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## **CONSUMER PRICE STATISTICS – APRIL 2012**

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## COMMENTARY-APRIL 2012 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)

### Section 1: Headline Inflation

The national year-on-year inflation rate stood at 7.5 percent in April 2012, registering a drop of 0.5 of a percentage point from 8.0 percent in March. The rural villages' inflation rate went down by 0.8 of a percentage point from 8.2 percent in March to 7.4 percent in April. The urban villages' inflation rate moved from 8.3 percent in March to 7.7 percent in April, showing a decrease of 0.6 of a percentage point, while the towns and cities' inflation rate registered a decrease of 0.5 of a percentage point from 7.8 in March to 7.3 in April.

In April 2012, the national Consumer Price Index was 156.9, up by 1.0 percent on the March level of 155.4. The towns and cities' index recorded an increase of 1.0 percent, from 154.3 to 156.0 between the two months. The urban villages' index registered an increase of 1.0 percent between March and April, from 155.1 to 156.6. The rural villages' index rose by 0.7 percent, from 158.6 in March to 159.8 in April.

All the group indices showed increases between March and April. The group indices which showed increases were *Recreation & Culture* (3.3 percent), *Health* (2.8 percent), *Alcohol & Tobacco* (2.6 percent), *Restaurants & Hotels* (1.7 percent), *Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages* (1.4 percent), *Communication* (0.6 percent) and *Furnishing, Household Equipment & Routine Maintenance* (0.6 percent).

The *Recreation & Culture* group index was 130.2 in April, up by 3.3 percent on the March level of 125.9. All section indices went up, notably, *Recreational & Cultural Services* (7.9 percent) and *Newspapers, Books & Stationary* (1.7 percent).

The *Health* group index was 141.0 in April, up by 2.8 percent on the March level of 137.2. The increase was due to constituent section indices of *Out-patient Services* (9.5 percent), *Medical Products, Appliances & Equipment* (1.9 percent) and *Hospital Services* (0.4 percent). The increase in *Out-patient Services* section index was attributed to the rise in private consultation fee.

The *Alcohol & Tobacco* group index rose by 2.6 percent, from 196.0 in March to 201.2 in April. This was due to increases in all the section indices, *Alcoholic Beverages*, which increased by 2.6 percent from 195.8 to 200.9, and *Tobacco* increasing by 2.7 percent from 197.8 to 203.2.

The *Restaurants & Hotels* group index recorded an increase of 1.7 percent from 189.5 in March to 192.7 in April. The increase resulted from the constituent section indices of *Restaurants, Cafes & the Like* (1.7 percent) and *Accommodation Services* (1.2 percent).

The *Food & Non Alcoholic Beverages* group index moved from 174.6 to 177.0, registering an increase of 1.4 percent between March and April. The rise was due to a general increase in the food prices. All section indices recorded increases, notably; *Bread & Cereals* (1.9 percent), *Vegetables* (1.6 percent), *Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionary* (1.6 percent), *Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices* (1.6 percent), *Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)* (1.5 percent), *Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)* (1.4 percent), *Coffee, Tea & Cocoa* (0.9 percent) and *Milk, Cheese & Milk products* (0.8 percent).

The *Communication* group index was 91.7 in April, up by 0.6 percent on the March level of 91.2. This was a result of increase in the constituent section index, *Postal Services* (22.9 percent). The increase was attributed to the revised postal services tariff by the Botswana Post, which were effected on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012.

The *Furnishing, Household Equipment & Routine Maintenance* group index increased by 0.6 percent, moving from 156.6 in March to 157.5 in April. This was as result of increases in the constituent section indices of *Household Textiles*, which went up by 1.0 percent and *Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils* (1.0 percent).

The *All-Tradeables* inflation rate for April stood at 8.3 percent, down by 0.6 of a percentage point on the March rate of 8.9 percent. *Imported Tradeables* inflation rate was 8.2 percent in April, down by 1.6 percentage points on the March rate of 9.8 percent. The *Domestic Tradeables* inflation rate registered an increase of 0.9 of a percentage point, from 7.6 to 8.5 percent, while the *Non-Tradeables* inflation rate went down by 0.5 of a percentage point between March and April, from 5.8 to 5.3 percent.

The *All-Tradeables* index went up by 1.1 percent, from 161.4 in March to 163.2 in April. The *Domestic Tradeables* index rose by 2.2 percent, from 172.2 to 176.0 between the two months. The *Non-Tradeables* index recorded an increase of 0.7 percent, from 141.4 in March to 142.4 in April. The *Imported Tradeables* index was 156.7 in April, up by 0.4 percent on the March level of 156.1.

## Section 2: Core Inflation

The Trimmed Mean Core Inflation rate stood at 7.3 percent in April, a drop of 0.3 of a percentage point from 7.6 percent in March, while Core Inflation rate by exclusion recorded a drop of 0.4 of a percentage point from 7.0 percent to 6.6 percent between March and April.

Chart 1: National Inflation Rate 2009 - 2012

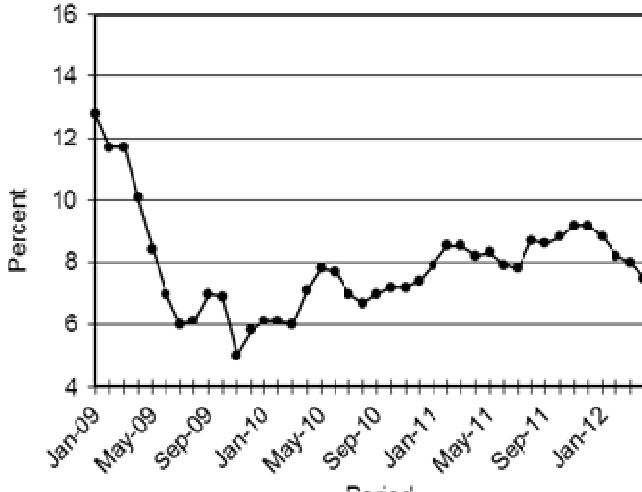


Chart 2: Monthly Changes in Cost-of-Living Index 2009 - 2012

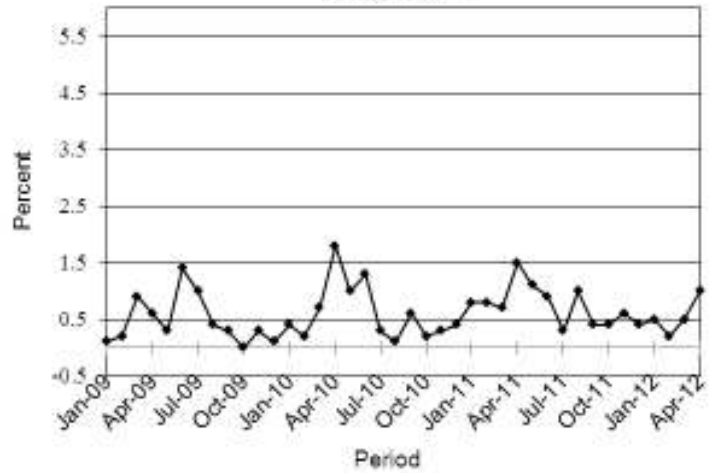


Chart 3: Non-Tradeable Inflation 2009 - 2012

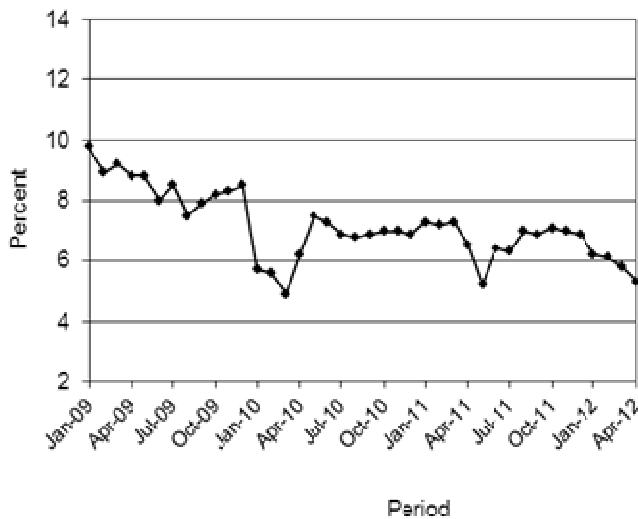
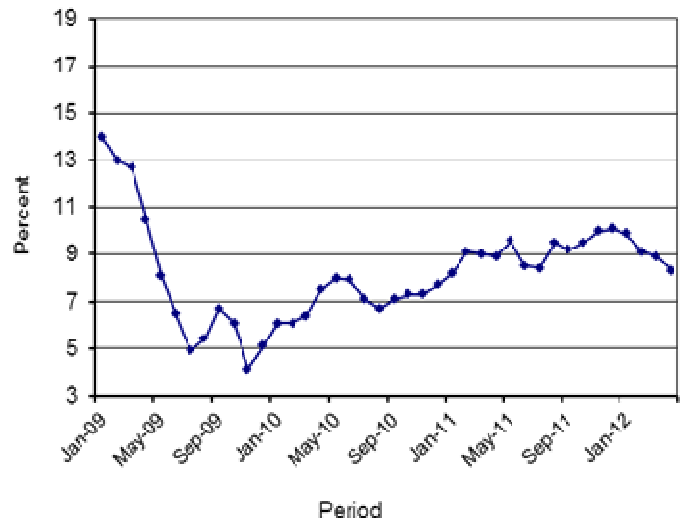


Chart 4 Tradeables Inflation 2009 - 2012



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**TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX (September 2006 =100.0)**

		Food	Alcohol and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing	Furni- ture etc	Health	Trans- port	Commun ication	Rec. & Culture	Educati on	Rest. & Hotels	Other
<b>Weights</b>		<b>21.84</b>	<b>9.29</b>	<b>7.52</b>	<b>11.46</b>	<b>6.76</b>	<b>2.71</b>	<b>18.98</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>2.22</b>	<b>3.37</b>	<b>3.27</b>	<b>9.57</b>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
<b>2009</b>	Jan	145.8	159.7	108.7	114.8	118.2	123.3	107.5	94.7	103.8	113.7	143.5	108.8
	Feb	146.2	161.0	108.6	114.7	118.2	123.2	107.6	94.7	103.6	113.8	145.1	108.9
	Mar	148.2	162.2	109.6	116.5	120.1	123.3	107.9	94.7	103.6	113.8	147.9	108.8
	Apr	148.8	163.2	110.8	116.4	122.7	123.7	108.4	94.7	105.0	113.8	148.8	110.4
	May	149.2	163.4	111.8	116.4	123.7	123.8	108.8	94.6	106.6	113.8	150.4	110.4
	Jun	149.4	163.7	112.5	117.6	125.6	123.9	115.2	94.6	107.1	113.8	153.1	111.5
	July	151.5	164.6	115.5	118.1	127.4	124.2	115.5	94.6	108.8	113.8	154.2	112.9
	Aug	151.7	164.5	115.8	118.1	127.4	124.3	117.6	94.6	109.1	113.8	154.7	113.1
	Sept	151.7	164.7	116.1	120.0	127.8	124.3	118.1	94.6	109.2	113.8	154.5	113.2
	Oct	151.6	164.9	116.1	119.9	128.1	124.3	118.3	94.6	109.2	113.8	153.9	113.2
	Nov	151.9	165.8	117.0	119.9	129.0	124.8	118.6	94.7	109.5	113.8	155.2	113.3
	Dec	151.0	166.0	116.6	120.3	129.9	125.0	119.6	94.6	109.6	113.8	155.3	113.6
<b>2010</b>	Jan	151.1	165.8	116.9	119.9	130.6	124.9	120.6	94.6	109.9	120.4	155.6	114.4
	Feb	151.1	166.0	117.3	120.0	131.2	125.2	121.0	94.6	110.3	120.4	156.5	114.6
	Mar	152.4	167.6	118.9	121.2	133.1	125.4	121.2	94.6	110.8	120.4	158.3	115.0
	Apr	154.4	174.1	119.9	121.8	134.3	127.3	123.4	95.4	111.1	120.4	162.7	119.5
	May	156.0	176.7	120.5	126.3	135.0	127.6	123.6	95.4	111.4	120.5	164.4	119.7
	Jun	156.1	177.4	121.4	126.8	137.1	127.8	130.2	96.4	111.5	120.5	165.9	120.8
	July	156.4	177.4	122.9	127.3	138.0	128.1	130.3	96.4	115.6	120.5	166.6	121.0
	Aug	156.8	177.6	123.6	127.5	138.5	128.2	129.6	96.4	115.8	120.5	167.5	121.1
	Sept	156.7	179.1	125.0	127.7	139.3	128.3	131.6	96.4	116.1	120.5	168.8	121.4
	Oct	156.7	179.7	126.3	127.9	139.6	128.4	131.7	96.4	116.5	120.5	170.6	121.5
	Nov	157.2	180.4	127.4	128.1	140.4	128.4	131.8	96.4	116.7	120.5	171.8	121.5
	Dec	157.6	182.1	127.1	128.8	141.7	128.6	132.2	96.4	116.9	120.5	171.9	121.7
<b>2011</b>	Jan	158.2	183.4	127.5	129.1	142.3	128.7	133.7	96.4	117.1	133.2	172.7	122.6
	Feb	159.1	183.9	127.9	129.4	142.9	128.8	137.5	96.4	117.6	133.2	172.9	122.6
	Mar	160.5	186.0	128.5	130.9	144.6	129.1	137.7	96.4	118.5	133.2	173.7	122.8
	Apr	164.4	188.5	131.0	131.1	145.3	133.0	139.0	96.4	123.4	133.2	175.5	125.7
	May	165.8	191.3	132.1	131.8	146.7	133.3	142.8	91.2	124.1	133.2	179.3	126.1
	Jun	166.6	191.9	133.1	137.6	148.9	133.6	143.3	91.2	124.4	133.2	182.5	126.6
	Jul	167.0	192.2	134.4	138.2	149.5	133.6	143.4	91.2	124.5	133.2	183.4	126.7
	Aug	167.9	192.4	135.1	138.9	150.4	133.7	148.7	91.2	124.7	133.2	183.7	126.8
	Sept	168.8	192.4	135.8	140.0	152.9	133.9	148.8	91.2	124.8	133.2	184.5	126.9
	Oct	169.8	192.8	136.4	140.6	153.9	136.0	149.4	91.2	125.3	133.2	184.6	127.1
	Nov	170.7	192.9	137.2	141.2	154.3	136.1	152.6	91.2	125.3	133.2	185.3	127.2
	Dec	171.8	192.8	138.8	141.8	155.2	136.4	152.6	91.2	125.4	133.2	186.0	127.2
<b>2012</b>	Jan	172.3	193.5	139.6	141.9	155.6	136.5	153.4	91.2	125.6	141.5	187.1	127.7
	Feb	173.3	193.6	140.2	142.0	155.9	136.9	153.5	91.2	125.7	141.5	187.5	127.7
	Mar	174.6	196.0	140.7	142.4	156.3	137.2	153.5	91.2	125.9	141.7	189.5	127.7
	Apr	177.0	201.2	140.9	142.4	157.5	141.0	153.8	91.7	130.2	141.7	192.7	128.2
<b>% Change on Last month</b>		<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>(0.0)</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>0.4</b>

**TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX(Cont.)**

		All Items Index	National Inflation Rate	Monthly Change	Towns & Cities Index	Urban Village Index	Rural Villages Index	Annual Inflation		
			%	%	47.33	33.76	18.91	Towns & Cities %	Urban Villages %	Rural %
<b>2009</b>	Jan	123.8	<b>12.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	121.6	123.9	129.3	<b>11.5</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>16.3</b>
	Feb	124.1	<b>11.7</b>	<b>0.2</b>	122.0	124.1	129.4	<b>10.5</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>14.7</b>
	Mar	125.2	<b>11.7</b>	<b>0.9</b>	123.0	125.2	130.6	<b>10.3</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>14.9</b>
	Apr	126.0	<b>10.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	123.7	126.1	131.7	<b>8.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>14.3</b>
	May	126.4	<b>8.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	124.0	126.3	132.5	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>13.4</b>
	Jun	128.2	<b>7.0</b>	<b>1.4</b>	126.3	128.0	133.5	<b>5.2</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>11.9</b>
	Jul	129.4	<b>6.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	127.3	129.4	134.9	<b>4.0</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>11.5</b>
	Aug	130.0	<b>6.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>	127.9	129.9	135.2	<b>4.1</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>11.0</b>
	Sept	130.3	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	128.3	130.3	135.4	<b>5.4</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>10.8</b>
	Oct	130.4	<b>6.9</b>	<b>0.1</b>	128.5	130.2	135.1	<b>5.8</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>9.5</b>
	Nov	130.8	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	128.9	130.5	135.9	<b>4.6</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>6.0</b>
	Dec	130.9	<b>5.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	129.3	130.5	135.5	<b>6.1</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>5.4</b>
<b>2010</b>	Jan	131.4	<b>6.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>	129.8	131.2	135.8	<b>6.7</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5.1</b>
	Feb	131.7	<b>6.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	130.1	131.2	136.4	<b>6.6</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>5.4</b>
	Mar	132.6	<b>6.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>	131.0	131.8	138.3	<b>6.5</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.9</b>
	Apr	135.0	<b>7.1</b>	<b>1.8</b>	133.5	134.0	140.4	<b>7.9</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.6</b>
	May	136.3	<b>7.8</b>	<b>1.0</b>	134.8	135.4	141.6	<b>8.7</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>6.9</b>
	Jun	138.1	<b>7.7</b>	<b>1.3</b>	137.0	137.0	142.8	<b>8.5</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7.0</b>
	July	138.6	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	137.4	137.6	143.2	<b>7.9</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.2</b>
	Aug	138.7	<b>6.7</b>	<b>0.1</b>	137.8	137.6	142.7	<b>7.7</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>5.6</b>
	Sept	139.4	<b>7.0</b>	<b>0.6</b>	138.6	138.7	143.0	<b>8.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>
	Oct	139.7	<b>7.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	138.8	139.1	143.0	<b>8.0</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>5.9</b>
	Nov	140.1	<b>7.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	139.5	139.3	143.2	<b>8.2</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>5.4</b>
	Dec	140.6	<b>7.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	139.8	139.9	144.0	<b>8.1</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>2011</b>	Jan	141.8	<b>7.9</b>	<b>0.8</b>	141.3	141.0	144.5	<b>8.8</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>
	Feb	142.9	<b>8.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	142.4	142.2	145.5	<b>9.5</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>6.6</b>
	Mar	143.8	<b>8.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>	143.2	143.2	146.6	<b>9.3</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>
	Apr	146.0	<b>8.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>	145.3	145.5	148.8	<b>8.9</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>
	May	147.6	<b>8.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>	146.9	146.9	150.5	<b>9.0</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>6.2</b>
	Jun	149.0	<b>7.9</b>	<b>0.9</b>	148.4	148.1	152.0	<b>8.3</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>6.4</b>
	Jul	149.3	<b>7.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>	148.9	148.3	152.3	<b>8.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>6.3</b>
	Aug	150.8	<b>8.7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	150.4	149.8	153.4	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>
	Sept	151.4	<b>8.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	150.9	150.6	153.9	<b>8.9</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>7.6</b>
	Oct	152.0	<b>8.8</b>	<b>0.4</b>	151.4	151.5	154.6	<b>9.0</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>8.1</b>
	Nov	153.0	<b>9.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>	152.4	152.7	155.0	<b>9.3</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>8.2</b>
	Dec	153.5	<b>9.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>	152.9	153.1	155.9	<b>9.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<b>2012</b>	Jan	154.3	<b>8.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>	153.5	154.0	157.0	<b>8.6</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>8.6</b>
	Feb	154.7	<b>8.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	153.7	154.4	157.6	<b>8.0</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.3</b>
	Mar	155.4	<b>8.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	154.3	155.1	158.6	<b>7.8</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>8.2</b>
	Apr	156.9	<b>7.5</b>	<b>1.0</b>	156.0	156.6	159.8	<b>7.3</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>7.4</b>
<b>% Change on last month</b>		<b>1.0</b>			<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>			

**Table 2: National Cost-of-Living Group & Section Indices (September 2006 = 100.0)**

TABLE 2 :National Cost-of-Living Group and Section Indices (September 2006=100.0)										
Group Section	Weights	This month Apr 2012	Last month Mar 2012	3 months ago Jan 2012	6 months ago Oct 2011	12 months ago Apr 2011	Percentage Change on:			
		Last month ago	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago					
<b>1 Food &amp; Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>21.84</b>	<b>177.0</b>	<b>174.6</b>	<b>172.3</b>	<b>169.8</b>	<b>164.4</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>7.6</b>
1.1 Bread & Cereals	6.51	174.9	171.5	167.2	163.3	158.2	1.9	4.6	7.1	10.5
1.2 Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	3.15	183.0	180.4	179.0	176.1	169.9	1.4	2.2	3.9	7.7
1.3 Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	0.20	175.0	172.4	170.2	170.1	166.9	1.5	2.8	2.9	4.9
1.4 Milk, Cheese & Milk Products	2.19	180.2	178.7	177.8	177.7	185.4	0.8	1.3	1.4	(2.8)
1.5 Oils & Fats	0.90	213.5	213.0	209.9	206.2	200.1	0.2	1.7	3.6	6.7
1.6 Fruit	0.67	125.0	124.6	123.4	115.2	113.0	0.3	1.3	8.5	10.7
1.7 Vegetables	1.94	174.2	171.4	170.5	173.0	163.4	1.6	2.2	0.7	6.6
1.8 Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery	1.36	180.8	177.9	176.4	173.9	161.2	1.6	2.5	4.0	12.2
1.9 Food not else where Classified	2.36	177.0	176.3	175.4	173.0	164.3	0.4	0.9	2.3	7.7
1.10 Coffee, Tea & Cocoa	0.63	195.3	193.5	192.3	189.4	180.9	0.9	1.6	3.1	8.0
1.11 Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices	1.94	166.2	163.6	160.4	158.1	152.4	1.6	3.6	5.1	9.1
<b>2 Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco &amp; Narcotics</b>	<b>9.29</b>	<b>201.2</b>	<b>196.0</b>	<b>193.5</b>	<b>192.8</b>	<b>188.5</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>6.7</b>
2.1 Alcoholic Beverages	8.09	200.9	195.8	193.2	192.7	188.5	2.6	4.0	4.3	6.6
2.2 Tobacco	1.20	203.2	197.8	195.2	194.0	189.1	2.7	4.1	4.7	7.4
<b>3 Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>7.52</b>	<b>140.9</b>	<b>140.7</b>	<b>139.6</b>	<b>136.4</b>	<b>131.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>7.6</b>
3.1 Clothing	3.33	160.5	160.1	159.2	154.7	147.3	0.2	0.8	3.8	9.0
3.2 Other articles of Clothing	1.82	126.5	126.4	124.7	121.5	117.3	0.1	1.4	4.1	7.9
3.3 Cleaning, Repair & Hire	0.03	170.9	170.6	168.9	166.9	159.4	0.1	1.2	2.4	7.2
3.4 Footwear	2.34	123.9	123.6	122.9	121.6	118.0	0.2	0.8	1.9	5.0
<b>4 Housing, Water, Electr. Gas &amp; Other Fuels</b>	<b>11.46</b>	<b>142.4</b>	<b>142.4</b>	<b>141.9</b>	<b>140.6</b>	<b>131.1</b>	<b>(0.0)</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>8.6</b>
4.1 Rent paid by Tenants	5.68	128.4	128.4	127.7	126.8	124.1	0.0	0.5	1.3	3.5
4.2 Materials for Maintenance & Repair of dwellings	2.57	141.9	141.8	140.9	140.1	134.1	0.1	0.7	1.3	5.8
4.3 Water Supply & Misc. Services	1.14	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.4 Electricity Gas and other Fuels	2.06	203.8	204.0	203.9	200.4	162.8	(0.1)	(0.0)	1.7	25.2
<b>5 Furnishing, H/H Equipment &amp; Routine Maintenance</b>	<b>6.76</b>	<b>157.5</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>155.6</b>	<b>153.9</b>	<b>145.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>8.4</b>
5.1 Furniture & Furnishing	2.31	133.0	132.3	131.2	129.7	121.2	0.6	1.3	2.5	9.7
5.2 Carpets & Other Floor Coverings	0.04	146.2	145.8	145.3	144.3	142.0	0.3	0.7	1.3	3.0
5.3 Household Textiles	0.44	147.0	145.6	145.4	142.2	135.8	1.0	1.1	3.4	8.3
5.4 Household Appliances	0.69	133.3	133.0	132.6	131.1	127.1	0.2	0.5	1.7	4.9
5.5 Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils	0.44	162.7	161.1	160.3	157.8	153.3	1.0	1.5	3.1	6.1
5.6 Small Tools, Miscellaneous Accessories	0.06	166.6	165.4	165.2	162.6	160.1	0.7	0.9	2.4	4.1
5.7 Goods & Services for H/hold Maintenance	2.79	184.6	183.6	182.2	180.7	169.7	0.6	1.3	2.2	8.8

**Table 2: National Cost-of-Living Group & Section Indices (September 2006 = 100.0) (Cont.)**

<b>6</b>	<b>Health</b>	<b>2.71</b>	<b>141.0</b>	<b>137.2</b>	<b>136.5</b>	<b>136.0</b>	<b>133.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>
6.1	Medical Products, App. & Equip.	0.35	159.7	156.8	152.9	150.2	140.1	1.9	4.5	6.4	14.0
6.2	Out-patient Services	0.66	145.9	133.2	132.5	131.8	124.8	9.5	10.1	10.7	16.9
6.3	Hospital Services	1.71	135.3	134.7	134.7	134.7	134.7	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
<b>7</b>	<b>Transport</b>	<b>18.98</b>	<b>153.8</b>	<b>153.5</b>	<b>153.4</b>	<b>149.4</b>	<b>139.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>10.6</b>
7.1	Purchase of Vehicles	5.89	148.9	148.9	148.6	146.7	144.7	0.0	0.2	1.5	2.9
7.2	Operation of Personal Transport	10.92	155.0	154.5	154.4	148.6	134.2	0.3	0.4	4.3	15.5
7.3	Transport Services	2.17	160.9	160.9	160.9	160.3	147.6	0.0	0.0	0.4	9.0
<b>8</b>	<b>Communication</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>91.7</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>91.2</b>	<b>96.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>(4.9)</b>
8.1	Postal Services	0.04	209.9	170.8	170.8	170.8	170.8	22.9	22.9	22.9	22.9
8.2	Telephone & Telefax Equipment	0.74	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8.3	Telephone & Telefax Services	2.23	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	105.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	(6.8)
<b>9</b>	<b>Recreation &amp; Culture</b>	<b>2.22</b>	<b>130.2</b>	<b>125.9</b>	<b>125.6</b>	<b>125.3</b>	<b>123.4</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.4</b>
9.1	Audio Visual, Photographic & Info. Proce. Equip.	1.09	103.4	103.0	102.5	102.5	102.0	0.4	0.8	0.8	1.3
9.2	Other Recreational Items & Equip.	0.18	150.2	150.1	149.8	149.0	142.6	0.1	0.3	0.8	5.3
9.3	Recreational & Cultural Services	0.76	148.4	137.5	137.4	137.5	136.4	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.8
9.4	Newspapers, Books & Stationary	0.19	189.9	186.7	185.5	183.2	174.6	1.7	2.4	3.6	8.7
<b>10</b>	<b>Education</b>	<b>3.37</b>	<b>141.7</b>	<b>141.7</b>	<b>141.5</b>	<b>133.2</b>	<b>133.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>
10.1	Pre-Primary & Primary Education	1.10	173.4	173.4	173.0	154.5	154.5	0.0	0.3	12.3	12.3
10.2	Secondary & Tertiary Education	2.26	126.2	126.2	126.2	122.8	122.8	0.0	0.0	2.8	2.8
<b>11</b>	<b>Restaurants &amp; Hotels</b>	<b>3.27</b>	<b>192.7</b>	<b>189.5</b>	<b>187.1</b>	<b>184.6</b>	<b>175.5</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>9.8</b>
11.1	Restaurants, Cafes and the Like	3.08	195.2	191.9	189.4	187.1	177.6	1.7	3.0	4.4	9.9
11.2	Accommodation Services	0.19	151.5	149.8	149.6	145.1	141.3	1.2	1.3	4.5	7.2
<b>12</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Goods &amp; Services</b>	<b>9.57</b>	<b>128.2</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>127.1</b>	<b>125.7</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>2.0</b>
12.1	Personal Care	0.66	149.1	147.5	146.9	146.7	141.1	1.1	1.5	1.7	5.7
12.2	Personal Effects N.E.C.	0.04	127.1	126.5	125.7	122.6	117.6	0.4	1.1	3.6	8.1
12.3	Social Protection	0.14	147.8	146.8	146.8	146.8	146.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
12.4	Insurance	6.32	129.6	129.6	129.6	128.9	128.1	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.2
12.5	Financial Services	0.18	138.6	138.0	137.1	135.5	129.6	0.4	1.1	2.3	6.9
12.6	Taxes Licences, Fees	2.24	116.2	114.7	114.7	114.4	113.0	1.3	1.3	1.6	2.9
	<b>All-Items Index</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>155.4</b>	<b>154.3</b>	<b>152.0</b>	<b>146.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>7.5</b>

**TABLE 3: COST-OF-LIVING INDEX BY TRADEABILITY (September 2006 = 100.0)**

Weights	All Items		Non-Tradeables		Domestic Tradeables		Imported Tradeables		All Tradeables		
	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	
	100.00		30.92		23.91		45.17		69.08		
<b>2009</b>	Jan	123.8	<b>12.8</b>	117.1	<b>9.8</b>	145.1	<b>23.3</b>	117.2	<b>8.4</b>	126.8	<b>14.0</b>
	Feb	124.1	<b>11.7</b>	117.4	<b>8.9</b>	146.3	<b>23.2</b>	116.9	<b>6.8</b>	127.1	<b>13.0</b>
	Mar	125.2	<b>11.7</b>	118.7	<b>9.2</b>	147.5	<b>21.7</b>	117.8	<b>7.5</b>	127.8	<b>12.7</b>
	Apr	126.0	<b>10.2</b>	119.5	<b>8.8</b>	148.5	<b>21.4</b>	118.6	<b>4.5</b>	128.7	<b>10.5</b>
	May	126.4	<b>8.4</b>	119.7	<b>8.8</b>	148.6	<b>19.9</b>	119.3	<b>1.7</b>	129.2	<b>8.1</b>
	Jun	128.2	<b>7.0</b>	120.9	<b>8.0</b>	148.6	<b>18.0</b>	122.4	<b>0.4</b>	131.2	<b>6.5</b>
	Jul	129.4	<b>6.0</b>	121.5	<b>8.5</b>	149.6	<b>17.6</b>	124.2	<b>-1.7</b>	132.8	<b>4.0</b>
	Aug	130.0	<b>6.1</b>	121.7	<b>7.5</b>	149.5	<b>16.5</b>	125.3	<b>-0.4</b>	133.4	<b>5.4</b>
	Sept	130.3	<b>7.0</b>	122.5	<b>7.9</b>	149.1	<b>14.9</b>	125.7	<b>2.1</b>	133.6	<b>6.7</b>
	Oct	130.4	<b>6.9</b>	122.4	<b>8.4</b>	149.1	<b>13.9</b>	125.8	<b>1.9</b>	133.7	<b>6.1</b>
	Nov	130.8	<b>5.0</b>	122.6	<b>8.3</b>	149.4	<b>3.3</b>	126.5	<b>3.3</b>	134.2	<b>4.1</b>
	Dec	130.9	<b>5.8</b>	123.2	<b>8.5</b>	149.0	<b>1.9</b>	126.6	<b>6.0</b>	134.2	<b>5.1</b>
<b>2010</b>	Jan	131.4	<b>6.1</b>	123.8	<b>5.7</b>	149.3	<b>3.0</b>	127.2	<b>8.5</b>	134.6	<b>6.1</b>
	Feb	131.7	<b>6.1</b>	124.0	<b>5.6</b>	149.5	<b>2.2</b>	127.4	<b>9.0</b>	134.9	<b>6.1</b>
	Mar	132.6	<b>6.0</b>	124.6	<b>4.9</b>	150.5	<b>2.0</b>	128.7	<b>9.3</b>	136.0	<b>6.4</b>
	Apr	135.0	<b>7.1</b>	126.9	<b>6.2</b>	153.7	<b>3.5</b>	130.6	<b>10.1</b>	138.3	<b>7.5</b>
	May	136.3	<b>7.8</b>	128.7	<b>7.5</b>	154.9	<b>4.2</b>	131.7	<b>10.4</b>	139.5	<b>8.0</b>
	Jun	138.1	<b>7.7</b>	129.7	<b>7.3</b>	154.8	<b>4.2</b>	135.1	<b>10.3</b>	141.6	<b>7.9</b>
	July	138.6	<b>7.0</b>	129.9	<b>6.9</b>	155.3	<b>3.8</b>	135.7	<b>9.2</b>	142.2	<b>7.1</b>
	Aug	138.7	<b>6.7</b>	130.0	<b>6.8</b>	155.3	<b>3.8</b>	135.9	<b>8.5</b>	142.4	<b>6.7</b>
	Sept	139.4	<b>7.0</b>	130.9	<b>6.9</b>	155.5	<b>4.3</b>	136.8	<b>8.8</b>	143.1	<b>7.1</b>
	Oct	139.7	<b>7.2</b>	131.0	<b>7.0</b>	155.6	<b>4.3</b>	137.3	<b>9.1</b>	143.4	<b>7.3</b>
	Nov	140.1	<b>7.2</b>	131.2	<b>7.0</b>	155.9	<b>4.3</b>	137.9	<b>9.0</b>	144.0	<b>7.3</b>
	Dec	140.6	<b>7.4</b>	131.6	<b>6.9</b>	156.5	<b>5.0</b>	138.4	<b>9.3</b>	144.5	<b>7.7</b>
<b>2011</b>	Jan	141.8	<b>7.9</b>	132.8	<b>7.3</b>	158.2	<b>5.9</b>	139.2	<b>9.5</b>	145.6	<b>8.2</b>
	Feb	142.9	<b>8.5</b>	132.9	<b>7.2</b>	158.9	<b>6.2</b>	141.3	<b>10.9</b>	147.2	<b>9.1</b>
	Mar	143.8	<b>8.5</b>	133.7	<b>7.3</b>	160.1	<b>6.4</b>	142.2	<b>10.5</b>	148.2	<b>9.0</b>
	Apr	146.0	<b>8.2</b>	135.2	<b>6.5</b>	162.2	<b>5.5</b>	144.8	<b>10.9</b>	150.6	<b>8.9</b>
	May	147.6	<b>8.3</b>	135.3	<b>5.2</b>	163.5	<b>5.5</b>	147.6	<b>12.1</b>	152.9	<b>9.6</b>
	Jun	149.0	<b>7.9</b>	138.0	<b>6.4</b>	164.8	<b>6.5</b>	148.1	<b>9.6</b>	153.6	<b>8.5</b>
	Jul	149.3	<b>7.8</b>	138.0	<b>6.3</b>	165.4	<b>6.5</b>	148.6	<b>9.5</b>	154.2	<b>8.4</b>
	Aug	150.8	<b>8.7</b>	139.0	<b>7.0</b>	165.7	<b>6.7</b>	150.9	<b>11.1</b>	155.8	<b>9.5</b>
	Sept	151.4	<b>8.6</b>	139.9	<b>6.9</b>	166.3	<b>6.9</b>	151.3	<b>10.6</b>	156.3	<b>9.2</b>
	Oct	152.0	<b>8.8</b>	140.3	<b>7.1</b>	167.0	<b>7.4</b>	152.1	<b>10.8</b>	157.0	<b>9.5</b>
	Nov	153.0	<b>9.2</b>	140.4	<b>7.0</b>	167.5	<b>7.4</b>	153.9	<b>11.6</b>	158.4	<b>10.0</b>
	Dec	153.5	<b>9.2</b>	140.7	<b>6.9</b>	168.0	<b>7.4</b>	154.6	<b>11.8</b>	159.1	<b>10.1</b>
<b>2012</b>	Jan	154.3	<b>8.8</b>	141.1	<b>6.2</b>	169.6	<b>7.2</b>	155.3	<b>11.5</b>	160.0	<b>9.9</b>
	Feb	154.7	<b>8.2</b>	141.0	<b>6.1</b>	170.4	<b>7.3</b>	155.7	<b>10.2</b>	160.6	<b>9.1</b>
	Mar	155.4	<b>8.0</b>	141.4	<b>5.8</b>	172.2	<b>7.6</b>	156.1	<b>9.8</b>	161.4	<b>8.9</b>
	Apr	156.9	<b>7.5</b>	142.4	<b>5.3</b>	176.0	<b>8.5</b>	156.7	<b>8.2</b>	163.2	<b>8.3</b>
<b>% Change on last month</b>		<b>1.0</b>		<b>0.7</b>		<b>2.2</b>		<b>0.4</b>		<b>1.1</b>	



**TABLE 4: Core Inflation Rates by Exclusion and Trimmed Mean**

Year	Month	Consumer Price Index (Trimmed Mean) (September 2006 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation Rate (Trimmed Mean) (percentage)	Consumer Price Index (Excluding Administered Prices) (September 2006 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation (Excluding Administered Prices) (percentage)
2009					
	Jan	122.4	11.2	127.7	16.4
	Feb	122.6	10.3	128.1	15.8
	Mar	123.7	10.6	129.4	15.8
	Apr	124.6	9.9	130.3	15.5
	May	125.0	8.7	130.8	14.5
	Jun	126.4	7.5	131.9	13.8
	Jul	127.7	7.4	133.4	14.2
	Aug	128.1	6.9	133.5	13.4
	Sept	128.5	6.8	134.0	12.6
	Oct	127.1	5.8	134.0	11.1
	Nov	129.5	5.3	134.5	7.7
	Dec	127.7	6.4	134.7	7.0
2010					
	Jan	129.7	6.7	135.2	5.9
	Feb	129.0	6.7	135.5	5.8
	Mar	130.0	6.5	136.7	5.6
	Apr	133.1	7.7	139.1	6.8
	May	133.2	8.3	140.2	7.2
	Jun	135.0	8.1	141.0	6.9
	July	136.6	7.6	141.5	6.1
	Aug	135.4	7.2	142.0	6.3
	Sept	136.8	7.4	142.7	6.5
	Oct	137.2	7.6	143.1	6.8
	Nov	137.9	7.6	143.6	6.7
	Dec	137.5	7.7	144.2	7.1
2011					
	Jan	139.6	8.0	145.5	7.6
	Feb	142.1	8.6	146.0	7.7
	Mar	142.6	8.4	147.1	7.6
	Apr	143.4	8.0	149.4	7.4
	May	148.7	8.2	150.5	7.3
	Jun	148.8	7.6	151.4	7.4
	July	150.3	7.4	151.9	7.3
	Aug	153.7	8.4	152.5	7.4
	Sept	154.8	8.1	153.2	7.4
	Oct	155.6	8.3	154.0	7.6
	Nov	156.3	8.5	154.4	7.5
	Dec	156.9	8.5	155.1	7.5
2012					
	Jan	157.9	8.1	156.0	7.2
	Feb	158.0	7.8	156.5	7.2
	Mar	159.2	7.6	157.4	7.0
	Apr	158.9	7.3	159.2	6.6

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