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Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Farvardin 1387
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(1383=100)

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

Farvardin 1387

(1383=100)

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Groups	Percent change compared to:			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
General Index	3.1		24.2	
Major Groups :				
1- Food and Beverages	6.7		28.4	
2- Tobacco	4.3		22.3	
3- Clothing and Footwear	1.1		20.2	
4- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	1.8		27.8	
5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine- Household Maintenance	1.2		20.0	
6- Medical Care	1.3		20.3	
7- Transportation	0.8		19.0	
8- Communication	0.1		0.9	
9- Recreation and Culture	0.7		7.4	
10- Education	0.1		12.5	
11- Restaurants and Hotels	4.3		24.0	
12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.2		21.1	
Special Groups :				
1- Goods	4.3		23.6	
2- Services	1.7		24.8	
3- - Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	1.8		27.8	

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The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 3.1 percent in Farvardin 1387. Showing the index point of 168.0, the **CPI** was 24.2 percent higher than the similar month in 1386.

The inflation rate increased 19.1 percent during twelve months ending Farvardin 1387.

During Farvardin 1387, the food and beverages group index went up 6.7 percent, mainly due to the increase of the prices for “tomato”, “poultry”, “watermelon”, “lime”, “rice”, “livestock meat”, “banana”, “apple”, “potato”, “icecream”, “yoghurt” and “milk” by 121.8 percent, 15.7 percent, 45.0 percent, 82.4 percent, 4.4 percent, 2.1 percent, 9.7 percent, 2.5 percent, 7.8 percent, 7.2 percent, 2.3 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively. In this group, the indices of “leafy green vegetables” less lettuce, “eggs”, “zucchini”, “cucumber” and “fish” declined 9.4 percent, 7.5 percent, 26.4 percent, 3.2 percent and 3.7 percent, respectively.

During Farvardin 1387, the tobacco group index increased 4.3 percent.

The clothing and footwear group index rose 1.1 percent, largely as a result of the increase in “ready to wear clothing” index by 1.0 percent. In this group, the index of “footwear” went up 1.0 percent.

The housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels group index rose 1.8 percent, mainly due to the increase of the indices for “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” and the “rent of residential houses” by 1.7 percent and 1.8 percent, respectively. In this month the index of “maintenance and repair services” went up 3.9 percent.

The furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance group index rose 1.2 percent. This advance was mainly due to the rise of the “household appliances” group index by 1.5 percent.

During Farvardin 1387, the medical care group index went up 1.3 percent, largely as a result of the increase in the index for “medical, paramedical and dental services” by 1.2 percent.

The transportation group index rose 0.8 percent, which was principally attributed to the increase of the indices for “operation of personal transport equipment” and “automobile” by 1.6 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively.

In this month the communication group index decreased 0.1 percent.

The recreation and culture group index went down 0.7 percent, mainly due to the decline in the indices for “package holiday” and “plants and flowers” by 4.2 percent and 5.0 percent, respectively.

The education group index went down 0.1 percent.

The restaurants and hotels group index rose 4.3 percent, principally due to the increase of “food away from home ” index by 3.9 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index went up 3.2 percent. The prices for “ funeral expenses” increased by 28.0 percent during the second six months of 1386.

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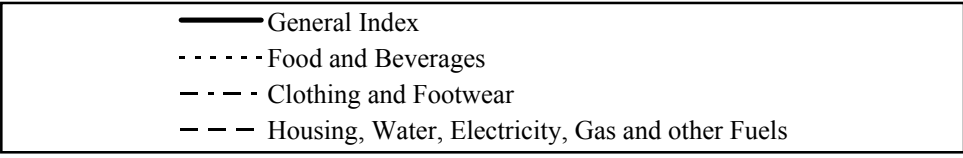
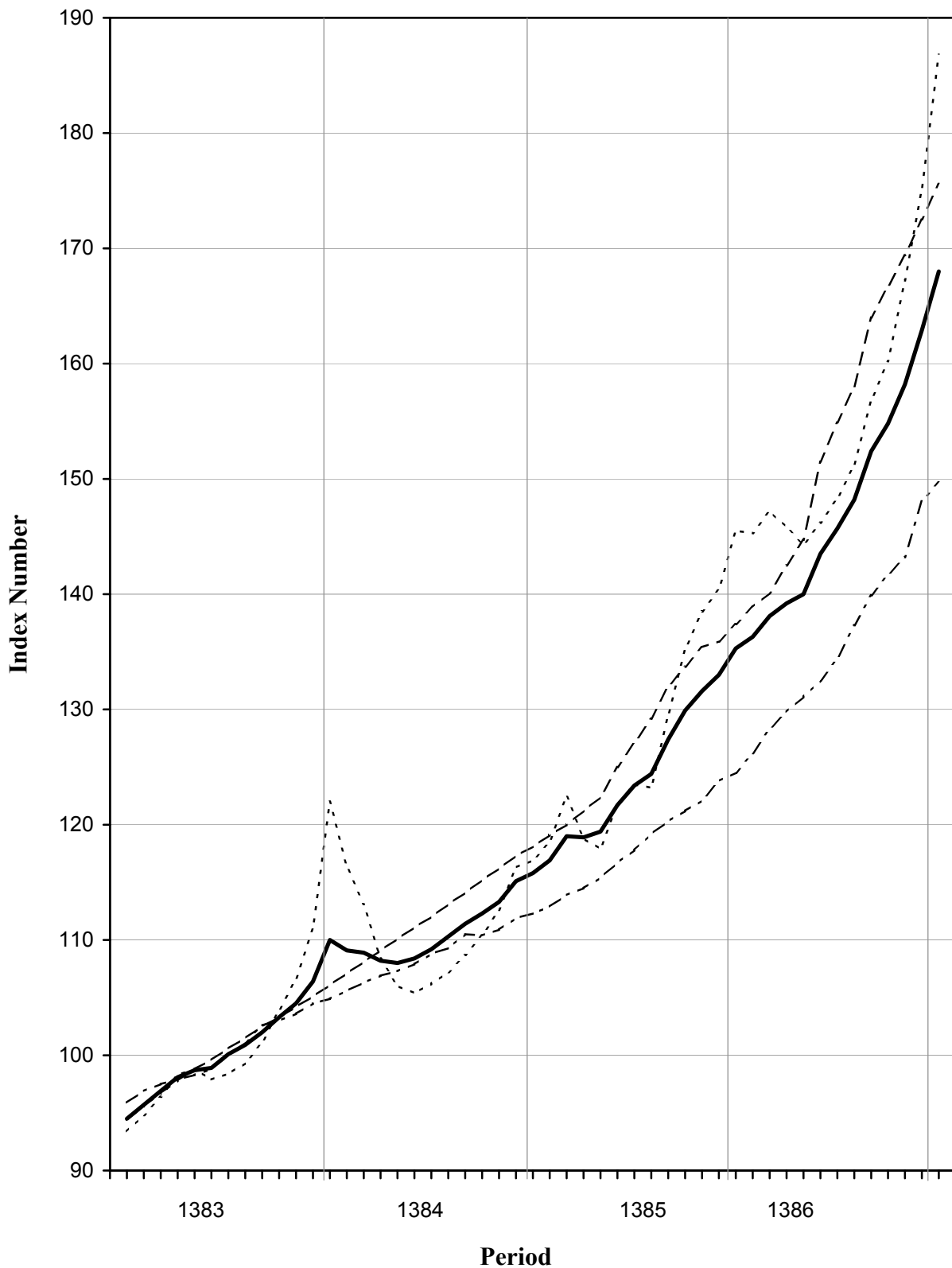


Table 1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
 Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
 Farvardin 1387
 (1383=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Farvardin 1387	Percent Change			
			Farvardin 1387 compared to:		Farvardin 1386 compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	168.0	3.1	24.2	1.7	16.8
Major Groups:						
1-Food and Beverages	28.49	186.8	6.7	28.4	3.6	24.5
Food	27.26	188.4	6.8	28.8	3.5	25.0
Bread and cereals	4.56	177.6	3.3	33.8	1.7	14.7
Meat	6.74	175.1	6.6	29.7	4.3	21.7
Fish and seafood	0.79	168.8	-1.8	24.3	-2.9	15.7
Dairy products and eggs	3.47	158.7	-0.6	20.4	3.0	21.6
Fats and oils	0.97	182.8	2.7	41.0	1.2	17.5
Fruit and nut	5.26	208.8	14.2	25.6	11.2	35.0
Vegetables, pulses and vegetable products	3.87	234.9	10.4	34.1	-3.4	37.6
Sugar, sugar lump, jam,honey,chocolate and confectionary	1.27	170.2	2.3	20.0	1.5	12.6
Salt, spices, sauces, condiments and food products	0.32	196.3	1.5	36.4	3.2	26.2
Beverages	1.23	148.8	3.3	18.9	6.6	11.4
2-Tobacco	0.52	162.1	4.3	22.3	5.7	22.1
3-Clothing and Footwear	6.22	149.7	1.1	20.2	0.6	10.9
4-Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	28.60	175.6	1.8	27.8	1.1	16.3
Rent of residential houses	5.80	176.9	1.8	28.1	1.0	16.8
Rental equivalence of owner occupied houses	19.17	176.5	1.7	27.3	0.9	16.8
Maintenance and repair services	1.82	216.2	3.9	39.8	2.6	20.9
Water	0.44	118.0	0	11.6	0.8	4.5
Electricity, gas and other fuels	1.37	125.3	-0.1	17.5	0.8	3.1
5-Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine-Household Maintenance	6.26	159.8	1.2	20.0	0.9	14.5
6-Medical Care	5.54	168.6	1.3	20.3	0.9	14.6
7-Transportation	11.97	138.0	0.8	19.0	0.3	8.0
8-Communication	1.63	96.8	-0.1	-0.9	0.1	0.6
9-Recreation and Culture	3.80	127.8	-0.7	7.4	1.8	10.0
10-Education	2.07	174.9	-0.1	12.5	0.2	17.7
11-Restaurants and Hotels	1.72	166.6	4.3	24.0	2.1	14.1
12-Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.18	166.4	3.2	21.1	1.6	17.9
Special Groups:						
1-Goods	57.13	163.2	4.3	23.6	2.2	17.1
2-Services	42.87	174.3	1.7	24.8	1.2	16.5
3-Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	28.60	175.6	1.8	27.8	1.1	16.3

Table 2
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
 General and Major Groups Index Numbers
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Description Period	General Index	Food and Beverages	Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	Medical Care	Transportation	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants and Hotels	Miscellaneous Goods and Services
1369	6.8	6.1	9.2	13.0	6.0	13.0	3.2	7.6	9.2	15.6	3.8	5.1	9.8
1370	8.2	7.8	10.2	14.6	7.2	13.9	4.2	10.4	10.6	15.4	4.9	6.5	10.8
1371	10.2	10.1	10.1	16.1	9.1	15.5	6.5	12.8	11.5	15.4	7.0	8.7	12.4
1372	12.5	12.4	12.8	18.6	10.8	18.7	9.3	15.4	13.8	18.7	10.2	10.9	15.0
1373	16.9	16.9	19.3	25.8	13.0	26.8	13.1	22.1	22.3	29.5	14.4	14.1	19.4
1374	25.2	27.2	32.9	41.7	16.8	41.7	17.4	31.6	37.4	50.5	18.3	20.8	27.9
1375	31.0	31.3	31.9	56.1	22.7	49.2	23.4	36.6	47.5	62.7	23.4	27.4	37.8
1376	36.4	35.7	34.9	63.8	29.6	52.5	29.6	41.9	50.1	62.6	24.8	30.5	46.0
1377	43.0	44.4	45.4	67.1	35.7	56.1	36.2	48.0	58.1	65.7	27.4	38.3	51.0
1378	51.6	54.3	58.8	71.5	42.4	64.4	45.0	61.4	69.4	78.0	32.2	47.4	60.3
1379	58.2	59.3	58.9	77.7	50.3	71.8	54.4	66.6	74.8	81.2	41.0	55.9	67.9
1380	64.8	63.6	60.2	81.4	59.7	74.3	62.7	71.9	75.5	88.3	54.6	62.9	73.2
1381	75.0	75.7	81.1	84.7	71.4	78.5	72.9	79.3	81.2	89.8	67.6	73.6	78.9
1382	86.7	87.5	90.6	91.2	84.6	86.1	85.2	90.1	89.0	96.0	81.7	86.3	88.7
1383	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1384	110.4	111.1	105.7	108.4	111.6	111.8	115.7	104.6	98.1	106.0	118.7	111.7	111.0
1385	123.5	125.6	114.8	117.5	126.6	124.6	131.7	111.6	97.3	112.0	143.4	124.4	127.8
1386	146.2	152.8	140.7	134.8	153.4	144.6	154.1	126.7	97.1	121.2	163.5	145.6	148.7
1386:													
Farvardin	135.3	145.5	132.5	124.5	137.4	133.2	140.1	116.0	97.7	119.0	155.4	134.4	137.4
Ordibehesht	136.3	145.3	136.6	126.2	138.9	135.3	142.3	117.3	97.8	117.3	155.5	136.4	139.5
Khordad	138.1	147.2	137.4	128.3	140.1	136.8	145.6	121.2	97.8	116.6	155.2	138.1	141.9
Tir	139.2	145.8	138.0	129.8	142.5	138.1	148.5	124.2	97.6	117.2	155.3	140.8	143.9
Mordad	140.0	144.3	138.2	131.1	144.7	139.3	151.0	125.5	97.1	119.5	155.8	142.7	145.3
Shahrivar	143.5	146.2	139.2	132.5	151.5	144.6	154.2	127.3	96.8	120.1	156.9	143.8	146.9
Mehr	145.7	148.3	139.7	134.4	154.9	145.5	156.2	128.2	96.7	121.4	163.2	144.7	149.3
Aban	148.2	151.2	140.1	137.3	158.0	147.0	158.3	129.2	96.7	122.2	168.6	147.9	151.4
Azar	152.4	156.8	140.3	139.9	164.0	150.7	160.4	130.6	97.0	123.2	171.5	150.4	153.9
Dey	154.8	160.2	142.1	141.7	166.7	152.8	162.0	131.2	96.7	124.1	174.5	152.9	155.9
Bahman	158.2	167.2	149.2	143.2	169.4	154.5	164.1	132.3	96.7	125.0	174.8	155.1	158.0
Esfand	162.9	175.1	155.4	148.1	172.5	157.9	166.4	136.9	96.9	128.7	175.0	159.8	161.3
1387:													
Farvardin	168.0	186.8	162.1	149.7	175.6	159.8	168.6	138.0	96.8	127.8	174.9	166.6	166.4