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3.5% the Average Increase of the Inflation Rate for September 2017 compared with the same month of 2016 (100=2010)

The monthly report on inflation in Jordan issued by the Department of Statistics indicates that the Consumer Price Average (Inflation) reached 120.0 in September 2017 against 115.94 for September 2016 recorded an increase by 3.5%. The main commodities groups, which contributed to this increase, were “Transport” 15.4% representing 2.0 percentage point “Rents” 2.9% representing 0.5 percentage points, “Tobacco and cigarettes” 6.8% representing 0.3%, “culture and entertainment” 7.2% representing 0.2%, “Personal Care” 5.6% representing 0.2 percentage points. Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “poultry and meats” 5.8%, “clothes” 1.4%,” fish and sea products” 1.4% and “personal belongings” 2.1%.

The Consumer Price Average for September 2017 has increased by 0.7% compared with the previous month (Aug) 2017. The main commodities groups which contributed to this increase were “transport” 3.7% representing 0.5 percentage point, “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” 7.0% representing 0.2 percentage points “educations” 1.4%” representing 0.1 percentage point, “dairy products and eggs” 1.4% representing 0.1 percentage points and “fruits and nuts” 1.8% representing 0.1 percentage points. Meanwhile, the main groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “poultry and meats” 3.5%, “clothes” 0.3%, “fish and sea products” 0.2% and “shoes” by 0.2%”.

The report also shows that the Consumer Price Average for the 1st nine months of 2017 has increased by 3.3% while it was (1.1%) in 2016. The main commodities groups which

contributed to this increase were “Transport” 13.5% representing 1.7 percentage points, “rents” 2.4% representing 0.4 percentage points, “Tobacco and cigarettes” by 8.3% representing 0.001, “Culture & Entertainment” by 8.8% representing 0.2 percentage points, “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” by 5.1% representing 0.2 percentage points. Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “meat & poultry” 6.7%, “Fruits and nuts” 3.3%,”Clothes” 2.9%, and “cereals” 0.3%.

As for the core inflation of the consumer Price index for August 2017 (which is calculated after excluding the most fluctuating commodities’ prices of food, fuel and lighting and transport group) it has reached 126.3 recording an increase of 2.8 as compared with the same month of 2016.

Figure # 1: General Monthly CPI Index for 2016 and 2017

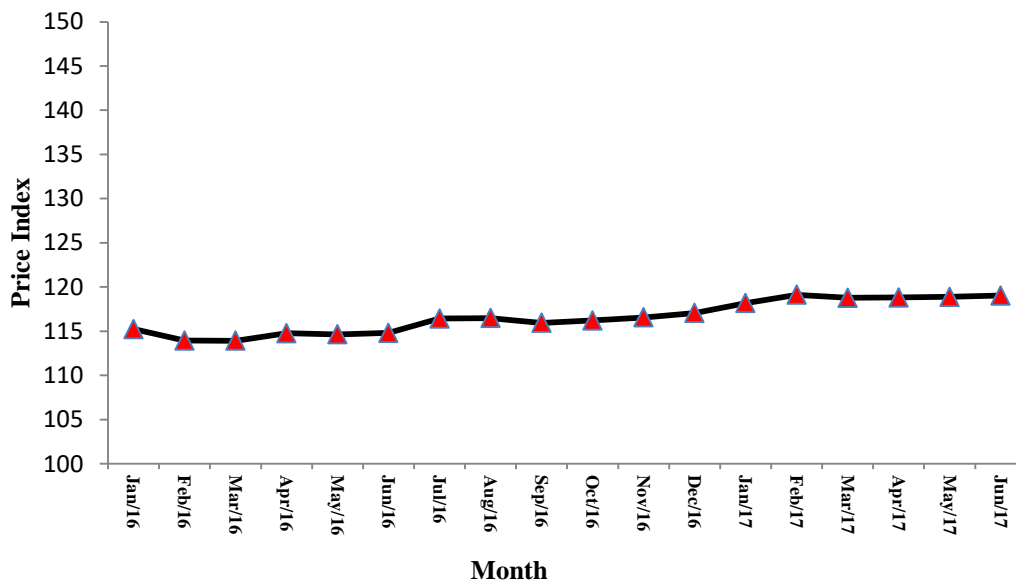


Table 1: General CPI Monthly Index for 2016 and 2017 (100=2010)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2016	115.24	113.93	113.91	114.76	114.64	114.80	116.43	116.47	115.94	116.21	116.55	117.05
2017	118.17	119.12	118.78	118.80	118.88	119.03	118.56	119.13	120.00			

**Table 2: Monthly & accumulative average change of the Consumer Price Index
during 2016 and 2017 (100=2010)**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Year												
2016												
Monthly	0.71-	1.14-	0.02-	0.75	-0.11	0.14	1.42	0.04	0.46-	0.23	0.30	0.42
2016												
accumulative	1.04-	0.90-	1.16-	1.16-	-1.24	1.41-	1.26-	-1.17	1.13-	-1.07	0.93-	0.78-
2017												
monthly	0.95	0.81	-0.29	0.02	0.06	0.13	0.40-	0.48	0.73			

Table 3: Average change in the accumulative core inflations for 2016 & 2017 (100=2010)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2016	2.04	2.20	2.11	2.19	2.16	1.72	1.59	1.74	1.93	1.87	2.86	2.96
2017	2.78	3.07	3.09	2.92	2.96	3.29	3.17	3.29	2.79			