Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

Palestinian Consumer Price Index (CPI) during August, 08/2018

Slight Decrease in the CPI during August 2018

The overall **CPI for Palestine during August 2018 slightly decreased by 0.02%** compared with July 2018 (by 0.67% in Gaza Strip, and by 0.32% in the West Bank**, while it increased by 0.21% in Jerusalem J1*).

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

Sub Groups	Percent Change
Fresh Vegetables	- 5.53%
Fresh Poultry	- 5.33%
Fresh Meat	- 3.05%
Dried Vegetables	- 2.08%
Fresh Fruit	- 0.81%
Eggs	+ 3.22%
Flour	+ 2.08%
Fresh Fish	+ 2.08%
Liquid Fuel for House	+ 1.47%
Potatoes and other Tubers	+ 1.28%
Liquid Fuel for Cars	+ 1.04%

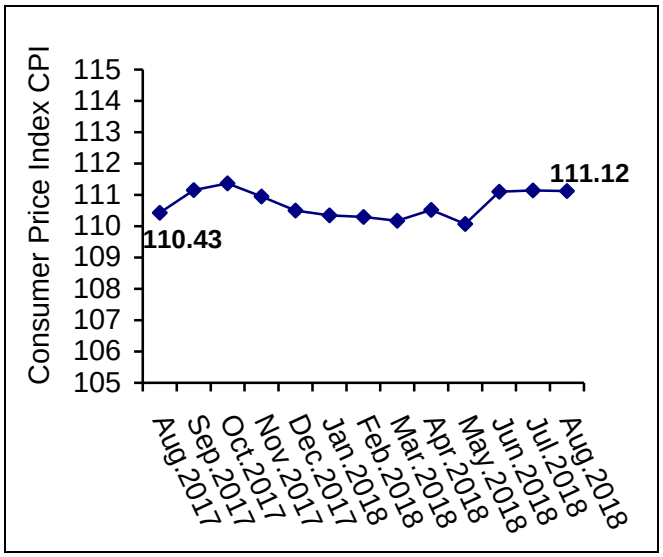
The Palestinian CPI during August 2018 increased by 0.63% compared with August 2017 (by 1.62% in Jerusalem J1*, and by 1.05% in the West Bank**, while it decreased by 0.74% in Gaza Strip).

The Palestinian CPI during the first eight months of 2018 decreased by 0.34% compared with the same period of the previous year (by 1.39% in Gaza Strip, while it increased by 0.75% in Jerusalem J1*, and by 0.12% in the West Bank**).

The table shows monthly percent changes in CPI by Palestinian regions for the period January – August 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
April 2018	+ 0.32	+ 0.57	- 0.31	+ 0.70
May 2018	- 0.41	+ 0.22	- 0.94	+ 0.31
June 2018	+ 0.93	+ 0.98	+ 0.52	+ 0.54
July 2018	+ 0.04	+ 0.02	+ 0.45	+ 0.16
August 2018	- 0.02	- 0.32	- 0.67	+ 0.21

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



Notes:

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

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