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ZWG CIVIL ENGINEERING MATERIALS PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2026 (APRIL 2024=100)

ZWG Civil Engineering Material Price Index

The ZWG Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI) was **216.78** in August 2026 and **216.83** in July 2026.

Month-on-month Rate of Change

The month-on-month rate of change in August 2026 was **0.0** percent, shedding 1.4 percentage points on the July 2026 rate of **1.4** percent.

This means that prices as measured by the all-items ZWG Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI), remained constant 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 contributed to the increase of the index in July 2026 were cement and bricks. The products that did not contribute significantly to the increase or decrease of the month-on-month rate of change were steel pipes, diesel, shutter boards, joint compound, river sand, crushed stone, sluice valve, concrete pipes, bitumen, water stops and asbestos pipes. deformed steel, asbestos pipes. Deformed steel contributed to the decrease of the index.

Year-on-Year Rate of Change

The year-on-year rate of change for the ZWG Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI) was **13.7** percent in August 2026.

This means that prices as measured by the all-items ZWG Civil Engineering Material Price Index (CEMPI), increased at an average rate of 13.7 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

In April 2024, Zimbabwe introduced the Zimbabwe Gold (ZWG) currency. Therefore, the index reference for the Civil Engineering Materials Price Index for the ZiG currency is April 2024. The month-on-month inflation rate for the ZWG currency will be computed starting in May 2024 and going forward. The year-on-year inflation rate will be computed in April 2025 and going forward according to the international recommended methods.

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