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Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran

Esfand 1382

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Ordibehesht 1383

(April 2004)

increase	
constant	
decrease	

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

Groups	percent change compared to			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
General Index	1.6		13.9	
Major Groups :				
1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.8		10.8	
2- Clothing and Footwear	0.9		8.5	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	2.6		17.7	
4- Household Furnishings and Operation	1.0		12.1	
5- Transportation and Communication	1.6		12.0	
6- Medical Care	0.3		17.1	
7- Recreation, Reading and Education	0.5		13.0	
8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.5		21.2	
Special Groups :				
1- Goods	0.8		10.0	
2- Services	2.4		20.6	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	2.6		17.7	

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The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 1.6 percent in Esfand 1382. Showing the index point of 252.8, the **CPI** was 13.9 percent higher than the similar month in 1381.

On the average, the consumer price index increased by 15.6 percent compared to the similar period in 1381.

During Esfand 1382, the food, beverages and tobacco group index rose 0.8 percent, mainly due to increase of “fruits and vegetables” and “meat” group indices by 4.2 percent and 1.2 percent, respectively. The Index of “eggs” has a considerably declined by 18.5 percent.

In this month, the clothing and footwear group index went up 0.9 percent, mainly due to increase of “ready to wear clothing” and “footwear” group index 0.8 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.

During Esfand 1382, the housing, water, fuel and power group index rose 2.6 percent. The “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” index and the “rent of residential houses” index, increased 2.9 percent and 2.6 percent, respectively. The index of “maintenance and repair services” increased 1.5 percent.

The household furnishings and operation group index rose 1.0 percent, mainly due to increase of “household furnishings” group index 1.3 percent.

The transportation and communication group index increase 1.6 percent and caused 3.2 percent advance in the “public transportation” group index. The index of “private transportation” went up 0.9 percent.

The medical care group index rose 0.3 percent. The indices of “medical services” and “medicines” increased 0.3 percent and 0.5 percent, respectively.

During Esfand 1382, the recreation, reading and education group index increased 0.5 percent. The index of “recreation” increased 0.7 percent and the “reading and education” group index decreased 0.1 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index increased 4.5 percent.

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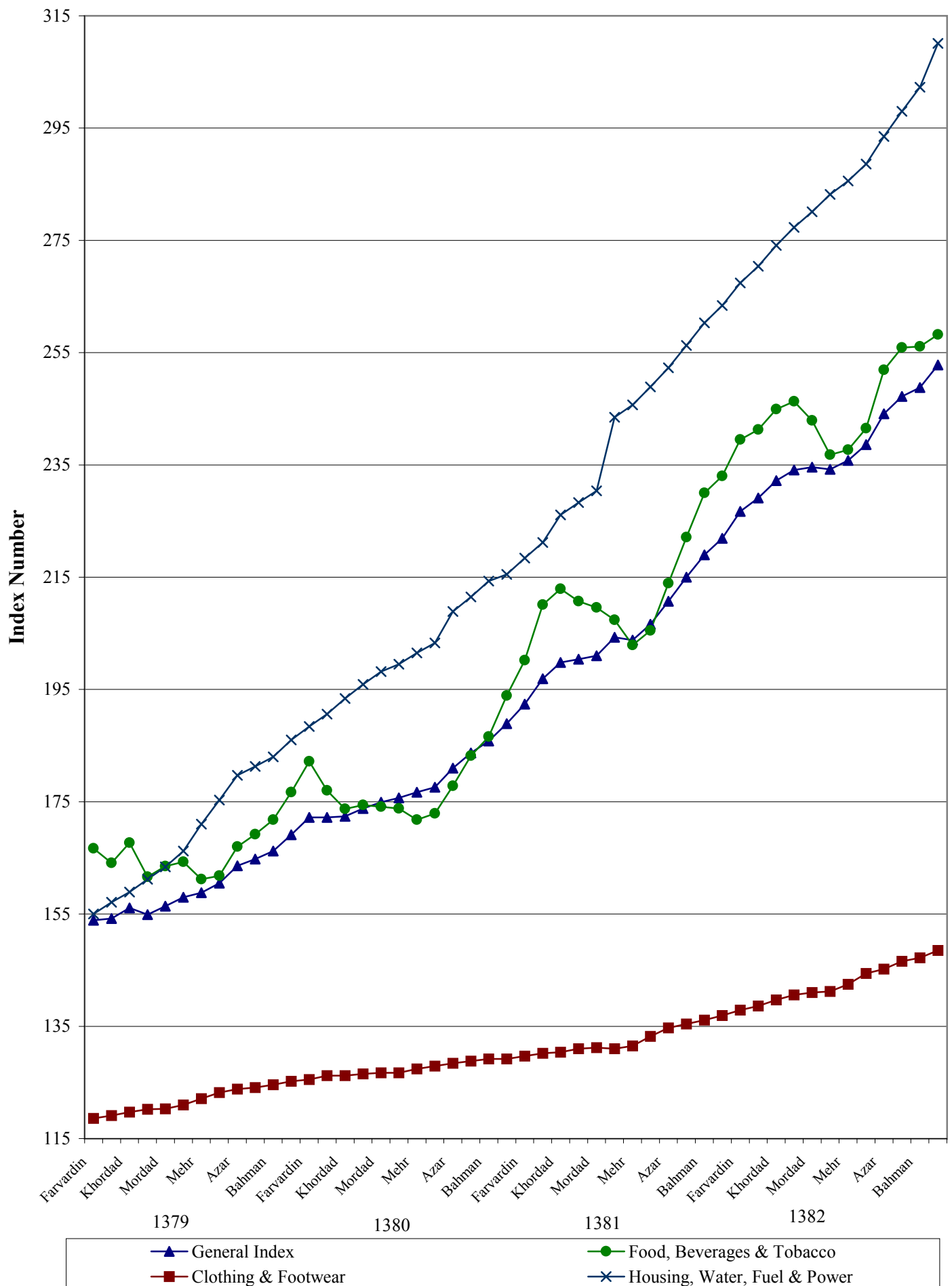


Table1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Esfand 1382
(1376=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Esfand 1382	Percent Change			
			Esfand 1382 Compared to:		Esfand 1381 Compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	252.8	1.6	13.9	1.3	17.5
Major Groups:						
1-Food,Beverages & Tobacco	32.45	258.2	0.8	10.8	1.3	20.2
Food	31.15	258.0	0.8	10.8	1.3	19.9
Food at home	30.24	257.3	0.8	10.7	1.4	20.0
Bread, rice & cereal products	5.56	240.1	0.3	6.2	0.5	15.7
Pulses	0.54	238.5	0.3	7.1	3.9	4.2
Dairy products & eggs	3.84	249.9	-5.0	19.2	-1.4	14.9
Meat,poultry & fish	7.91	316.3	0.8	12.2	1.8	28.0
Fruits & Vegetables	7.95	261.5	4.2	9.9	2.5	21.1
Fats, oils & butter	1.18	166.2	0.4	2.9	0.4	21.2
Sugar products and honey	1.27	192.4	1.3	11.8	1.2	8.9
Dry tea	0.86	160.8	-0.1	6.6	2.8	9.0
Other food commodities	1.13	173.2	0.1	3.7	0.5	6.3
Food away from home	0.91	280.8	1.0	15.6	1.3	18.4
Beverages	0.46	253.5	0.2	15.4	0.1	11.6
Tobacco	0.84	269.0	1.2	9.1	-0.2	34.4
2-Clothing & Footwear	9.55	148.5	0.9	8.5	0.6	6.0
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	310.1	2.6	17.7	1.2	22.2
Housing	25.41	305.5	2.8	18.1	1.3	22.7
Rent of residential houses	5.57	308.6	2.6	17.5	1.5	23.7
Rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses	18.44	308.8	2.9	17.9	1.3	22.3
Maintenance & repair services	1.40	250.0	1.5	24.8	0.9	23.5
Water, fuel & power	1.63	381.4	-0.1	13.0	0.1	17.3
4-Household Furnishings & Operation	7.22	173.8	1.0	12.1	1.0	7.1
5-Transportation & Communication	11.40	220.3	1.6	12.0	1.9	11.6
6-Medical Care	4.57	303.1	0.3	17.1	0.8	15.9
7-Recreation,Reading & Education	3.53	235.1	0.5	13.0	-0.1	16.5
8-Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.24	263.8	4.5	21.2	5.1	10.8
Special Groups:						
1-Goods	60.93	216.1	0.8	10.0	1.1	14.8
2-Services	12.03	310.3	2.4	20.6	2.7	17.6
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	310.1	2.6	17.7	1.2	22.2

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
1382	238.2	246.1	142.8	285.9	164.7	213.1	287.6	217.6	245.0
1381:									
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
Azar	244.1	251.9	145.2	293.5	168.7	216.3	296.3	229.8	251.3
Dey	247.2	255.9	146.6	298.0	170.1	216.4	300.4	233.8	252.0
Bahman	248.8	256.1	147.2	302.3	172.0	216.8	302.1	234.0	252.4
Esfand	252.8	258.2	148.5	310.1	173.8	220.3	303.1	235.1	263.8