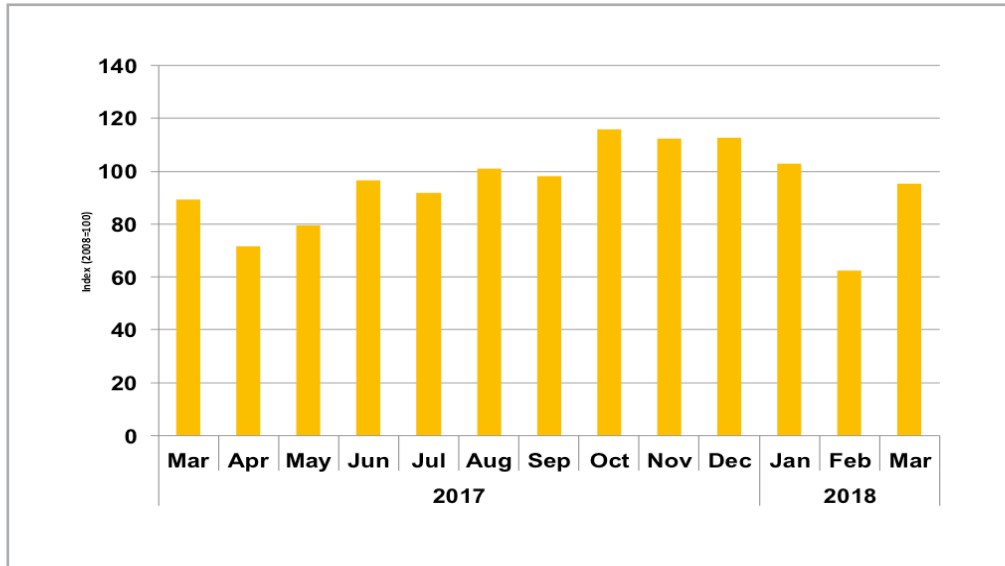


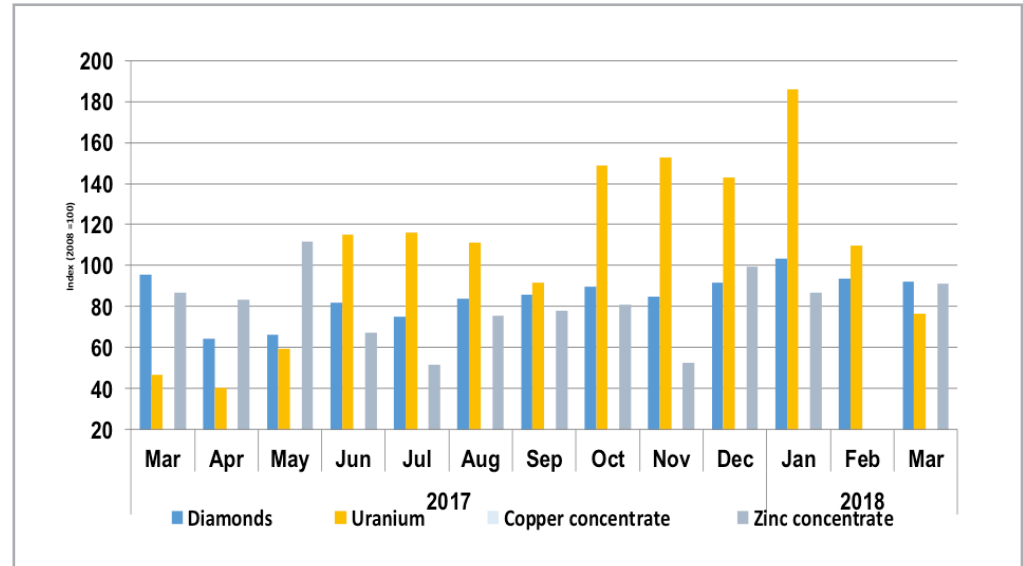


Chart 1: Overall Mining Production Index



- **The composite mining index** recorded 95.3 basis points in March 2018 compared to 62.3 basis points registered in February 2018. These are increases of 53.0 percent m/m and 6.7 percent y/y (Chart 1).
- **The diamond production index** for March 2018 stood at 91.9 basis points compared to 93.6 basis points recorded in the preceding month. This represent a decline of 1.8 m/m and 4.0 percent y/y (Chart2).

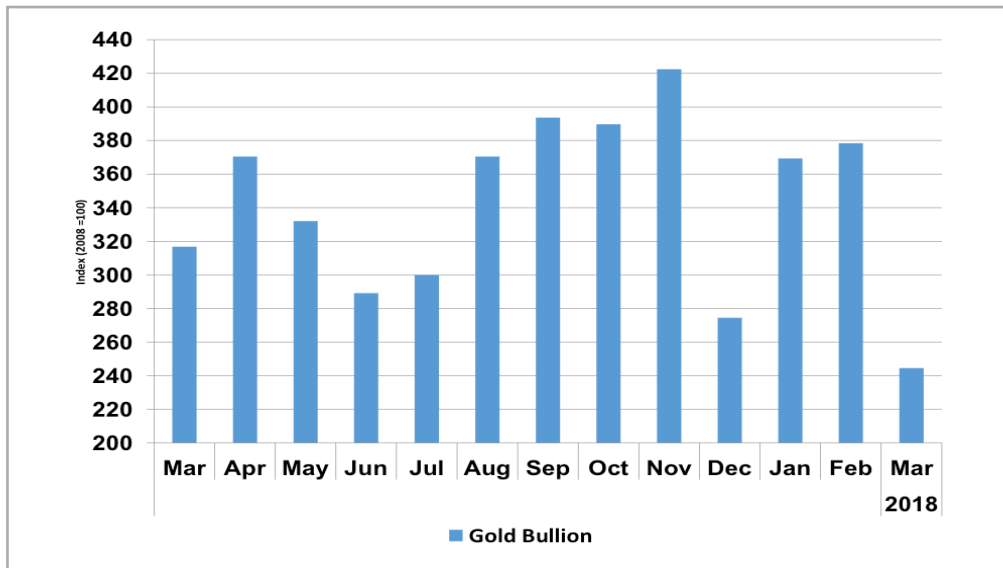
Chart 2: Production Indices of Selected Minerals



- **Uranium production index** decreased, recording 109.6 basis points in February 2018 compared to 76.5 basis points registered in March 2018. This translates into a decline of 30.2 and an increase of 64.1 percent y/y.
- **There was no production of copper concentrate since November 2017 up to date but the infrastructure at the site is kept at operational level to await favourable economic conditions (care maintenance).**
- **Zinc production index** increased, recording 73.0 basis points in February 2018 compared to 91.0 basis points registered in March 2018. These are increases of 24.6 and 5.1 percent y/y (Chart 2).



Chart 3: Production Index for Gold Bullion



- **The index for Gold Bullion** for March 2018 stood at 244.5 basis points compared to 378.4 basis points recorded in the preceding month. These are declines of percent 35.4 m/m and 22.8 percent y/y.



Table 1: Mining composite index of the selected minerals

		Diamonds	Uranium	Copper concentrate	Zinc concentrate	Gold Bullion	Overall 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
	Sep	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
	Sep	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
	Sep	66.4	126.9	76.0	89.1	83.9	86.0
	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

		Diamonds	Uranium	Copper concentrate	Zinc concentrate	Gold Bullion	Overall Index
2015	Jan	80.5	89.2	38.6	51.7	234.9	85.4
	Feb	82.8	57.5	37.5	69.8	258.1	81.1
	Mar	86.5	56.3	63.3	93.4	300.4	87.4
	Apr	64.7	66.3	65.1	92.8	349.6	79.6
	May	75.9	67.7	66.1	92.0	320.8	85.2
	Jun	92.9	112.0	55.2	73.3	278.4	102.9
	Jul	105.9	67.7	71.4	70.9	302.7	99.3
	Aug	55.8	73.6	43.5	113.0	292.5	76.2
	Sep	91.0	65.6	113.1	100.4	321.3	94.6
	Oct	84.6	68.8	22.6	97.6	271.6	88.6
	Nov	61.1	98.8	6.7	71.0	249.0	79.3
	Dec	75.6	104.9	5.6	67.2	329.2	92.0
2016	Jan	89.7	96.1	11.4	76.2	221.4	94.4
	Feb	84.3	86.8	3.5	60.9	288.6	89.8
	Mar	66.6	91.3	3.2	0.0	292.5	74.4
	Apr	51.5	82.1	2.5	38.6	280.7	67.0
	May	50.3	94.3	3.1	100.3	251.3	75.3
	Jun	60.8	73.9	3.2	51.0	324.1	73.2
	Jul	63.8	84.4	2.1	44.6	276.1	75.1
	Aug	82.4	74.3	11.0	61.6	352.9	88.0
	Sep	72.2	85.7	11.2	99.7	378.9	90.6
	Oct	81.9	104.3	1.8	89.5	419.0	101.4
	Nov	78.9	89.6	9.0	67.0	318.5	89.4
	Dec	72.0	92.0	1.5	112.6	400.9	94.3
2017	Jan	89.5	79.5	7.6	97.9	360.8	97.7
	Feb	70.6	72.7	6.6	84.4	298.7	81.2
	Mar	95.8	87.6	1.8	86.5	316.8	100.4
	Apr	64.3	80.4	5.4	83.3	370.4	82.4
	May	66.3	71.0	8.6	111.5	332.0	82.6
	Jun	81.7	116.4	1.3	67.4	289.1	97.0
	Jul	75.1	113.6	6.5	51.6	299.9	91.2
	Aug	83.9	118.1	0.0	75.5	370.4	102.8
	Sep	86.0	94.4	3.9	78.0	393.6	98.9
	Oct	89.6	160.7	4.0	81.1	389.6	119.0
	Nov	85.0	151.4	0.0	52.6	422.4	112.0
	Dec	91.7	155.5	0.0	99.2	274.4	116.1
2018	Jan	113.6	186.2	0.0	86.6	369.3	139.3
	Feb	93.9	109.6	0.0	73.0	378.4	106.3
	Mar	90.3	76.5	0.0	91.0	244.5	91.9



Methodology notes 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.

Base year of monthly mining index: 2008