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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) June 2012

The National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda is very pleased to deliver to users the Consumer Price Index (February 2009=100). The All Urban CPI is regarded as the headline index, producing the official inflation rate.

The CPI is published every month by the 15th

All Urban Index:

In June 2012 the All Urban general index is established at 116.9 this stands for a decrease of 0.71% over the previous month which was 117.8. In annual change it increased by 5.92% compared to 8.32% in the previous month. This gives a general inflation rate by an annual average of 7.5% during the month of June 2012.

The underlying inflation rate (excluding fresh food and energy) is increased by 0.02% if compared to the previous month and increased by 3.65% on annual change. The annual average underlying inflation rate is + 6.8% in June 2012 down from the previous month 6.9%.

All Rural Index:

In June 2012 the All Rural general index is established at 118.2 this stands for a decrease of 0.41% over the previous month which was 118.7. In annual change it increased by 11.17% compared to 12.09% in the previous month.

All Rwanda Index:

In June 2012 the All Rwanda general index is established at 117.7 this stands for a decrease of 0.51% over the previous month which was 118.3. In annual change it increased by 9.34% compared to 10.79% in the previous month.

Feb 2009=100	June 11	July 11	Aug. 11	Sept. 11	Oct. 11	Nov. 11	Dec. 11	Jan. 12	Feb. 12	Mar. 12	April 12	May 12	June 12
All Urban General Index	110.4	110.8	111.3	111.8	112.4	112.8	112.6	112.2	113.3	115.8	116.1	117.8	116.9
Annual change	5.82	7.14	7.52	6.64	7.76	7.39	8.34	7.81	7.85	8.18	6.95	8.32	5.92
All Rural General Index	106.3	106.5	106.8	108.0	108.9	109.7	108.4	107.2	109.2	114.2	116.8	118.7	118.2
Annual change	4.80	7.03	5.61	2.95	3.27	5.11	6.85	8.53	10.91	14.22	11.50	12.09	11.17
All Rwanda General Index	107.7	108.0	108.3	109.3	110.1	110.7	109.8	108.9	110.6	114.7	116.5	118.3	117.7
Annual change	5.49	7.07	6.27	4.20	4.77	5.88	7.35	8.28	9.83	12.08	9.92	10.79	9.34

ALL URBAN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

February 2009=100

	Divisions		Indices for the following months: Cha							Changes in % over		
	❖ Groups	Weights	June 11	Mar. 12	April 12	May 12	June 12	1 month	3 months	12 months		
	GENERAL INDEX	10000	110.4	115.8	116.1	117.8	116.9	-0.71	0.93	5.92		
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3538	112.1	124.1	124.6	126.0	124.8	-1.00	0.52	11.32		
0111	❖ Bread and cereals	733	110.2	111.0	113.2	115.9	116.9	0.88	5.33	6.05		
0112	❖ Meat	274	101.9	113.1	114.2	115.0	115.1	0.09	1.82	12.99		
0113	❖ Fish	83	129.7	136.6	138.6	141.3	142.4	0.83	4.3	9.79		
0117	 Vegetables 	1200	112.3	143.3	141.7	142.1	136.2	-4.14	-5.00	21.28		
012	Non-alcoholic beverages	160	101.2	111.3	111.1	110.6	110.5	-0.05	-0.65	9.29		
02	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	240	112.8	111.1	114.7	118.9	124.4	4.58	11.92	10.32		
03	Clothing and footwear	377	107.4	111.8	110.8	111.6	112.4	0.71	0.57	4.63		
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	2204	105.0	109.6	109.8	113.7	110.8	-2.56	1.14	5.53		
05	Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance	457	99.2	102.6	102.6	103.4	103.4	-0.04	0.76	4.26		
06	Health	163	102.1	103.4	103.3	102.8	103.6	0.73	0.13	1.44		
07	Transport	1189	125.5	124.1	124.7	125.5	126.0	0.39	1.50	0.37		
08	Communication	288	100.8	93.5	93.3	93.0	93.0	-0.02	-0.45	-7.72		
09	Recreation and culture	256	105.7	104.3	104.0	104.0	104.2	0.16	-0.13	-1.46		
10	Education	331	128.6	129.9	129.9	129.9	129.9	0.00	0.00	1.00		
11	Restaurants and hotels	558	103.3	105.3	104.9	105.0	105.4	0.31	0.05	1.98		
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	400	103.3	106.1	105.3	105.8	105.8	0.05	-0.26	2.39		

In June 2012 the All Urban general index is established at 116.9 this stands for a decrease of 0.71% over the previous month which was 117.8. In annual change it increased by 5.92% compared to 8.32% in the previous month. This gives a general inflation rate by an annual average of 7.5% during the month of June 2012.

The underlying inflation rate (excluding fresh food and energy) is increased by 0.02% if compared to the previous month and increased by 3.65% on annual change. The annual average underlying inflation rate is + 6.8% in June 2012 down from the previous month 6.9%.

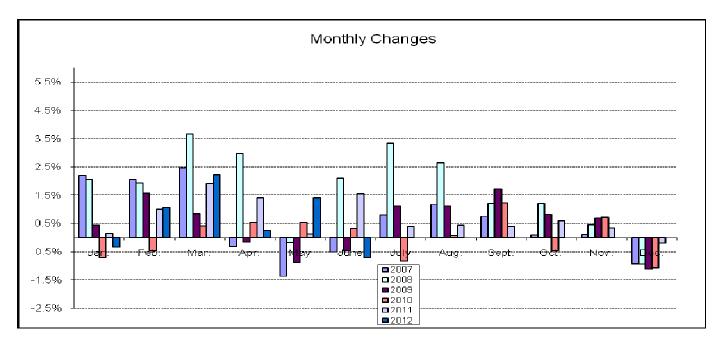
The decrease in the consumer price index of 0.71 is attributable primarily to the decrease in Food and non-alcoholic beverages (1.00) and Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (2.56).

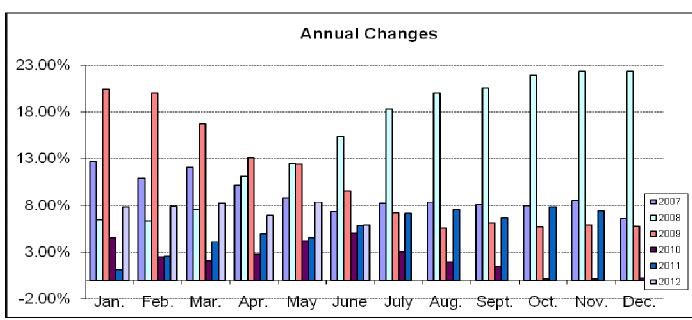
It is noted that the decrease of 1.00 in prices of Food and non alcoholic beverages is primary attributable to the decrease of 4.14 of vegetables.

In annual change, the increase in the general index of 5.92 is mainly due to the rising prices of Food and non alcoholic beverages(11.32) and Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (5.53) which contributed +4.07 and +1.16 respectively.

The 'local goods' increased by 6.75 on annual change with a monthly change of -1.12, while prices of the imported products increased by 2.65 on annual change with a monthly change of 0.99.

The prices of the fresh products had a positive annual change of 16.89 between June 2012 and June 2011.



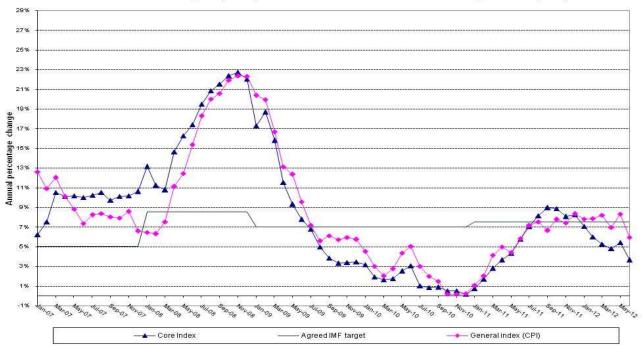


Evolution (over 12 months) of the rate of inflation (%) (1)

MONTH	June 11	July 11	Aug. 11	Sept. 11	Oct. 11	Nov. 11	Dec. 11	Jan. 12	Feb. 12	Mar. 12	April 12	May 12	June 12
General index	2.5	2.8	3.3	3.7	4.4	5.0	5.6	6.2	6.6	7.0	7.2	7.5	7.5
Core / Underlying	1.9	2.4	3.0	3.7	4.4	4.9	5.7	6.2	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.8

⁽¹⁾ In June 2012, the average index of the last twelve months July 2011 to June 2012 increased by 7.5 (general index) And 6.8 (Core index) compared to the average index of the previous twelve months (July 2010 to June 2011).

Annual changes (Comparison with the same month of the previous year)



Other All Urban Indices

February 2009=100		Indices for the following months:					Changes in % over:			
	Weights	June 11	Mar. 12	April 12	May 12	June 12	1 month	3 months	12 months	
GENERAL INDEX	10,000	110.4	115.8	116.1	117.8	116.9	-0.71	0.93	5.92	
Local Goods Index	7,947	110.6	117.2	117.5	119.4	118.1	-1.12	0.74	6.75	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2,982	113.1	126.6	127.2	128.6	126.8	-1.46	80.0	12.11	
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	2,134	105.0	109.5	109.8	114.0	110.8	-2.77	1.17	5.57	
Transport	759	124.3	125.1	125.1	125.2	125.4	0.12	0.24	0.87	
Imported Goods Index	2,053	109.6	110.6	110.7	111.4	112.5	0.99	1.73	2.65	
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	555	106.8	110.6	110.9	112.0	114.1	1.88	3.19	6.86	
Furnishing, household equipment	196	94.6	97.0	97.4	97.4	97.6	0.16	0.62	3.16	
Transport	430	127.7	122.4	124.1	126.0	127.1	0.86	3.78	-0.50	
Fresh Products index ⁽¹⁾	1,403	120.5	146.2	145.4	144.9	140.8	-2.81	-3.63	16.89	
Energy index	767	114.6	117.4	118.7	125.9	122.2	-2.88	4.15	6.64	
General Index excluding fresh Products and energy ⁽²⁾	7,829	108.2	110.3	110.6	112.1	112.1	0.02	1.68	3.65	

⁽¹⁾ Fresh products are food products which have seasonal fluctuations

⁽²⁾ Proxy for underlying inflation

ALL RURAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

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	❖ Groups	Weights	June 11	Mar. 12	April 12	May 12	June 12	1 month	3 months	12 months
	GENERAL INDEX	10000	106.3	114.2	116.8	118.7	118.2	-0.41	3.48	11.17
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	6387	106.8	118.5	122.1	125.0	124.1	-0.77	4.74	16.20
0111	 Bread and cereals 	1203	101.1	104.6	108.8	112.9	113.5	0.54	8.55	12.30
0112	❖ Meat	169	102.7	109.7	110.1	111.1	112.5	1.22	2.49	9.51
0113	❖ Fish	72	123.3	144.0	141.2	140.9	144.4	2.44	0.25	17.05
0117	 Vegetables 	3213	117.2	136.5	138.0	140.4	137.2	-2.27	0.48	17.01
012	 Non-alcoholic beverages 	196	93.6	101.2	101.1	102.8	105.8	2.90	4.60	13.09
02	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	424	97.4	101.8	105.0	107.4	109.2	1.67	7.27	12.12
03	Clothing and footwear	348	112.7	118.4	120.4	120.5	120.4	-0.05	1.75	6.83
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	1274	105.1	101.9	102.9	102.3	102.9	0.56	0.99	-2.07
05	Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance	277	105.7	107.1	106.6	106.5	104.6	-1.75	-2.26	-0.99
06	Health	112	102.0	103.0	103.3	103.3	103.5	0.16	0.46	1.42
07	Transport	426	107.9	106.7	107.1	106.9	107.2	0.33	0.50	-0.64
08	Communication	51	99.2	94.4	94.2	93.7	93.7	0.00	-0.77	-5.55
09	Recreation and culture	112	105.9	107.1	107.2	105.7	106.4	0.59	-0.65	0.42
10	Education	137	113.6	121.1	121.1	121.1	121.1	0.00	0.00	6.62
11	Restaurants and hotels	222	107.1	113.9	113.9	114.2	115.4	1.00	1.30	7.77
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	230	105.7	111.8	108.2	108.1	107.5	-0.54	-3.87	1.68

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	GENERAL INDEX	10000	107.7	114.7	116.5	118.3	117.7	-0.51	2.60	9.34	
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	5422	108.0	119.7	122.6	125.3	124.2	-0.82	3.77	15.08	
0111	 Bread and cereals 	1044	103.2	106.1	109.9	113.6	114.3	0.62	7.75	10.72	
0112	❖ Meat	205	102.3	111.2	112.0	112.9	113.7	0.70	2.18	11.08	
0113	❖ Fish	76	125.7	141.3	140.3	141.1	143.7	1.84	1.69	14.27	
0117	 Vegetables 	2531	116.4	137.6	138.5	140.6	137.0	-2.58	-0.44	17.67	
012	Non-alcoholic beverages	184	95.8	104.1	104.1	105.1	107.2	1.99	2.95	11.91	
02	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	362	100.9	103.9	107.2	110.0	112.6	2.38	8.38	11.67	
03	Clothing and footwear	358	110.9	116.0	117.0	117.3	117.6	0.21	1.35	6.07	
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	1589	105.0	105.5	106.2	107.7	106.6	-0.99	1.07	1.50	
05	Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance	338	102.1	104.4	104.1	104.4	103.2	-1.13	-1.11	1.13	
06	Health	130	102.1	103.2	103.3	103.1	103.5	0.40	0.32	1.43	
07	Transport	685	118.3	116.9	117.5	117.8	118.3	0.37	1.13	-0.01	
80	Communication	131	100.4	93.7	93.5	93.2	93.2	-0.01	-0.53	-7.18	
09	Recreation and culture	161	105.9	105.6	105.7	104.9	105.3	0.36	-0.36	-0.60	
10	Education	203	118.9	126.0	126.0	126.0	126.0	0.00	0.00	5.92	
11	Restaurants and hotels	336	104.9	109.1	108.8	109.1	109.7	0.63	0.62	4.56	
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	288	104.6	109.1	106.8	107.0	106.7	-0.27	-2.22	2.01	

METHODOLOGICAL NOTICE

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change over time of goods and services purchased by households. The CPI uses a Modified Laspeyres formula to calculate the index. The reference population for the CPI consists of all households, urban and rural, living in Rwanda.

The household basket includes 1,136 products observed in many places spread all over the administrative centers of all provinces in Rwanda. All kinds of places of observation are selected: shops, markets, services etc. More than 29,200 prices are collected every month by enumerators of the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda and of the National Bank of Rwanda.

The index reference, or base, for the CPI is February 2009.

The weights used for the index are the result of the Household Living Conditions Survey (EICV II) conducted in 2005-2006 with a sample of 6,900 households.

How to Interpret the CPI

Movements of the indexes from one month to another usually are expressed as percent changes rather than changes in index points. The level of the index (relative to its base period) affects index point changes, but it does not affect percent changes. The following example illustrates how to calculate percent changes:

Index point change	
CPI	178
Less CPI for previous period Equals index point change	<u>176</u> 2
Percent change	

Index point difference 2
Divided by the previous index 176
Equals 0.011
Results multiplied by 100 0.011 x 100
Equals percent change 1.1

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