Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Palestinian Consumer Price Index (CPI) during May, 05/2018

Decrease in the CPI during May 2018

The overall **CPI for Palestine during May 2018 decreased by 0.41%** compared with April 2018 (by 0.94% in Gaza Strip, while it increased by 0.31% in Jerusalem J1*, and by 0.22% in the West Bank**).

The changes in Palestinian CPI for May 2018 is traced back to changes in prices of the following expenditure sub groups compared with previous month:

Sub Groups	Percent Change
Dried Vegetables	- 10.41%
Fresh Fruit	- 6.09%
Gas	- 2.91%
Flour	- 1.81%
Fresh Poultry	+ 5.03%
Eggs	+ 4.21%
Liquid Fuel for House	+ 2.94%
Fresh Fish	+ 2.44%
Liquid Fuel for Cars	+ 1.72%

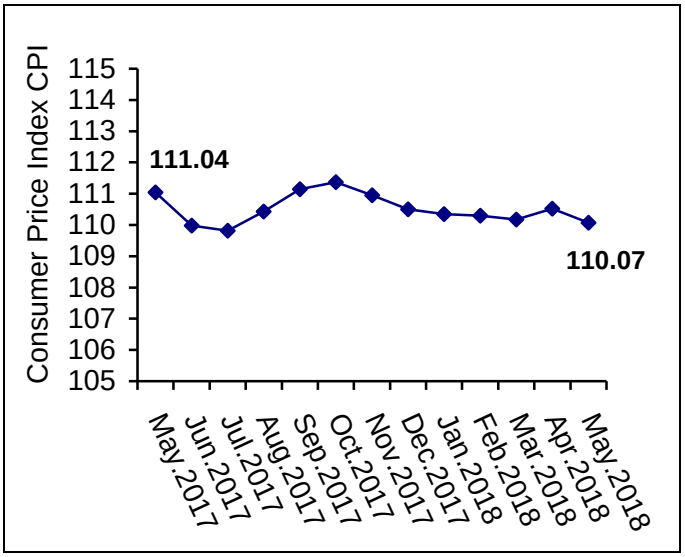
The Palestinian CPI during May 2018 decreased by 0.87% compared with May 2017 (by 2.89% in Gaza Strip, while it increased by 0.76% in Jerusalem J1*, and by 0.40% in the West Bank**).

The Palestinian CPI during the first five months of 2018 decreased by 1.11% compared with the same period of the previous year (by 1.95% in Gaza Strip, and by 0.86% in the West Bank**, while it increased by 0.18% in Jerusalem J1*).

The table shows monthly percent changes in CPI by Palestinian regions for the period January – May 2018:

Month	Monthly Percent Change			
	Palestine	West Bank**	Gaza Strip	Jerusal-em J1*
January 2018	- 0.13	+ 0.16	+ 0.37	-0.27
February 2018	- 0.05	+ 0.06	- 0.27	- 0.22
March 2018	- 0.12	- 0.09	- 0.51	- 0.09
Q1. 2018	**- 1.12**	**- 1.45**	**- 1.09**	**- 0.04**
April 2018	+ 0.32	+ 0.57	- 0.31	+ 0.70
May 2018	- 0.41	+ 0.22	- 0.94	+ 0.31

The trend line of Consumer Price Index in Palestine for the period: May 2017 – May 2018 (Base Year 2010 = 100)



Notes:

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

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