



Press Release

Palestinian Central Bureau Of Statistics

Palestinian Consumer Price Index increase 0.95% in December 2007

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Palestinian Territory with its 1996 base year (1996=100) reached 164.01 in December 2007, a 0.95% increase relative to November 2007.

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

- Miscellaneous Goods and Services: + 1.64 %
- Food: + 1.33 %
- Housing: + 1.26 %
- Transport and Communications: + 0.89 %
- Textiles, clothing and footwear: + 0.73 %
- Beverages and Tobacco: + 0.50 %
- Furniture, Household Goods and Services: + 0.17 %

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

- Recreational, Cultural Goods and Services: - 0.36 %
- Medical Care: - 0.35 %
- Education: - 0.19 %

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

- Gaza Strip: + 1.82%
- Remaining West Bank: + 0.78%
- Jerusalem: + 0.67%

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