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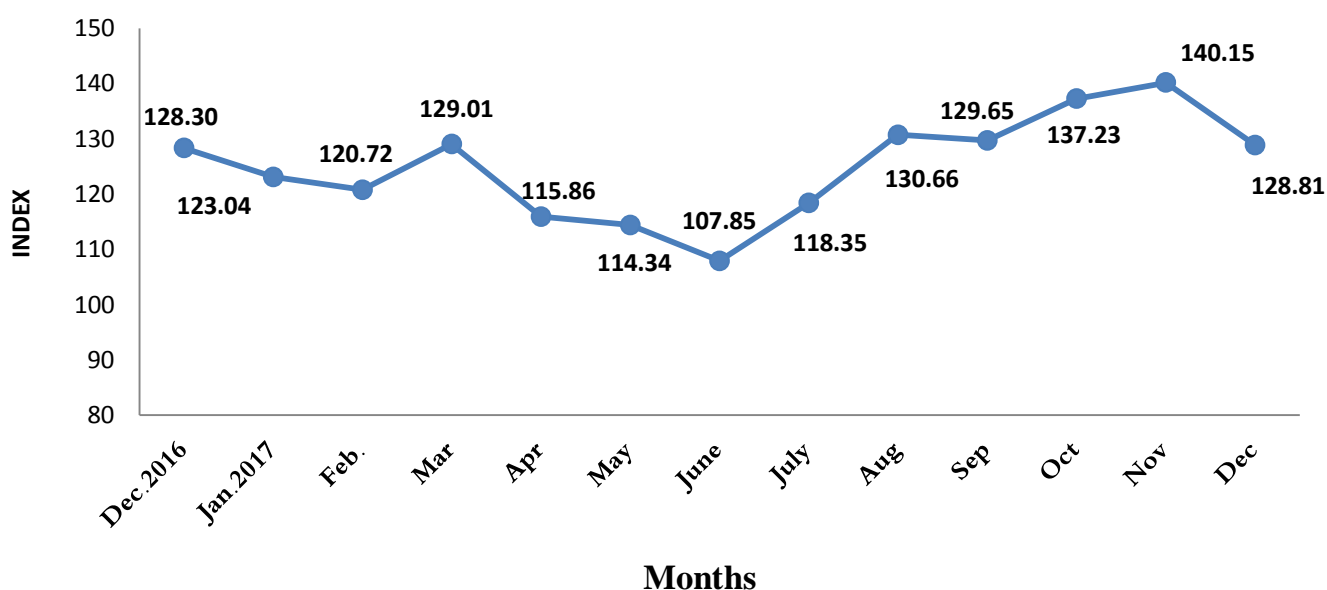
Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

8.1 % Decrease in Manufacturing and extractive index during December 2017

Central Agency for public mobilization and statistics (CAPMAS) issued on 5 / 3 / 2018 metadata of the production index of manufacturing and extractive industries for December 2017.

The manufacturing and extractive industries index (without crude oil and petroleum products) is 128.81 during December 2017 (primary) compared to 140.15 during November 2017 (final) an decrease of 8.1 %, This is due to the decrease in the production of food products and the discontinuation of production of some companies for maintenance work.

The following figure shows the index number data from Dec. 2016 to Dec. 2017

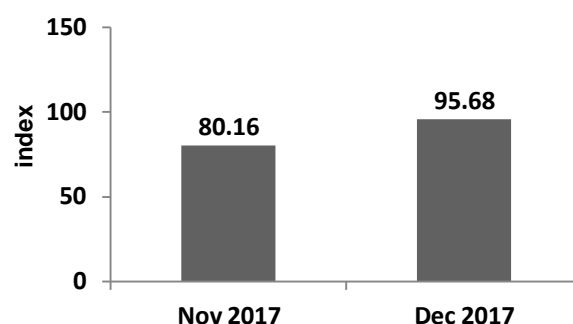


An increase at the level of the following economic activities:



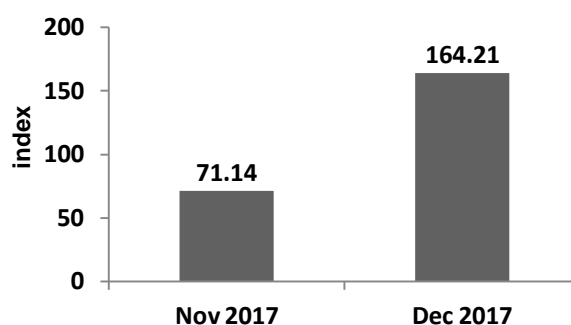
Manufacture of textiles

- The Manufacture of textiles index reached 95.68 in December 2017 compared with November 2017, reaching 80.16, an increase of 19.4% Due to increased supply contracts and the availability of new production lines.



Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment

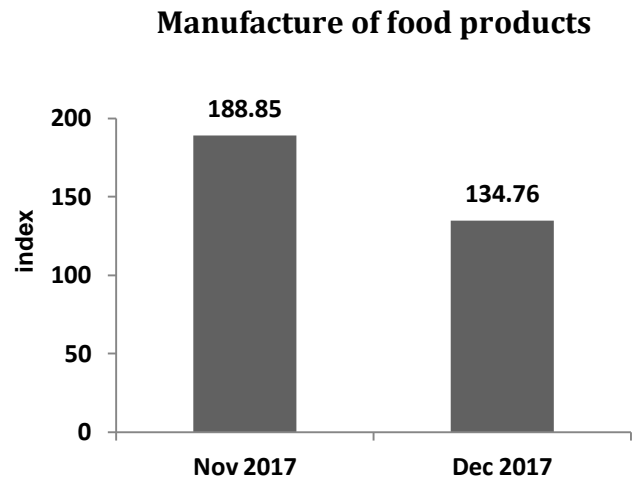
- The Manufacture of fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment index reached 164.21 during the month of December 2017 compared to 71.14 in November 2017, an increase of 130.8 % Due to the end of the maintenance phase of some sources, the availability of raw materials and raw materials, and the coverage of the demand for products market.



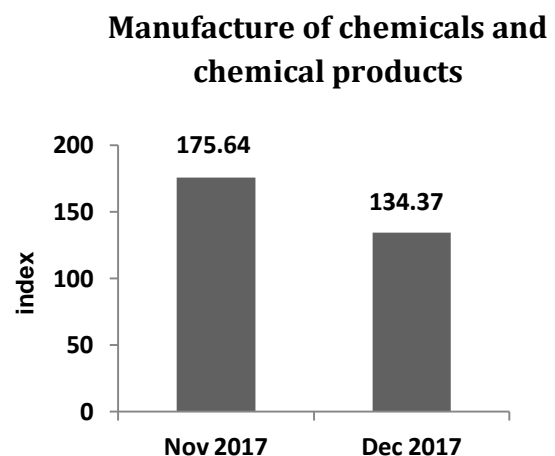
A decrease at the level of the following economic activities:



- The Manufacture of food products index reached 134.76 in December 2017 compared to November 2017, reaching 188.85, a decrease of 28.6% Due to the suspension of maintenance and seasonal production of sugar cane companies and the lack of availability of crude oil and the existence of rations for the activity of mills.



- The Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products index reached 134.37 during the month of December 2017 compared to 175.64 in November 2017, a decrease of 23.5% Due to the decrease in production to stop some units within the companies for the maintenance and seasonal production of fertilizer companies.



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