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CONSUMER PRICE STATISTICS – AUGUST 2012

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COMMENTARY-AUGUST 2012 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)

Section 1: Headline Inflation

In August 2012, national year-on-year inflation rate stood at 6.6 percent, down by 0.7 of a percentage point from 7.3 percent in July 2012. The cities and towns' inflation rate registered a drop of 0.9 of a percentage point, from 7.3 percent in July to 6.4 percent in August. The urban villages' inflation rate went down by 0.7 of a percentage point, from 7.6 percent in July to 6.9 percent in August. The rural villages' inflation rate stood at 6.6 percent in August, down by 0.5 of a percentage point on the July 2012 rate of 7.1 percent.

The August national Consumer Price Index was 160.8, registering an increase of 0.3 percent on the July index of 160.3. The urban villages' index went up from 159.5 to 160.2, recording an increase of 0.4 percent. The cities and towns' index rose by 0.2 percent, from 159.7 to 160.0 between July and August. In the same period, the rural villages' index moved from 163.2 to 163.6, an increase of 0.2 percent.

Group indices were stable between July and August, recording movements of less than 1.0 percent except for the *Clothing and Footwear* group index which recorded an increase of 1.0 percent.

The *Clothing and Footwear* group index registered an increase of 1.0 percent from 142.5 in July to 144.0 in August. All section indices recorded increases, notably, other *articles of Clothing* (2.6 percent), *Cleaning, Repair & Hire* (0.9 percent), *Footwear* (0.7 percent) and *Clothing* (0.5 percent).

The *Recreation & Culture* group index moved from 130.9 in July to 131.8 in August, recording an increase of 0.7 percent. The increase is attributed to the rise in the constituent section index of *Other Recreational Items & Equipment* (4.2 percent).

The *Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages* index group moved from 180.4 to 181.0, registering an increase of 0.4 percent between July and August. The increase was attributed to the general increase in food prices.

The *Restaurants & Hotels* group index registered an increase of 0.4 percent from 195.3 in July to 196.1 in August. The increase was a result of the constituent section indices of *Restaurants, Café's and the Like* (0.4 percent) and *Accommodation Services* (0.6 percent).

The *All-Tradable* inflation rate for August stood at 7.3 percent, down by 0.8 of a percentage point on the July rate of 8.1 percent. The *Imported Tradable* inflation rate recorded a drop of 1.3 percentage points over the period, from 8.0 to 6.7 percent. The *Non-Tradable* inflation rate went down by 0.4 of a percentage point, from 5.2 percent in July to 4.8 percent in August, while the *Domestic Tradable* inflation rate for August stood at 8.2, the same rate as in July.

The *All-Tradable* index moved from 166.7 in July to 167.2 in August, an increase of 0.3 percent. The *Imported Tradable* index rose by 0.4 percent, from 160.5 in July to 161.1 in August. The *Non-Tradable* index went up by 0.3 percent, from 145.2 to 145.7 between the two months, while the *Domestic Tradable* index recorded an increase of 0.1 percent, from 179.0 in July to 179.3 in August.

Section 2: Core Inflation

The Trimmed Mean Core Inflation rate in August stood at 6.3 percent, dropping 0.5 of a percentage point from the July recording of 6.8 percent. The Core Inflation rate by exclusion, between July and August, went up by 0.1 of a percentage point, from 6.5 to 6.6 percent.

Chart 1: National Inflation Rate 2010 - 2012

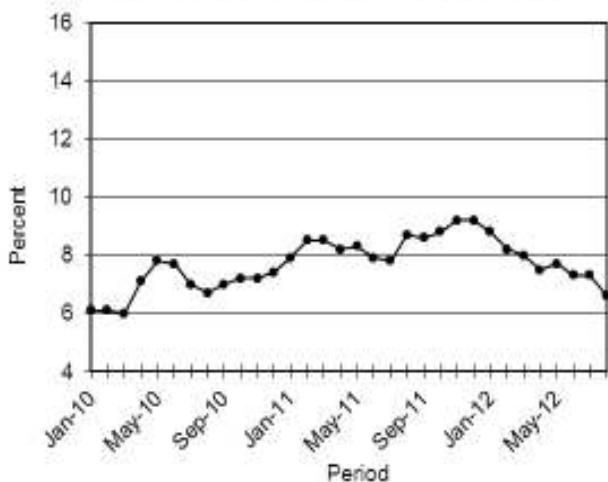


Chart 2: Monthly Changes in Cost-of-Living Index 2010 - 2012

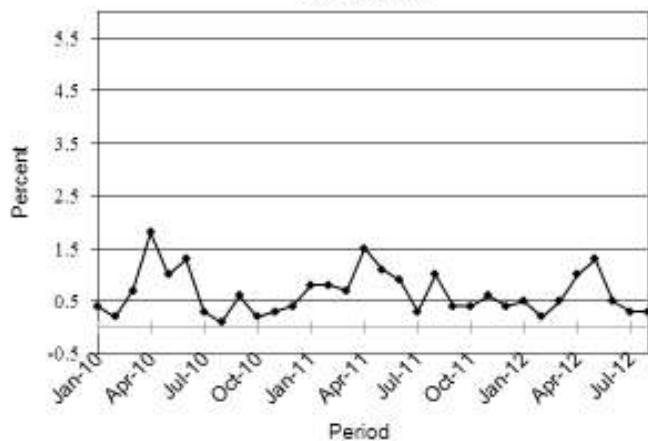


Chart 3: Non-Tradeable Inflation 2010 - 2012

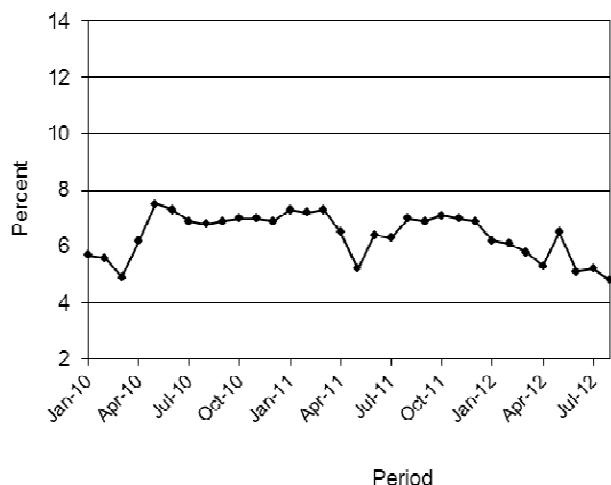
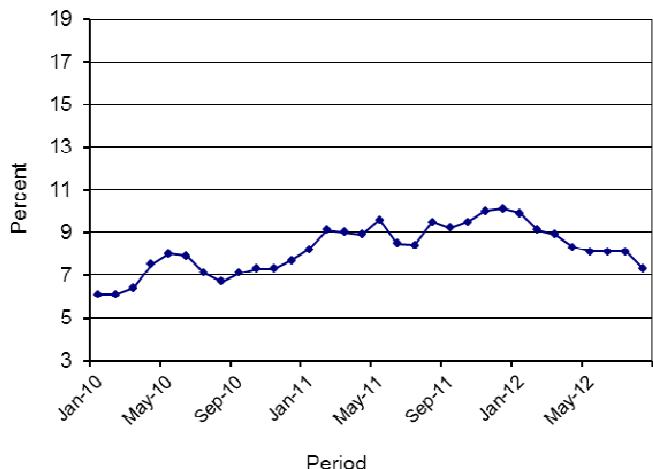


Chart 4 Tradeables Inflation 2010 - 2012



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TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX (September 2006 =100.0)

| Weights (1) | (2) | Food | Alcohol and Tobacco | Clothing and Footwear | Housing | Furni- ture etc | Health | Trans- port | Communi- cation | Rec. & Culture | Educa- tion | Rest. & Hotels | Other |
|-----------------------------------|------|-------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|-------|
| | | 21.84 | 9.29 | 7.52 | 11.46 | 6.76 | 2.71 | 18.98 | 3.01 | 2.22 | 3.37 | 3.27 | 9.57 |
| 2010 | Jan | 151.1 | 165.8 | 116.9 | 119.9 | 130.6 | 124.9 | 120.6 | 94.6 | 109.9 | 120.4 | 155.6 | 114.4 |
| | Feb | 151.1 | 166.0 | 117.3 | 120.0 | 131.2 | 125.2 | 121.0 | 94.6 | 110.3 | 120.4 | 156.5 | 114.6 |
| | Mar | 152.4 | 167.6 | 118.9 | 121.2 | 133.1 | 125.4 | 121.2 | 94.6 | 110.8 | 120.4 | 158.3 | 115.0 |
| | Apr | 154.4 | 174.1 | 119.9 | 121.8 | 134.3 | 127.3 | 123.4 | 95.4 | 111.1 | 120.4 | 162.7 | 119.5 |
| | May | 156.0 | 176.7 | 120.5 | 126.3 | 135.0 | 127.6 | 123.6 | 95.4 | 111.4 | 120.5 | 164.4 | 119.7 |
| | Jun | 156.1 | 177.4 | 121.4 | 126.8 | 137.1 | 127.8 | 130.2 | 96.4 | 111.5 | 120.5 | 165.9 | 120.8 |
| | July | 156.4 | 177.4 | 122.9 | 127.3 | 138.0 | 128.1 | 130.3 | 96.4 | 115.6 | 120.5 | 166.6 | 121.0 |
| | Aug | 156.8 | 177.6 | 123.6 | 127.5 | 138.5 | 128.2 | 129.6 | 96.4 | 115.8 | 120.5 | 167.5 | 121.1 |
| | Sept | 156.7 | 179.1 | 125.0 | 127.7 | 139.3 | 128.3 | 131.6 | 96.4 | 116.1 | 120.5 | 168.8 | 121.4 |
| | Oct | 156.7 | 179.7 | 126.3 | 127.9 | 139.6 | 128.4 | 131.7 | 96.4 | 116.5 | 120.5 | 170.6 | 121.5 |
| | Nov | 157.2 | 180.4 | 127.4 | 128.1 | 140.4 | 128.4 | 131.8 | 96.4 | 116.7 | 120.5 | 171.8 | 121.5 |
| | Dec | 157.6 | 182.1 | 127.1 | 128.8 | 141.7 | 128.6 | 132.2 | 96.4 | 116.9 | 120.5 | 171.9 | 121.7 |
| 2011 | Jan | 158.2 | 183.4 | 127.5 | 129.1 | 142.3 | 128.7 | 133.7 | 96.4 | 117.1 | 133.2 | 172.7 | 122.6 |
| | Feb | 159.1 | 183.9 | 127.9 | 129.4 | 142.9 | 128.8 | 137.5 | 96.4 | 117.6 | 133.2 | 172.9 | 122.6 |
| | Mar | 160.5 | 186.0 | 128.5 | 130.9 | 144.6 | 129.1 | 137.7 | 96.4 | 118.5 | 133.2 | 173.7 | 122.8 |
| | Apr | 164.4 | 188.5 | 131.0 | 131.1 | 145.3 | 133.0 | 139.0 | 96.4 | 123.4 | 133.2 | 175.5 | 125.7 |
| | May | 165.8 | 191.3 | 132.1 | 131.8 | 146.7 | 133.3 | 142.8 | 91.2 | 124.1 | 133.2 | 179.3 | 126.1 |
| | Jun | 166.6 | 191.9 | 133.1 | 137.6 | 148.9 | 133.6 | 143.3 | 91.2 | 124.4 | 133.2 | 182.5 | 126.6 |
| | Jul | 167.0 | 192.2 | 134.4 | 138.2 | 149.5 | 133.6 | 143.4 | 91.2 | 124.5 | 133.2 | 183.4 | 126.7 |
| | Aug | 167.9 | 192.4 | 135.1 | 138.9 | 150.4 | 133.7 | 148.7 | 91.2 | 124.7 | 133.2 | 183.7 | 126.8 |
| | Sept | 168.8 | 192.4 | 135.8 | 140.0 | 152.9 | 133.9 | 148.8 | 91.2 | 124.8 | 133.2 | 184.5 | 126.9 |
| | Oct | 169.8 | 192.8 | 136.4 | 140.6 | 153.9 | 136.0 | 149.4 | 91.2 | 125.3 | 133.2 | 184.6 | 127.1 |
| | Nov | 170.7 | 192.9 | 137.2 | 141.2 | 154.3 | 136.1 | 152.6 | 91.2 | 125.3 | 133.2 | 185.3 | 127.2 |
| | Dec | 171.8 | 192.8 | 138.8 | 141.8 | 155.2 | 136.4 | 152.6 | 91.2 | 125.4 | 133.2 | 186.0 | 127.2 |
| 2012 | Jan | 172.3 | 193.5 | 139.6 | 141.9 | 155.6 | 136.5 | 153.4 | 91.2 | 125.6 | 141.5 | 187.1 | 127.7 |
| | Feb | 173.3 | 193.6 | 140.2 | 142.0 | 155.9 | 136.9 | 153.5 | 91.2 | 125.7 | 141.5 | 187.5 | 127.7 |
| | Mar | 174.6 | 196.0 | 140.7 | 142.4 | 156.6 | 137.2 | 153.5 | 91.2 | 125.9 | 141.7 | 189.5 | 127.7 |
| | Apr | 177.0 | 201.2 | 140.9 | 142.4 | 157.5 | 141.0 | 153.8 | 91.7 | 130.2 | 141.7 | 192.7 | 128.2 |
| | May | 178.4 | 204.7 | 141.3 | 147.4 | 158.1 | 141.3 | 157.8 | 91.7 | 130.3 | 141.7 | 193.7 | 128.3 |
| | Jun | 179.6 | 205.2 | 141.9 | 148.6 | 160.1 | 141.5 | 158.2 | 91.7 | 130.4 | 141.7 | 194.9 | 128.4 |
| | Jul | 180.4 | 205.8 | 142.5 | 148.4 | 160.6 | 142.1 | 159.3 | 91.7 | 130.9 | 141.7 | 195.3 | 128.6 |
| | Aug | 181.0 | 206.1 | 144.0 | 148.4 | 161.2 | 142.3 | 159.9 | 91.7 | 131.8 | 141.7 | 196.1 | 128.2 |
| % Change on Last month | | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.0 | (0.0) | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.4 | (0.3) |

TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX(Cont.)

| | All Items Index | National Inflation Rate | Monthly Change | Towns & Cities Index | Urban Village Index | Rural Villages Index | Annual Inflation | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| | | | | | | | Towns & Cities % | Urban Villages % | Rural % |
| | | % | % | 47.33 | 33.76 | 18.91 | | | |
| 2010 | Jan | 131.4 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 129.8 | 131.2 | 135.8 | 6.7 | 5.9 |
| | Feb | 131.7 | 6.1 | 0.2 | 130.1 | 131.2 | 136.4 | 6.6 | 5.8 |
| | Mar | 132.6 | 6.0 | 0.7 | 131.0 | 131.8 | 138.3 | 6.5 | 5.2 |
| | Apr | 135.0 | 7.1 | 1.8 | 133.5 | 134.0 | 140.4 | 7.9 | 6.3 |
| | May | 136.3 | 7.8 | 1.0 | 134.8 | 135.4 | 141.6 | 8.7 | 7.2 |
| | Jun | 138.1 | 7.7 | 1.3 | 137.0 | 137.0 | 142.8 | 8.5 | 7.0 |
| | July | 138.6 | 7.0 | 0.3 | 137.4 | 137.6 | 143.2 | 7.9 | 6.4 |
| | Aug | 138.7 | 6.7 | 0.1 | 137.8 | 137.6 | 142.7 | 7.7 | 5.9 |
| | Sept | 139.4 | 7.0 | 0.6 | 138.6 | 138.7 | 143.0 | 8.0 | 6.4 |
| | Oct | 139.7 | 7.2 | 0.2 | 138.8 | 139.1 | 143.0 | 8.0 | 6.8 |
| | Nov | 140.1 | 7.2 | 0.3 | 139.5 | 139.3 | 143.2 | 8.2 | 6.7 |
| | Dec | 140.6 | 7.4 | 0.4 | 139.8 | 139.9 | 144.0 | 8.1 | 7.2 |
| 2011 | Jan | 141.8 | 7.9 | 0.8 | 141.3 | 141.0 | 144.5 | 8.8 | 7.5 |
| | Feb | 142.9 | 8.5 | 0.8 | 142.4 | 142.2 | 145.5 | 9.5 | 8.4 |
| | Mar | 143.8 | 8.5 | 0.7 | 143.2 | 143.2 | 146.6 | 9.3 | 8.7 |
| | Apr | 146.0 | 8.2 | 1.5 | 145.3 | 145.5 | 148.8 | 8.9 | 8.5 |
| | May | 147.6 | 8.3 | 1.1 | 146.9 | 146.9 | 150.5 | 9.0 | 8.5 |
| | Jun | 149.0 | 7.9 | 0.9 | 148.4 | 148.1 | 152.0 | 8.3 | 8.1 |
| | Jul | 149.3 | 7.8 | 0.3 | 148.9 | 148.3 | 152.3 | 8.4 | 7.7 |
| | Aug | 150.8 | 8.7 | 1.0 | 150.4 | 149.8 | 153.4 | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| | Sept | 151.4 | 8.6 | 0.4 | 150.9 | 150.6 | 153.9 | 8.9 | 8.6 |
| | Oct | 152.0 | 8.8 | 0.4 | 151.4 | 151.5 | 154.6 | 9.0 | 8.9 |
| | Nov | 153.0 | 9.2 | 0.6 | 152.4 | 152.7 | 155.0 | 9.3 | 9.6 |
| | Dec | 153.5 | 9.2 | 0.4 | 152.9 | 153.1 | 155.9 | 9.4 | 8.3 |
| 2012 | Jan | 154.3 | 8.8 | 0.5 | 153.5 | 154.0 | 157.0 | 8.6 | 9.2 |
| | Feb | 154.7 | 8.2 | 0.2 | 153.7 | 154.4 | 157.6 | 8.0 | 8.6 |
| | Mar | 155.4 | 8.0 | 0.5 | 154.3 | 155.1 | 158.6 | 7.8 | 8.3 |
| | Apr | 156.9 | 7.5 | 1.0 | 156.0 | 156.6 | 159.8 | 7.3 | 7.7 |
| | May | 159.0 | 7.7 | 1.3 | 158.6 | 158.2 | 161.3 | 8.0 | 7.7 |
| | Jun | 159.8 | 7.3 | 0.5 | 159.3 | 158.9 | 162.5 | 7.4 | 7.3 |
| | Jul | 160.3 | 7.3 | 0.3 | 159.7 | 159.5 | 163.2 | 7.3 | 7.6 |
| | Aug | 160.8 | 6.6 | 0.3 | 160.0 | 160.2 | 163.6 | 6.4 | 6.9 |
| % Change on | | | | | | | | | |
| last month | | 0.3 | | | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.2 | | |

Table 2: National Cost-of-Living Group & Section Indices (September 2006 = 100.0)

| Group | Section | Weights | This | Last | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months | Percentage Change on: | | | |
|----------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | month | month | ago | ago | ago | Last | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months |
| | | | Aug 2012 | Jul 2012 | May 2012 | Feb 2012 | Aug 2011 | month | ago | ago | ago |
| 1 | Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages | 21.84 | 181.0 | 180.4 | 178.4 | 173.3 | 167.9 | 0.4 | 1.5 | 4.4 | 7.8 |
| 1.1 | Bread & Cereals | 6.51 | 180.4 | 180.2 | 177.3 | 169.3 | 161.4 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 6.5 | 11.7 |
| 1.2 | Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen) | 3.15 | 184.3 | 184.0 | 183.5 | 179.4 | 174.7 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 5.5 |
| 1.3 | Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen) | 0.20 | 180.9 | 179.9 | 176.8 | 171.7 | 169.7 | 0.6 | 2.3 | 5.4 | 6.6 |
| 1.4 | Milk, Cheese & Milk Products | 2.19 | 183.1 | 182.5 | 180.4 | 178.7 | 177.5 | 0.3 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 3.1 |
| 1.5 | Oils & Fats | 0.90 | 216.9 | 216.5 | 213.8 | 211.8 | 205.6 | 0.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 5.5 |
| 1.6 | Fruit | 0.67 | 128.0 | 126.1 | 125.3 | 123.5 | 114.5 | 1.6 | 2.2 | 3.7 | 11.8 |
| 1.7 | Vegetables | 1.94 | 179.3 | 177.9 | 175.2 | 170.8 | 169.5 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 4.9 | 5.8 |
| 1.8 | Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery | 1.36 | 185.3 | 184.2 | 183.0 | 177.1 | 169.5 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 4.7 | 9.3 |
| 1.9 | Food not else where Classified | 2.36 | 180.8 | 179.7 | 178.6 | 175.7 | 171.4 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 5.5 |
| 1.10 | Coffee, Tea & Cocoa | 0.63 | 201.7 | 201.8 | 197.0 | 193.1 | 186.5 | (0.1) | 2.4 | 4.4 | 8.2 |
| 1.11 | Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices | 1.94 | 169.6 | 168.5 | 167.2 | 161.0 | 155.8 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 5.3 | 8.9 |
| 2 | Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics | 9.29 | 206.1 | 205.8 | 204.7 | 193.6 | 192.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 6.5 | 7.1 |
| 2.1 | Alchoholic Beverages | 8.09 | 205.9 | 205.7 | 204.7 | 193.3 | 192.3 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 6.5 | 7.1 |
| 2.2 | Tobacco | 1.20 | 208.0 | 206.8 | 204.8 | 195.7 | 193.2 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 6.3 | 7.7 |
| 3 | Clothing and Footwear | 7.52 | 144.0 | 142.5 | 141.3 | 140.2 | 135.1 | 1.0 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 6.6 |
| 3.1 | Clothing | 3.33 | 162.7 | 161.9 | 160.9 | 159.8 | 153.1 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.8 | 6.3 |
| 3.2 | Other articles of Clothing | 1.82 | 130.7 | 127.4 | 126.7 | 125.8 | 119.5 | 2.6 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 9.4 |
| 3.3 | Cleaning, Repair & Hire | 0.03 | 179.0 | 177.4 | 173.7 | 169.8 | 163.0 | 0.9 | 3.0 | 5.4 | 9.8 |
| 3.4 | Footwear | 2.34 | 127.2 | 126.2 | 124.3 | 123.1 | 121.1 | 0.7 | 2.3 | 3.3 | 5.0 |
| 4 | Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels | 11.46 | 148.4 | 148.4 | 147.4 | 142.0 | 138.9 | (0.0) | 0.7 | 4.5 | 6.8 |
| 4.1 | Rent paid by Tenants | 5.68 | 130.8 | 130.8 | 128.4 | 127.7 | 125.1 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 4.6 |
| 4.2 | Materials for Maintenance & Repair of dwellings | 2.57 | 143.5 | 142.4 | 142.0 | 141.2 | 137.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 4.3 |
| 4.3 | Water Supply & Misc. Services | 1.14 | 151.4 | 151.4 | 151.4 | 102.2 | 102.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 48.2 | 48.2 |
| 4.4 | Electricity Gas and other Fuels | 2.06 | 201.0 | 202.6 | 204.0 | 204.0 | 199.1 | (0.8) | (1.4) | (1.5) | 0.9 |
| 5 | Furnishing, H/H Equipment& Routine Maintenance | 6.76 | 161.2 | 160.6 | 158.1 | 155.9 | 150.4 | 0.4 | 1.9 | 3.4 | 7.1 |
| 5.1 | Furniture & Furnishing | 2.31 | 135.9 | 134.6 | 134.0 | 131.5 | 127.4 | 1.0 | 1.5 | 3.4 | 6.7 |
| 5.2 | Carpets & Other Floor Coverings | 0.04 | 147.8 | 147.2 | 146.6 | 145.8 | 143.0 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 3.3 |
| 5.3 | Household Textiles | 0.44 | 149.5 | 149.0 | 147.6 | 145.5 | 141.4 | 0.3 | 1.3 | 2.8 | 5.7 |
| 5.4 | Household Appliances | 0.69 | 136.4 | 135.9 | 134.3 | 132.7 | 129.4 | 0.4 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 5.4 |
| 5.5 | Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils | 0.44 | 168.7 | 168.7 | 162.8 | 160.7 | 156.2 | 0.0 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 8.0 |
| 5.6 | Small Tools, Miscelaneous Accessories | 0.06 | 167.4 | 167.0 | 166.7 | 165.4 | 162.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 3.2 |
| 5.7 | Goods & Services for H/hold Maintanance | 2.79 | 188.8 | 188.7 | 184.9 | 182.6 | 175.0 | 0.1 | 2.1 | 3.4 | 7.9 |

Table 2: National Cost-of-Living Group & Section Indices (September 2006 = 100.0) (Cont.)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| 6 Health | 2.71 | 142.3 | 142.1 | 141.3 | 136.9 | 133.7 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 3.9 | 6.4 |
| 6.1 Medical Products, App. & Equip. | 0.35 | 165.9 | 164.4 | 162.0 | 155.0 | 145.6 | 0.9 | 2.4 | 7.1 | 13.9 |
| 6.2 Out-patient Services | 0.66 | 148.0 | 148.0 | 145.9 | 133.0 | 124.8 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 11.3 | 18.6 |
| 6.3 Hospital Services | 1.71 | 135.3 | 135.3 | 135.3 | 134.7 | 134.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| 7 Transport | 18.98 | 159.9 | 159.3 | 157.8 | 153.5 | 148.7 | 0.4 | 1.4 | 4.2 | 7.6 |
| 7.1 Purchase of Vehicles | 5.89 | 150.9 | 150.9 | 148.9 | 148.8 | 146.4 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 3.0 |
| 7.2 Operation of Personal Transport | 10.92 | 164.6 | 163.5 | 161.9 | 154.5 | 147.6 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 6.5 | 11.5 |
| 7.3 Transport Services | 2.17 | 161.1 | 160.9 | 160.9 | 160.9 | 160.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 |
| 8 Communication | 3.01 | 91.7 | 91.7 | 91.7 | 91.2 | 91.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 8.1 Postal Services | 0.04 | 209.9 | 209.9 | 209.9 | 170.8 | 170.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 22.9 | 22.9 |
| 8.2 Telephone & Telefax Equipment | 0.74 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 66.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 8.3 Telephone & Telefax Services | 2.23 | 98.0 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 9 Recreation & Culture | 2.22 | 131.8 | 130.9 | 130.3 | 125.7 | 124.7 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 4.8 | 5.7 |
| 9.1 Audio Visual, Photographic & Info. Proce. Equip. | 1.09 | 104.7 | 104.5 | 103.6 | 102.6 | 102.6 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 2.1 |
| 9.2 Other Recreational Items & Equip. | 0.18 | 156.5 | 150.2 | 150.6 | 150.1 | 146.5 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 4.3 | 6.8 |
| 9.3 Recreational & Cultural Services | 0.76 | 148.9 | 148.4 | 148.4 | 137.4 | 137.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 8.3 | 8.7 |
| 9.4 Newspapers, Books & Stationary | 0.19 | 192.9 | 191.4 | 190.1 | 186.1 | 180.2 | 0.8 | 1.4 | 3.6 | 7.1 |
| 10 Education | 3.37 | 141.7 | 141.7 | 141.7 | 141.5 | 133.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 6.4 |
| 10.1 Pre-Primary & Primary Education | 1.10 | 173.5 | 173.5 | 173.5 | 173.0 | 154.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 12.3 |
| 10.2 Secondary & Tertiary Education | 2.26 | 126.2 | 126.2 | 126.2 | 126.2 | 122.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| 11 Restaurants & Hotels | 3.27 | 196.1 | 195.3 | 193.7 | 187.5 | 183.7 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 4.6 | 6.8 |
| 11.1 Restaurants, Cafes and the Like | 3.08 | 198.5 | 197.7 | 196.1 | 189.8 | 186.1 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 4.6 | 6.7 |
| 11.2 Accommodation Services | 0.19 | 156.4 | 155.4 | 153.7 | 149.8 | 143.4 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 4.4 | 9.0 |
| 12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services | 9.57 | 128.2 | 128.6 | 128.3 | 127.7 | 126.8 | (0.3) | (0.1) | 0.4 | 1.1 |
| 12.1 Personal Care | 0.66 | 152.3 | 151.8 | 149.2 | 147.1 | 143.9 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 3.5 | 5.8 |
| 12.2 Personal Effects N.E.C. | 0.04 | 131.2 | 127.9 | 127.2 | 126.4 | 118.9 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 10.3 |
| 12.3 Social Protection | 0.14 | 147.8 | 147.8 | 147.8 | 146.8 | 146.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 |
| 12.4 Insurance | 6.32 | 128.9 | 129.6 | 129.6 | 129.6 | 128.9 | (0.6) | (0.6) | (0.6) | (0.0) |
| 12.5 Financial Services | 0.18 | 142.4 | 142.0 | 139.7 | 137.7 | 133.9 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 3.4 | 6.4 |
| 12.6 Taxes Licences, Fees | 2.24 | 116.6 | 116.6 | 116.3 | 114.7 | 113.9 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 2.4 |
| All-Items Index | 100.0 | 160.8 | 160.3 | 159.0 | 154.7 | 150.8 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 3.9 | 6.6 |

TABLE 3: COST-OF-LIVING INDEX BY TRADEABILITY (September 2006 = 100.0)

| Weights | All Items | | Non-Tradeables | | Domestic Tradeables | | Imported Tradeables | | All Tradeables | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------|------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|----------------|------------|-------------|
| | Index | Inflation | Index | Inflation | Index | Inflation | Index | Inflation | Index | Inflation | |
| | 100.00 | | 30.92 | | 23.91 | | 45.17 | | 69.08 | | |
| 2010 | Jan | 131.4 | 6.1 | 123.8 | 5.7 | 149.3 | 3.0 | 127.2 | 8.5 | 134.6 | 6.1 |
| | Feb | 131.7 | 6.1 | 124.0 | 5.6 | 149.5 | 2.2 | 127.4 | 9.0 | 134.9 | 6.1 |
| | Mar | 132.6 | 6.0 | 124.6 | 4.9 | 150.5 | 2.0 | 128.7 | 9.3 | 136.0 | 6.4 |
| | Apr | 135.0 | 7.1 | 126.9 | 6.2 | 153.7 | 3.5 | 130.6 | 10.1 | 138.3 | 7.5 |
| | May | 136.3 | 7.8 | 128.7 | 7.5 | 154.9 | 4.2 | 131.7 | 10.4 | 139.5 | 8.0 |
| | Jun | 138.1 | 7.7 | 129.7 | 7.3 | 154.8 | 4.2 | 135.1 | 10.3 | 141.6 | 7.9 |
| | July | 138.6 | 7.0 | 129.9 | 6.9 | 155.3 | 3.8 | 135.7 | 9.2 | 142.2 | 7.1 |
| | Aug | 138.7 | 6.7 | 130.0 | 6.8 | 155.3 | 3.8 | 135.9 | 8.5 | 142.4 | 6.7 |
| | Sept | 139.4 | 7.0 | 130.9 | 6.9 | 155.5 | 4.3 | 136.8 | 8.8 | 143.1 | 7.1 |
| | Oct | 139.7 | 7.2 | 131.0 | 7.0 | 155.6 | 4.3 | 137.3 | 9.1 | 143.4 | 7.3 |
| | Nov | 140.1 | 7.2 | 131.2 | 7.0 | 155.9 | 4.3 | 137.9 | 9.0 | 144.0 | 7.3 |
| | Dec | 140.6 | 7.4 | 131.6 | 6.9 | 156.5 | 5.0 | 138.4 | 9.3 | 144.5 | 7.7 |
| 2011 | Jan | 141.8 | 7.9 | 132.8 | 7.3 | 158.2 | 5.9 | 139.2 | 9.5 | 145.6 | 8.2 |
| | Feb | 142.9 | 8.5 | 132.9 | 7.2 | 158.9 | 6.2 | 141.3 | 10.9 | 147.2 | 9.1 |
| | Mar | 143.8 | 8.5 | 133.7 | 7.3 | 160.1 | 6.4 | 142.2 | 10.5 | 148.2 | 9.0 |
| | Apr | 146.0 | 8.2 | 135.2 | 6.5 | 162.2 | 5.5 | 144.8 | 10.9 | 150.6 | 8.9 |
| | May | 147.6 | 8.3 | 135.3 | 5.2 | 163.5 | 5.5 | 147.6 | 12.1 | 152.9 | 9.6 |
| | Jun | 149.0 | 7.9 | 138.0 | 6.4 | 164.8 | 6.5 | 148.1 | 9.6 | 153.6 | 8.5 |
| | Jul | 149.3 | 7.8 | 138.0 | 6.3 | 165.4 | 6.5 | 148.6 | 9.5 | 154.2 | 8.4 |
| | Aug | 150.8 | 8.7 | 139.0 | 7.0 | 165.7 | 6.7 | 150.9 | 11.1 | 155.8 | 9.5 |
| | Sept | 151.4 | 8.6 | 139.9 | 6.9 | 166.3 | 6.9 | 151.3 | 10.6 | 156.3 | 9.2 |
| | Oct | 152.0 | 8.8 | 140.3 | 7.1 | 167.0 | 7.4 | 152.1 | 10.8 | 157.0 | 9.5 |
| | Nov | 153.0 | 9.2 | 140.4 | 7.0 | 167.5 | 7.4 | 153.9 | 11.6 | 158.4 | 10.0 |
| | Dec | 153.5 | 9.2 | 140.7 | 6.9 | 168.0 | 7.4 | 154.6 | 11.8 | 159.1 | 10.1 |
| 2012 | Jan | 154.3 | 8.8 | 141.1 | 6.2 | 169.6 | 7.2 | 155.3 | 11.5 | 160.0 | 9.9 |
| | Feb | 154.7 | 8.2 | 141.0 | 6.1 | 170.4 | 7.3 | 155.7 | 10.2 | 160.6 | 9.1 |
| | Mar | 155.4 | 8.0 | 141.4 | 5.8 | 172.2 | 7.6 | 156.1 | 9.8 | 161.4 | 8.9 |
| | Apr | 156.9 | 7.5 | 142.4 | 5.3 | 176.0 | 8.5 | 156.7 | 8.2 | 163.2 | 8.3 |
| | May | 159.0 | 7.7 | 144.2 | 6.5 | 178.0 | 8.9 | 158.9 | 7.7 | 165.3 | 8.1 |
| | Jun | 159.8 | 7.3 | 145.0 | 5.1 | 178.7 | 8.4 | 159.7 | 7.8 | 166.0 | 8.1 |
| | Jul | 160.3 | 7.3 | 145.2 | 5.2 | 179.0 | 8.2 | 160.5 | 8.0 | 166.7 | 8.1 |
| | Aug | 160.8 | 6.6 | 145.7 | 4.8 | 179.3 | 8.2 | 161.1 | 6.7 | 167.2 | 7.3 |
| % Change on last month | | 0.3 | | 0.3 | | 0.1 | | 0.4 | | 0.3 | |

TABLE 4: Core Inflation Rates by Exclusion and Trimmed Mean

| Year | Month | Consumer Price Index (Trimmed Mean) (September 2006 = 100) | Core Monthly Inflation Rate (Trimmed Mean) (percentage) | Consumer Price Index (Excluding Administered Prices) (September 2006 = 100) | Core Monthly Inflation (Excluding Administered Prices) (percentage) |
|------|-------|--|---|---|---|
| 2010 | | | | | |
| | Jan | 129.7 | 6.7 | 135.2 | 5.9 |
| | Feb | 129.0 | 6.7 | 135.5 | 5.8 |
| | Mar | 130.0 | 6.5 | 136.7 | 5.6 |
| | Apr | 133.1 | 7.7 | 139.1 | 6.8 |
| | May | 133.2 | 8.3 | 140.2 | 7.2 |
| | Jun | 135.0 | 8.1 | 141.0 | 6.9 |
| | July | 136.6 | 7.6 | 141.5 | 6.1 |
| | Aug | 135.4 | 7.2 | 142.0 | 6.3 |
| | Sept | 136.8 | 7.4 | 142.7 | 6.5 |
| | Oct | 137.2 | 7.6 | 143.1 | 6.8 |
| | Nov | 137.9 | 7.6 | 143.6 | 6.7 |
| | Dec | 137.5 | 7.7 | 144.2 | 7.1 |
| 2011 | | | | | |
| | Jan | 139.6 | 8.0 | 145.5 | 7.6 |
| | Feb | 142.1 | 8.6 | 146.0 | 7.7 |
| | Mar | 142.6 | 8.4 | 147.1 | 7.6 |
| | Apr | 143.4 | 8.0 | 149.4 | 7.4 |
| | May | 148.7 | 8.2 | 150.5 | 7.3 |
| | Jun | 148.8 | 7.6 | 151.4 | 7.4 |
| | July | 150.3 | 7.4 | 151.9 | 7.3 |
| | Aug | 153.7 | 8.4 | 152.5 | 7.4 |
| | Sept | 154.8 | 8.1 | 153.2 | 7.4 |
| | Oct | 155.6 | 8.3 | 154.0 | 7.6 |
| | Nov | 156.3 | 8.5 | 154.4 | 7.5 |
| | Dec | 156.9 | 8.5 | 155.1 | 7.5 |
| 2012 | | | | | |
| | Jan | 157.9 | 8.1 | 156.0 | 7.2 |
| | Feb | 158.0 | 7.8 | 156.5 | 7.2 |
| | Mar | 159.2 | 7.6 | 157.4 | 7.0 |
| | Apr | 158.9 | 7.3 | 159.2 | 6.6 |
| | May | 160.7 | 7.3 | 160.2 | 6.5 |
| | Jun | 163.9 | 6.8 | 161.2 | 6.4 |
| | Jul | 164.5 | 6.8 | 161.8 | 6.5 |
| | Aug | 164.0 | 6.3 | 162.5 | 6.6 |

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