

## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) December 2010

### CAUTION

The Gambia Bureau of Statistics is very pleased to deliver to users the new Consumer Price Index (CPI) based in 2004 that replace the previous one which was based in 1974. The CPI is published every month by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

	ALL ITEMS(NEW SERIES; 2004=100)	Weights	Dec-09	Sep-10	Oct-10	Nov-10	Dec-10	Changes in % over	
								1 month	Over 12 Months
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>	61841	123.19	129.34	129.59	129.91	130.32	0.31	5.79
01	<b>Food and non-alcoholic beverages</b>	33837	128.67	137.87	138.16	138.64	139.23	0.43	8.20
011	<b>Food</b>	32 914	129.10	138.49	138.78	139.26	139.87	0.44	8.35
0111	<b>Bread &amp; Cereals</b>	7 891	128.29	134.10	134.50	134.83	135.13	0.23	5.34
0112	<b>Meat</b>	8 217	121.74	127.67	127.85	128.04	128.29	0.19	5.37
0113	<b>Fish</b>	2 226	115.69	119.16	119.51	119.85	119.98	0.11	3.71
0114	<b>Milk, Cheese and Eggs</b>	1 462	115.52	119.54	119.56	119.87	119.91	0.03	3.80
0115	<b>Oils and fats</b>	3 469	153.13	157.72	158.30	158.51	162.72	2.66	6.26
0116	<b>Fruits &amp; nuts</b>	1445	141.17	143.45	143.52	143.86	143.90	0.03	1.94
0117	<b>Vegetables, root crops &amp; tubers</b>	4 533	138.81	158.02	158.16	159.95	160.03	0.06	15.29
0118	<b>Sugar, jam, honey &amp; sweets</b>	1 420	128.40	189.74	190.06	190.69	190.83	0.08	48.62
0119	<b>Other food products</b>	2 248	118.25	120.27	120.74	120.99	121.01	0.02	2.34
012	<b>Non-alcoholic beverages</b>	923	113.51	115.86	116.15	116.23	116.25	0.02	2.42
02	<b>Alcoholic beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics</b>	416	106.59	107.77	107.77	107.78	107.79	0.01	1.13
03	<b>Clothing, textiles and footwear</b>	6 911	112.64	113.80	113.86	113.93	113.95	0.01	1.16
031	<b>Clothing, Garments and Tailoring services</b>	5 434	112.31	113.35	113.43	113.46	113.48	0.02	1.04
032	<b>Footwear</b>	1 477	113.86	115.46	115.46	115.69	115.70	0.01	1.62
04	<b>Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	2 089	123.47	125.28	125.65	125.95	125.96	0.01	2.01
042	<b>Actual rent</b>	498	119.21	120.43	120.54	120.54	120.54	0.00	1.11
043	<b>Electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	1 431	126.98	129.14	129.65	130.08	130.10	0.02	2.45
05	<b>Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance</b>	3 215	116.26	116.92	117.45	117.83	117.95	0.10	1.46
06	<b>Health</b>	728	101.82	101.91	101.91	101.92	101.92	0.00	0.10
07	<b>Transport</b>	2 706	122.76	149.12	149.18	149.18	149.18	0.00	21.52
08	<b>Communication</b>	1 822	102.50	102.54	102.57	102.57	102.57	0.00	0.07
09	<b>Recreation and culture</b>	957	105.67	106.32	106.75	106.81	106.88	0.06	1.14
10	<b>Education</b>	918	102.99	102.95	102.95	102.95	105.72	0.05	0.01
11	<b>Restaurants and Hotels</b>	222	120.18	128.08	128.60	128.90	130.43	1.19	8.53
12	<b>Miscellaneous goods and services</b>	3 639	133.89	136.20	136.83	137.05	137.20	0.11	2.48
	<b>12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>		121.15	125.43	126.07	126.67	127.26	0.47	5.28
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>		123.19	129.34	129.59	129.91	130.32	0.31	5.79
	<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>		128.67	137.87	138.16	138.64	139.23	0.43	8.20
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>		116.27	118.17	118.39	118.52	118.67	0.13	1.90

The overall Consumer Price Index for December 2010 was 130.32, a 0.31 percent increase over the November 2010 overall index of 129.91

On an annual basis the overall index increased by 5.79 percent from December 2009 to December 2010. Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages increased by 8.20 percent whilst Non Food Products and Services rose only by 1.90 percent.

Comparing December 2009 to December 2010, within the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, *Sugar, jam, honey and sweets* increased by 48.62 Percent, *Vegetable, root crops and tubers* increased by 15.29 percent, Oils and fats increased by 6.26 percent and *Meat* increased by 5.37 Percent.

For the Non Food items, the major increases were recorded by *Transport* and *Hotel and Restaurants* which rose by 21.52 percent and 8.53 percent respectively. Other marginal contributors to the increase were the Private education, *miscellaneous goods and services sub group* and *electricity, gas and other fuel sub group*.

During the months of November 2010 to December 2010, Oils and fats sub-group show the highest increase of 2.66 percent, whilst Bread and cereals went up by 0.23 percent. 'Meat' registered an increase of 0.19 percent.

Overall Annual Inflation Rate (over 12 months - Comparison with the same month for the previous year)

Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2005								3.9	3.8	4.1	4.3	4.8
2006	4.0	2.8	3.8	2.7	2.7	2.2	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.4
2007	2.0	2.1	4.5	6.3	6.6	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
2008	5.1	5.0	3.1	1.4	1.6	2.2	3.7	5.0	6.3	6.5	6.6	6.8
2009	7.0	7.0	6.7	6.3	5.9	5.4	4.1	3.0	2.3	2.3	2.6	2.7
2010	3.6	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.5	6.2	6.1	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.8

Figure1. Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year

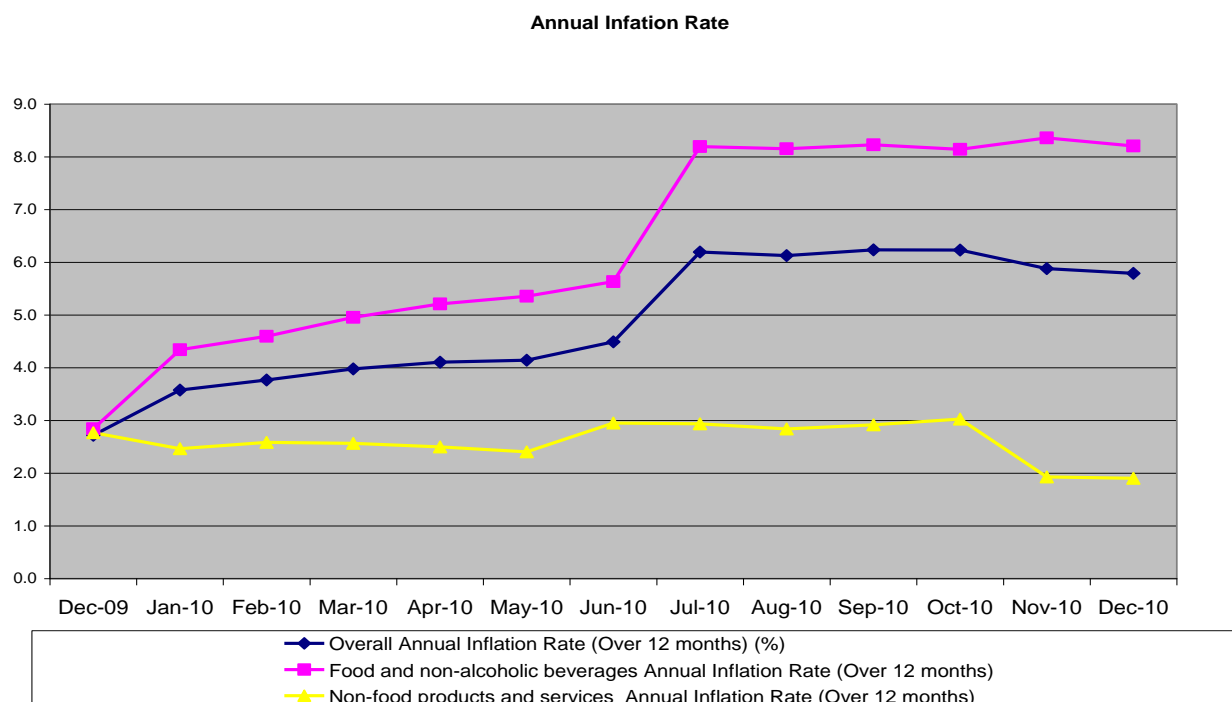
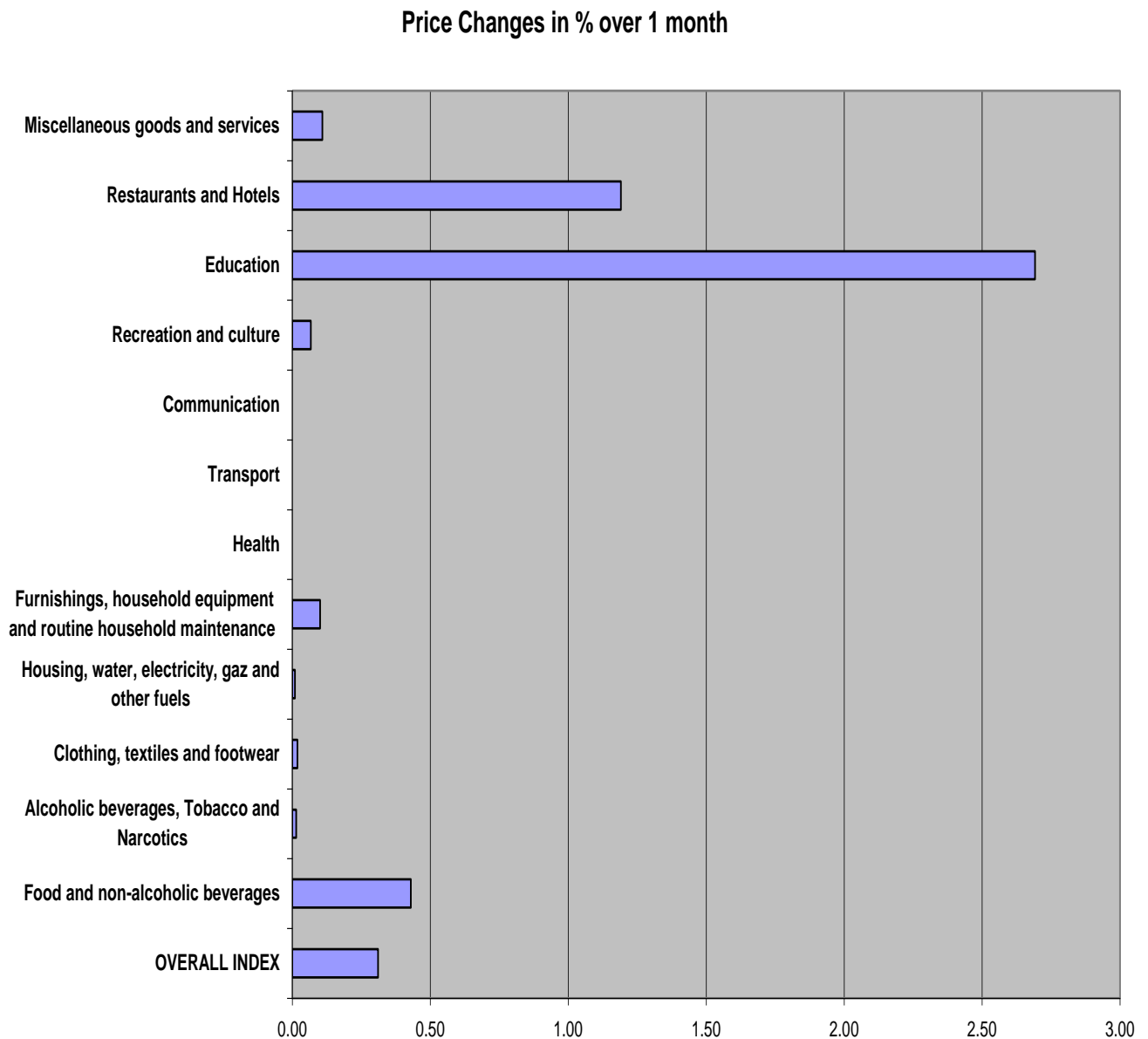


Figure 2.

Monthly changes – Comparison with the previous month: November 2010 to December 2010



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