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Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran

Aban 1382

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Monthly Report

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Department

Azar 1382

(December 2003)

increase



constant



decrease



Summary Results of the consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran Aban 1382

Groups	percent change compared to			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
General Index	1.2		15.5	
Major Groups :				
1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco	1.6		17.5	
2- Clothing and Footwear	1.3		8.4	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	1.1		16.0	
4- Household Furnishings and Operation	1.2		10.6	
5- Transportation and Communication	0.2		14.3	
6- Medical Care	0.3		17.6	
7- Recreation, Reading and Education	3.1		4.7	
8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.3		21.9	
Special Groups :				
1- Goods	1.3		13.9	
2- Services	1.3		20.2	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	1.1		16.0	

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The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 1.2 percent in Aban 1382. Showing the index point of 238.6, the **CPI** was 15.5 percent higher than the similar month in 1381.

During the first eight months of the current Iranian year, the consumer price index rose 16.2 percent, compared to the similar period in 1381.

The inflation rate increased 16.5 percent during the twelve months ending Aban 1382.

During Aban 1382, the food, beverages and tobacco group index rose 1.6 percent, mainly due to increase of “fresh vegetables”, “poultry”, “dairy products” and “meat” 9.5 percent, 7.8 percent, 2.9 percent and 0.7 percent respectively. In this month, the “fresh fruits” index went down 2.3 percent.

The clothing and footwear group index went up 1.3 percent. The main factor of this increase was a 1.8 percent advance in the “ready to wear clothing”. The “footwear” group index rose 1.3 percent.

The housing, water, fuel and power group index advanced 1.1 percent. In this group, the “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” index and the “rent of residential houses” index, each increased 1.1 percent. The “maintenance and repair services” index went up 1.2 percent. The water, fuel and power group index rose 0.3 percent.

The household furnishings and operation group index increased 1.2 percent and caused 1.5 percent advance in the “household furnishings” group index.

The transportation and communication group index rose 0.2 percent. In this group, the “private transportation” and the “public transportation” group index increased 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.

The medical care group index went up 0.3 percent, mainly due to 0.4 percent increase in the “medical services” group index. The “medicines” index rose 0.1 percent.

The recreation, reading and education group index advanced 3.1 percent. This increase was caused a 4.3 percent advance in the “reading and education” group index.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index went up 1.3 percent.

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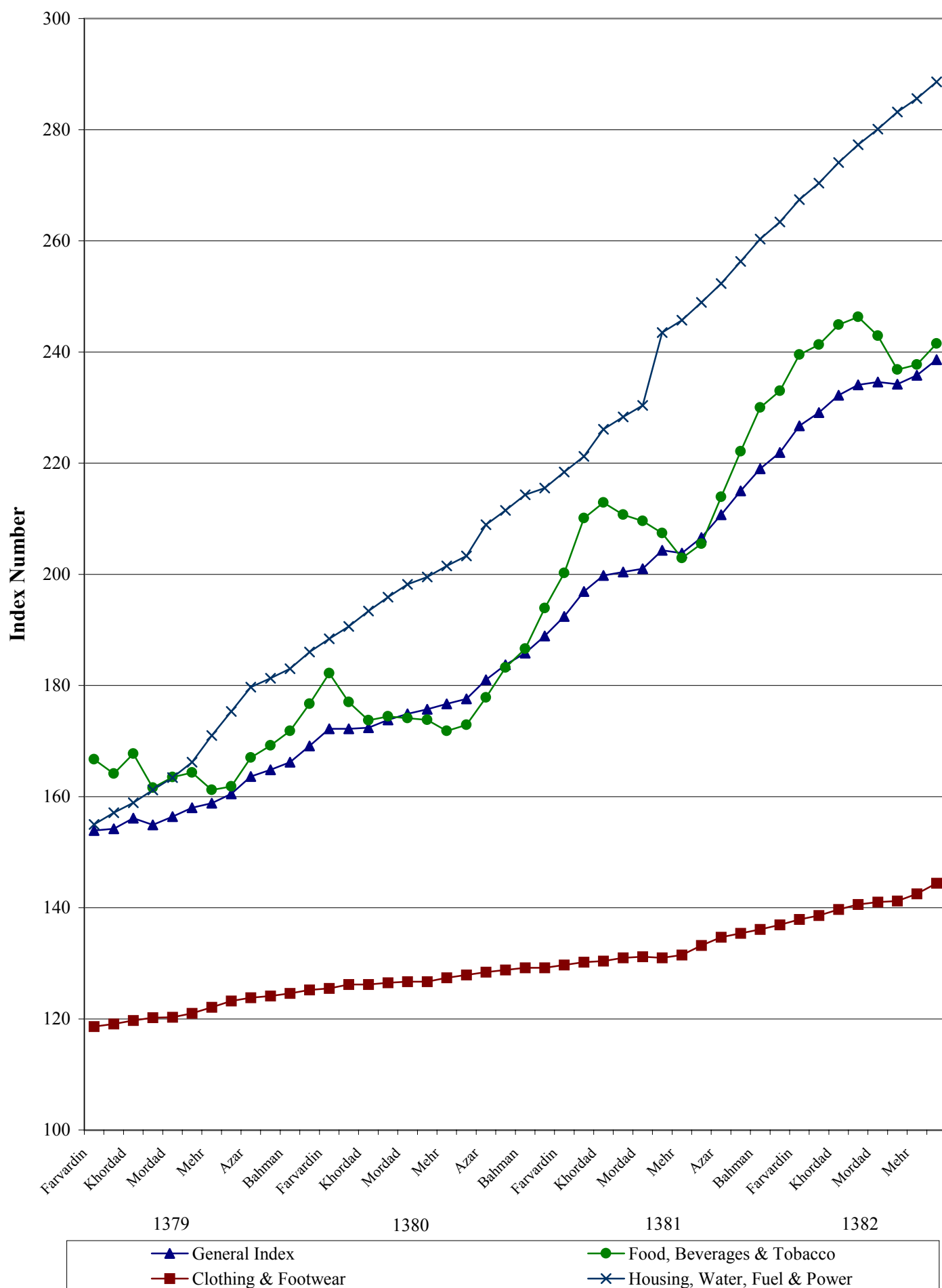


Table1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Aban 1382
(1376=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Aban 1382	Percent Change			
			Aban 1382 Compared to:		Aban 1381 Compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	238.6	1.2	15.5	1.4	16.3
Major Groups:						
1-Food,Beverages & Tobacco	32.45	241.5	1.6	17.5	1.3	18.9
Food	31.15	240.7	1.7	17.8	1.2	18.4
Food at home	30.24	239.8	1.7	17.8	1.2	18.5
Bread, rice & cereal products	5.56	237.7	0.3	8.4	0.6	13.5
Pulses	0.54	235.4	-0.9	13.1	-1.7	0.1
Dairy products & eggs	3.84	242.3	2.9	22.7	0.7	13.1
Meat,poultry & fish	7.91	313.7	2.0	18.0	2.7	33.2
Fruits & Vegetables	7.95	204.9	2.6	29.3	0.3	11.9
Fats, oils & butter	1.18	164.9	0.4	9.1	2.6	20.3
Sugar products and honey	1.27	187.8	0.4	10.9	0.3	7.8
Dry tea	0.86	160.5	-0.2	13.3	0.1	6.9
Other food commodities	1.13	169.8	0.4	2.8	0.2	8.9
Food away from home	0.91	268.9	0.3	15.6	0.7	17.8
Beverages	0.46	250.1	0.2	14.3	0.4	11.9
Tobacco	0.84	267.3	0.2	11.7	3.3	38.0
2-Clothing & Footwear	9.55	144.4	1.3	8.4	1.3	4.1
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	288.6	1.1	16.0	1.3	22.4
Housing	25.41	282.9	1.1	16.5	1.1	22.8
Rent of residential houses	5.57	286.1	1.1	16.3	1.0	23.5
Rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses	18.44	285.6	1.1	16.1	1.0	22.8
Maintenance & repair services	1.40	233.9	1.2	23.4	2.4	19.4
Water, fuel & power	1.63	377.6	0.3	10.4	3.9	18.9
4-Household Furnishings & Operation	7.22	167.2	1.2	10.6	0.7	5.9
5-Transportation & Communication	11.40	216.0	0.2	14.3	0.7	9.0
6-Medical Care	4.57	293.3	0.3	17.6	0.6	15.7
7-Recreation,Reading & Education	3.53	218.1	3.1	4.7	10.1	15.3
8-Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.24	250.9	1.3	21.9	0.3	8.6
Special Groups:						
1-Goods	60.93	205.3	1.3	13.9	1.2	13.2
2-Services	12.03	295.0	1.3	20.2	2.5	15.0
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	288.6	1.1	16.0	1.3	22.4

Table2
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
1381:									
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
1382:									
Farvardin	226.7	239.5	137.9	267.4	155.8	203.2	260.9	208.5	232.0
Ordibehesht	229.1	241.3	138.6	270.4	157.3	206.5	268.5	208.6	233.2
Khordad	232.2	244.9	139.7	274.1	159.1	208.6	277.5	208.2	234.8
Tir	234.1	246.3	140.6	277.3	160.4	210.1	281.4	207.9	235.7
Mordad	234.6	242.9	141.0	280.1	162.4	212.6	285.7	207.9	240.2
Shahrivar	234.2	236.8	141.2	283.2	163.8	214.4	289.2	208.1	246.1
Mehr	235.8	237.7	142.5	285.6	165.2	215.6	292.3	211.5	247.6
Aban	238.6	241.5	144.4	288.6	167.2	216.0	293.3	218.1	250.9