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Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Esfand 1381
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Ordibehesht 1382
(April 2003)

IN THE NAME OF GOD

increase



constant



decrease



Summary Results of the consumer Price Index in urban Areas in Iran

Esfand 1381

percent change compared to

Groups

General Index

previous month

similar month of
the previous year

1.3



17.5



Major Groups :

1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco

1.3



20.2



2- Clothing and Footwear

0.6



6.0



3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power

1.2



22.2



4- Household Furnishings and Operation

1.0



7.1



5- Transportation and Communication

1.9



11.6



6- Medical Care

0.8



15.9



7- Recreation, Reading and Education

0.1



16.5



8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services

5.1



10.8



Special Groups :

1- Goods

1.1



14.8



2- Services

2.7



17.6



3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power

1.2



22.2



Consumer Price Index In Urban Areas in Iran

Esfand 1381

(1376=100)

The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up by 1.3% in Esfand 1381 . Showing the index point of 221.9, the **CPI** was 17.5% higher than the similar month in 1380.

On the average , the consumer price index increased by 15.8% compared to the similar period in 1380 .

During Esfand 1381, the food, beverages and tobacco group index rose by 1.3% , which was mainly due to a 11.9% increase in the "fresh fruits" group index . The indices of " meat" and " dairy products " went up by 2.5%, and 1.2% respectively. In the mentioned month the "fresh vegetables" group index and "eggs", each, decreased by 9.1%. Meanwhile the "poultry" went down by 0.9% .

In this month, the clothing and footwear group index increased by 0.6% . This advance was caused by a 0.5% increase in the "ready to wear" group index. In this group, the "apparel goods and services" group index rose by 0.8%, and the "footwear" group index went up by 0.7%.

The housing, water, fuel and power group index advanced by 1.2%. In the above-mentioned group, the "rental equivalence of owner occupied houses" index went up by 1.3%, and the "rent of residential houses" index rose by 1.5%. Meanwhile the "maintenance and repair services" index went up by 0.9%.

During Esfand, the household furnishings and operation group index advanced by 1.0%. This increase was caused by a 1.2% increase in the "household furnishings" index. The "household operation" group index had a slight increase by 0.2%.

In this month , the transportation and communication group index showed an increase of 1.9%. The main reason of this increase was 4.2% advance in the "public transportation" group index. Meanwhile, the "private transportation" group index rose by 1.0%, which was attributed to a 1.5% increase in the "cars" index.

The medical care group index went up by 0.8%. In this group the "medical services" group index and "medicines" group index increased by 0.5%, and 1.7%, respectively.

The recreation, reading and education group index had a slight decrease by 0.1%, which was attributed to a 0.6% decline in the "recreation" group index. The "reading and education" group index remained unchanged.

During Esfand 1381, the miscellaneous goods and services group index rose by 5.1%.

Table 1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Esfand 1381
(1376 = 100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Esfand 1381	Percent Change			
			Esfand 1381 Compared to :		Esfand 1380 compared to :	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	Previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	221.9	1.3	17.5	1.7	11.7
Major Groups :						
1- Food, Beverages & Tobacco	32.45	233.0	1.3	20.2	3.9	9.7
Food	31.15	232.8	1.3	19.9	3.9	9.7
Food at home	30.24	232.5	1.4	20.0	4.0	9.7
Bread, rice & cereal products	5.56	226.0	0.5	15.7	1.0	9.7
Pulses	0.54	222.6	3.9	4.2	-0.5	-12.6
Dairy products & eggs	3.84	209.6	-1.4	14.9	-1.9	12.0
Meat, poultry & fish	7.91	281.8	1.8	28.0	4.1	12.9
Fruits & vegetables	7.95	238.0	2.5	21.1	11.0	8.1
Fats, oils & butter	1.18	161.5	0.4	21.2	0.8	4.2
Sugar products and honey	1.27	172.1	1.2	8.9	0.5	6.3
Tea	0.86	150.8	2.8	9.0	1.3	7.5
Other food commodities	1.13	167.1	0.5	6.3	0.5	13.9
Food away from home	0.91	243.0	1.3	18.4	1.4	10.1
Beverages	0.46	219.6	0.1	11.6	0.9	6.8
Tobacco	0.84	246.5	-0.2	34.4	4.8	10.0
2- Clothing & Footwear	9.55	136.9	0.6	6.0	0	3.2
3- Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	263.4	1.2	22.2	0.6	15.9
Housing	25.41	258.7	1.3	22.7	0.6	16.1
Rent of residential houses	5.57	262.6	1.5	23.7	0.3	16.1
Rental equivalence of owner occupied houses	18.44	261.9	1.3	22.3	0.7	16.4
Maintenance & repair services	1.40	200.3	0.9	23.5	1.1	10.6
Water, fuel & power	1.63	337.6	0.1	17.3	-0.3	13.4
4- Household Furnishings & Operation	7.22	155.1	1.0	7.1	0.3	3.5
5- Transportation & Communication	11.40	196.7	1.9	11.6	0.7	10.8
6- Medical Care	4.57	258.9	0.8	15.9	0.4	16.6
7- Recreation, Reading & Education	3.53	208.1	-0.1	16.5	-0.2	14.5
8- Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.24	217.7	5.1	10.8	3.2	18.7
Special Groups :						
1- Goods	60.93	196.5	1.1	14.8	2.3	7.5
2- Services	12.03	257.4	2.7	17.6	1.7	21.2
3- Housing, Water, Fuel & Power	27.04	263.4	1.2	22.2	0.6	15.9

Table 2
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
General and Major Groups Indices
1369-1381
(1376 = 100)

Description Period	General Index	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing, Water Fuel & Power	Household Furnishings & Operation	Transportation & Communication	Medical Care	Recreation, Reading and Education	Miscellaneous Goods & Services
1369	18.6	17.6	20.5	20.4	24.6	18.2	10.9	19.1	18.1
1370	22.4	21.9	23.0	24.4	26.2	24.4	14.2	20.6	20.9
1371	27.9	28.2	25.2	30.7	29.4	29.8	22.0	23.1	23.8
1372	34.3	34.7	29.2	36.5	35.6	34.2	31.4	30.2	32.6
1373	46.3	47.6	40.6	44.0	50.7	52.1	44.2	44.8	47.1
1374	69.2	76.3	65.6	56.8	78.6	75.4	58.7	72.6	69.2
1375	85.2	87.8	88.4	76.7	93.0	87.7	78.9	91.3	91.3
1376	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1377	118.1	124.5	105.3	120.8	106.8	114.7	122.2	107.1	113.5
1378	141.8	152.7	112.1	143.4	122.8	146.0	152.0	126.9	137.5
1379	159.7	166.3	121.8	169.8	137.6	158.4	183.5	144.4	158.1
1380	177.9	178.5	127.4	201.8	142.0	170.5	211.6	168.9	187.5
1381	206.0	213.2	132.6	241.2	150.0	187.6	246.0	192.2	204.6
1380 :									
Esfand	188.9	193.9	129.2	215.5	144.8	176.2	223.3	178.6	196.4
1381 :									
Farvardin	192.4	200.2	129.7	218.4	145.6	179.3	226.7	178.7	198.4
Ordibehesht	196.9	210.1	130.2	221.2	146.3	179.8	233.3	179.0	197.9
Khordad	199.8	212.9	130.4	226.1	147.6	183.2	238.4	178.0	198.7
Tir	200.4	210.7	131.0	228.3	148.1	185.3	243.2	178.0	203.1
Mordad	201.0	209.6	131.2	230.4	148.6	186.9	244.4	180.1	203.8
Shahrivar	204.3	207.4	131.0	243.5	149.3	187.9	247.5	182.6	204.6
Mehr	203.8	202.9	131.5	245.7	150.1	187.6	248.0	189.3	205.3
Aban	206.6	205.5	133.2	248.9	151.2	188.9	249.5	208.4	205.9
Azar	210.7	213.9	134.7	252.3	151.9	190.0	251.8	207.9	206.1
Dey	215.0	222.1	135.4	256.3	152.8	192.9	253.3	208.3	206.8
Bahman	219.0	230.0	136.1	260.3	153.6	193.0	256.8	208.4	207.2
Esfand	221.9	233.0	136.9	263.4	155.1	196.7	258.9	208.1	217.7