# Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

## Slight Increase in Consumer Price Index the during March, 03/2016

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Palestine during March 2016 slightly increased by 0.05% compared with February 2016 (by 0.92% in Jerusalem J1*, while it decreased by 0.20% in Gaza Strip, and by 0.12% in the West Bank**).

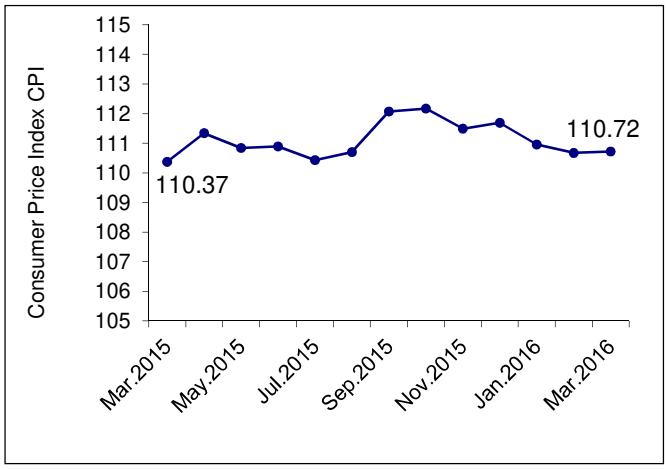
The CPI during March 2016 increased by 0.32% compared with March 2015 (by 1.01% in the West Bank**, while it decreased by 1.41% in Gaza Strip, and by 1.35% in Jerusalem J1*).

The CPI during the first quarter of 2016 increased by 0.63% compared with the same period of the previous year (by 1.39% in the West Bank**, while it decreased by 1.38% in Jerusalem J1*, and by 0.19% in Gaza Strip).

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

| Sub Groups | Change |
|---|---|
| Dried Vegetables | + 16.92% |
| Imported Cigarettes | + 3.49% |
| Education Services | + 2.25% |
| Liquid Fuel for House | + 2.24% |
| Vegetable Oils | + 1.09% |
| Fresh Meat | + 0.79% |
| Eggs | - 6.60% |
| Fresh Vegetables | - 3.44% |
| Potatoes and other Tubers | - 2.34% |
| Fresh poultry | - 2.15% |
| Flour | - 1.75% |
| Fresh Fish | - 1.69% |
| Gas | - 1.16% |
| Liquid Fuel for Cars | - 1.06% |
| Fresh Fruit | - 0.69% |

## The consumer price index in Palestine for March 2015 – March 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.