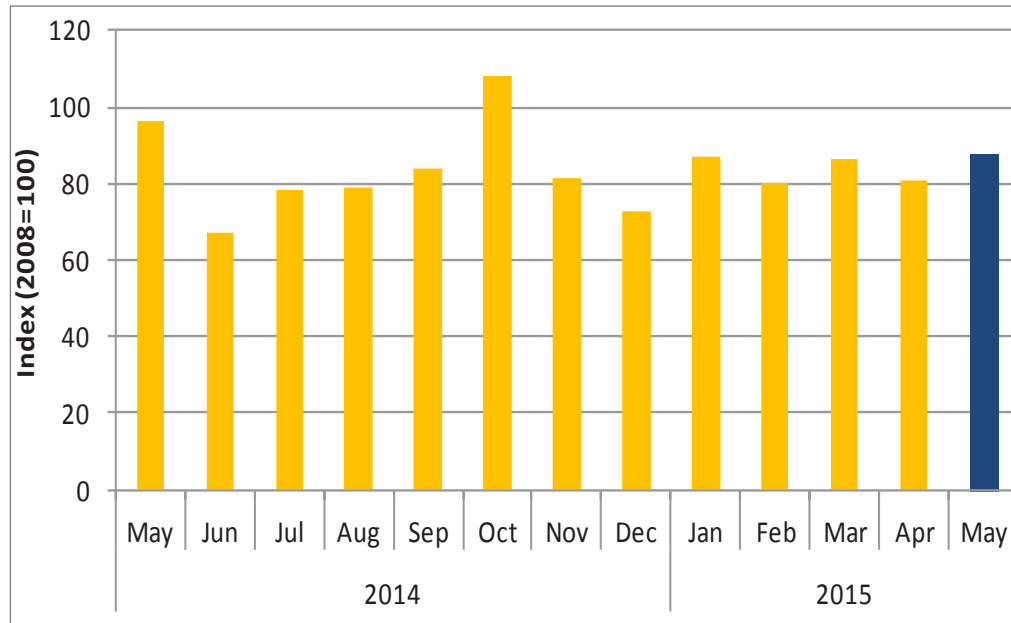


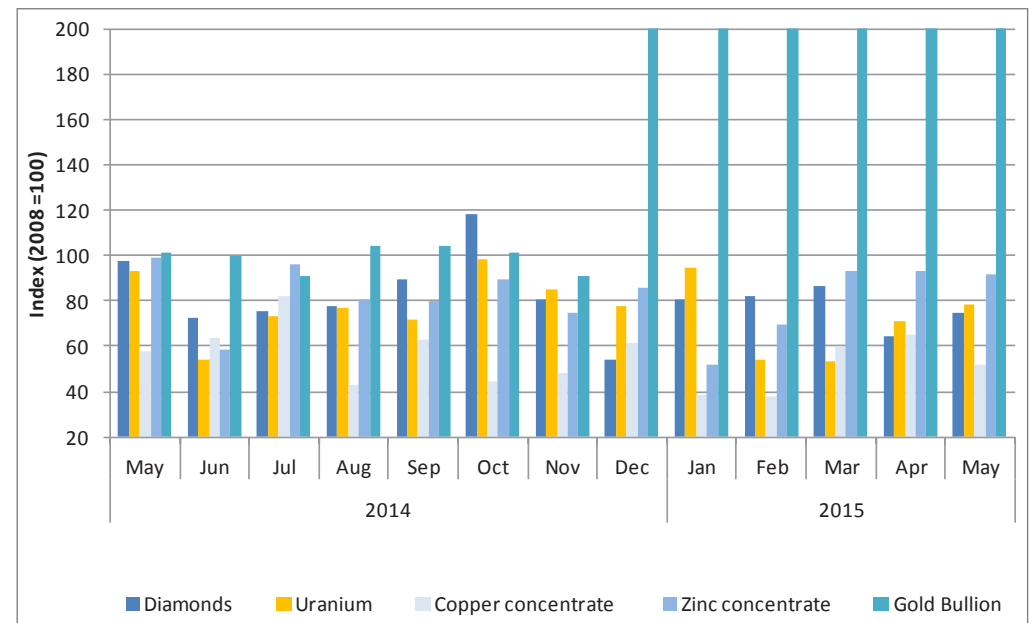


Chart 1: Overall Mining Production Index



- The composite mining index stood at 87.3 points in May 2015. This represents an increase of 8.0 per cent m/m and a decline of 9.4 per cent y/y.
- Most of the selected minerals performed slightly weak during the review period, except for diamond and uranium that performed well when compared on m/m basis.
- (Chart2) The diamond production index recorded an increase after recording a decline in April 2015. The index stood at 74.8 points. This represents an increase of 15.5 per cent m/m and a decline of 23.5 per cent y/y
- Uranium production index recorded 78.7 points in May 2015. This represents an increase of 10.6 per cent m/m and a decline of 15.4 per cent y/y.

Chart 2: Production Indices of Selected Minerals



- The copper production index, decreased from 65.1 points recorded in April 2015 to 51.6 points recorded in May 2015. The index declined by 20.3 percent m/m and decline of 10.3 per cent y/y.
- Zinc production index continues to decline by recording an index of 92.0 in May 2015. This shows a decline of 0.8 per cent m/m and 7.4 per cent y/y.
- The gold production index decreased from 349.6 points recorded in April 2015 to 320.8 points recorded in May 2015. The recorded index represents a decline of 8.2 per cent m/m and an increase of 217. per cent y/y.

The mining and quarrying sector contributed 9.3 per cent in real value added to GDP in 2013 compared to 10.8 per cent in 2012. The scale for Chart 2 has been limited to 200 to make it readable to the user, since the index for gold has surpassed 200 as from December 2014.



Table 1: Mining composite index of the selected minerals

		Diamonds	Uranium	Copper concentrate	Zinc concentrate	Gold Bullion	Index
2010	Jan	58.8	174.4	0.0	94.4	112.4	95.5
	Feb	56.9	56.9	0.0	63.0	103.3	58.9
	Mar	45.0	108.8	0.0	92.0	145.7	70.9
	Apr	56.8	144.4	0.0	87.0	121.4	85.8
	May	95.3	81.8	0.0	83.0	95.4	89.4
	Jun	117.2	272.3	0.0	96.0	107.0	155.2
	Jul	67.3	169.8	0.0	85.4	109.3	98.0
	Aug	87.0	69.2	0.0	71.8	85.3	79.6
	Sept	65.0	69.1	0.0	89.5	81.9	68.9
	Oct	44.4	69.0	0.0	97.7	85.3	58.1
	Nov	43.3	158.0	0.0	74.2	63.2	78.1
	Dec	58.8	41.5	0.0	0.0	126.5	49.8
2011	Jan	91.5	225.1	0.0	73.7	114.7	125.6
	Feb	64.4	30.8	0.0	64.6	91.7	55.8
	Mar	57.5	30.5	0.0	70.3	92.8	52.4
	Apr	35.2	60.9	0.0	81.1	107.3	49.7
	May	36.5	89.7	0.0	55.8	101.1	55.2
	Jun	40.8	104.8	0.0	81.7	72.3	63.4
	Jul	59.3	74.3	0.0	93.8	111.8	68.6
	Aug	58.5	92.5	0.0	75.2	69.5	69.4
	Sept	92.3	80.5	0.0	73.4	99.4	86.4
	Oct	30.6	99.7	0.0	89.2	122.0	59.0
	Nov	75.0	71.6	0.0	60.8	90.4	72.4
	Dec	83.8	102.0	0.0	71.3	119.7	87.9
2012	Jan	40.8	121.2	0.0	77.4	132.7	69.8
	Feb	64.7	85.8	42.7	62.4	117.5	72.1
	Mar	59.9	108.6	52.8	64.5	109.0	75.5
	Apr	85.9	92.5	49.3	71.5	118.0	87.0
	May	84.0	119.4	59.8	47.8	142.3	91.7
	Jun	79.9	107.1	58.3	89.8	109.6	89.3
	Jul	80.1	113.1	60.4	82.5	55.2	88.1
	Aug	80.3	120.7	57.7	73.9	116.4	91.7
	Sept	66.4	126.9	76.0	89.1	83.9	86.0

		Diamonds	Uranium	Copper concentrate	Zinc concentrate	Gold Bullion	Index
2012	Oct	74.0	128.8	69.6	89.4	91.2	91.1
	Nov	91.6	112.5	39.6	104.2	95.5	98.3
	Dec	90.7	113.7	63.3	87.4	121.4	97.5
2013	Jan	71.8	118.1	64.7	87.2	64.9	85.6
	Feb	94.4	56.5	60.5	93.2	84.1	83.3
	Mar	66.6	101.7	38.7	112.7	89.8	81.8
	Apr	64.7	93.0	46.0	102.2	81.9	77.0
	May	85.5	117.0	51.6	102.8	64.4	94.7
	Jun	79.4	127.6	63.9	65.6	84.7	90.9
	Jul	75.5	116.7	56.9	78.5	106.7	88.0
	Aug	73.2	107.2	53.8	111.8	121.4	88.3
	Sept	93.9	115.6	42.1	101.0	106.2	100.5
	Oct	93.9	110.6	46.7	83.0	101.1	97.0
	Nov	79.0	121.2	47.7	112.0	99.4	94.5
	Dec	80.3	71.7	64.8	82.6	106.7	79.1
2014	Jan	72.9	81.6	58.6	100.2	93.7	79.0
	Feb	88.7	85.6	33.3	71.5	91.5	85.5
	Mar	72.6	100.9	40.1	84.1	102.2	82.4
	Apr	104.3	89.2	61.3	116.2	89.8	100.5
	May	97.7	93.0	57.6	99.4	101.1	96.4
	Jun	72.6	53.8	63.9	58.4	100.0	67.0
	Jul	75.8	73.6	82.4	96.1	90.9	78.1
	Aug	77.9	76.9	43.2	80.7	103.9	78.6
	Sept	89.5	72.1	62.9	79.5	103.9	84.0
	Oct	118.1	98.7	44.3	89.4	101.1	108.3
	Nov	80.6	84.8	47.8	74.8	90.9	81.2
	Dec	54.1	77.7	61.6	85.5	269.4	72.6
2015	Jan	80.5	94.6	38.6	51.7	234.9	86.9
	Feb	82.2	54.4	37.4	69.8	258.1	79.9
	Mar	86.4	53.7	59.8	93.4	300.4	86.7
	Apr	64.7	71.1	67.7	92.8	348.5	80.9
	May	74.8	78.7	51.7	92.0	320.8	87.3

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Methodology and Data Sources

Data Sources: Ministry of Mines and Energy is the sources of monthly sectoral data.

Note: The data collected for monthly sectoral reports are for selected minerals, namely: Diamond, uranium, copper, Zinc and Gold. There are revisions made to copper and zinc as from 2010.

Base year of monthly sectoral reports: 2008

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