



Press Release

Palestinian Consumer Price Index increase 0.77% in October 2007

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Palestinian Territory with its 1996 base year (1996=100) reached 160.18 in October 2007, a 0.77% increase relative to September 2007.

Analysis of consumer price developments for October indicates **increases in** the following major expenditure groups:

- Housing:	+ 1.41 %
- Miscellaneous Goods and Services:	+ 1.10 %
- Food:	+ 1.01 %
- Education:	+ 0.82 %
- Transport and Communications:	+ 0.52 %
- Beverages and Tobacco:	+ 0.49 %
- Furniture, Household Goods and Services:	+ 0.28 %
- Textiles, clothing and footwear:	+ 0.28 %
- Medical Care:	+ 0.19 %

At the same time, there were **declines** in other major expenditure groups including:

- Recreational, Cultural Goods and Services:	- 0.11 %
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Palestinian Territory **regions** experienced different overall CPI developments as follows:

- Gaza Strip:	+ 0.76%
- Remaining West Bank:	+ 0.81%
- Jerusalem:	+ 0.66%

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