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THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) JUNE 2012



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 15th.

	ALL ITEMS(NEW SERIES; 2004=100)	Weights	Jun-12	Mar-12	Apr-12	May-12	Jun-12	Changes in % over	
								1 month	Over 12 Months
	OVERALL INDEX	61841	132.81	137.04	137.23	137.78	138.43	0.48	4.23
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	33837	142.67	148.28	148.51	149.20	150.15	0.64	5.25
011	Food	32 914	143.35	149.04	149.28	149.98	150.94	0.64	5.29
0111	Bread & Cereals	7 891	137.88	144.28	144.54	145.28	146.46	0.81	6.23
0112	Meat	8 217	128.96	135.58	135.95	136.79	137.59	0.58	6.70
0113	Fish	2 226	120.94	124.91	125.20	125.36	126.22	0.69	4.37
0114	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	1 462	121.87	124.12	124.55	124.74	125.86	0.90	3.27
0115	Oils and fats	3 469	170.71	176.97	177.24	178.30	179.96	0.93	5.42
0116	Fruits & nuts	1445	146.89	154.06	154.43	154.91	156.10	0.77	6.27
0117	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	4 533	166.47	170.84	170.71	171.34	172.22	0.51	3.45
0118	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	1 420	198.37	204.98	205.03	205.79	206.03	0.12	3.86
0119	Other food products	2 248	125.58	129.93	130.11	130.71	130.89	0.14	4.23
012	Non-alcoholic beverages	923	118.09	120.97	120.99	121.32	121.92	0.49	3.25
02	Alcoholic beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	416	108.14	109.08	109.18	109.27	109.58	0.29	1.34
03	Clothing, textiles and footwear	6 911	114.14	115.85	115.96	116.28	116.55	0.23	2.11
031	Clothing, Garments and Tailoring services	5 434	113.65	114.93	115.03	115.31	115.60	0.25	1.71
032	Footwear	1 477	115.92	119.26	119.40	119.83	120.04	0.18	3.56
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	2 089	129.21	133.75	133.96	134.20	134.70	0.37	4.25
042	Actual rent	498	120.65	122.43	122.55	123.26	123.51	0.20	2.38
043	Electricity, gas and other fuels	1 431	134.80	140.73	140.98	141.08	141.56	0.34	5.02
05	Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	3 215	118.63	120.32	120.49	120.57	120.65	0.07	1.70
06	Health	728	101.93	102.19	102.19	102.19	102.19	0.00	0.25
07	Transport	2 706	154.59	160.34	161.10	162.56	163.74	0.72	5.92
08	Communication	1 822	102.59	102.75	102.77	102.82	102.86	0.04	0.26
09	Recreation and culture	957	107.81	109.83	109.96	110.28	110.46	0.17	2.46
10	Education	918	105.72	106.41	106.41	106.81	106.81	0.00	1.03
11	Restaurants and Hotels	222	133.60	139.48	140.00	140.63	140.92	0.20	5.47
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	3 639	141.34	146.30	146.61	147.25	147.88	0.43	4.62
	12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGE		130.63	134.69	135.10	135.55	136.02	0.35	4.13
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	NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES		119.93	122.32	122.44	122.81	123.09	0.22	2.64

Inflation on year-on-year basis for June 2012 is 4.23 percent which is higher than the previous month (April 2012) by 0.21 percent. The May inflation is explained by increases in cost of food, electricity, gas and other fuel, transport, restaurants and hotels and miscellaneous goods and services which increased by 5.29, 4.25, 5.92, 5.47 and 4.62 percent respectively. For the food inflation, 'Bread & Cereals', 'Meat', 'oil and fats', 'Fruits and nuts' and 'Fish and fish products' were the main contributors to the increase.

For the Non-Food items, the major increases were recorded by 'electricity, gas and other fuel', 'Transport,' 'Restaurants' and 'miscellaneous goods and service'. There were also some increases within the 'Foot wear' and 'Recreation and culture', sub groups.

During the months of May 2012 to June 2012, for the food items, 'Oils fats' show the highest increase of 0.93, followed by 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs' with 0.90 percent increase, 'whilst the 'Bread and Cereals' sub-group went up by 0.81 percent. 'Fruits and nuts' registered an increase of 0.77 percent as well.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, inflation rate is about 3.8 percent compared to the 3.8 percent that was recorded for May 2012, hence showing the same inflationary pressure during the months, June 2012 compared to May 2012. However, despite this general trend 'Meat and Oils and Fats' continue to show increase during the last 12 months.

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
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
2011	5.0	5.4	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.4	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.4
2012	4.3	3.8	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.2						

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

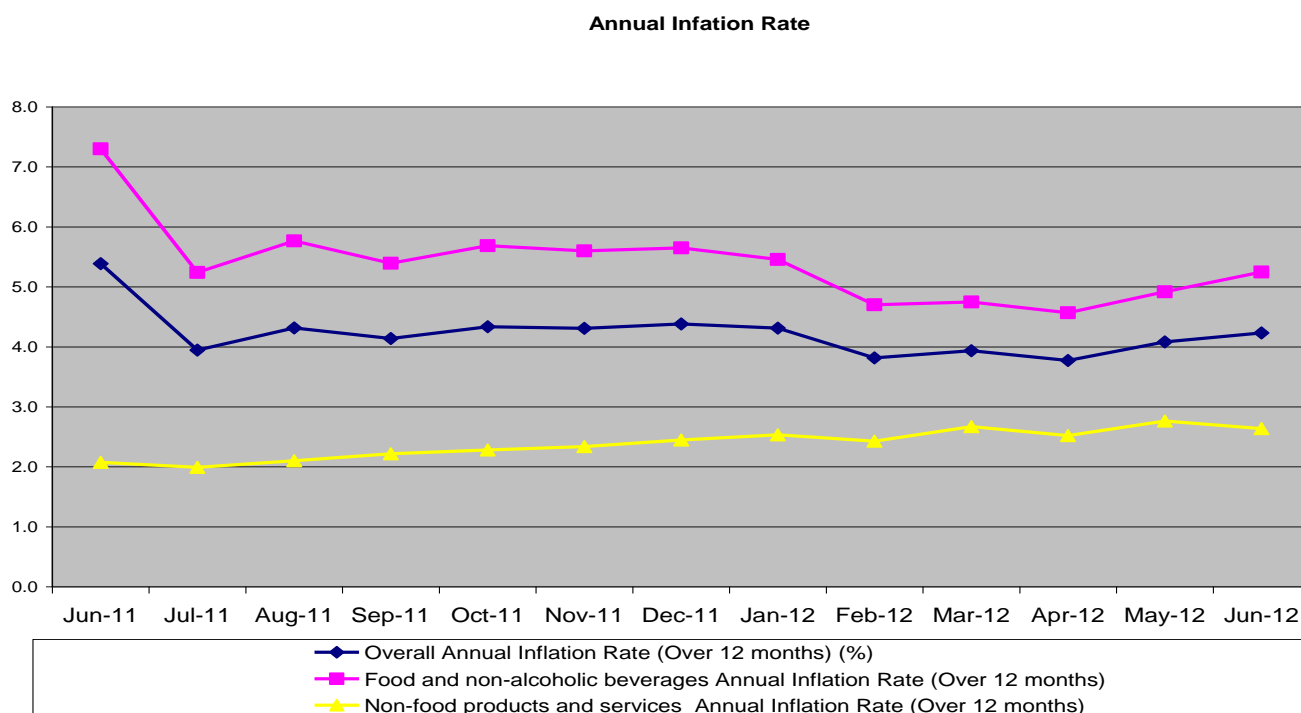
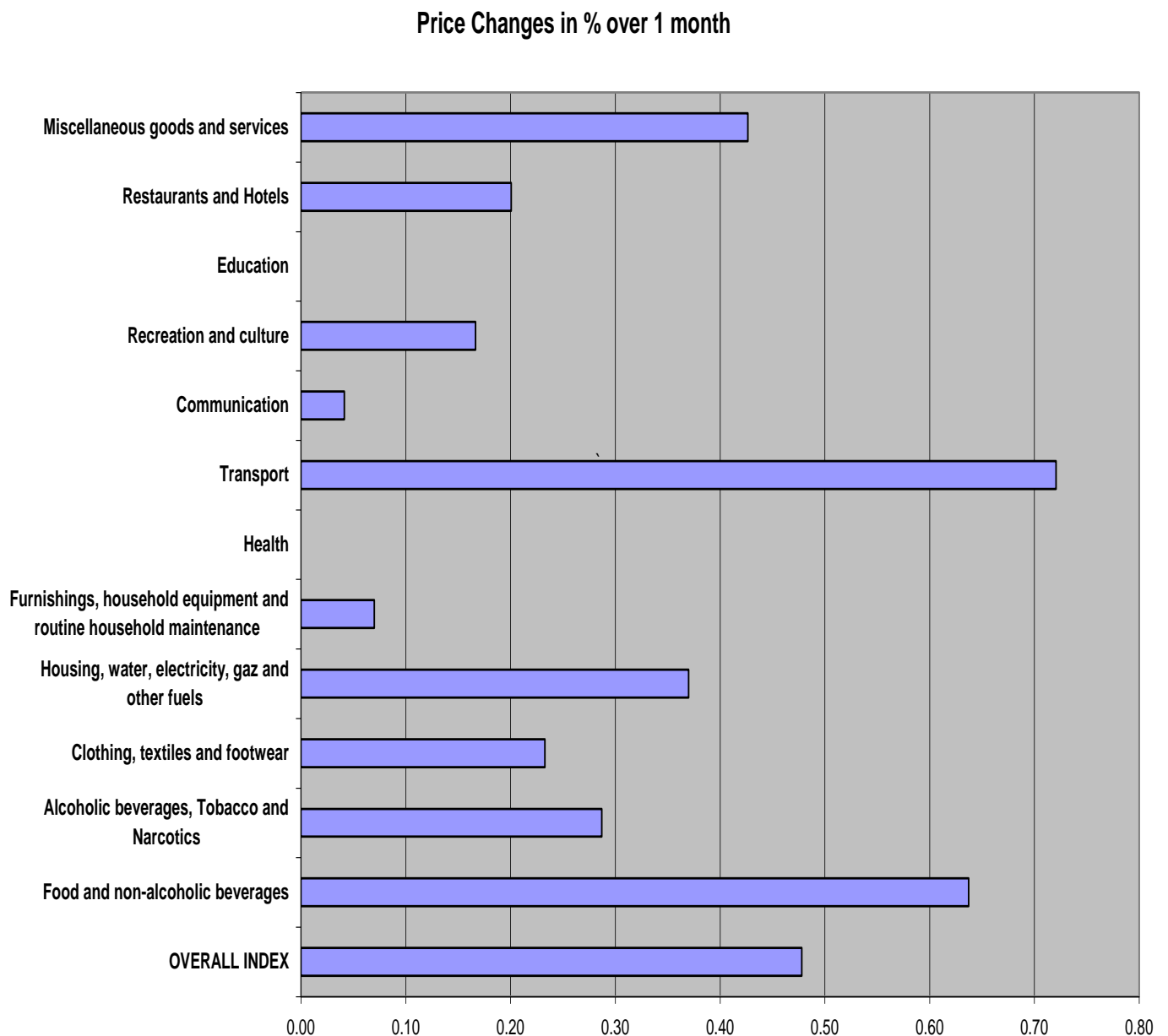


Figure 2.

Monthly changes – Comparison with the previous month: May 2012 to June 2012



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