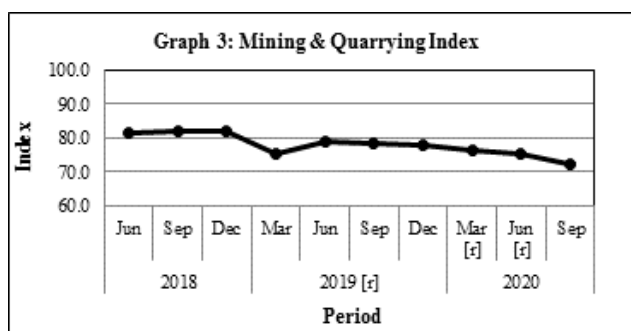
The major index movements were as follows:

- Fruits and vegetables fell by 60.4 percent;
- Rubber tyres & tubes, Plastic products, Glass and glass product fell by 19.9 percent;
- Electricity fell by 5.2 percent;
- Structural metal products fell by 4.9 percent;
- Soap & detergent, Other chemical products and Pharmaceuticals rose by 6.5 percent;
- Sugar confectionery, Starch products, Other food n.e.c and Animal feed rose by 7.2 percent;
- Non-Alcoholic Drinks rose by 10.0 percent; and
- Fertilizer, Agrochemical and Paints & varnishes rose by 30.7 percent.

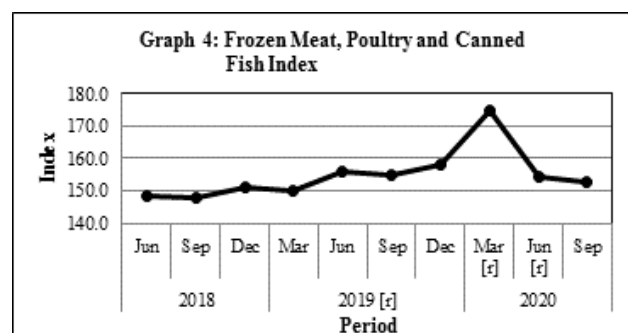
Note: Sugar and Alcohol & Spirits/Beer recorded strong growths however are not reflected in the graph due to the scale size. Refer to Table 1 for details.

Industrial Highlights

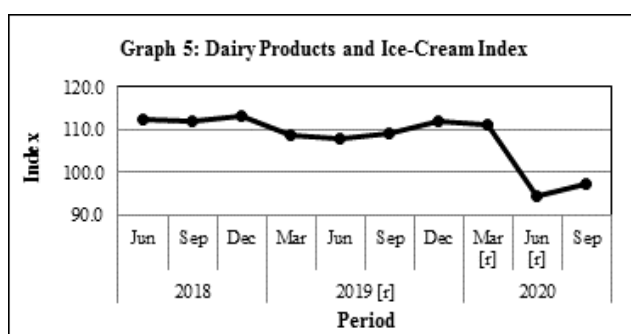
Analysis of major industries are highlighted below. These should be read in conjunction with Table 1.



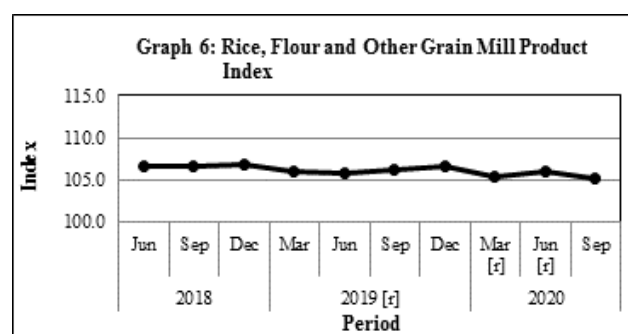
The mining & quarrying index stood at 72.3. The index showed a decline *when compared to both the June quarter 2020 and September quarter of 2019*. Lower grades of ores being extracted contributed to the overall decline.



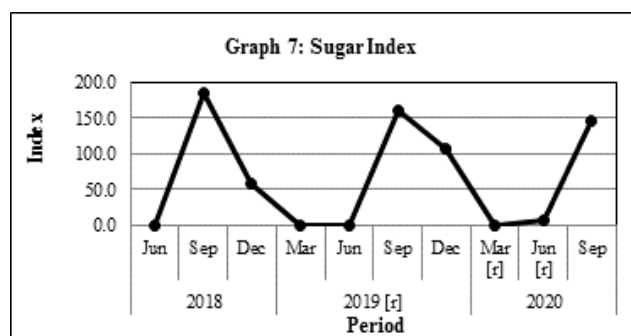
The frozen poultry, meat and canned fish index stood at 152.6. The index showed a decline *when compared to both the June quarter 2020 and September quarter of 2019*. The decline in meat production influenced the overall movement.



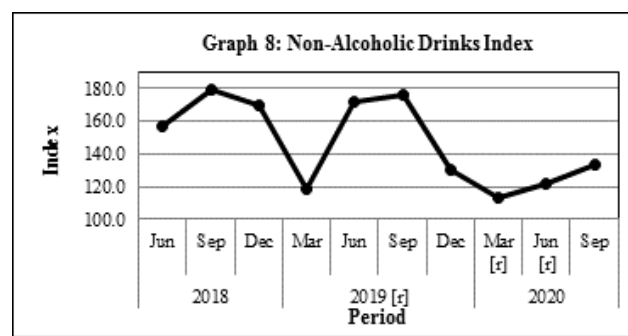
The dairy products including ice-cream index stood at 97.4. The index showed an increase *when compared to the June quarter 2020* but a decline *when compared to the September quarter 2019*. Higher milk production led to the overall increase.



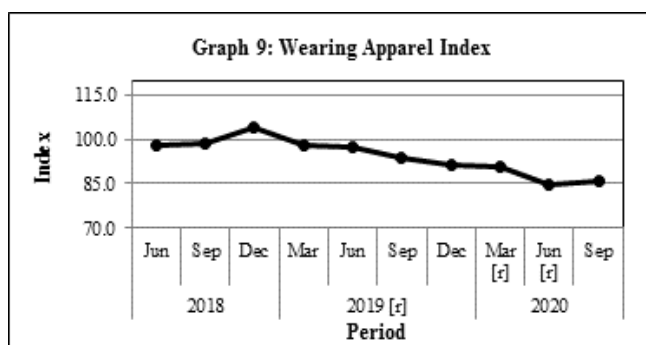
The rice, flour & other grain mill products index stood at 105.2. The index showed a decline *when compared to both the June quarter 2020 and September quarter of 2019*. Lower production of rice led to the overall decrease.



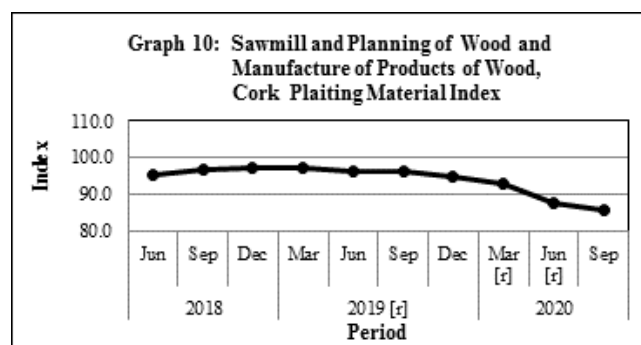
The sugar index stood at 147.0. The index showed an increase *when compared to the June quarter of 2020* but a decline *when compared to the September quarter 2019*. The increase in production is due to more cane crushed in September.



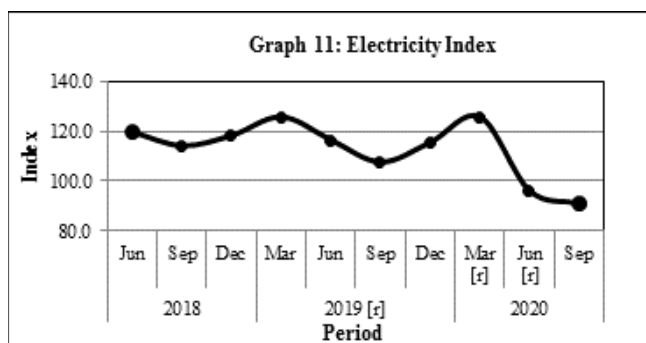
The non-alcoholic drinks & cigarettes index stood at 133.7. The index showed an increase *when compared to the June quarter of 2020* but a decline *when compared to the September quarter of 2019*. Higher mineral water production led to the overall increase.



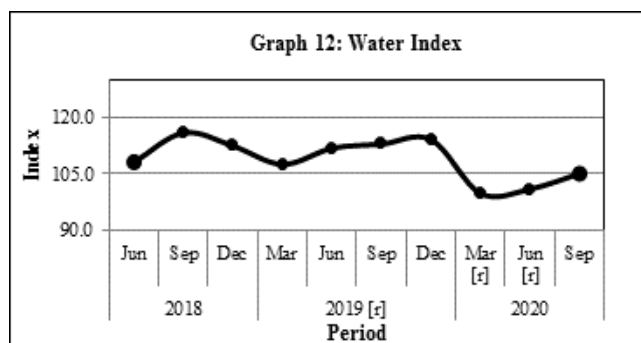
The wearing apparel index stood at 86.1. The index showed an increase *when compared to the June quarter 2020* but a decline *when compared to the September quarter of 2019*. The increase in orders received from overseas influenced the overall movement.



The saw-milling & planning of wood and manufacture of products of wood, cork plaiting material index stood at 85.7. The index showed a decline *when compared to both the June quarter of 2020 and September quarter of 2019*. Decrease in sawn timber led to the overall decline.



The electricity index stood at 91.1. The index showed a decline *when compared to both the June quarter 2020 and September quarter of 2019*. The movement of the electricity index reflects consumption.



The water index stood at 105.2. The index showed an increase *when compared the June quarter of 2020* but a decline *when compared to the September quarter of 2019*. The increase mentioned above reflects high water usage.

Please find attached the following:

Table 1: Quarterly Industrial Production Index.

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IPI for December quarter of 2020 will be released in March 2021.

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Appendix 1

Quarterly Industrial Production Index

[Base: Average 4 Quarters 2014 = 100.0]

			Quarterly												Changes (%)	
			2018				2019 [r]				2020					
FSIC	Commodities	Weights	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar	Jun	Sep	Dec	Mar [r]	Jun [r]	Sep	Sep-20/Jun-20	Sep-20/Sep-19	
07291/08101/08999	Mining & Quarrying	4.0	80.4	81.7	81.9	82.1	75.4	79.0	78.4	78.0	76.5	75.3	72.3	-4.0	-7.8	
10101/10102/10201	Frozen poultry/Meat/Canned fish	5.1	147.2	148.5	147.8	151.1	150.3	155.8	155.0	158.2	174.8	154.6	152.6	-1.3	-1.5	
10301	Fruit and vegetables	0.6	103.9	102.6	104.2	104.5	104.2	103.5	105.4	106.4	103.9	102.7	40.7	-60.4	-61.4	
10401	Edible oil/Coconut oil	0.2	93.6	94.4	93.5	94.5	95.0	95.2	94.9	94.9	95.5	94.8	95.0	0.2	0.1	
10501/10502	Dairy products/Ice-cream	3.4	110.8	112.3	111.9	113.2	108.8	107.8	109.2	112.1	111.0	94.5	97.4	3.1	-10.8	
10611/10612/10619	Rice milling/Flour milling/Other grain mill products	2.7	105.4	106.7	106.6	106.9	106.0	105.8	106.2	106.7	105.4	105.9	105.2	-0.7	-0.9	
10711/10712/10713	Bread/Cakes/Biscuits	2.0	101.5	101.5	101.5	101.6	101.6	101.5	101.6	101.8	101.5	100.9	101.0	0.1	-0.6	
10721	Sugar	6.2	0.0	0.8	184.8	57.6	0.0	0.3	160.6	106.1	0.0	7.6	147.0	1834.2	-8.5	
10731/10741/10799/10801	Sugar confectionery/Starch products/Other food n.e.c./Animal feed	2.2	107.7	108.2	105.9	106.1	104.1	106.7	107.2	108.0	106.4	94.2	101.0	7.2	-5.8	
11011/11031	Alcoholic sprits/Beer	2.4	100.8	100.7	100.8	114.5	59.5	73.2	73.2	86.2	58.6	31.0	72.4	133.6	-1.1	
11041/11042/11051/12001	Soft drinks/Mineral water/Yaqona/Tobacco	15.8	154.8	156.9	179.6	169.2	118.2	172.1	175.9	130.2	113.2	121.5	133.7	10.0	-24.0	
14101	Wearing apparel	7.5	99.4	97.8	98.7	104.0	98.2	97.4	93.8	91.5	90.5	84.6	86.1	1.8	-8.2	
15201	Footwear & leather products	1.1	100.9	100.9	100.8	100.8	110.7	111.1	111.3	110.1	109.1	104.7	103.1	-1.5	-7.4	
16101/160201	Saw-milling & planning of wood/products of wood, cork and plaiting material	5.0	93.8	95.2	96.8	97.0	96.9	96.2	96.0	94.8	93.0	87.7	85.7	-2.3	-10.7	
17011	Paper	0.1	110.0	110.1	109.0	109.5	113.8	113.1	121.8	112.7	112.4	111.5	111.3	-0.2	-8.6	
17021/17099/18111	Paper & paper board/Other articles of paper & paper board/Printing	6.0	117.4	117.5	116.8	116.8	116.1	109.7	109.6	108.3	111.8	119.5	117.7	-1.5	7.4	
20121/20211/20221	Fertilizer/Agrochemicals/Paints & varnishes	1.6	122.8	124.1	108.9	111.1	117.1	118.7	104.2	87.2	97.3	92.3	120.6	30.7	15.7	
20231/20299/21001	Soap & detergent/Other chemical products/Pharmaceuticals	2.2	106.9	107.2	107.4	108.4	107.9	109.3	114.4	115.6	112.5	101.5	108.1	6.5	-5.5	
22111/22201/23101	Rubber tyres & tubes/Plastic products/Glass and glass products	1.0	126.3	126.9	126.0	127.2	128.8	130.0	129.2	136.6	147.0	110.5	88.5	-19.9	-31.5	
23942/23951/23961/24101/24311	Cement/Concrete/Cutting, shaping of stone/Basic metal/Casting of metals	3.0	98.7	101.2	101.3	101.3	99.4	96.4	102.2	97.6	93.4	91.2	96.3	5.6	-5.8	
25101	Structural metal products	1.4	128.7	126.1	127.2	128.0	119.8	119.1	118.9	123.1	106.1	108.6	103.3	-4.9	-13.1	
25901	Other fabricated metal products	2.8	112.1	112.0	111.9	112.0	112.0	113.2	112.3	111.5	112.9	114.1	115.2	1.0	2.6	
29201/30101	Coachwork/Building of ships & floating structure	0.6	73.4	73.4	72.7	72.7	77.9	78.3	84.8	84.9	88.2	84.8	84.7	-0.1	-0.1	
31001	Manufacture of furniture	1.9	85.8	85.7	83.2	91.5	89.4	87.2	86.5	87.6	84.6	85.5	84.7	-0.9	-2.1	
32101/32999/33121/33141	Jewellery/Other manufacturing nec/Repair of machinery & electrical equip.	1.2	87.7	87.6	88.1	88.1	88.2	87.4	87.1	88.0	87.6	86.8	86.0	-0.9	-1.3	
35101	Electricity	10.9	117.8	119.6	114.1	118.2	125.6	116.4	107.6	115.5	125.6	96.1	91.1	-5.2	-15.3	
36001	Water	9.1	107.0	108.3	116.1	112.6	107.7	112.0	113.1	114.3	99.9	101.1	105.2	4.1	-7.0	
	All Group	100.0	109.0	109.9	124.8	116.6	103.0	111.2	120.7	111.1	101.4	96.5	108.0	11.9	-10.5	
	All group excluding sugar	93.8	109.0	109.9	113.3	113.0	103.0	111.2	110.7	104.4	101.4	96.1	98.8	2.8	-10.8	
	All group excluding mining and quarrying	96.0	105.7	106.6	121.5	113.3	100.0	108.0	117.6	107.9	98.3	93.5	105.1	12.4	-10.6	
	Manufacturing	76.0	83.2	83.8	98.6	90.2	76.5	85.2	95.6	85.0	75.6	73.9	85.6	15.8	-10.5	