

Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Decrease in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) during October, 10/2019

The overall CPI for Palestine during October 2019 decreased by 0.31% compared with September 2019 (by 1.05% in Gaza Strip, and by 0.21% in the West Bank**, while it slightly increased by 0.09% in Jerusalem J1*).

The changes in Palestinian CPI for October 2019 were traced back to changes in prices of the following expenditure sub groups compared with previous month:

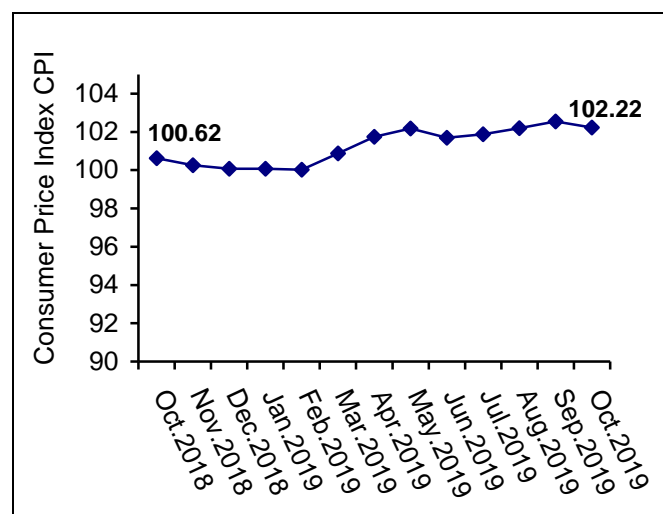
Sub Groups	Percent Change
Fresh Fruit	- 9.11%
Potatoes and other Tubers	- 5.14%
Fresh Chicken	- 4.35%
Vegetable Oil	- 2.03%
Eggs	+ 14.91%
Fresh Vegetables	+ 2.30%
Liquid Fuel for Car "Diesel"	+ 2.11%
Liquid Fuel for Car "Petrol"	+ 1.28%

The Palestinian CPI during October 2019 increased by 1.59% compared with October 2018 (by 1.95% in the West Bank**, and by 1.45% in Jerusalem J1*, while it decreased by 0.40% in Gaza Strip).

The table shows monthly percent changes in CPI by Palestinian regions for the months: January – October 2019:

Month	Monthly Percent Change			
	Palestine	West Bank*	Gaza Strip	Jerusal-em J1*
January 2019	+ 0.01	+ 0.01	+ 0.15	- 0.19
February 2019	- 0.05	+ 0.17	- 0.57	- 0.49
March 2019	+ 0.85	+ 0.88	+ 0.89	+ 0.57
April 2019	+ 0.85	+ 1.09	+ 0.07	+ 0.76
May 2019	+ 0.43	- 0.14	+ 1.12	+ 1.89
June 2019	- 0.48	- 0.34	- 1.26	- 0.01
July 2019	+ 0.18	+ 0.32	- 0.38	+ 0.16
August 2019	+ 0.31	+ 0.32	+ 0.28	+ 0.15
September 2019	+ 0.33	+ 0.26	+ 0.69	- 0.09
October 2019	- 0.31	- 0.21	- 1.05	+ 0.09

The trend line of Consumer Price Index in Palestine for the months: October 2018 – October 2019 (Base Year 2018 = 100)



Notice:

- The base year of Consumer Price Index has been updated to be 2018.
- Reliance on the new version of the Classification of Individual Consumption according to Purpose COICOP – 2018 issued by the United Nation Statistic Division (UNSD), to classify major groups, commodities' and services consumed.

Notes:

*Data represent those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israeli Occupation in 1967.

**Data exclude those parts of Jerusalem which were annexed by Israeli Occupation in 1967.

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