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USD CIVIL ENGINEERING MATERIALS PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2026 (JAN 2023=100)

USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index

The USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI) was **103.54** in August 2026 and **103.81** in July 2026.

Month-on-month Rate of Change

The month-on-month rate of change in August 2026 was -**0.3** percent, shedding 0.2 percentage points on the July 2026 rate of -**0.1** percent.

This means that prices as measured by the all-items USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI), decreased by 0.3 percent on average from July 2026 to August 2026.

The month-on-month rate of change is given by the percentage change in the index of the reference month compared with the index of the previous month.

The products that contribute significantly to the increase of the month-on-month rate of change in August 2026 was cement. The products that did not contributed significantly to the increase or decrease of the month-on-month rate of change were diesel, concrete pipes, joint compound, steel pipes, sluice valve, river sand, crushed stones, shutter boards, water stops, bitumen and asbestos pipes. Bricks and deformed steel contributed to the decrease of the index.

Year-on-Year Rate of Change

The year-on-year rate of change for the USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI) was **9.3** percent in August 2026.

This means that prices as measured by the all-items USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI), increased at an average rate of 9.3 percent from August 2025 to August 2026.

The year-on-year rate of change is given by the percentage change in the index of the reference month of the current year compared with the index of the same month in the previous year.

Methodology

The USD Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI) is obtained by measuring price changes of goods in USD.

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