

## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) JANUARY 2024



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## Important announcement

With the publication of the January 2020 index, GBOS has updated the official CPI series. This involves updating the weights and product basket as well as a number of methodological improvements. These updates improve the transparency, relevance and representativity of the CPI. For the first time, GBoS will also be calculating CPI indexes for urban and rural areas. These estimates are available on our website. See <a href="www.gbosdata.org/downloads">www.gbosdata.org/downloads</a>, <a href="www.gbosdata.org/downloads">www.gambia.opendataforafrica.org/nsdp</a> or the Annex to this release for full details.

To highlight these improvements, the long run CPI index has been re-referenced (rescaled) to January 2020=100. Please note that historical inflation rates are unaffected by this rescaling.

Please visit our website for the full CPI series.

The Gambia Bureau of Statistics presents to users the Consumer Price Index (CPI) based on January 2019 =100 (Re-referenced to January 2020=100). The CPI is published on 15th of every month for the preceding month

	on 19th of every month for the preceding month						Changes	in % Over
COICOP	ALL ITEMS(JANUARY 2020=100)	Weights 2015/16	Jan-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	,	12 Months
0	All-items CPI (OVERALL INDEX)	100000	131.22	150.43	151.55	152.42	0.57	16.15
01	FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	52623	139.85	165.14	167.06	168.36	0.78	20.39
01.1	FOOD	49529	141.29	167.53	169.53	170.91	0.81	20.96
01.1.1	Bread & Cereals	14258	141.16	162.01	162.52	162.60	0.05	15.19
01.1.2	Meat	5248	132.43	154.45	154.89	155.06	0.11	17.09
01.1.3	Fish	5799	145.38	191.31	197.75	200.93	1.61	38.20
01.1.4	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	2710	135.17	153.16	153.61	155.58	1.28	15.10
01.1.5	Oils and fats	4313	180.43	192.08	192.08	192.08	0.00	6.46
01.1.6	Fruits & nuts	1665	148.26	174.43	174.27	178.52	2.44	20.41
01.1.7	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	8938	130.51	161.10	163.55	164.92	0.84	26.37
01.1.8	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	3438	144.80	164.87	171.74	174.01	1.32	20.17
01.1.9	Other food products n.e.c	3159	121.23	166.52	168.57	174.14	3.31	43.64
01.2	Non-alcoholic beverages	3094	116.03	125.61	126.28	126.28	0.00	8.84
	NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES	47377	121.45	133.79	134.02	134.39	0.28	10.66
02	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	1163	145.35	151.28	151.28	151.28	0.00	4.08
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	31	141.72	144.62	144.62	144.62	0.00	2.05
02.2	Tobacco	940	150.79	158.19	158.19	158.19	0.00	4.91
03	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	7895	116.47	130.17	130.34	130.49	0.12	12.04
03.1	GARMENTS	6585	116.06	125.48	125.67	125.76	0.07	8.36
03.1.1	Clothing materials	2195	111.39	126.41	126.41	126.41	0.00	13.48
03.1.2	Garments	1894	132.85	148.29	148.98	149.28	0.21	12.37
03.1.4	Repair and hire of clothing	2495	107.77	107.77	107.77	107.77	0.00	0.00
3.2	Footwear	1310	118.60	154.50	154.56	155.05	0.32	30.74
04	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	7302	113.53	145.72	146.12	146.26	0.10	28.83
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	15	153.67	153.67	153.67	153.67	0.00	0.00
	Water supply	832	100.00	117.82	117.82	117.82	0.00	17.82
	Electricity, gas and other fuels	5998	113.70	149.23	149.66	149.65	-0.01	31.62
05	FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, ETC	7306	116.96		135.67	136.65	0.73	16.84
05.1	Furniture, decorations, floor coverings and repairs	397	123.59	134.13	134.53	135.71	0.88	9.81
05.2	Household textiles	319	118.54		131.36		0.00	10.81
05.3	Household appliances	52	115.41	117.21	117.21		0.00	1.56
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	5669	114.87	136.20	136.20		0.85	19.58
06	HEALTH	574	154.88		157.82	157.82	0.00	1.89
07	TRANSPORT	9644	133.93		136.30		0.03	1.80
08	COMMUNICATIONS	8809	97.16		97.12		0.00	-0.05
09	RECREATION AND CULTURE	428		143.05	143.28		0.06	5.76
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	69	113.68				0.00	
	Newspapers, books and stationery	268	160.42		161.32		0.00	0.56
10	Education	20	370.96		509.64		0.00	
11	HOTELS, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS	754	153.42		184.78		0.00	20.44
	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	3482	152.39		166.42		1.31	10.63
12.1	Personal care	1823	163.59	189.22	189.53	189.54	0.01	15.87
	ALL ITEM INDEX	100000	131.221	150.43	151.554			16.15
	12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE							15.20
	Year on Year inflation							16.15

From January 2023 to January 2024 the year-on-year All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate increased by 16.15 percent. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 20.39 percent whilst Non-Food Products increased by 10.66 percent.

In January 2024, the All-items CPI was 152.42, an increase of 0.57 percent over the December 2023 All-items index of 151.55.

From January 2023 to January 2024, within Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, 'Other Food Products N.E.C' increased by 43.64 percent, 'Fish' increased by 38.20 percent, Vegetable, Root Crops and Tubers' increased by 26.37 percent, 'Fruits and Nuts' increased by 20.41 percent, Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets' increased by 20.17 percent, Meat' increased by 17.09 percent, 'Bread and Cereals' increased by 15.19 percent, 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs' increased by 15.10 percent, 'Non-alcoholic Beverages' increase by 8.84 percent, and Oils and Fats' increased by 6.46 percent.

Over the same period, for the Non-Food products, major increases were recorded by 'Education', 37.39 percent, 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels', 28.83 percent, 'Hotel, Café and Restaurant', 20.44 percent, 'Furnishing, Household Equipment ETC.' 16.84 percent, 'Clothing and Footwear', 12.04 percent, 'Miscellaneous', 10.63 percent, 'Recreation and Culture', 5.76 percent, 'Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics' 4.08 percent, 'Health' 1.89 percent and 'Transport' 1.80 percent.

From December 2023 to January 2024, the highest inflation rates within the Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages were for; 'Other Food Products N.E.C' increased by 3.31 percent, 'Fruits and Nuts' increased by 2.44 percent, 'Fish' increased by 1.61 percent, Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets' increased by 1.32 percent, 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs' increased by 1.28 percent, Vegetable, Root Crops and Tubers' increased by 0.84 percent, and 'Meat' increased by 0.11 percent.

Also, from December 2023 to January 2024, the highest inflation rates within the Non-Food Products and Services were for, 'Miscellaneous' 1.31 percent, 'Furnishing, Household Equipment ETC.' 0.73 percent, Clothing and Footwear', 0.12 percent, and 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' 0.10 percent.

Using the 12-months-moving-average measure, the annual inflation rate was 15.20 percent in January 2024 compared to 15.49 percent recorded in December 2023.

## All-items year on year Inflation Rate (Comparison with the same month for the previous year)

Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2021	7.57	6.38	7.37	7.26	7.67	8.05	8.17	6.94	7.01	7.34	7.09	7.61
2022	7.81	8.35	8.20	11.69	11.58	11.70	12.33	12.93	13.27	13.23	12.98	13.74
		0,00	0,20	22,00	1100	220.0	12.00	1200	2012.	10,20	1200	2007
2023	13.14	13.64	14.83	17.37	17.24	17.81	18.36	18.41	18.51	18.05	18.40	17.30
2024	16.15											

Figure 1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year (January 2023 – January 2024)

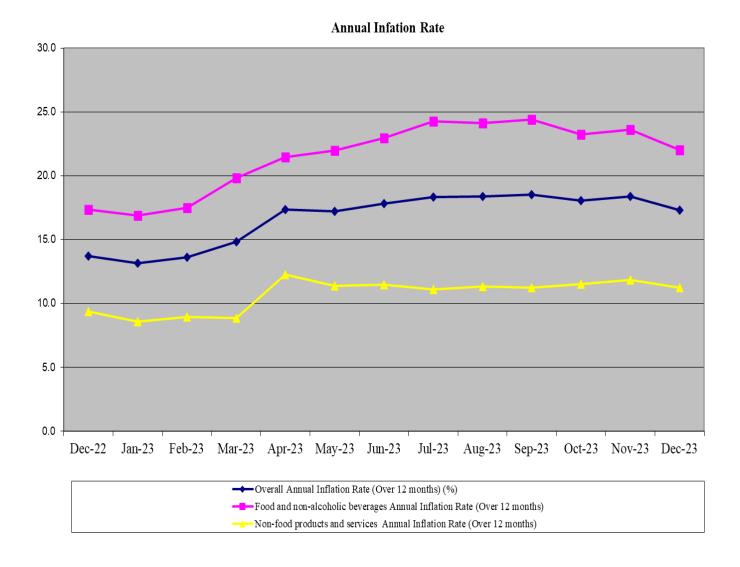


Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: December 2023 to January 2024



