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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (C.P.I.) Kigali – June 2009

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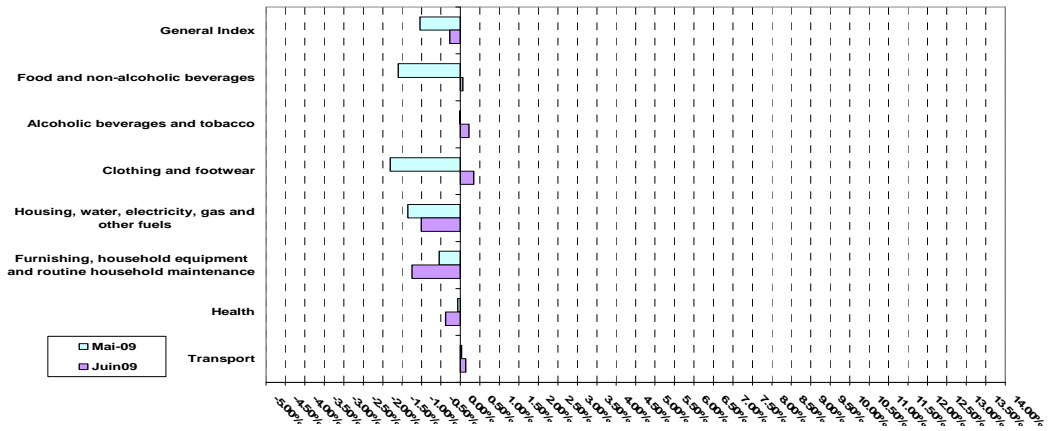
The National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda is very pleased to deliver to users the new Consumer Price Index (CPI) based in 2003 that replaces the previous one which was based in 1989.

The Index is published every month by the 15th.

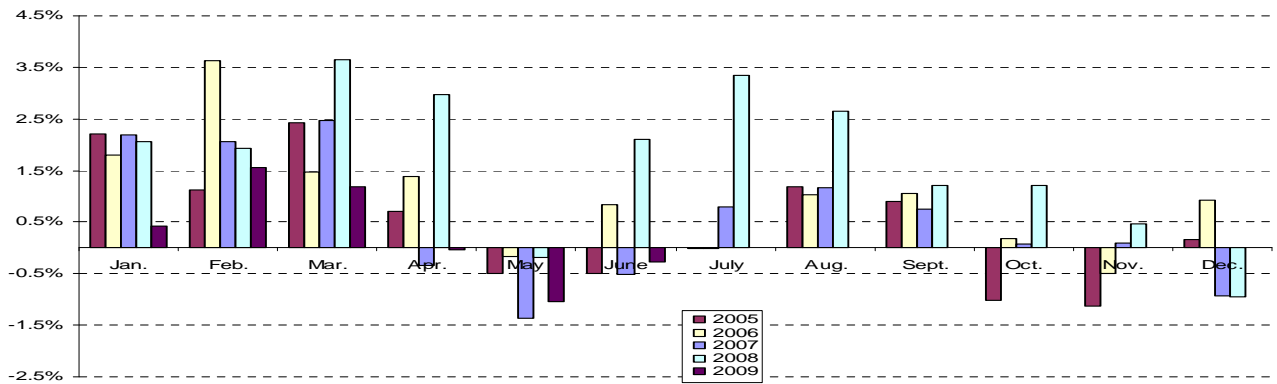
Base 100: 2003

	Divisions ❖ Groups	Weights	Indices for the following months:					Changes in % over					
			June 08	March 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	1 month	3 months	12 months			
	GENERAL INDEX	10 000	165.2	184.3	184.2	182.3	181.8	-0.28	-1.35	10.07			
01	Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3 709	177.7	208.0	204.6	201.3	201.4	0.06	-3.17	13.33			
0111	❖ Bread and cereals	625	187.1	225.2	218.6	219.0	219.4	0.15	-2.59	17.22			
0112	❖ Meat	345	153.7	192.6	188.8	191.1	188.2	-1.48	-2.28	22.45			
0113	❖ Fish	114	192.7	214.3	213.9	219.8	220.6	0.36	2.92	14.44			
0117	❖ Vegetables	1 332	176.9	206.4	206.3	199.0	197.3	-0.85	-4.41	11.54			
012	❖ Non-alcoholic beverages	180	140.4	167.7	168.4	164.5	164.7	0.12	-1.75	17.32			
02	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	221	145.2	179.1	179.1	179.0	179.4	0.22	0.16	23.59			
03	Clothing and footwear	500	112.1	115.0	115.0	112.9	113.3	0.34	-1.43	1.09			
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	1 579	214.5	237.6	241.1	237.8	235.4	-1.02	-0.95	9.72			
05	Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance	764	142.1	154.7	155.7	154.9	153.0	-1.25	-1.11	7.66			
06	Health	708	133.1	141.0	139.7	139.6	139.1	-0.38	-1.37	4.52			
07	Transport	987	149.7	148.2	153.5	153.5	153.8	0.14	3.77	2.74			
08	Communication	37	120.4	119.7	119.7	119.6	119.5	-0.14	-0.23	-0.75			
09	Recreation and culture	206	108.4	114.4	115.2	116.6	117.2	0.52	2.51	8.15			
10	Education	432	175.4	206.7	207.7	208.7	209.7	0.48	1.45	19.52			
11	Restaurants and hotels	273	159.2	176.8	179.9	179.3	179.8	0.27	1.70	12.91			
12	Miscellaneous goods and services	584	118.5	122.6	123.2	122.9	121.8	-0.83	-0.59	2.85			
Month	June 08	July 08	Aug. 08	Sept. 08	Oct. 08	Nov. 08	Dec. 08	Jan. 09	Feb. 09	Mar. 09	April 09	May 09	June 09
Index (2003=100)	165.2	170.7	175.2	177.3	179.5	180.3	178.6	179.4	182.2	184.3	184.2	182.3	181.8
Annual changes	15.37	18.28	20.02	20.55	21.90	22.37	22.32	20.38	19.95	17.08	13.64	12.69	10.07

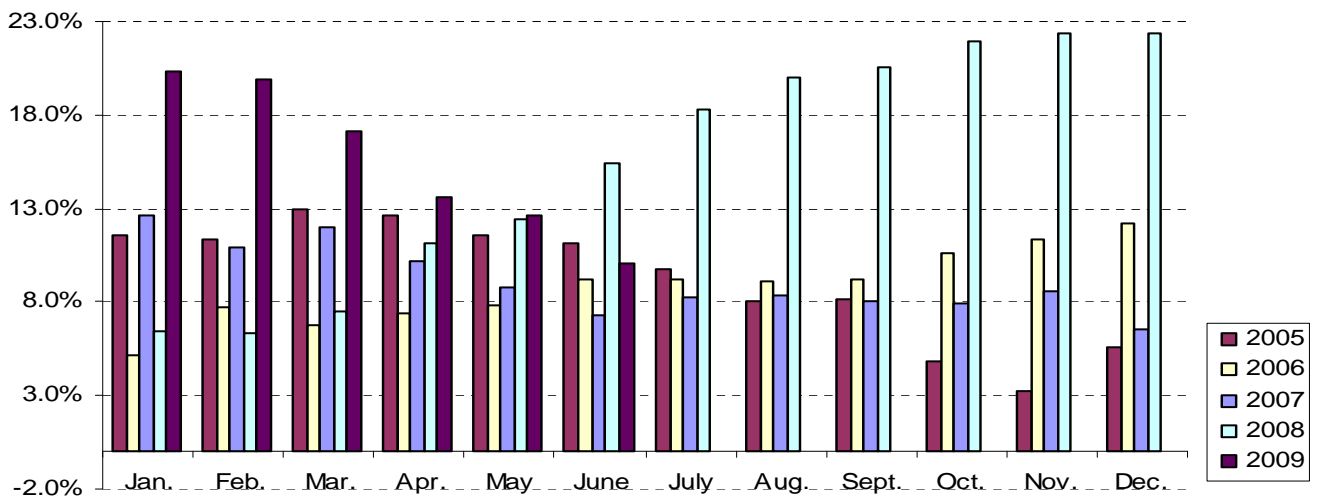
Fluctuations of the general index and the divisions index May 2009 and June 2009



Monthly Changes



Annual Changes



CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI), JUNE 2009 (Base 100 = 2003)

In June 2009 the general consumer prices index is established at 181.8 this stands for a decrease of 0.28% over the previous month which was 182.3. In annual change it increased by 10.07% compared to 12.69% in the previous month. This gives a general inflation rate by an annual average of 18.1% during the month of June 2009.

The underlying inflation rate (excluding fresh food and energy) is 0.09% if compared to the previous month and +9.49% on annual change. The annual average underlying inflation rate is + 17.8% in June 2009 down from the previous month (18.6%).

The decrease in the consumer prices index of 0.28% is attributable primarily to the decrease in Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (-1.02%), and Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance (-1.25%).

It is noted that the index of Food and non-alcoholic beverages is slightly increased by 0.06%.

In annual change, the increase in the general index of 10.07% is mainly due to the rising prices of Food and non-alcoholic beverages (13.33%), Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels 9.72%), Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance index (7.66%) and Education (19.52%) which contributed +5.32%, +1.99%, +0.50% and 0.90% respectively.

The 'local goods' increased by 11.49% on annual change with a monthly variation of -0.34%, while prices of the imported products rose by 6.20% on annual change with a monthly change of 0.29%.

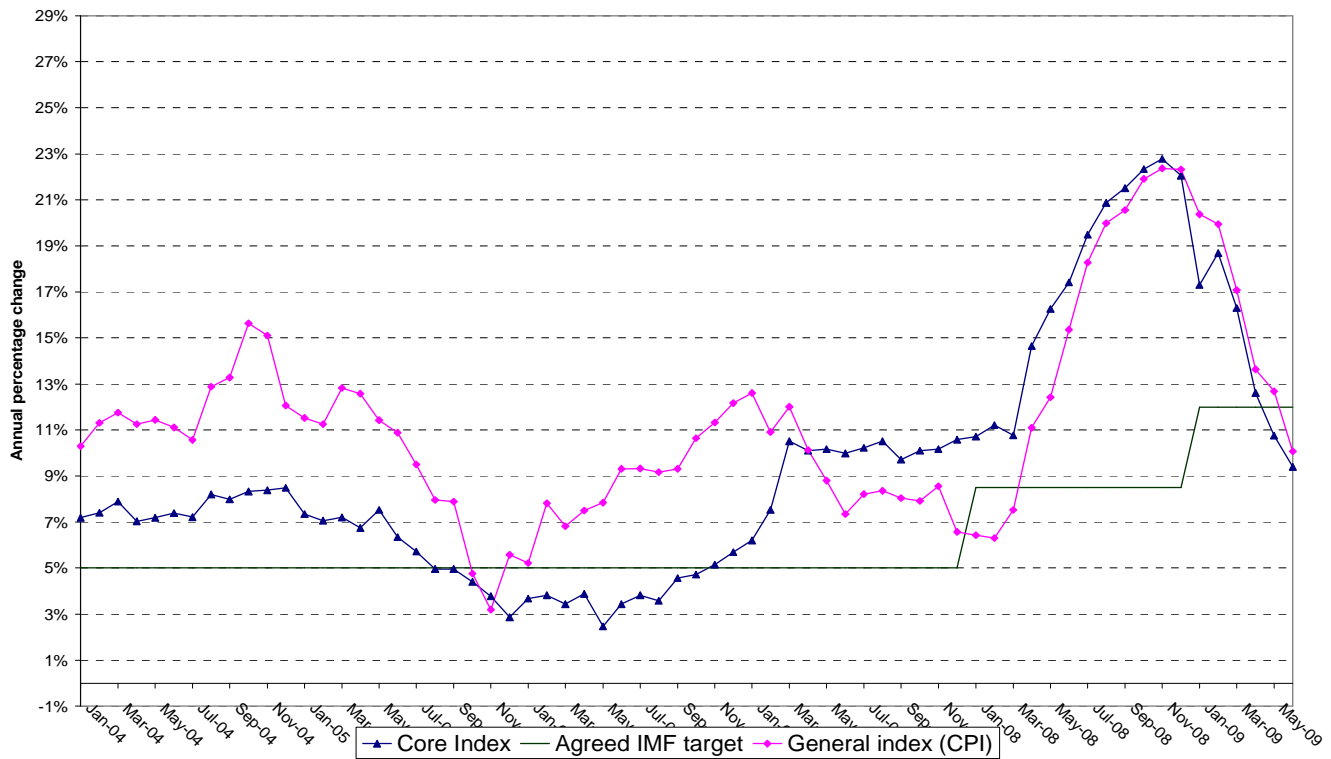
The prices of the fresh products had a positive annual change of 14.51% between June 2009 and June 2008.

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

MONTH	June 08	July 08	Aug. 08	Sep. 08	Oct. 08	Nov. 08	Dec. 08	Jan. 09	Feb. 09	March 09	April 09	May 09	June 09
General index	8.9	9.8	10.8	11.8	13.0	14.2	15.4	16.6	17.7	18.5	18.7	18.6	18.1
Core / Underlying	11.9	12.7	13.6	14.6	15.6	16.7	17.6	18.3	18.9	19.3	19.1	18.6	17.8

(1) In June 2009 the average index of the last twelve months (July 2008 to June 2009) increased by 18.1% (general index) and 17.8% (core index) compared to the average index of the previous twelve months (July 2007 to June 2008).

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



Other Indices

	Weights	Indices for the following months:				Changes in % over:			
		June 08	March 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	1 month	3 months	12 months
General Index	10 000	165.2	184.3	184.2	182.3	181.8	-0.28	-1.35	10.07
Local Goods Index	6 956	172.0	195.2	195.0	192.4	191.7	-0.34	-1.76	11.49
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2 627	175.9	211.2	206.6	202.6	202.2	-0.22	-4.29	14.91
Housing. Water. Electricity. gas and other fuels	1 501	212.0	236.5	240.3	236.8	234.3	-1.08	-0.93	10.51
Transport	698	136.7	134.1	141.6	141.7	141.8	0.08	5.73	3.75
Imported Goods Index	3 044	149.6	159.7	159.3	158.4	158.8	0.29	-0.54	6.20
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1 082	184.4	201.9	201.4	199.7	201.4	0.85	-0.27	9.21
Furnishing. household equipment	533	125.1	133.5	133.8	133.0	132.1	-0.72	-1.03	5.59
Transport	289	180.9	181.5	181.7	181.6	182.0	0.23	0.30	0.59
Kigali Index	7 679	162.8	179.9	180.0	177.7	177.4	-0.19	-1.41	8.96
Provinces Index⁽¹⁾	2 321	173.1	198.4	197.5	196.9	195.7	-0.57	-1.33	13.09
Fresh Products index⁽²⁾	2 186	179.0	216.9	212.7	206.4	205.0	-0.71	-5.52	14.51
Energy index	761	256.4	282.0	287.3	282.0	278.1	-1.40	-1.39	8.46
General Index excluding fresh Products and energy⁽³⁾	7 053	152.4	166.7	167.2	166.7	166.9	0.09	0.11	9.49

(1) This is the index for the country without Kigali

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

(3) Proxy for underlying inflation

METHODOLOGICAL NOTICE

The Consumer Price Index is a Laspeyres index that covers household consumption as it is used by national accounts. The reference population for the CPI consists of all households living in urban areas in Rwanda.

The household basket includes 438 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 25.000 prices are collected every month by enumerators of the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda and of the National Bank of Rwanda.

The base year for the CPI is the year 2003.

The weights used for this new index are the result of the Household Living Conditions Survey (EICV) conducted in 2000-2001 with a sample of 6.450 households.

The splicing with the old index is feasible using the splicing coefficient of 3.889. If you divide the old index by this coefficient, you will be able to make comparisons with the new index based in 2003.

Additional methodological documentation can be obtained at the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda. Economic Statistics Department.

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