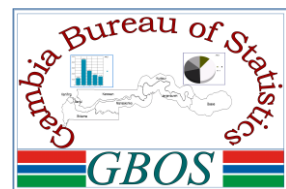




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## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) JULY 2013



### 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	Jul-12	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Changes in % over	
								1 month	Over 12 Months
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>	61841	<b>139.29</b>	144.94	145.60	146.45	147.50	0.71	5.89
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	33837	<b>150.91</b>	158.21	159.02	160.17	161.59	0.89	7.08
011	Food	32 914	<b>151.72</b>	159.15	159.97	161.15	162.58	0.89	7.16
0111	Bread & Cereals	7 891	<b>147.60</b>	159.75	160.92	162.00	163.53	0.95	10.79
0112	Meat	8 217	<b>138.32</b>	144.24	144.93	145.96	147.70	1.19	6.78
0113	Fish	2 226	<b>126.65</b>	130.37	130.97	131.87	133.14	0.97	5.13
0114	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	1 462	<b>125.87</b>	129.52	130.11	130.92	131.41	0.37	4.40
0115	Oils and fats	3 469	<b>181.32</b>	190.27	191.38	192.79	194.07	0.66	7.03
0116	Fruits & nuts	1445	<b>157.26</b>	165.74	166.05	166.96	168.23	0.76	6.98
0117	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	4 533	<b>172.69</b>	177.52	177.96	179.57	181.31	0.97	4.99
0118	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	1 420	<b>206.35</b>	215.62	216.35	217.81	218.58	0.35	5.93
0119	Other food products	2 248	<b>131.23</b>	135.06	136.14	137.46	138.40	0.68	5.46
012	Non-alcoholic beverages	923	<b>121.95</b>	124.31	125.08	125.35	126.22	0.70	3.50
02	Alcoholic beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	416	<b>109.91</b>	111.90	112.28	112.39	112.46	0.06	2.32
03	Clothing, textiles and footwear	6 911	<b>116.77</b>	119.54	119.70	119.99	120.53	0.45	3.22
031	Clothing, Garments and Tailoring services	5 434	<b>115.76</b>	118.18	118.32	118.51	119.04	0.45	2.84
032	Footwear	1 477	<b>120.51</b>	124.53	124.79	125.46	126.02	0.44	4.57
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	2 089	<b>144.26</b>	155.27	156.05	156.94	157.70	0.49	9.31
042	Actual rent	498	<b>124.01</b>	125.22	125.22	126.03	126.23	0.16	1.79
043	Electricity, gas and other fuels	1 431	<b>153.35</b>	166.35	167.38	168.35	169.40	0.62	10.46
05	Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	3 215	<b>120.82</b>	123.67	123.85	124.06	124.25	0.16	2.84
06	Health	728	<b>102.31</b>	102.62	102.72	102.72	102.74	0.02	0.42
07	Transport	2 706	<b>164.42</b>	186.71	191.57	193.49	197.03	1.83	19.83
08	Communication	1 822	<b>102.88</b>	103.21	103.29	103.31	103.33	0.02	0.43
09	Recreation and culture	957	<b>110.49</b>	112.59	112.94	113.77	114.19	0.37	3.35
10	Education	918	<b>106.81</b>	107.14	107.19	107.19	107.19	0.00	0.35
11	Restaurants and Hotels	222	<b>141.83</b>	148.34	149.49	150.79	151.86	0.72	7.07
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	3 639	<b>148.37</b>	153.49	154.19	155.47	156.63	0.75	5.57
	<b>12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>		<b>136.51</b>	141.49	142.14	142.81	143.49	0.48	5.11
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>		<b>139.29</b>	144.94	145.60	146.45	147.50	0.71	5.89
	<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>		<b>150.91</b>	158.21	159.02	160.17	161.59	0.89	7.08
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>		<b>124.06</b>	127.83	128.29	128.76	129.31	0.43	4.24

The July 2013 inflation rate measured on year on year basis, that is between July 2012 and July 2013 went up by 5.89 percent resulting from an Overall Index increase of 139.29 to 147.50. Some prices for both Food and Non-food items had gone up. Food and non Alcoholic Beverages increased by 7.08 whilst Non-Food products and Services rose by 4.24 percent.

From July 2012 to July 2013, within the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, ‘Bread and Cereal’ increased by 10.79 percent, ‘Meat and meat products’ 6.78 percent ‘Oils and Fats’ 7.03 percent, ‘Fruits and nuts’ 6.98 percent, ‘Sugar, jam, honey & sweets’ 5.93 and ‘Other food products’ 5.46 percent

For the Non Food items, the major increases were recorded by ‘electricity, gas and other fuel’ and ‘Transport’ which rose by 10.46 percent and 19.83 percent respectively. The rise in the Transport sector was due to the increase in fuel pump price during the month whilst the ‘electricity, gas and other fuel’ index increase is due to the recent increase of both Gas and electricity prices.

During the months of June 2013 to July 2013, the ‘Meat and Meat Products’ show the highest increase of 1.19 percent, followed by ‘Vegetable, root crops and tubers’ and ‘Fish and fish products’ which increased by 0.97 percent each, ‘whilst the ‘Bread and Cereal’ sub-group went up by 0.95 percent. ‘Fruits and Nuts’ registered an increase of 0.95 percent as well.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, inflation rate is about 4.7 percent, showing a slight increase in the inflationary pressure of 0.1 percent during the months, June 2013 to July 2013. ‘Meat and Meat products’ and ‘Bread and Cereal’ show some significant increases during the period.

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
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	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.7	4.9
2013	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.9					

Figure1. Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year (July. 2012 to July 2013)

Annual Inflation Rate

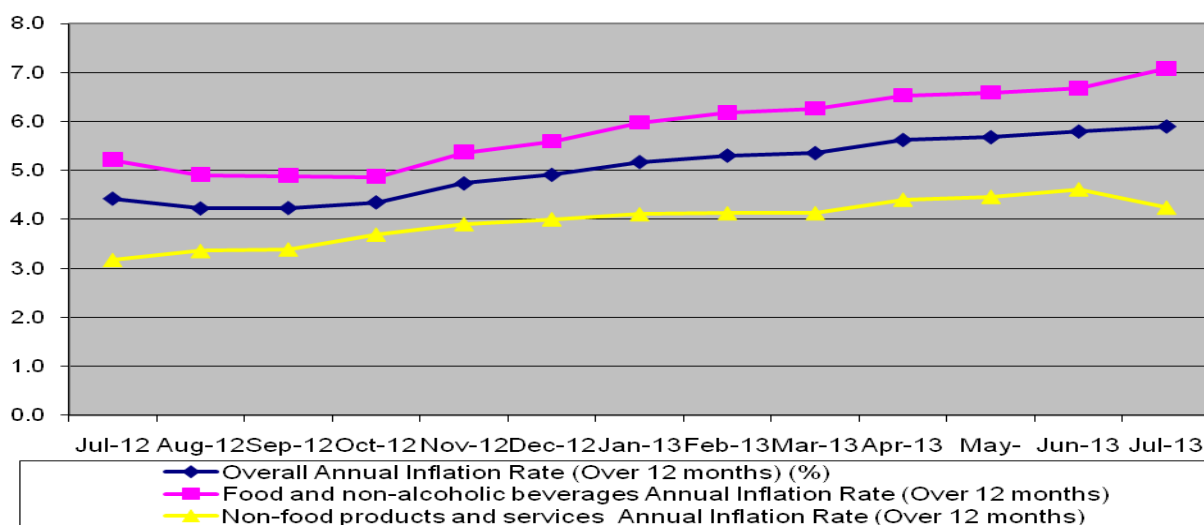
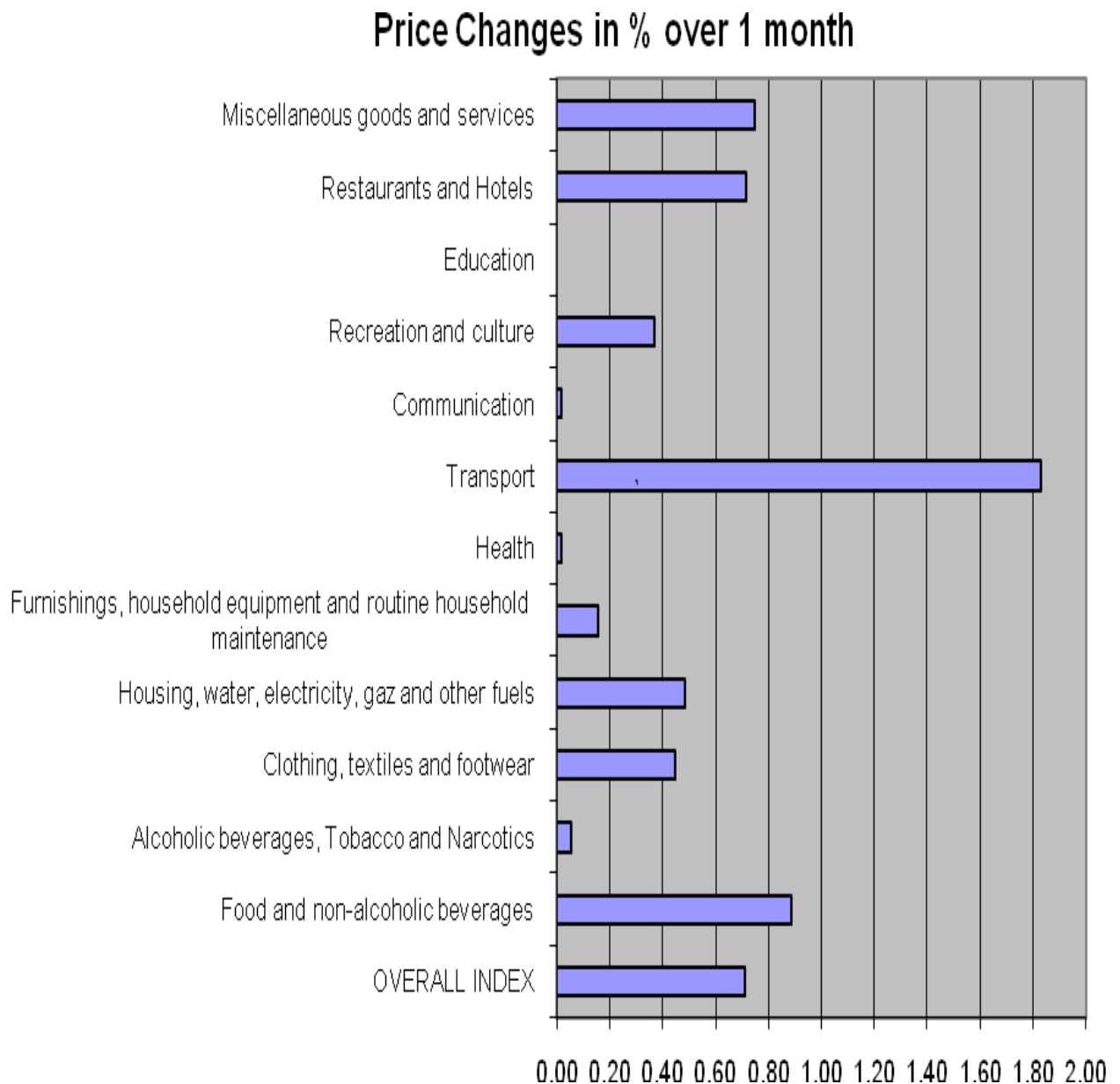


Figure 2.

Monthly changes – Comparison with the previous month: June 2013 to July 2013



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