

Guide for Accessing CSO Wholesale Price Index Table 3 and locating the Relevant Index Figure for a particular month

1. The Relevant Index Figure used in the Tender Inflation Adjustment Formula in the Instructions to Tenders ITT-W1, ITT-W1a, ITT-W2, ITT-W4, ITT-W5 and ITT-W8 is the published index figure for the relevant month for the category “All Materials” in Table 3 (Detailed Wholesale Price Indices (ex VAT) for Building and Construction Materials, Base: Year 2015=100) of the Statistical Release for Wholesale Price Index published by the Central Statistics Office (CSO).
2. The CSO statistical releases for the Wholesale Price Index are published at monthly intervals, retrospectively reporting the gathered data for the previous month. For instance, the Statistical Release published on 22nd April 2021 contains the WPI index for March 2021. This guide will illustrate how to obtain a Relevant Index Figure for March 2021.
3. The monthly releases can be found [here](#) (see Figure 1).
4. Once you have accessed the above link, in order to find the required month/year of the Relevant Index Figure, select ‘all releases’ option.



Figure 1: Select 'all releases' option.

5. You will then be presented with a list of Release Archives from 1999 – present year (See Figure 2). Firstly select the relevant year and then the month of the Wholesale Price Index you wish to view.



Figure 2: Select the Wholesale Price Index month you wish to view

6. You will then be presented with the WPI data for the relevant month (see Figure 3 and Figure 4).

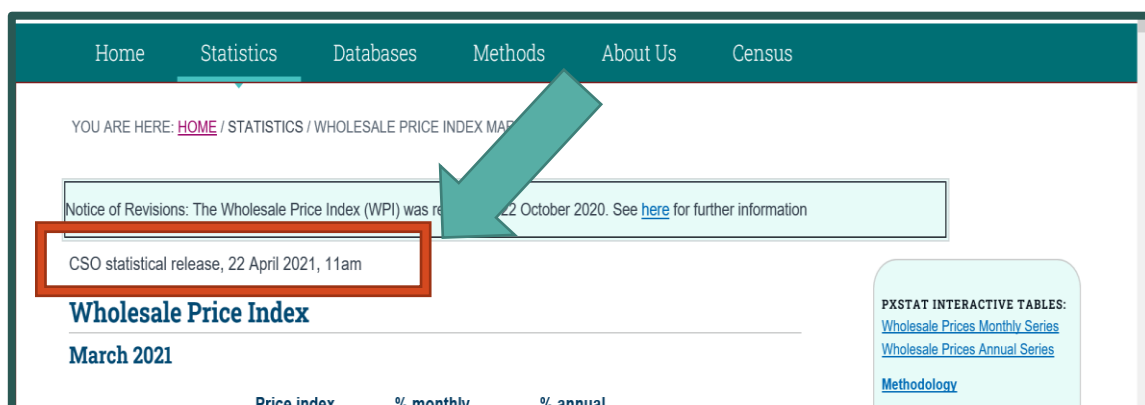


Figure 3: Note CSO statistical release date

7. Take note of the CSO statistical release date at the top of the page to ensure that that the date of publication is the appropriate date for the purpose of the formula.

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8. Scroll to the bottom of the page where you will find a list of WPI Tables (see Figure 4).
9. Select 'Show Table 3 Detailed Wholesale Price Indices (excluding VAT) for Building and Construction Materials' to expand.



Figure 4: Select 'Show Table 3' to expand

10. You will then be presented with Table 3 (see Table 5) detailing the Building and Construction Materials 'Index', 'Monthly % Change' and 'Annual % Change' information for the selected month. If you wish to view the Table in Excel format, there is the option to do so, as highlighted in image below.
11. For "All Materials" category (located in the last row of Table 3), identify the index value for the relevant month.
12. In this example, the relevant Index Figure for March 2021 is 108.4.

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Base: Year 2015 = 100

Materials	Index		Monthly % Change			Annual % Change
	Feb 2021	Mar 2021	Jan 2021	Feb 2021	Mar 2021	Mar 2021
Stone, sand and gravel	103.3	103.1	0.0	-0.6	0.6	0.3
Stone	101.9	103.1	1.3	-0.4	1.2	0.3
Sand and gravel	110.5	107.9	-5.7	-1.2	-2.4	0.4
Cement	122.1	122.1	1.4	0.0	0.0	1.5
Ready mixed mortar and concrete	104.8	104.6	0.7	-0.8	-0.2	-2.6
Concrete blocks and bricks	103.8	104.7	0.5	-0.8	0.9	1.7
Other concrete products	105.0	105.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Precast concrete	112.3	112.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other concrete products (Excluding precast concrete)	104.4	104.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Structural steel and reinforcing metal	117.8	119.8	2.4	0.6	1.7	5.1
Structural steel	123.2	123.6	1.6	0.1	0.3	2.2
Fabricated metal	124.0	124.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.3
Other Structural steel	117.5	120.6	13.1	1.3	2.6	22.4
Reinforcing metal	109.4	114.0	3.8	1.2	4.2	10.0
Other steel products	107.1	107.3	0.0	0.5	0.2	3.6
Rough timber (including plain sawn)	109.4	123.1	1.0	0.7	12.5	15.3
Hardwood	107.6	107.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other	109.6	125.1	1.1	0.8	14.1	17.2
Other timber	105.2	105.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Windows and doors	107.2	107.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2
Other	102.8	102.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bituminous macadam, asphalt and bituminous emulsions	101.3	100.2	1.6	0.4	-1.1	1.4
Bituminous macadam and asphalt	101.5	100.2	1.7	0.4	-1.3	1.7
Bituminous emulsions	97.7	98.4	3.1	0.6	0.7	-8.9
Electrical fittings	105.0	108.8	0.6	0.3	3.6	4.8
Lighting equipment	107.3	107.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Protection & communication equipment	103.1	103.9	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.9
All other materials	105.7	106.8	0.3	0.3	1.0	1.5
Plumbing materials incl. sanitary ware	105.6	105.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
HVAC (heating & ventilation equipment)	102.5	102.5	-1.1	0.0	0.0	-1.9
Insulating materials	103.9	103.9	0.0	1.3	0.0	1.3
Pipes and fittings	108.8	110.0	1.4	0.0	1.1	4.1
PVC	113.5	114.6	1.2	0.0	1.0	2.2
Copper	107.2	108.5	1.3	0.0	1.2	4.7
Plaster	116.8	125.6	0.9	0.0	7.5	8.0
Paints, oils and varnishes	121.3	121.5	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.3
Glass	89.0	94.1	0.0	0.0	5.7	0.2
All other metal fittings	111.1	115.4	0.0	1.8	3.9	5.8
All other materials	103.8	108.4	0.0	0.4	1.0	0.8
All materials	108.4	108.4	0.7	0.0	1.7	2.3

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Open in Excel: [Wholesale Price Index March 2021 Table 3 \(XLS 12KB\)](#)

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Figure 5: The Relevant Index Figure for March 2021 is 108.4. Note the option to view Table 3 in Excel format.