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PMI Report on China Manufacturing

CFLP

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China Manufacturing PMI

中國製造業採購經理指數

The CFLP China Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) provides an early indication each month of economic activities in the Chinese manufacturing sector. The CFLP and the NBS collaborate to collect data, compile and publish the index.

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PMI falls to 49.4 in December

Output, Expanding.

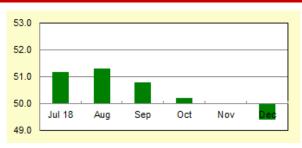
New Orders, New Export Orders, Stocks of Finished Goods, Purchases of Inputs, Stocks of Major Inputs, Backlogs of Orders, Imports, Contracting. Input Prices, Ex-factory Prices, Falling.

Suppliers' Delivery, Faster.

Business Expectations, Optimistic.

China Manufacturing PMI, seasonally adjusted

Month	PMI
Jul 18	51.2
Aug	51.3
Sep	50.8
Oct	50.2
Nov	50.0
Dec	49.4



China Manufacturing at a Glance — December 2018

Index	S. Adj Index	Index Compared with the Previous Month	Direction
РМІ	49.4	Lower	Contracting
Output	50.8	Lower	Expanding
New Orders	49.7	Lower	Contracting
New Export Orders	46.6	Lower	Contracting
Backlogs of Orders	44.1	Lower	Contracting
Stocks of Finished	48.2	Lower	Contracting
Goods			
Purchases of Inputs	49.8	Lower	Contracting
Imports	45.9	Lower	Contracting
Input Prices	44.8	Lower	Falling
Ex-factory Prices ¹	43.3	Lower	Falling
Stocks of Major Inputs	47.1	Lower	Contracting
Employment	48.0	Lower	Contracting
Suppliers' Delivery	50.4	Higher	Quickening
Time			
Business	52.7	Lower	Optimistic
Expectations ²			

¹ Ex-factory prices index has been published since January 2017.

² Since January 2017, a new method of seasonal adjustment to the business expectations index has been adopted; and accordingly, the historical readings of the index have been revised

About China Manufacturing PMI:

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Every month questionnaires are sent to 3,000 manufacturing enterprises all over China. The data presented herein is compiled from the enterprises' responses about their purchasing activities and supply situations. CFLP makes no representation regarding the data collection procedures, nor does it disclose any data of individual enterprises. The PMI should be compared to other economic data sources when used in decision-making.

3,000 manufacturing enterprises in 31 industries from Eastern, Northeastern, Central and Western China are surveyed. The sampling of the enterprises involves the use of Probability Proportional to Size Sampling (PPS), which means the selection of enterprises surveyed is largely based on each industry's contribution to GDP, and the representation of each geographical region.

There are 13 sub-indicators in the survey: Output, New Orders, New Export Orders, Backlogs of Orders, Stocks of Finished Goods, Purchases of Inputs, Imports, Input Prices, Stocks of Major Inputs, Ex-factory Prices, Employment, Suppliers' Delivery Time and Business Expectations. An index reading above 50 indicates an overall positive change in a sub-indicator; below 50, an overall negative change.

The PMI is a composite index based on the seasonally adjusted indices for five of the sub-indicators with varying weights: New Orders—30%; Output—25%; Employment—20%; Suppliers' Delivery Time—15%; and Stocks of Major Inputs—10%. A PMI reading above 50 indicates an overall expansion in the manufacturing sector; below 50, an overall contraction.

Currently there are more than twenty countries and regions conducting the PMI survey and compilation, based on an internationally standardized methodology.











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