



The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

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0.3% the Average decrease of the Inflation Rate for September 2019 compared with the same month of 2018 (100=2010)

The monthly report on inflation in Jordan issued by the Department of Statistics indicates that the Consumer Price Average (Inflation) reached 124.89 in September 2019 against 125.25 during the same month of 2018 recorded a decrease by 0.3%. The main commodities groups, which contributed to this decrease, were “Transport” by 0.40 percentage points, “Dairy and its products and eggs” by 0.22 percentage points, “Fuel & lighting” by 0.14 percentage points, “Tobacco and Cigarettes” by 0.16 percentage points and “Meat & Poultry” by 0.10 percentage points.

Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed an increase in their prices were “Rents” by 0.51 percentage points, “Cereals and their products” by 0.12 percentage points, “Education” by 0.10 percentage points and “Culture & Recreation” by 0.05 percentage points.

On the monthly level, the Consumer Price index for September 2019 has decreased by 0.6% compared with the previous month (August) 2019. The main commodities groups which contributed to this decrease were “Meat & Poultry” by 0.40 percentage points, “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” by 0.18 percentage points, “Transport” by 0.13 percentage points and “Fuel & lighting” and “Fish & sea products” by 0.01 percentage points for each. Meanwhile, the main groups which witnessed an increase in their prices were “Education” by 0.11 percentage points, “Dairy and its products and eggs” by 0.02 percentage points and “Fruits & Nuts” and “personal luggage” by 0.01 percentage points for each.

The report also shows that the Consumer Price Average for the first nine months of 2019 has increased by 0.4% compared with the same period of 2018. The main commodities groups which contributed to this increase were “Rents” by 0.41 percentage points, “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” by 0.23 percentage points , “Cereals and their products” by 0.21 percentage points, “Education” by 0.10 percentage points and “Culture & Recreation” 0.04 percentage points. Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “Transport” by 0.22 percentage points, “Meat & Poultry” by 0.15 percentage points, “Dairy and its products and eggs” by 0.17 percentage points and “Tobacco and Cigarettes” by 0.09 percentage points.

As for the core inflation of the consumer Price index for September 2019 (which is calculated after excluding the most fluctuating commodities’ prices of food, fuel, lighting and transport group) it has reached 131.2 against 129.3, during the same month of 2018, recording an increase of 1.5%. On the accumulative level the consumer price index for the first nine months of 2019 reached 130.0 against 128.4 compared with the same period of 2018 representing an increase by 1.3%.

Fig 1: General Monthly CPI for 2018 &2019

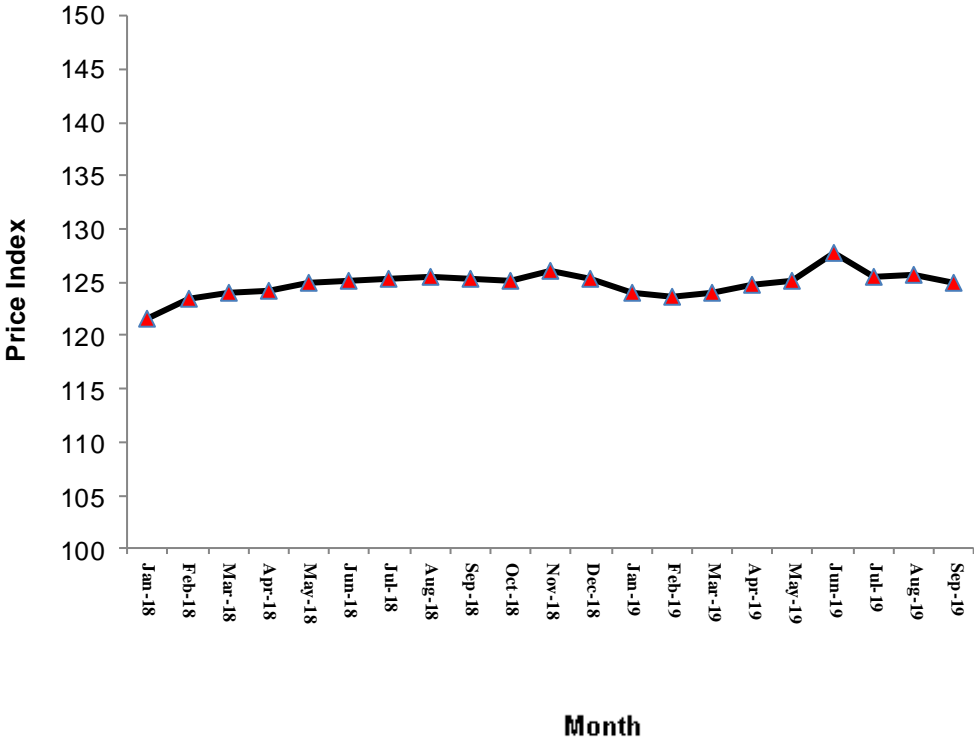


Table 1: General CPI Monthly Index for 2018 and 2019 (100=2010)

Month	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2018	121.67	123.46	123.99	124.28	124.93	125.07	125.30	125.48	125.25	125.09	126.12	125.25
2019	124.07	123.69	124.02	124.81	125.09	125.72	125.55	125.63	124.89			

Table 2: Monthly & accumulative average change of the Consumer Price Index during 2018 and 2019 (100=2010)

Month	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	August	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2018												
Monthly	0.69	1.47	0.43	0.23	0.52	0.11	0.18	0.15	0.18-	0.13-	0.83	0.69-
2018												
accumulative	2.97	3.31	3.67	3.90	4.14	4.30	4.50	4.60	4.57	4.52	4.54	4.46
2019												
monthly	0.94-	0.30-	0.26	0.63	0.23	0.50	-0.13	0.06	-0.59			

Table 3: Average change in the accumulative core inflations for 2018 & 2019 (100=2010)

Month	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2018	2.29	2.35	2.5	2.39	2.42	2.45	2.35	2.36	2.36	2.13	1.97	1.65
2019	1.61	1.36	1.23	1.18	1.18	1.21	1.25	1.28	1.30			