



Press Release

Palestinian Consumer Price Index increase 0.93% in September 2007

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Palestinian Territory with its 1996 base year (1996=100) reached 158.96 in September 2007, a 0.93% increase relative to August 2007.

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

- Food:	+ 2.31 %
- Beverages and Tobacco:	+ 1.09 %
- Medical Care:	+ 0.22 %
- Recreational, Cultural Goods and Services:	+ 0.13 %
- Education:	+ 0.08 %

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

- Furniture, Household Goods and Services:	- 0.20 %
- Housing:	- 0.18 %
- Transport and Communications:	- 0.18 %
- Textiles, clothing and footwear:	- 0.13 %
- Miscellaneous Goods and Services:	- 0.08 %

Palestinian Territory **regions** experienced different overall CPI developments as follows:

- Gaza Strip:	+ 1.57%
- Remaining West Bank:	+ 0.72%
- Jerusalem:	+ 0.55%

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