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SCAD: ‘Cement’ group posts the highest price increase in Building Materials Prices report for January 2020 compared to December 2019

During January 2020, the ‘Cement’ group recorded the highest price increase compared to December 2019. This is detailed in the Building Materials Price Statistics monthly report published by the Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi (SCAD) for the month of January 2020. The report is of great significance as building material prices are considered important economic indicators for planning and research across various sectors. They are also used in the compilation of indices of the construction sector and for the calculation of GDP at constant prices.

January 2020 – December 2019

During January 2020, the average prices of the ‘Cement’ group increased by 4.6%, ‘Roofing materials’ by 3.1% and ‘uPVC pipes’ by 2.5%. The average prices of ‘PVC pipes’, meanwhile, decreased by 3.4%, while both ‘Power cable’ and ‘Waterproofing products’ decreased by 0.4% in January 2020 compared to December 2019.

January 2020 – January 2019



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Furthermore, in January 2020, the average prices of ‘Cement’ increased by 10.5%, ‘Bathroom set without accessories’ increased by 7.1% and ‘False ceiling’ by 6.3%. The average prices of ‘PVC pipes’ decreased by 17.9%, ‘Waterproofing products’ by 6.4% and ‘Natural stone’ by 6.3% compared to January 2019.

SCAD issues Building Materials Price Statistics monthly reports. The movements of prices of 21 groups from the key building materials are included in this report. This helps decision- and policy-makers, as well as researchers in planning and making sound decisions that support the building materials sector and other sectors associated with it.

Given the urban development and continued growth in the construction sector in the emirate, Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi collects price data for these materials on a regular basis.

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About Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi (SCAD)

Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi (SCAD) was established in 2008 in accordance with Law No. (7), to develop and organize statistical work in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi in particular and the United Arab Emirates in general. SCAD’s purpose is to produce statistical information that is consistent with the Emirate’s orientation towards sustainable development and strategic plans under the supervision and with full support of the Executive Council of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi.





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The activities of the centre encompass all areas relating to social conditions in accordance with relevant international standards and ethics, such as independence, professionalism, impartiality, objectivity, confidentiality, cost effectiveness and quality of statistics.



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