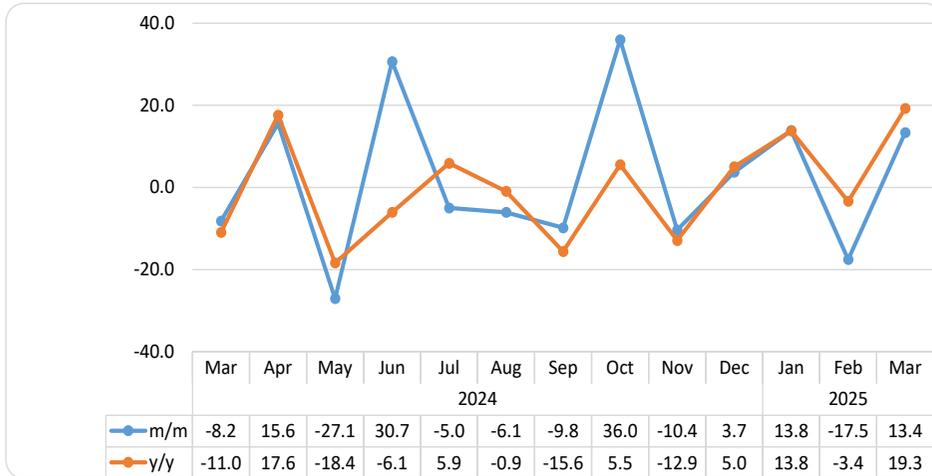


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Chart 1: Mining Composite Production Index, Percentage Change



- **Mining Production Composite Index**, which includes 'Zinc concentrate & contained', Diamonds, Uranium and Gold Bullion, recovered in March 2025 registering an increase of 13.4 percent on a monthly basis, in contrast to a contraction of 17.5 percent recorded in the previous month. Similarly, the index increased by 19.3 percent year-on-year (Chart 1).
- The increase registered on a monthly basis is mainly reflected in the production of 'Zinc concentrate & contained' and Diamonds. Similarly, Uranium and Gold Bullion also noted increases in production levels during the period under review.

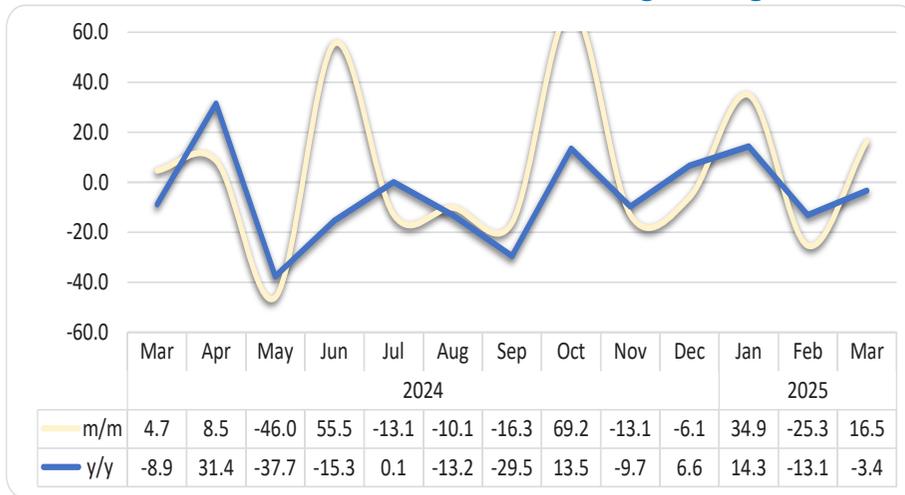
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Chart 2: 'Zinc Concentrate & Contained' Production Index, Percentage Change¹



- **'Zinc concentrate & contained' Production Index** surged to 33.6 percent in March 2025, compared to a growth of 12.0 percent recorded a month earlier. Moreover, the index grew by 72.2 percent year-on-year (Chart 2).

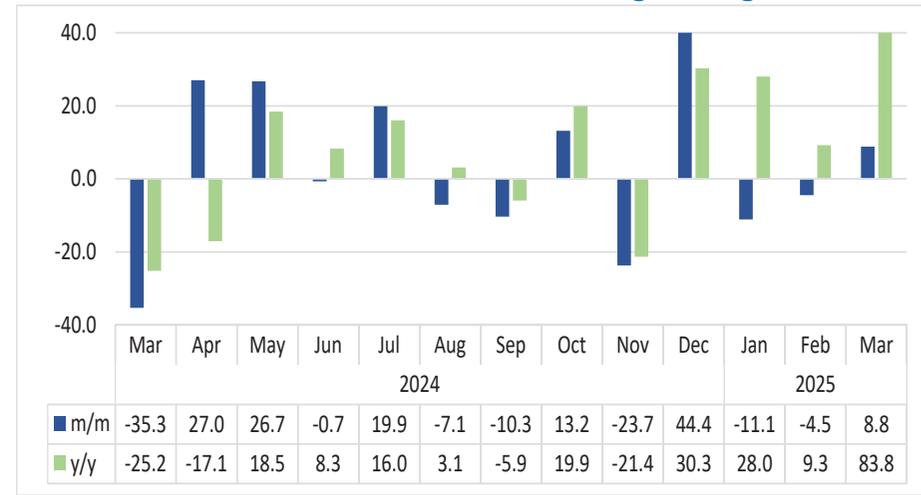
Chart 3: Diamonds Production Index, Percentage Change ²



- **Diamond Production Index** grew by 16.5 percent in March 2025, as opposed to a reduction of 25.3 percent witnessed in the preceding month. On the other hand, the index contracted by 3.4 percent year-on-year (Chart 3).

² This chart is limited to 60 percent for better readability.

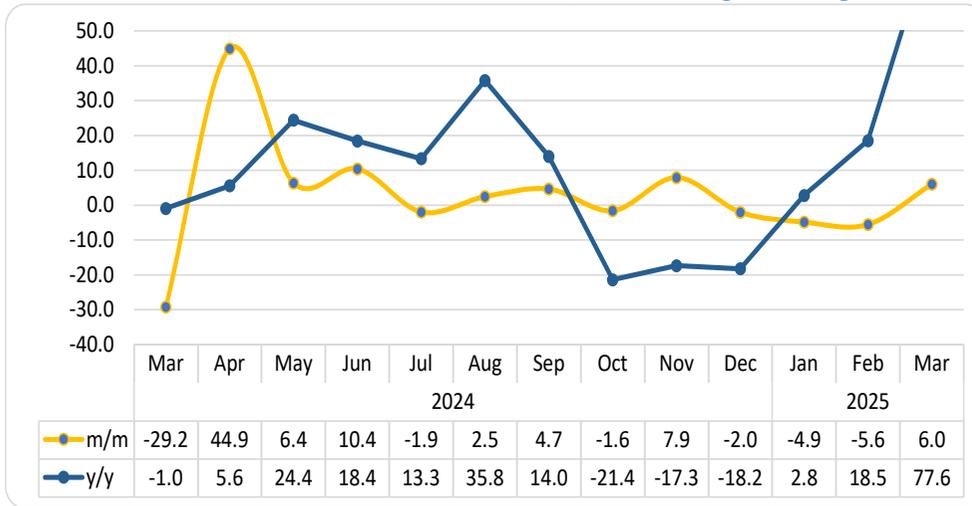
Chart 4: Uranium Production Index, Percentage Change ³



- **Uranium Production Index** rebounded on a monthly basis by recording an increase of 8.8 percent in March 2025 in contrast to a decline of 4.5 percent posted in the preceding month. In addition, the index registered a year-on-year increase of 83.8 percent (Chart 4).

³ This chart is limited to 40 percent for better readability.

Chart 5: Gold Bullion Production Index, Percentage Change⁴



- Gold Bullion Production Index** rose by 6.0 percent in March 2025, as opposed to a contraction of 5.6 percent registered in February 2025. Furthermore, the index grew by 77.6 percent year-on-year (Chart 5).

⁴ This chart is limited to 50 percent for better readability.

Table 1: Mining Composite Index of the Selected Minerals

Year	Month	Diamonds	Uranium	Zinc concentrate & contained	Gold Bullion	Composite Index
2021	Jan	90.2	173.3	72.2	70.5	94.8
	Feb	76.2	194.7	60.0	63.5	86.2
	Mar	64.6	162.3	69.2	66.5	75.8
	Apr	70.2	120.2	70.5	76.0	76.4
	May	79.9	198.6	90.9	67.8	91.3
	Jun	80.2	150.7	87.3	69.8	86.2
	Jul	91.5	163.2	83.5	119.7	103.5
	Aug	85.9	169.6	93.6	163.0	108.6
	Sep	93.6	210.4	91.7	164.5	118.5
	Oct	95.1	182.1	102.1	182.6	119.9
	Nov	100.2	195.9	91.4	164.9	121.2
	Dec	69.8	215.9	90.5	166.5	103.7
2022	Jan	101.0	83.6	73.1	110.8	98.7
	Feb	90.1	197.2	75.7	81.6	99.5
	Mar	117.4	205.9	82.5	98.1	121.6
	Apr	114.0	136.9	73.6	83.6	108.6
	May	120.4	160.9	70.7	108.0	119.6
	Jun	148.7	168.6	82.3	84.1	135.5
	Jul	129.4	220.6	77.8	85.8	128.8
	Aug	121.8	205.3	69.5	97.2	123.6
	Sep	111.2	195.2	94.5	120.8	120.9
	Oct	119.0	146.1	99.2	134.8	123.1
	Nov	149.2	180.1	88.4	136.0	146.5
	Dec	131.9	184.0	94.7	209.8	148.7
2023	Jan	140.0	182.3	83.8	142.2	141.6
	Feb	126.3	204.6	75.8	123.9	131.5
	Mar	161.2	189.6	90.8	97.8	148.9
	Apr	121.3	217.3	57.4	133.0	130.4
	May	138.2	192.8	69.2	120.1	137.0
	Jun	158.2	209.4	73.1	139.3	155.5
	Jul	116.4	234.4	65.3	142.7	131.1
	Aug	120.5	245.0	69.3	122.0	131.6
	Sep	124.2	240.7	79.9	152.1	139.3
	Oct	130.6	213.7	74.3	217.1	151.5
	Nov	142.7	248.7	77.4	222.9	164.6
	Dec	113.5	216.7	80.9	220.8	141.5

Table 1: Mining Composite Index of the Selected Minerals continued...

Year	Month	Diamonds	Uranium	Zinc concentrate & contained	Gold Bullion	Composite Index
2024	Jan	142.8	196.0	73.4	167.1	148.7
	Feb	140.3	219.3	71.3	136.9	144.4
	Mar	146.9	141.8	63.9	96.9	132.6
	Apr	159.4	180.2	75.2	140.4	153.3
	May	86.2	228.3	67.5	149.4	111.8
	Jun	134.0	226.8	74.4	164.9	146.1
	Jul	116.5	271.9	66.8	161.7	138.8
	Aug	104.6	252.6	84.4	165.7	130.4
	Sep	87.6	226.4	85.1	173.4	117.6
	Oct	148.2	256.3	75.9	170.7	159.9
	Nov	128.9	195.5	90.6	184.2	143.3
	Dec	121.0	282.3	117.3	180.5	148.7
2025	Jan	163.2	250.9	73.5	171.8	169.2
	Feb	121.9	239.6	82.3	162.2	139.5
	Mar	142.0	260.7	110.0	172.0	158.2

Definitions

- **Diamond:** Is a very hard mineral that is in the form of bars of carbon and is used, especially in Jewellery.
- **Gold Bullion:** Is a gold or silver in bulk before coining or valued by weight which means gold bullion is gold valued purify and weights.
- **Zinc:** Is a metallic element with a blue-white colour, used as a protective covering for iron and to make metal alloys like nickel silver.
- **Uranium:** Is a Silver-heavy radioactive polyvalent metallic element that is found especially in uraninite and exists naturally as a mixture of mostly no fissionable elements.

Methodology Notes and Data Sources

Data Sources : Data sourced from Bank of Namibia for the period starting from January 2019.

Base year : The Mining sectoral report is harmonised with the quarterly and annual National Accounts base year 2015.

Index calculations : The index of mining production was weighted using the value-added data of 2015. The index is then calculated as a ratio of the volume of a specific component in a specific month to the total volume of that component in 2015.

Conversion : 1 basis point = 0.01 percent