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## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) JULY 2015



### 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>.**

								<i>Changes in % over</i>	
	<b>ALL ITEMS(NEW SERIES; 2004=100)</b>	<b>Weights</b>	<b>JUL-14</b>	<b>Apr-15</b>	<b>May-15</b>	<b>Jun-15</b>	<b>Jul-15</b>	<b>1 month</b>	<b>Over 12 Months</b>
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>	61841	155.87	163.45	164.83	165.49	166.65	0.70	6.91
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	33837	171.46	182.37	184.24	185.13	186.44	0.71	8.74
011	Food	32 914	172.66	183.87	185.77	186.68	188.03	0.72	8.90
0111	Bread & Cereals	7 891	172.06	177.41	180.63	181.55	183.44	1.04	6.61
0112	Meat	8 217	160.76	191.67	192.77	194.43	196.88	1.26	22.47
0113	Fish	2 226	140.30	148.87	151.05	151.93	153.47	1.01	9.39
0114	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	1 462	140.11	144.81	145.75	146.17	146.50	0.22	4.56
0115	Oils and fats	3 469	210.15	215.68	217.20	217.53	217.87	0.16	3.67
0116	Fruits & nuts	1445	176.40	180.22	181.58	182.06	182.33	0.15	3.36
0117	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	4 533	188.89	190.84	192.21	192.87	192.94	0.04	2.15
0118	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	1 420	226.63	230.48	232.74	233.45	233.89	0.19	3.20
0119	Other food products	2 248	145.14	148.51	150.81	151.12	152.32	0.79	4.94
012	Non-alcoholic beverages	923	127.71	128.68	129.38	129.46	129.79	0.25	1.63
02	Alcoholic beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	416	114.37	115.98	116.07	116.35	116.49	0.12	1.85
03	Clothing, textiles and footwear	6 911	125.05	129.41	129.56	129.96	131.88	1.48	5.46
031	Clothing, Garments and Tailoring services	5 434	123.27	127.56	127.69	128.01	130.16	1.68	5.59
032	Footwear	1 477	131.57	136.22	136.43	137.13	138.22	0.79	5.05
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	2 089	166.32	170.57	171.75	172.69	173.36	0.39	4.23
042	Actual rent	498	128.28	129.26	129.36	129.75	129.85	0.08	1.22
043	Electricity, gas and other fuels	1 431	180.93	186.67	188.36	189.55	190.48	0.49	5.28
05	Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	3 215	127.15	129.71	129.88	130.14	130.51	0.28	2.64
06	Health	728	130.14	130.72	131.54	131.54	131.60	0.05	1.12
07	Transport	2 706	216.10	226.34	226.58	226.79	226.91	0.05	5.01
08	Communication	1 822	103.72	104.11	104.28	104.28	104.30	0.01	0.56
09	Recreation and culture	957	116.81	118.05	118.28	118.34	118.53	0.16	1.48
10	Education	918	107.86	108.42	108.45	108.45	118.53	0.00	0.55
11	Restaurants and Hotels	222	159.44	168.20	171.00	171.90	172.57	0.39	8.23
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	3 639	167.18	172.94	173.82	174.66	177.12	1.41	5.95
	<b>12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>		151.67	159.16	160.09	161.01	161.91	0.56	6.75
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>		155.87	163.45	164.83	165.49	166.65	0.70	6.91
	<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>		171.46	182.37	184.24	185.13	186.44	0.71	8.74
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>		135.75	139.04	139.79	140.15	141.11	0.69	3.95

The overall index has further moved to 166.67 in July 2015 indicating an increase of 0.70 percent over June 2015 of 165.49.

On an annual basis the overall index increased by 6.91 percent from July 2014 to July 2015 compared to the 7.17 percent increase for the June 2014 to June 2015 figures, indicating a deceleration in inflationary pressure during July 2015. However, there was an increased primarily due to the food and non- alcoholic beverages, which rose by 0.71 percent during July 2015 whilst Non Food Products and services increased by only 0.69 percent.

Comparing July 2014 to July 2015, within the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, '*Meat and Meat Products*' increased by 22.47Percent, '*Fish and Fish Products*' increased by 9.39 percent and '*Bread and Cereals Products*' increased by 6.61 Percent.

For the Non Food items, the major increases were primarily due to the *Restaurants and Hotels* and *miscellaneous goods and services* sub group which rose by 8.23 percent and 5.95 percent respectively. The Clothing Garments and Tailoring services; also significantly increased by 5.59 Percent.

Comparing June 2015 to July 2015, Clothing, Garments and Tailoring Services show the highest increase of 1.68 percent and followed by Clothing, Textile and Footwear *Products which* went up by 1.48 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
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	6.0	6.1	6.1	5.9	5.5
2014	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.6	5.7	6.3	6.6	6.8	6.9
2015	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.7	7.2	7.2	6.9					

**Figure1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year. (July 2014 –July 2015)**

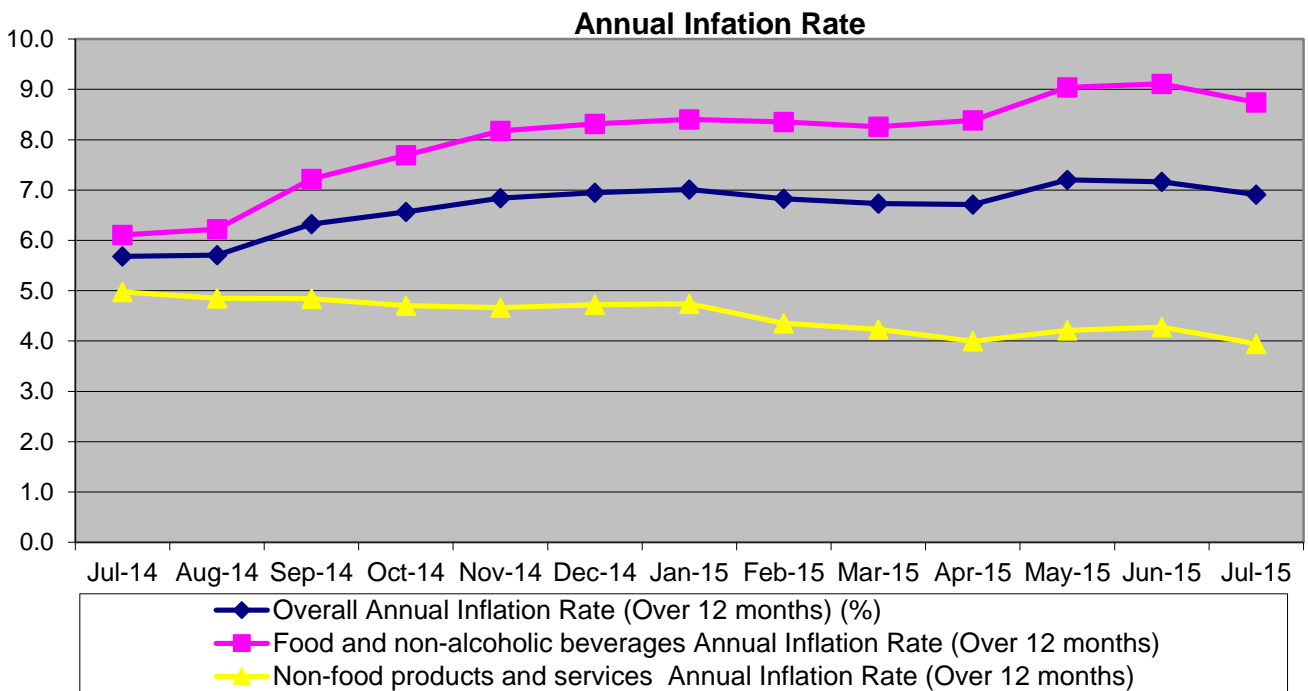
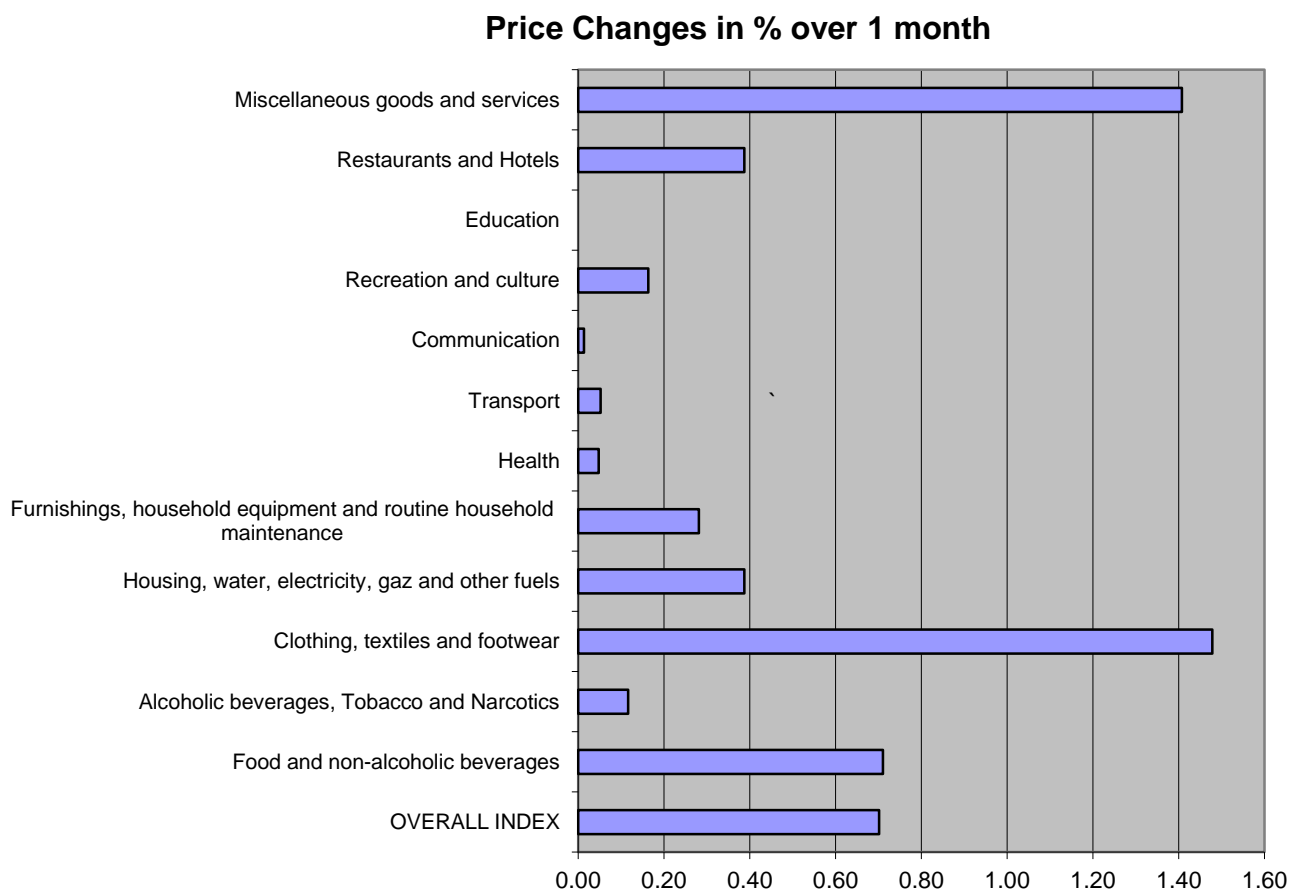


Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: June 2015 to July 2015



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