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Country abbreviations used

CA	Canada
US	United States
JA	Japan
AL	Australia
NZ	New Zealand
FR	France
GE	Germany
UK	United Kingdom
NL	Netherlands
SE	Sweden
MX	Mexico
CZ	Czech Republic
NO	Norway
FI	Finland
KO	Korea
BE	Belgium
DK	Denmark
HU	Hungary
IR	Ireland
IT	Italy
PO	Portugal
SW	Switzerland
AU	Austria
GR	Greece
IC	Iceland
LU	Luxembourg
PL	Poland
SP	Spain
TU	Turkey

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Summary of responses to inquiry on prices by ISIC Activity

NOTES

1. UK List prices used only when discounting not prevalent.
2. UK Contract prices for comprehensive fleet maintenance services.
3. NZ Some composite services are priced, such as panel beating and painting.
4. NZ Some service bundles are priced, such as car lease contracts which include maintenance.
5. FI Cost index for road transport of goods.
6. JA Information concerning the frequency of pricing and the number of price quotations per period is not available for any ISIC Group or Class because only representative monthly transaction prices of principal companies are surveyed. **The total number of price quotations a month is about 3,000.**
- 6' JA **In principle transaction prices are collected. If these cannot be obtained list prices are used.**
7. UK Only hotels and motels with restaurants - business rates.
8. UK Conference package deals.
9. NZ CPI items used as proxy.
10. FI Uses CPI components.
11. UK Only provision of workers canteens and airline meals - charges to businesses.
12. UK Comprehensive catering services.
13. UK Business passenger fares (rail fares for Group 601; air fares for Group 621).
14. UK Freight by rail : contract prices.
15. UK Transportation plus handling.
16. NZ "Other" refers to the average price for several classes of freight.
17. UK Contract prices for combined transport and warehousing services.
18. US Selected additional charges are sometimes bundled with the transport charge.
19. SE "Other" refers to direct computation of production in constant prices.
20. AL Diverse range of activities covered from simple point to point transport of goods to full logistics service.
21. AL Service bundle including services such as freight plus warehousing plus stock control.
22. NZ Some composite services such as transport and handling/warehousing are priced.
23. NZ Service bundle refers to delivered bulk gas and petroleum prices.
24. UK "Other" refers to average prices for commercial vehicle ferries.
25. AL Covers international sea freight.
26. AL Covers coastal water transport of freight.
27. UK Air travel includes meals, etc.

28. SE Domestic air transport only.
29. AL Covers domestic air freight.
30. AL Covers international air freight.
31. NZ Only some service bundles such as package travel are priced.
32. NZ Some composite services such as container hire and handling are priced.
33. US In/out charges bundled with storage service.
34. AL Diverse category covering simple self storage to more complex records storage and management. Warehousing can include handling and distribution.
35. NZ Percent of commission fees converted to dollar value.
36. UK Only freight forwarding activities.
37. UK Total charge for arranging transportation of goods.
38. UK Only business post and parcel post activities.
39. UK Total charge for representative baskets of services.
40. US Local service bills are bundled.
41. SE "Other" refers to direct volume index and price index.
42. CA Telephone business: telephone services by plan. Average revenue per minute by type of service.
43. CA Television broadcasting of advertisement price index under development. Advertising revenues by station.
44. NZ Bank margin on borrowing/lending converted to dollar value and deflated by CPI.
45. NZ "Other" refers to brokerage based on stock exchange index movements adjusted for percentage commission rates.
46. US Expenses and utilities are bundled with leases.
47. AL Refers to commercial property operators and developers.
48. FI House price index, dwellings in old index.
49. SE Rentals of offices.
50. NZ Real estate commission fees in percentage inflated by rental index to derive value.
51. UK Contract car hire bought from a private company.
52. US Selected required services bundled with rental services.
53. AL Simple service corresponds to renting.
54. AL Composite service corresponds to a fully maintained operating lease.
55. NZ Some composite services such as car leases with service contracts or crane hire with operator are priced.
56. AL Fully maintained operating lease. **ISIC Classes 7121 to 7129 are collected under the one index under 'Plant Hiring and Leasing'**
57. NZ Description for ISIC group 7121 includes prices collected for groups 7122, 7123 and 7129.
58. NZ Some composite services such as machinery including operator or machinery including maintenance are priced.
59. UK Commercially produced index of property values and rental payments is used.

60. CA Sixty firms surveyed for one type of service.
61. CA Advisory, predesign and project management are included in the price index.
62. UK Only supply of software and contract price for outsourcing of comprehensive IS services.
63. US Software sold in suites are bundled.
64. UK On-line access services.
65. UK Computer processing services.
66. UK Disaster recovery services.
67. US Selected bills for various hourly wages are bundled.
68. UK Experimental small scale index.
69. UK Model package of services as specified by contributor.
70. UK Including some charge-out (external fee) rates.
71. US Multiple services transactions are bundled.
72. FR Price of a “mission” carried out for a client. “Missions” are classified beforehand.
73. UK Covers only part of the class - consulting engineering activities including some charge-out (external fee) rate.
74. US Project input costs are bundled.
75. AL Service bundle priced for surveying only. Bundles may vary from job to job.
76. US Selected contracts for multiple advertisements are bundled.
77. UK Mark-up prices for recruitment and transaction prices for provision of personnel.
78. UK Some contract prices for composite security services are priced.
79. FR Real contracts which may include one or several types of security services are priced.
80. NZ Some composite services such as security storage and armoured transportation are priced.
81. UK Some contract prices for composite cleaning services are priced.
82. US Selected contracts for multiple services are bundled.
83. AL Covers pest control.
84. AL Covers cleaning services.
85. FR Real contracts including one or several types of cleaning services are priced.
86. UK Translation services.
87. UK Secretarial services.
88. NZ Plus CPI items.
89. FI EC index of purchase prices of inputs in agricultural production.
90. UK Some composite waste disposal and sewerage services are priced.
91. NZ Some composite services such as bin hire and rubbish disposal are priced.

Table 3

Prices of services to enterprises

Summary of responses to inquiry on prices by CPC product

NOTES

1. NZ Uses the CPI as proxy.
2. AL Only a rail freight index is releasable - passenger services (64111) unpublished.
3. AL Only a road freight index is releasable.
4. AL May be combined with unpublished passenger services in the future.
5. AL Only an "other than grain handling storage" index will be released.
6. UK UK retail price index for postage used as proxy.
7. CA For long distance telecommunication services only.
8. US Not currently published.
- 9. US To begin July 1999.**
10. AL Only one plant hiring or leasing index is releasable.
11. CA One index that covers all CPC activities.
12. AL Only a global index is releasable.
13. AL Market research only.
14. CA Canada produces indices by type of project/client market for all engineering services noted.
15. AL Only one advertising index is releasable.
16. AL Covers these CPC classes in concept but only one security services index is releasable.
17. AL Covers these CPC classes in concept but only one commercial cleaning services index is releasable.
- 18. UK Collection of accountancy prices was suspended in 1999.**