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

**Esfand 1385**

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Summary Results of the Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran  
Esfand 1385

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>	0.9		16.6	
<b>Major Groups :</b>				
1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco	1.1		19.7	
2- Clothing and Footwear	1.4		11.1	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	0.2		17.2	
4- Household Furnishings and Operations	1.2		14.3	
5- Transportation and Communication	1.7		8.1	
6- Medical Care	1.6		18.7	
7- Recreation, Reading and Education	1.6		17.3	
8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.0		12.7	
<b>Special Groups :</b>				
1- Goods	1.2		16.4	
2- Services	1.7		16.0	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	0.2		17.2	

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

Esfand 1385

(1376=100)

The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 0.9 percent in Esfand 1385. Showing the index point of 379.0, the **CPI** was 16.6 percent higher than the similar month in 1384.

During twelve months of 1385, the average of Consumer Price Index increased by 13.6 percent compared to the similar period in 1384.

During Esfand 1385, the food, beverages and tobacco group index went up 1.1 percent, mainly due to the increase of “fresh fruits” index by 9.8 percent. In the given month the price for “poultry”, “meat” and “rice” rose 10.5 percent, 1.2 percent and 2.1 percent, respectively. The indices of “tomato” and “potato” decreased 33.2 percent and 4.3 percent, respectively.

The clothing and footwear group index went up 1.4 percent, mainly due to the increase of “ready to wear clothing” index by 1.4 percent. The indices of “apparel goods and services” and “footwear” rose 1.6 percent and 1.2 percent, respectively.

During Esfand 1385, the housing, water, fuel and power group index went up 0.2 percent. The index of the “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” increased 0.2 percent. The index of “rent of residential houses” remained unchanged. The index of “maintenance and repair services” increased 1.0 percent.

The household furnishings and operations group index rose 1.2 percent. This advance was mainly due to the increase of “household furnishings” group index by 1.4 percent. The “household goods and services” group index increased 0.6 percent.

The transportation and communication group index went up 1.7 percent. In the given month, the indices of “public transportation” and “private transportation” increased by 3.9 percent and 0.4 percent, respectively.

During Esfand 1385, the medical care group index went up 1.6 percent due to the increase of “medical services” group index by 1.8 percent. In the given month, the “medicines” group index increased 1.1 percent.

The recreation, reading and education group index went up 1.6 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index rose 1.0 percent.

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

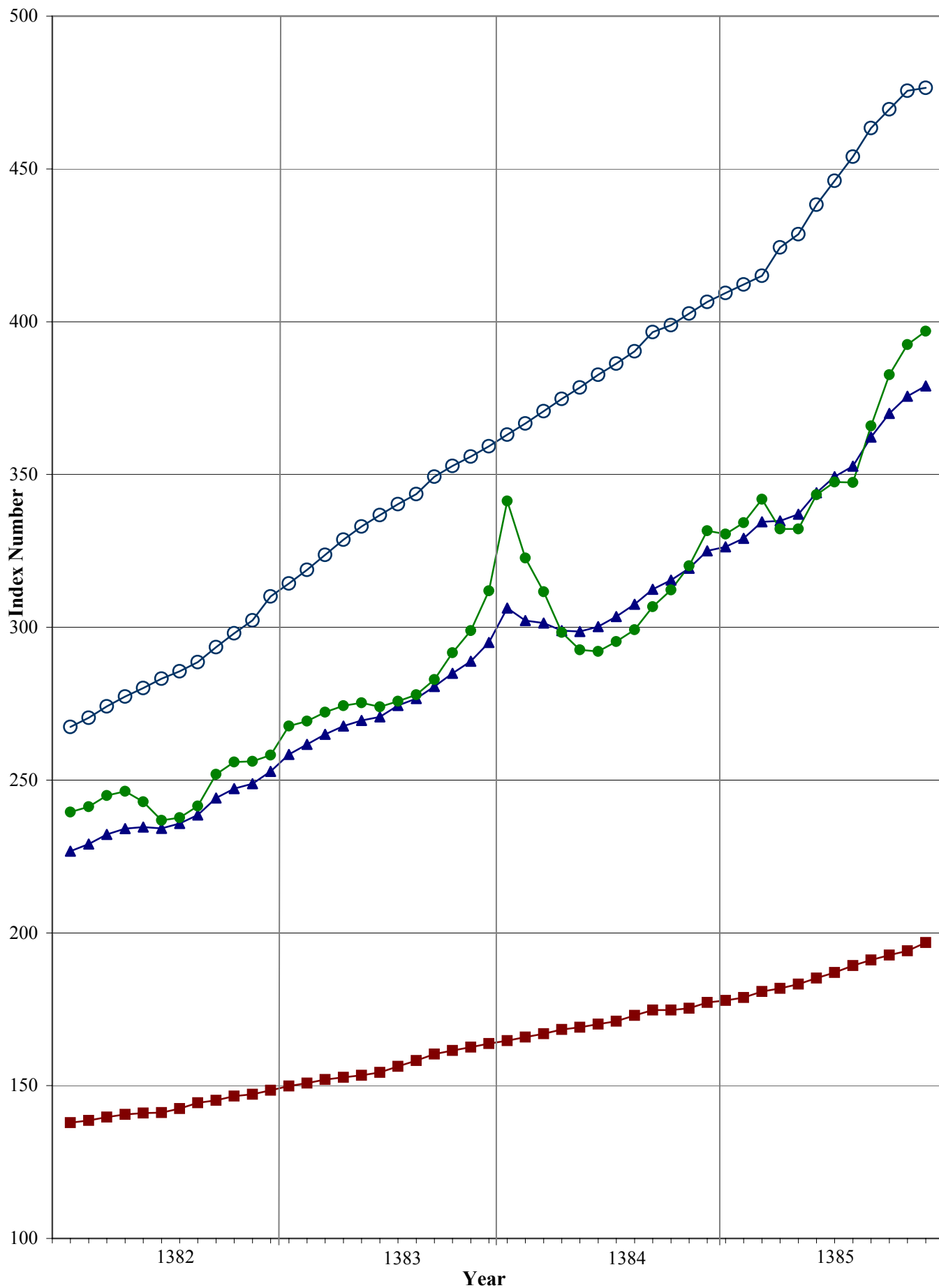


Table 1  
**Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran**  
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes  
Esfand 1385  
(1376=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Esfand 1385	Percent Change			
			Esfand 1385 compared to:		Esfand 1384 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>379.0</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>
<b>Major Groups:</b>						
<b>1-Food, Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>32.45</b>	<b>396.9</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>6.3</b>
Food	31.15	398.7	1.1	19.9	3.7	6.3
Food at home	30.24	398.5	1.1	20.1	3.8	6.2
Bread, rice and cereal products	5.56	335.2	1.8	12.9	0.7	8.9
Pulses	0.54	496.7	3.3	24.8	2.3	44.1
Dairy products and eggs	3.84	362.5	0.6	23.4	0.3	4.3
Meat, poultry and fish	7.91	453.7	3.0	18.5	2.4	8.5
Fruits and vegetables	7.95	476.4	-0.8	26.7	9.8	1.3
Fats, oils and butter	1.18	245.5	0.4	17.6	1.0	1.7
Sugar products and honey	1.27	311.8	0.3	13.8	2.0	13.4
Dry tea	0.86	192.4	0.9	4.9	0.3	0.7
Other food commodities	1.13	264.4	1.3	12.0	-0.2	5.9
Food away from home	0.91	403.7	1.1	14.2	1.0	10.2
Beverages	0.46	349.0	0.2	11.5	2.5	11.4
Tobacco	0.84	356.0	1.8	13.5	0.1	5.6
<b>2-Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>9.55</b>	<b>196.8</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>3-Housing, Water, Fuel and Power</b>	<b>27.04</b>	<b>476.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>13.2</b>
Housing	25.41	477.9	0.3	18.1	1.0	14.1
Rent of residential houses	5.57	473.5	0	16.5	1.0	13.7
Rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses	18.44	483.5	0.2	18.7	1.0	14.0
Maintenance and repair services	1.40	421.9	1.0	17.8	1.2	17.1
Water, fuel and power	1.63	455.8	-0.4	4.6	-0.2	1.2
<b>4-Household Furnishings and Operations</b>	<b>7.22</b>	<b>252.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>5-Transportation and Communication</b>	<b>11.40</b>	<b>286.3</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>7.9</b>
<b>6-Medical Care</b>	<b>4.57</b>	<b>506.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>19.5</b>
<b>7-Recreation, Reading and Education</b>	<b>3.53</b>	<b>369.0</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>17.6</b>
<b>8-Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>4.24</b>	<b>367.7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>11.3</b>
<b>Special Groups:</b>						
<b>1-Goods</b>	<b>60.93</b>	<b>314.4</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>6.6</b>
<b>2-Services</b>	<b>12.03</b>	<b>487.3</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>16.5</b>
<b>3-Housing, Water, Fuel and Power</b>	<b>27.04</b>	<b>476.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>13.2</b>

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

<b>Description</b> <b>Period</b>	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
1384	307.6	310.3	171.0	384.8	214.0	254.7	402.8	288.8	315.8
<b>1384:</b>									
Esfand	325.0	331.6	177.2	406.5	220.6	264.9	426.7	314.7	326.3
<b>1385:</b>									
Farvardin	326.3	330.5	177.9	409.4	222.1	264.7	434.0	315.5	333.6
Ordibehesht	329.1	334.2	178.8	412.2	225.1	267.0	439.6	314.8	335.4
Khordad	334.5	341.9	180.8	415.0	229.7	271.8	453.9	315.2	345.4
Tir	334.8	332.2	181.8	424.3	232.0	272.3	464.0	317.1	348.0
Mordad	337.0	332.2	183.2	428.6	234.2	273.9	473.7	317.9	350.3
Shahrivar	344.0	343.4	185.2	438.3	236.5	274.4	477.4	319.7	352.4
Mehr	349.3	347.5	187.0	446.1	238.9	275.9	482.6	343.3	357.7
Aban	352.7	347.4	189.3	454.0	241.6	276.4	486.2	360.2	359.5
Azar	362.2	365.9	191.1	463.4	244.2	278.0	492.3	362.0	361.0
Dey	370.0	382.6	192.7	469.5	246.4	279.1	497.4	362.6	362.4
Bahman	375.6	392.5	194.1	475.6	249.1	281.4	498.4	363.2	364.2
Esfand	379.0	396.9	196.8	476.5	252.1	286.3	506.6	369.0	367.7