



News Release

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS):

Palestinian Consumer Price Index, for 2010

Increase in the CPI

The Overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Palestinian Territory with its 2004 base year (2004=100) reached 129.0 in 2010, it increased by 3.75% compared with 2009, and increased by 2.83% in December 2010 compared with December 2009, while it indicate stability in December 2010 compared with November 2009.

Analysis of consumer price developments for year 2010 indicates **increases** in the following major expenditure groups:

- Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	12.13%
- Education	6.0%
- Miscellaneous goods and services	5.2%
- Food and soft drinks	3.4%
- Textiles, clothing and footwear	3.92%
- Transportation	2.64%

At the same time, there was a **decrease** in the following major expenditure group:

- Communications	2.04%
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Palestinian Territory experienced different overall CPI developments by region as follows:

- Jerusalem J1*:	5.25%
- West Bank:	4.24%
- Gaza Strip:	1.72%

* Jerusalem J1: those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967

The data of West Bank doesn't cover those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israel in 1967.