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■ Dwellings maintenance and improvement work price index – Fourth quarter 2015

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In Q4 2015, *dwellings maintenance and improvement work price index* (IPEA) decreased by 0.1%; it was stable during the previous quarter. Over a year, it rose by 0.3%.

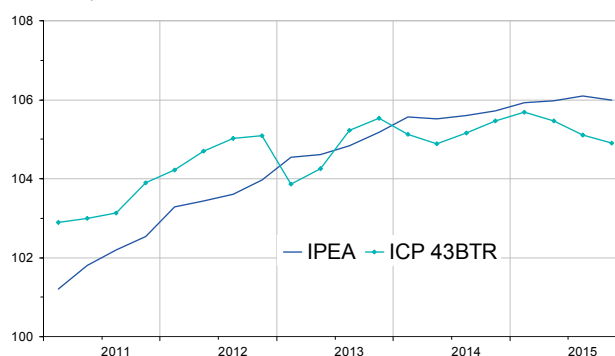
In Q4, prices increased mainly in *roofing activities* (+1.2%). On the contrary, they decreased notably in *plumbing* (–0.7%), in *electrical installation* (–0.6%) and in *painting and floor and wall covering* (–0.3%).

Compared to Q4 2014, prices increased in *roofing activities* (+1.3%), *metal joinery works* (+1.2%), *heat and air-conditioning installation* (+0.7%), *wood and PVC joinery works* (+0.4%). On the contrary, prices decreased in *painting and floor and wall covering* (–0.3%).

Producer cost index in specialised construction in existing buildings (ICP-43BTR) decreased slightly in Q4 2015 (–0.2% q-o-q), and fell by 0.6% over a year.

Dwellings maintenance and improvement work price and cost indices

Raw data, base and reference 100 in 2010



Source: INSEE

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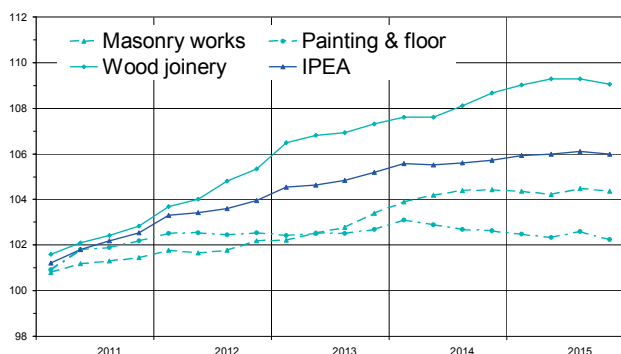
In %, raw data, base and reference 100 in 2010

	Weights	2015Q4	Q/Q-1	Q/Q-4
Dwellings maintenance and improvement work price index (IPEA)	1 000	106.0	–0.1	+0.3
Masonry works and building structural works	169	104.4	–0.1	0.0
Painting and floor and wall covering	169	102.3	–0.3	–0.3
Wood and PVC joinery works	155	109.1	–0.2	+0.4
Heat and air-conditioning installation	107	108.0	–0.1	+0.7
Plumbing	101	110.1	–0.7	–0.1
Roofing activities	94	105.8	+1.2	+1.3
Electrical installation	92	104.0	–0.6	–0.4
Metal joinery works and ironwork	63	108.7	+0.2	+1.2
Plastering	50	102.4	+0.3	+0.3
Producer cost index in specialised construction in existing buildings (ICP-43BTR)	1 000	104.9	–0.2	–0.6

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Changes in dwellings maintenance and improvement work price index

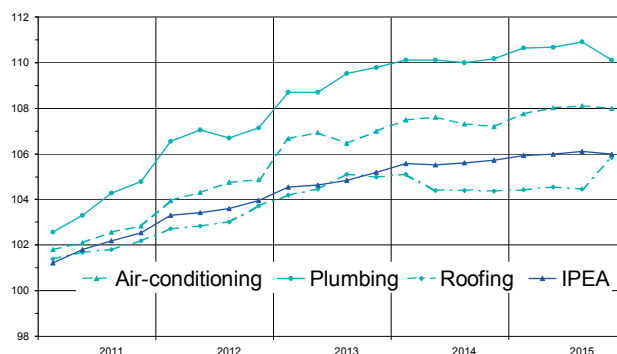
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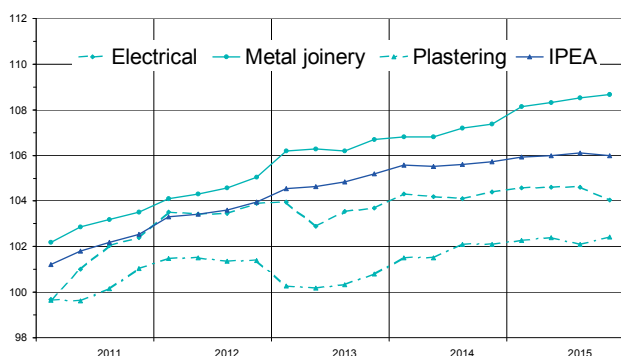
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Revision of the variations (in points)

	2015Q3
IPEA	+0.2
Masonry works and building structural works	+0.1
Painting and floor and wall covering	+0.3
Wood and PVC joinery works	+0.4
Heat and air-conditioning installation	+0.2
Plumbing	+0.3
Roofing activities	///
Electrical installation	///
Metal joinery works and ironwork	///
Plastering	-0.3

How to read it: the change of the "Painting and floor and wall covering" price index between the second and the third quarter of 2015 is revised upward by 0.3 points. Published in November 2015 at 0.0%, it is now estimated at +0.3%.

Source: INSEE

For more information:

Definition

The dwellings maintenance and improvement work price index (IPEA) is a quarterly index which measures the changes in prices invoiced by firms for their maintenance and improvement works in existing dwellings during the quarter under review. The "producer cost index in specialised construction in existing buildings" (ICP 43BTR) reflects the changes in costs occurred by these same firms.

Method of calculation

The dwellings maintenance and improvement price index (IPEA) is calculated quarterly, based on observations of prices collected on a sample of firms selling maintenance and improvement works in existing dwellings in metropolitan France to final clients, which compulsorily includes the supplying and laying of materials. Each firm follows every quarter "typical works" among those which are done the most frequently, and which reflects the price trends of a bigger family of works. As well as the technical description of the work, the work is characterized by the size of the worksite, the conditions in which the works are carried out, and the types of customer and market. Those prices are without VAT, after discount. Each quarter, about 1,000 prices are collected. The sample of surveyed firms is renewed every five years.

In the domain of dwellings maintenance and improvement works, nine families are distinguished. Each family matches with only one class of the French classification of activities (NAF Rev. 2, 2008); all are in the division 43 "Specialised construction activities". A price index is computed for each family and the global index is obtained by aggregation.

The IPEA index is fixed-base Laspeyres indices, whose weights are refreshed every five years.

Dissemination

Historical data of dwellings maintenance and improvement price work index (IPEA) are available on www.bdm.insee.fr, raw data, reference 100 in 2010) for IPEA index and its nine "families".

- Complementary information (historical data, methodology, web site, etc.) are on:

<http://www.insee.fr/en/themes/indicateur.asp?id=36>

- Historical data : [G1493](https://www.insee.fr/fr/statistiques/1493)

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