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Construction Producer Price Inflation Rate in September 2023 is 23.1%

The Construction Producer Price Index

The Producer Price Index (PPI) measures the average change over time in the prices received by domestic producers to produce their goods and services. The PPI for Ghana reports the producer price indices with index reference of March 2020 – February 2021 = 100. This release shows construction's annual (year-on-year) and monthly producer inflation rates. The C-PPI figure for September 2023 is provisional and is subject to revision when additional data becomes available. All other indicators are final.

September 2023 C-PPI

The rate for Construction Producer Price inflation for September 2023 was 23.1 percent. This rate indicates that between September 2022 and September 2023 (year-on-year), the C-PPI increased by 23.1 percent. This rate represents a 1.5 percentage point decrease in producer inflation relative to the rate recorded in August 2023 (24.6%). The month-on-month change in the C-PPI between August 2023 and September 2023 was 0.2 percent (Table 1).

Table1: C-PPI for August 2023 & Sept. 2023

Month	Index level	Change rate (%)	
	2020-2021=100	Monthly	Yearly
Aug. 2023	168.1	6.8	24.6
Sept. 2023	p168.4	p0.2	p23.1

p = Provisional

The inflation in the construction of buildings sub-sector decreased by 4.5 percentage points over the August 2023 rate of 20.0 percent to 15.5 percent in September 2023. The rate for the civil engineering sub-sector decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 27.0 percent in September 2023. The specialized construction activities sub-sector recorded a 7.4 percent inflation rate for September 2023 compared with 7.0 percent in August 2023.

Table 2: C-PPI and Inflation by sub-Sector, September 2023 (Q1 2021= 100)

Sector	Index level	Change rate (%)	
	2020-2021=100	Monthly	Yearly
Construction of buildings	253.0	0.3	15.5
Civil engineering	142.8	0.1	27.0
Specialized construction activities	124.5	0.5	7.4
ALL CONSTRUCTION	168.4	0.2	23.1

The data in this table are provisional.

Civil Engineering Sector

In September 2023, the construction of utility projects recorded the highest inflation in the Civil Engineering Sector, with 128.3 percent, while inflation for the construction of roads and railways decreased by 0.1 percentage point to 27.0 percent (Fig. 1).

Specialized Construction Sector

The inflation rate for Building completion and finishing in the specialized construction industry decreased by 3.4 percentage points to 91.9 percent in September 2023 after recording 95.3 in August 2023. Other specialized construction activities decreased by 8.6 percentage points in September 2023 from 33.7 percent in August 2023. The electrical, plumbing, and other construction installations recorded an inflation rate of 6.8 percent in September 2023, an increase of 0.5 percentage points (Fig 2).

Highlights

The year-on-year producer inflation for construction was 23.1 percent in September 2023; the monthly change rate is 0.2 percent.

The civil engineering sub-sector recorded the highest year-on-year producer price inflation rate of 27.0 percent, followed by the construction of buildings sub-sector with 15.5 percent. The specialized construction sub-sector recorded the lowest year-on-year producer inflation rate of 7.4 percent.

The specialized construction activities sub-sector recorded the highest monthly inflation rate of 0.5 percent, followed by the construction of buildings sub-sector with 0.3 percent, and the civil engineering sub-sector recorded the lowest month-on-month inflation rate of 0.1 percent in September 2023.

Fig 1: CPPI in Civil engineering Sector

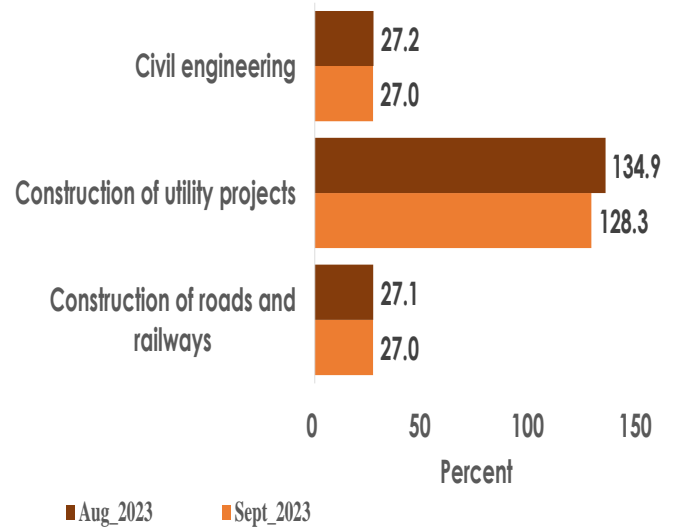
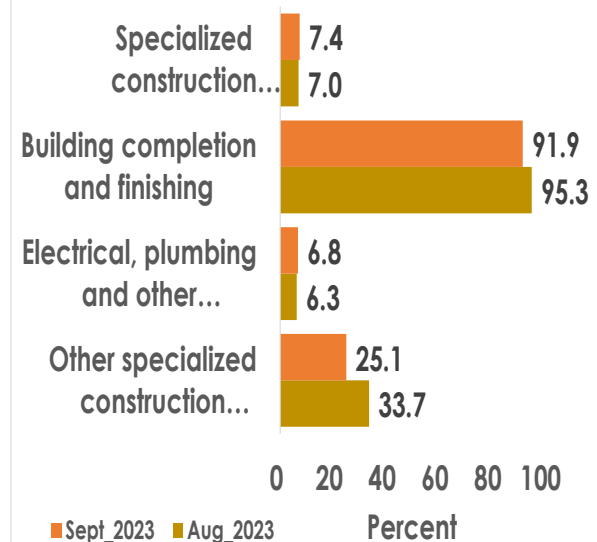


Fig 2: CPPI in Specialised Construction Activities (Year-on-Year)



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