

**THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) JULY 2018**

The Gambia Bureau of Statistics is very pleased to deliver to users the new Consumer Price Index (CPI) based in 2004 that replace the previous one which was based in 1974. The CPI is published every month by the 15th

								Changes in % Over	
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								Month	Months
	ALL ITEM (NEW SERIES; 2004=100)	Weights	Jul_2017	Apr_2018	May_2018	Jun_2018	Jul_2018		
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>	<b>61841</b>	192.99	202.69	203.57	204.67	205.75	0.53	6.61
01	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	33837	219.45	229.77	230.81	232.11	233.48	0.59	6.39
011	Food	32914	221.73	232.29	233.33	234.65	236.05	0.60	6.45
0111	Bread & Cereals	7891	216.68	227.97	229.60	230.41	232.47	0.89	7.29
0112	Meat	8217	249.09	264.35	265.38	267.78	269.01	0.46	7.99
0113	Fish	2226	189.09	201.49	202.39	203.79	205.45	0.82	8.65
0114	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	1462	167.80	174.20	174.57	176.42	177.64	0.69	5.86
0115	Oils and Fats	3469	254.09	259.57	260.23	261.31	263.55	0.86	3.72
0116	Fruits & Nuts	1445	208.12	220.60	224.17	226.01	227.36	0.60	9.24
0117	Vegetables, Root Crops & Tubers	4533	208.33	216.13	216.57	217.24	218.01	0.35	4.64
0118	Sugars, Jam, Honey & Sweet	1420	256.39	261.97	262.11	262.47	263.18	0.27	2.65
0119	Other Food Products	2248	171.17	178.08	178.46	179.05	179.05	0.00	4.61
012	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	923	137.64	139.40	140.36	141.09	141.53	0.31	2.82
02	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	416	122.35	123.30	123.63	124.17	124.25	0.06	1.55
03	Clothing, Textile and Footwear	6911	153.12	161.93	162.94	163.80	164.86	0.64	7.67
031	Clothing, Garments and Tailoring Services	5434	149.21	157.18	157.73	158.68	159.80	0.71	7.09
032	Footwear	1477	167.50	179.39	182.09	182.67	183.49	0.45	9.55
04	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	2089	188.08	196.19	197.87	198.60	199.30	0.36	5.97
042	Actual Rent	498	140.33	144.64	145.03	145.22	145.42	0.13	3.63
043	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1431	208.04	218.12	220.43	221.42	222.39	0.43	6.90
05	Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3215	143.17	149.91	150.35	150.52	150.71	0.13	5.26
06	Health	728	137.23	139.78	139.88	139.92	140.22	0.22	2.18
07	Transport	2706	232.38	235.63	236.63	237.21	238.13	0.39	2.47
08	Communication	1822	104.99	105.24	105.26	105.26	105.26	0.00	0.25
09	Recreation and Culture	957	127.74	141.59	141.62	142.96	142.98	0.02	11.93
10	Education	918	109.64	110.53	110.66	110.66	110.66	0.00	0.93
11	Restaurant and Hotel	222	202.93	211.70	213.48	215.40	219.26	1.79	8.05
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3639	228.38	251.15	252.27	253.92	255.82	0.75	12.01
	<b>12 MONTH MOVING AVERAGES</b>		<b>187.07</b>	<b>196.73</b>	<b>197.77</b>	<b>198.81</b>	<b>199.87</b>	<b>0.53</b>	<b>6.85</b>
	<b>OVERALL INDEX</b>		<b>192.99</b>	<b>202.69</b>	<b>203.57</b>	<b>204.67</b>	<b>205.75</b>	<b>0.53</b>	<b>6.61</b>
	<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>		<b>219.45</b>	<b>229.77</b>	<b>230.81</b>	<b>232.11</b>	<b>233.48</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>6.39</b>
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>		<b>158.85</b>	<b>167.75</b>	<b>168.43</b>	<b>169.28</b>	<b>169.98</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>7.00</b>

In July 2018, the overall Consumer Price Index was 205.75, a 0.53 percent increase over the June 2018 overall index of 204.67.

On an annual basis the overall index increased by 6.61 percent from July 2017 to July 2018. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 6.39 percent whilst Non-Food Products and Services rose by 7.00 percent.

From July 2017 to July 2018, within the Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, ‘Fruits and Nuts’ increased by 9.24 percent, ‘Fish and fish products’ increased by 8.65 percent, ‘Meat and Meat Products’ increased by 7.99 percent and ‘Bread and Cereals’ increased by 7.29 percent.

For the Non-Food items, major increases were recorded by ‘Footwear’, ‘Clothing, Garments and tailoring services’ and ‘Electricity, Gas and other Fuels’ which rose by 9.55 percent, 7.09 percent and 6.90 percent respectively.

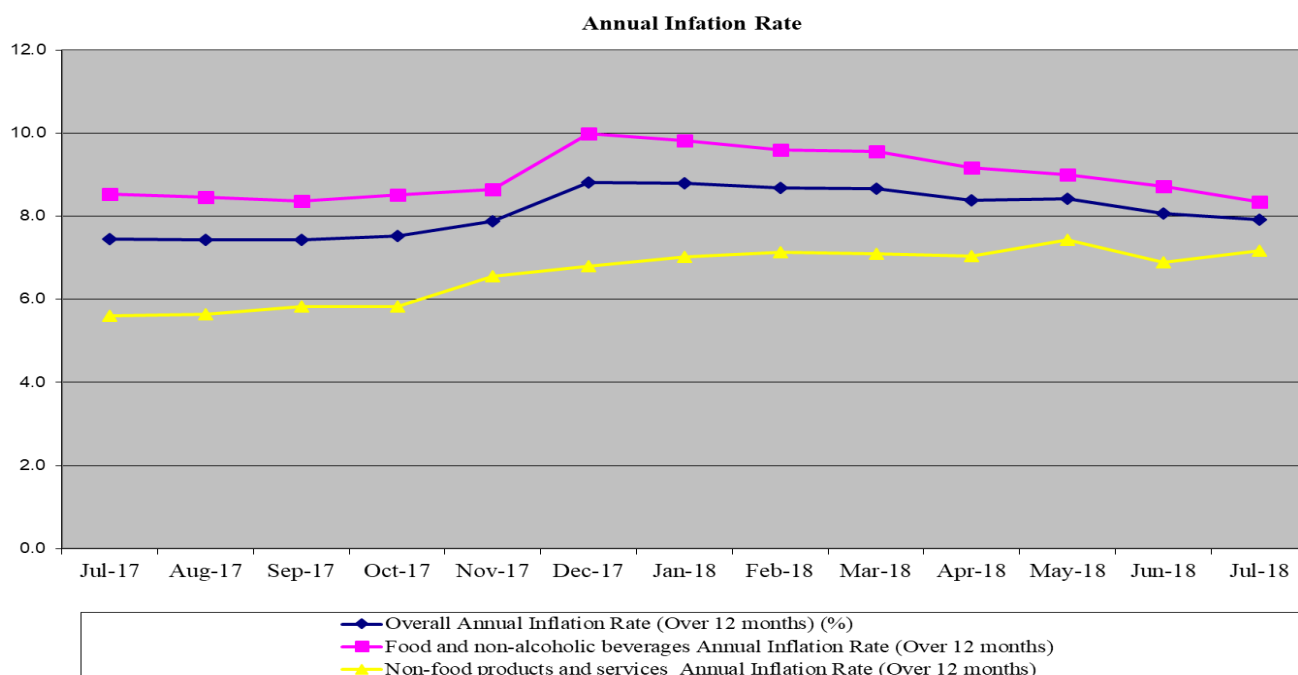
During the months of June 2018 to July 2018, ‘Bread and Cereals’, ‘Oils and Fats’, ‘Fish and Fish Products’, Milk, Cheese and Eggs’ and ‘Fruits and Nuts’ shows the highest increase in percentage with 0.89 percent, 0.86 percent, 0.82 percent, 0.69 percent and 0.60 percent respectively.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, inflation rate was 6.85 percent in July 2018 compared to 6.96 percent recorded in June 2018.

**Overall Annual Inflation Rate (over 12 months - Comparison with the same month for the previous year)**

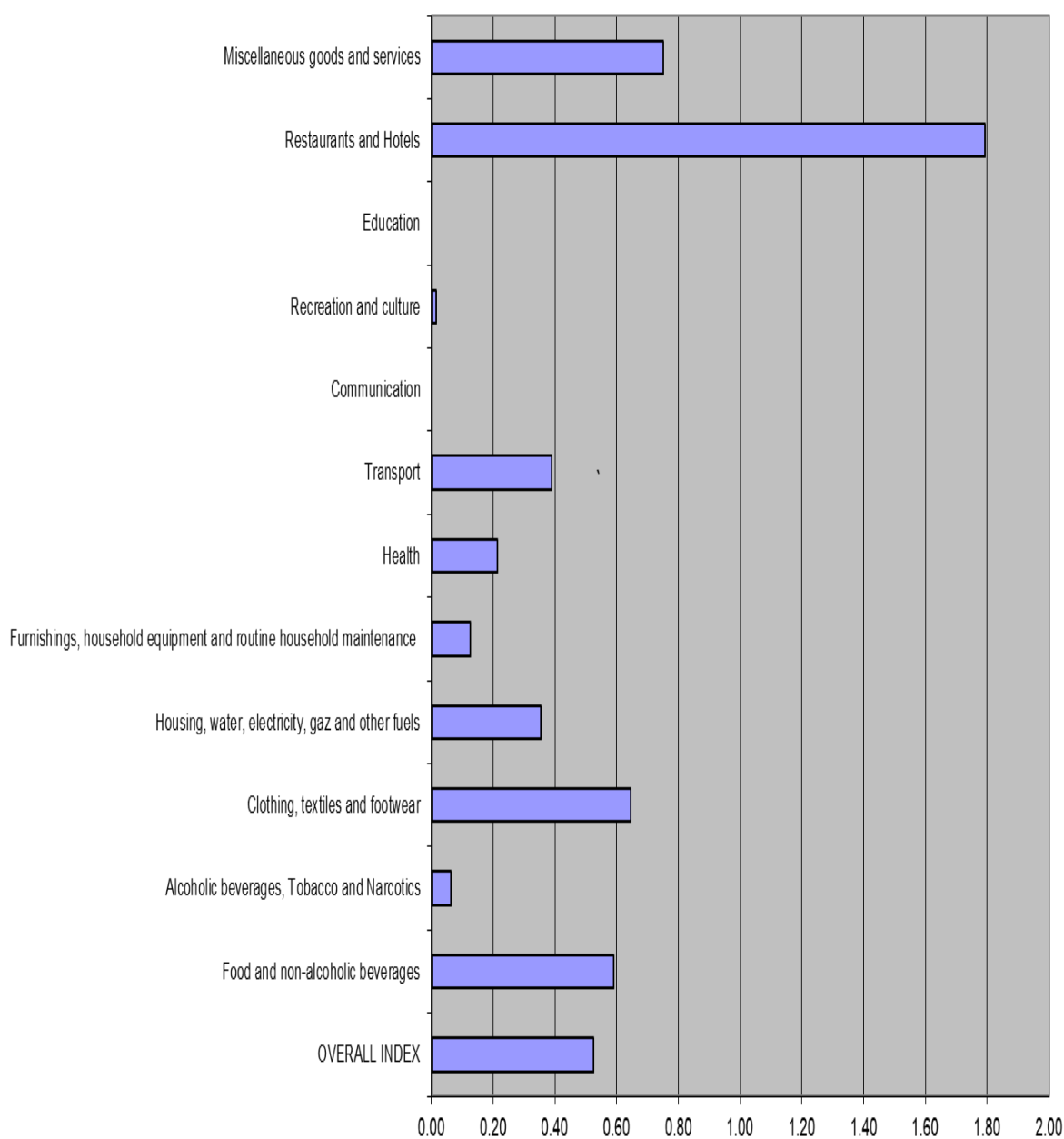
Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2015	7.0	6.8	6.7	6.7	7.2	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.7
2016	6.7	6.9	7.1	7.1	7.0	7.1	7.2	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.5	7.9
2017	8.8	8.8	8.7	8.7	8.4	8.4	8.1	7.9	7.6	7.4	6.9	6.9
2018	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.9	6.6					

**Figure 1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year (July 2017 – July 2018)**



**Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: June 2018 to July 2018**

**Price Changes in % over 1 month**



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