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■ Prices of oil and imported raw materials – July 2018

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Warning: This issue only comments oil prices evolution. Indeed, some data sets used to compute the imported raw materials indices (excluding energy) will temporarily not be published by the World Bank, the main source for this data. Imported raw materials indices (excluding energy) will not be commented until World Bank issues resurgence (announced for September).

In detail, prices and indices of sunflower oil, rapeseed oil, tea, rice, sheep meat, poultry, shrimps, iron ore, and tropical wood will not be updated in the Insee macroeconomic databank (BDM). However, prices and indices of other imported raw materials are available in this database.

Oil prices were virtually stable

In July 2018, the price of North Sea crude oil (Brent) in euros was virtually stable (-0.3 % after -2.2%). It reached an average of €63.5 per barrel. The slight decrease in July was less marked in dollars (-0.2% after -3.2%).

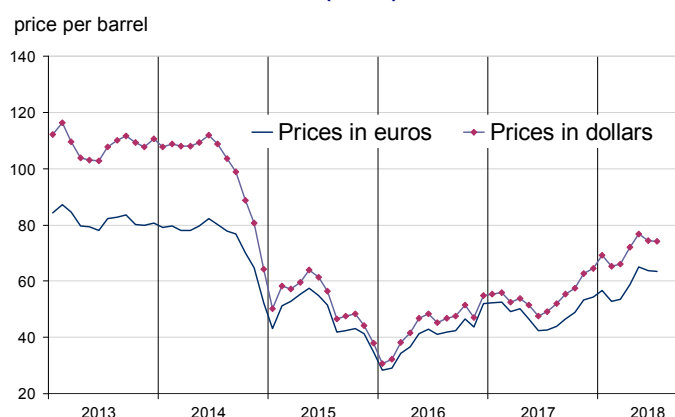
Oil and petroleum products

in euros

	Prices of last month	Change (%)		
		over the last month	over the last 3 months	over the last 12 months
Brent in \$ per barrel	74,2	-0,2	3,2	51,1
Brent in € per barrel	63,5	-0,3	8,1	49,0
Gasoline cts €/L	46,9	2,1	8,8	30,5
Gas Oil	562,0	-0,2	8,4	42,9
Heavy fuel	391,9	2,3	20,6	44,2
Naphtha	549,5	1,1	12,7	51,8

Prices are in euros per tonne unless otherwise specified
Source: INSEE

Oil (Brent)



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For more information

- **Crude oil:** from 1986, the price of Brent gradually established as a representative reference price of European supplies.
- **Petroleum products:** prices of petroleum are quotations from the Rotterdam market which supplies European market.
- **Indices of non-energy raw materials imported by France:** the indices calculated by INSEE are monthly averages of raw materials prices, weighted by their share in the French imports of raw materials (2000 = 100).
 - Additional data (time series, methods, etc.) is available on the page: <https://www.insee.fr/en/statistiques?debut=0&idprec=2835392&theme=30&conjoncture=48>
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