# Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

**Decrease in the Consumer Price Index during May,05/2016**

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Palestine during May 2016 decreased by 0.49% compared with April 2016 (by 0.66% in the West Bank\*\*, by 0.45% in Gaza Strip, and slightly decreased by 0.03% in Jerusalem J1\*).

The CPI during May 2016 decreased by 0.31% compared with May 2015 (by 2.41% in Jerusalem J1\*, by 0.77% in the West Bank\*\*, and by 0.30% in Gaza Strip).

The CPI during the first five months of 2016 increased by 0.26% compared with the same period of the previous year (by 0.51% in the West Bank\*\*, while it decreased by 1.73% in Jerusalem J1\*, and by 0.18% in Gaza Strip).

The change in (CPI) in Palestine for May 2016 is traced back to changes in prices of the following expenditure sub groups compared with previous month:

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| **Sub Groups** | **Change** |
| Dried Vegetables | - 24.54% |
| Fresh Vegetables | - 9.13% |
| Fresh Fruit | - 7.75% |
| Potatoes and other Tubers | - 4.75% |
| Oils and Fats | - 1.06% |
| Eggs | - 0.64% |
| Fresh Meat | - 0.41% |
| Fresh Fish | + 4.94% |
| Fresh poultry | + 1.56% |
| Liquid Fuel for House | + 1.45% |
| Imported Cigarettes | + 0.99% |
| Liquid Fuel for Cars | + 0.69% |

**The consumer price index in Palestine for May 2015 – May 2016**

**(Base Year 2010=100)**

**Notes**:

* Jerusalem J1\*: Includes that part of Jerusalem which was annexed forcefully by Israel following its occupation of the West Bank in 1967.
* The data of West Bank\*\* doesn't include that part of Jerusalem which was annexed forcefully by Israel following its occupation of the West Bank in 1967.