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

























**Esfand 1384**

increase 

no change 

decrease 

percent change compared to

Groups	percent change compared to			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
<b>General Index</b>	1.8		10.2	
<b>Major Groups :</b>				
1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco	3.6		6.3	
2- Clothing and Footwear	1.1		8.2	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	0.9		13.2	
4- Household Furnishings and Operations	0.9		7.3	
5- Transportation and Communication	1.5		7.9	
6- Medical Care	0.5		19.5	
7- Recreation, Reading and Education	0.3		17.6	
8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	0.5		11.3	
<b>Special Groups :</b>				
1- Goods	2.6		6.5	
2- Services	1.2		16.5	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	0.9		13.2	

## **Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran**

Esfand 1384

(1376=100)

The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 1.8 percent in Esfand 1384. Showing the index point of 325.0, the **CPI** was 10.2 percent higher than the similar month in 1383.

During twelve months of 1384, the average of Consumer Price Index increased by 12.1 percent, compared to the similar period in 1383.

During Esfand 1384, the food, beverages and tobacco group index went up 3.6 percent, mainly due to the increase of “fresh fruits and vegetables” index by 10.5 percent. In the given month the price for “potato”, “tangerine”, “apple” and “orange” rose 11.4 percent, 12.0 percent, 3.4 percent and 5.4 percent, respectively. The indices of “meat”, “dairy products”, “rice” and “sugar and lump sugar” increased by 3.0 percent, 2.8 percent, 0.8 percent and 3.5 percent. The indices of “tomato”, “eggs” and “cucumber” decreased by 18.4 percent, 10.3 percent and 5.3 percent, respectively.

The clothing and footwear group index increased 1.1 percent, mainly due to the increase of “ready to wear clothing” index by 1.0 percent. The index of “footwear” increased 1.6 percent.

During Esfand 1384, the housing, water, fuel and power group index went up 0.9 percent. The “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” group index and the “rent of residential houses” group index, each increased by 1.0 percent. The index of “maintenance and repair services” increased 1.2 percent.

The household furnishings and operations group index rose 0.9 percent. This advance was mainly due to the increase of “household furnishings” group index by 1.1 percent. The “household goods and services” group index increased 0.3 percent.

The transportation and communication group index rose 1.5 percent. In the given month, the index of “public transportation” and “private transportation” increased by 3.7 percent and 0.2 percent, respectively.

During Esfand 1384, the medical care group index went up 0.5 percent, mainly due to the increase of “medical services” group index by 0.4 percent. In the given month the “medicines” group index increased 0.7 percent.

The recreation, reading and education group index went up 0.3 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index went up 0.5 percent.

## Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran (1376=100)

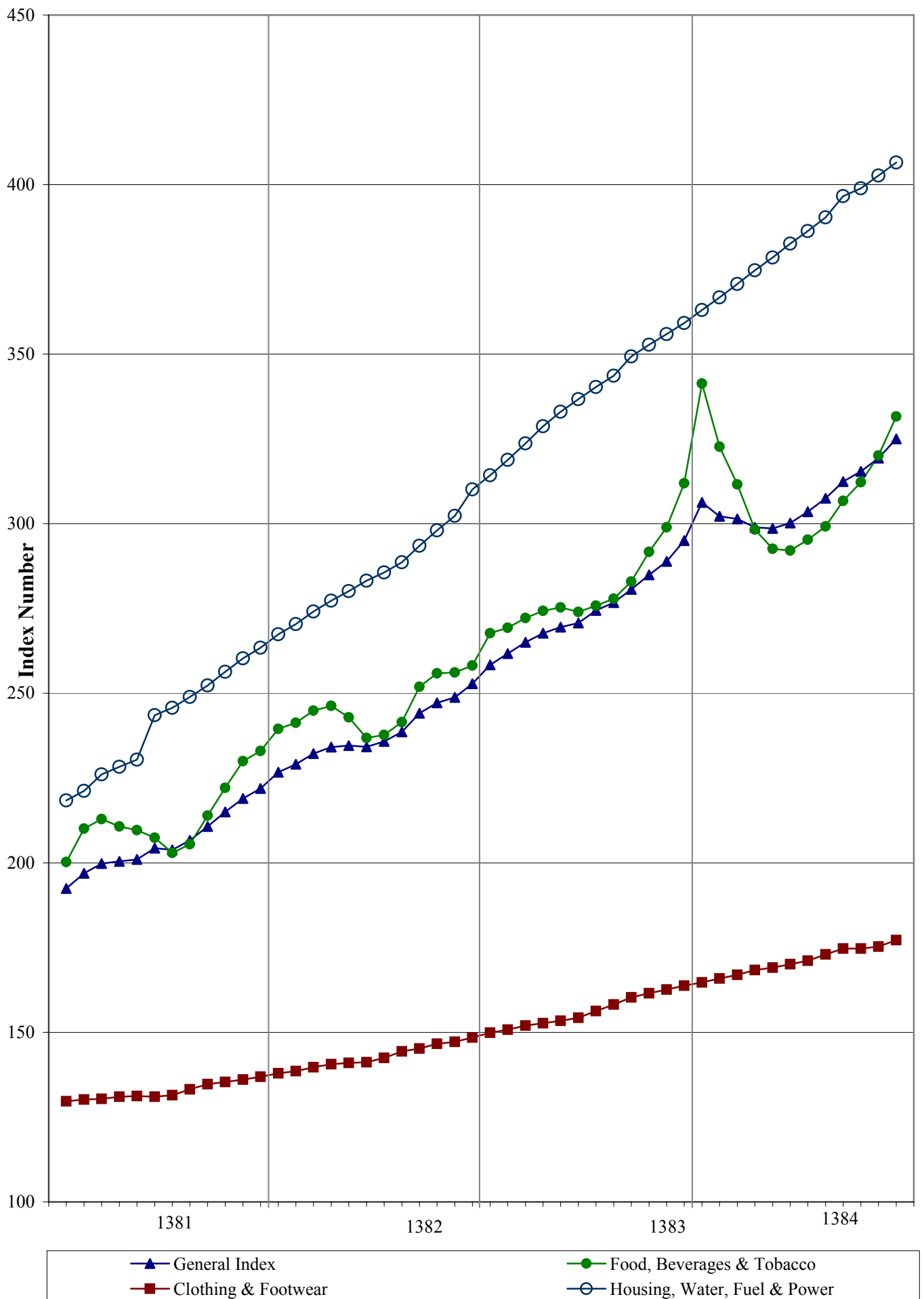


Table I  
**Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran**  
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes  
Esfand 1384  
(1376=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Esfand 1384	Percent Change			
			Esfand 1384 compared to:		Esfand 1383 compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
<b>General Index</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>325.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>16.7</b>
<b>Major Groups:</b>						
<b>1-Food, Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>32.45</b>	<b>331.6</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>20.8</b>
Food	31.15	332.4	3.7	6.3	4.5	21.2
Food at home	30.24	331.8	3.8	6.2	4.6	21.5
Bread, rice and cereal products	5.56	296.8	0.7	8.9	0.9	13.5
Pulses	0.54	398.1	2.3	44.1	0.8	15.8
Dairy products and eggs	3.84	293.8	0.3	4.3	-1.6	12.7
Meat, poultry and fish	7.91	383.0	2.4	8.5	2.5	11.6
Fruits and vegetables	7.95	375.9	9.8	1.3	13.1	42.0
Fats, oils and butter	1.18	208.8	1.0	1.7	0	23.6
Sugar products and honey	1.27	274.1	2.0	13.4	1.8	25.7
Dry tea	0.86	183.4	0.3	0.7	0.5	13.2
Other food commodities	1.13	236.1	-0.2	5.9	1.4	28.7
Food away from home	0.91	353.4	1.0	10.2	0.9	14.2
Beverages	0.46	313.0	2.5	11.4	1.1	10.8
Tobacco	0.84	313.6	0.1	5.6	1.0	10.4
<b>2-Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>9.55</b>	<b>177.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>10.3</b>
<b>3-Housing, Water, Fuel and Power</b>	<b>27.04</b>	<b>406.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>15.8</b>
Housing	25.41	404.6	1.0	14.1	1.0	16.1
Rent of residential houses	5.57	406.5	1.0	13.7	1.0	15.8
Rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses	18.44	407.5	1.0	14.0	1.0	15.8
Maintenance and repair services	1.40	358.0	1.2	17.1	0.5	22.3
Water, fuel and power	1.63	435.8	-0.2	1.2	-0.3	12.9
<b>4-Household Furnishings and Operations</b>	<b>7.22</b>	<b>220.6</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>18.3</b>
<b>5-Transportation and Communication</b>	<b>11.40</b>	<b>264.9</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>11.4</b>
<b>6-Medical Care</b>	<b>4.57</b>	<b>426.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>17.8</b>
<b>7-Recreation, Reading and Education</b>	<b>3.53</b>	<b>314.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13.8</b>
<b>8-Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>4.24</b>	<b>326.3</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>11.2</b>
<b>Special Groups:</b>						
<b>1-Goods</b>	<b>60.93</b>	<b>270.1</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>17.3</b>
<b>2-Services</b>	<b>12.03</b>	<b>420.2</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>16.3</b>
<b>3-Housing, Water, Fuel and Power</b>	<b>27.04</b>	<b>406.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>15.8</b>

Table2  
**Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran**  
 General and Major Groups Index Numbers  
 (1376=100)

Description Period	General Index	Food, Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	Household Furnishings and Operations	Transportation and Communication	Medical Care	Recreation, Reading and Education	Miscellaneous Goods and 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
1383	274.5	281.0	156.3	338.0	191.2	236.6	337.5	250.8	281.0
<b>1383:</b>									
Esfand	295.0	311.9	163.8	359.2	205.6	245.5	357.1	267.6	293.3
<b>1384:</b>									
Farvardin	306.3	341.3	164.7	363.0	206.9	245.5	362.4	268.9	298.8
Ordibehesht	302.2	322.7	165.9	366.7	208.6	246.1	373.3	269.2	301.1
Khordad	301.4	311.6	167.0	370.7	210.2	250.9	386.5	268.9	309.2
Tir	298.9	298.3	168.4	374.7	211.2	251.7	395.7	268.9	311.5
Mordad	298.6	292.6	169.1	378.5	212.2	252.2	400.5	269.5	312.5
Shahrivar	300.2	292.1	170.1	382.6	213.5	253.1	406.1	270.4	314.4
Mehr	303.5	295.3	171.7	386.3	214.6	254.6	409.4	281.6	321.4
Aban	307.5	299.2	173.0	390.3	216.0	256.5	411.3	313.0	322.9
Azar	312.4	306.7	174.7	396.6	217.1	259.8	414.6	313.4	323.2
Dey	315.4	312.2	174.7	398.9	217.8	260.5	422.3	313.6	324.0
Bahman	319.3	320.1	175.3	402.7	218.7	261.0	424.7	313.9	324.7
Esfand	325.0	331.6	177.2	406.5	220.6	264.9	426.7	314.7	326.3