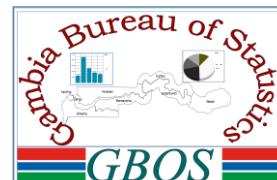




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## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) SEPTEMBER 2016



### 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>.

								Changes in % over	
	ALL ITEMS(NEW SERIES; 2004=100)	Weights	Sep-15	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	1 month	Over 12 Months
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>	61841	168.72	177.31	178.59	179.91	181.25	0.75	7.43
01	<b>Food and non-alcoholic beverages</b>	33837	189.13	200.42	201.84	203.56	205.13	0.77	8.46
011	<b>Food</b>	32 914	190.77	202.32	203.76	205.54	207.14	0.78	8.58
0111	<b>Bread &amp; Cereals</b>	7 891	185.43	197.93	198.74	200.37	202.30	0.96	9.10
0112	<b>Meat</b>	8 217	202.81	221.79	224.11	226.58	228.19	0.71	12.51
0113	<b>Fish</b>	2 226	156.07	166.15	167.98	169.36	172.08	1.60	10.26
0114	<b>Milk, Cheese and Eggs</b>	1 462	147.83	153.96	156.19	156.25	157.50	0.81	6.54
0115	<b>Oils and fats</b>	3 469	220.13	234.31	236.78	238.42	239.91	0.63	8.99
0116	<b>Fruits &amp; nuts</b>	1445	184.71	190.21	190.44	191.44	192.78	0.70	4.37
0117	<b>Vegetables, root crops &amp; tubers</b>	4 533	193.79	197.62	197.70	199.58	200.47	0.45	3.45
0118	<b>Sugar, jam, honey &amp; sweets</b>	1 420	235.59	241.93	242.63	246.68	247.58	0.37	5.09
0119	<b>Other food products</b>	2 248	152.57	157.26	159.25	159.50	161.22	1.08	5.67
012	<b>Non-alcoholic beverages</b>	923	130.33	132.57	132.72	132.85	133.25	0.30	2.24
02	<b>Alcoholic beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics</b>	416	117.04	120.01	120.11	120.11	120.29	0.15	2.77
03	<b>Clothing, textiles and footwear</b>	6 911	133.26	139.77	141.12	142.47	144.10	1.14	8.13
031	<b>Clothing, Garments and Tailoring services</b>	5 434	131.70	137.73	138.86	140.28	141.51	0.88	7.45
032	<b>Footwear</b>	1 477	139.01	147.29	149.41	150.55	153.64	2.06	10.52
04	<b>Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	2 089	175.01	178.65	179.17	179.53	180.21	0.38	2.97
042	<b>Actual rent</b>	498	130.14	134.35	134.94	134.94	135.33	0.29	3.99
043	<b>Electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	1 431	192.78	196.52	197.06	197.55	198.38	0.42	2.90
05	<b>Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance</b>	3 215	131.80	138.22	138.44	138.57	139.37	0.58	5.74
06	<b>Health</b>	728	131.67	134.40	134.64	134.87	134.89	0.02	2.45
07	<b>Transport</b>	2 706	227.91	222.60	222.82	223.86	225.00	0.51	-1.27
08	<b>Communication</b>	1 822	104.38	104.68	104.69	104.71	104.73	0.02	0.34
09	<b>Recreation and culture</b>	957	119.90	123.54	123.87	124.20	124.55	0.28	3.88
10	<b>Education</b>	918	108.68	109.15	109.33	109.33	109.33	0.00	0.60
11	<b>Restaurants and Hotels</b>	222	173.58	183.75	185.39	186.50	187.83	0.71	8.21
12	<b>Miscellaneous goods and services</b>	3 639	180.66	193.11	197.31	199.56	201.48	0.96	11.52
	<b>12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>		163.67	71.99	172.99	174.03	175.08	0.60	6.97
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>		168.72	177.31	178.59	179.91	181.25	0.75	7.43
	<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>		189.13	200.42	201.84	203.56	205.13	0.77	8.46
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>		142.40	147.49	148.61	149.39	150.45	0.71	5.65

On an annual basis the overall index increased by 7.43 percent from August 2015 to August 2016. Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages increased by 8.46 percent whilst Non Food Products and Services rose by 65 percent.

From August 2015 to August 2016, within the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, 'Meat and meat products' increased by 12.51 percent, 'Fish and fish products' 10.26 percent and 'Oils and Fats' 8.99 percent.

For the Non Food items, the major increases were recorded by 'Footwear', 'Clothing Garments and tailoring services', 'Actual Rental' and 'Electricity Gas and other Fuels' which rose by 10.52 percent, 7.45 percent, 3.99 percent and 2.90 percent respectively.

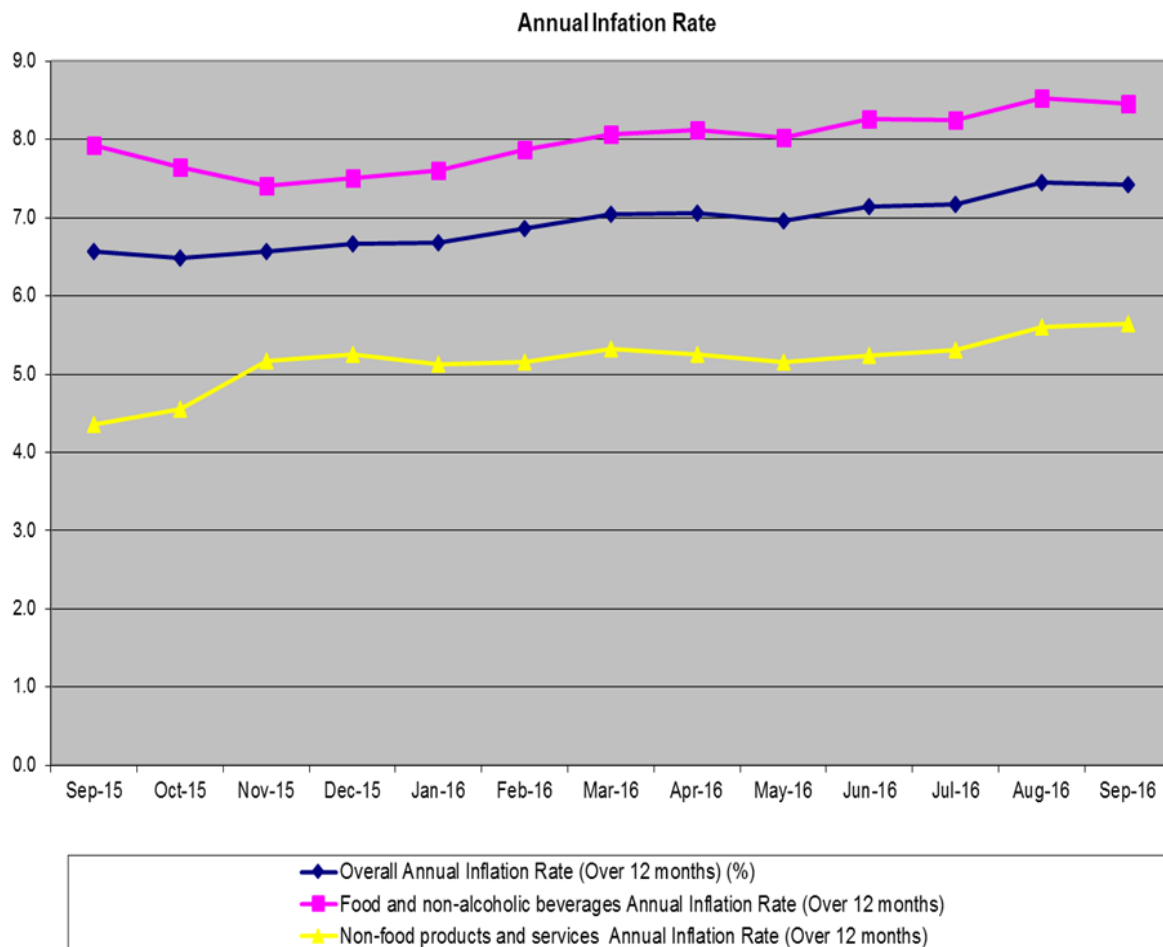
During the months of August 2016 to September 2016, the, Fish and Fish products', 'Bread and Cereals' 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs products' and 'Meat and meat products' show the highest increase in percentage of 1.60 percent, 0.96 percent, 0.81 percent and 0.71 percent respectively.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, inflation rate was 6.97 percent, compared to 6.90 percent which was recorded in August 2016

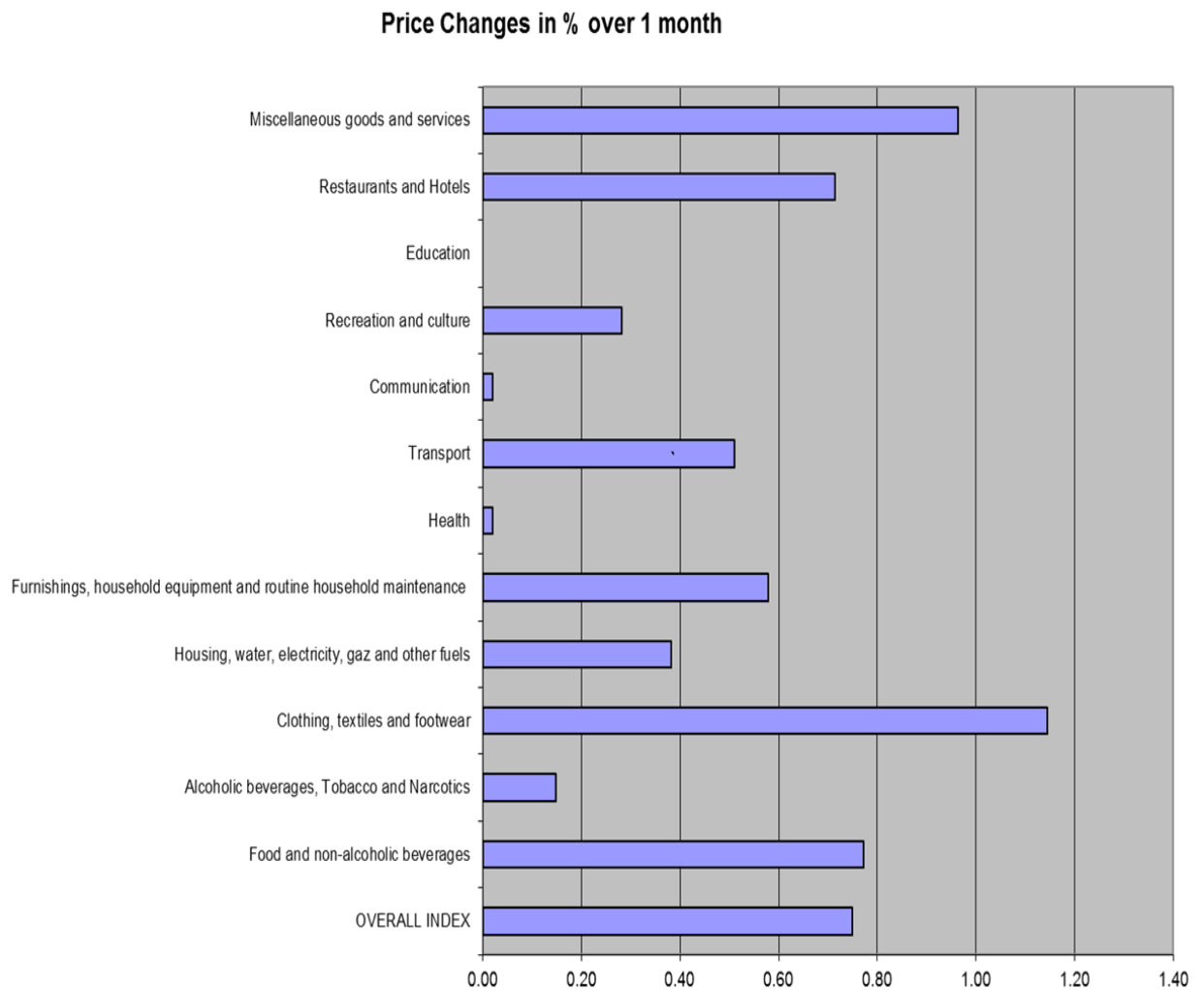
**Overall Annual Inflation Rate (over 12 months - Comparison with the same month for the previous year)**

Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
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	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.7
2016	6.7	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.5	7.4			

**Figure1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year. (Sep 2015 –Sep 2016)**



**Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: August 2016 to September 2016**



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