

TrendForce Expects Production Costs of Large-Size Panels to Drop by Only 1~1.5% QoQ in 3Q18 Due to Tight Supply of Components

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WitsView, a division of [TrendForce](#), the overall production costs of large-size panels are estimated to drop by 1~1.5% QoQ in 3Q18, less than 2~2.5% in 2Q. This is because the components of panels have a relatively limited price drop influenced by the tight supply. Moreover, the panel makers still face the amortization of equipment capital expenditure for new technologies including narrow-bezel, Mini LED and inkjet printing OLED.

Components like driver ICs and polarizers are in tight supply during the peak season

Rebounding panel prices may improve the profitability of panel makers

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