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Bahman 1388

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(1383=100)

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

Bahman 1388

(1383=100)

increase



no change



decrease



Groups	Percent change compared to			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
General Index	0.6		8.9	
Major Groups :				
1- Food and Beverages	1.1		11.0	
2- Tobacco	0		22.8	
3- Clothing and Footwear	0.1		8.1	
4- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	0.1		5.9	
5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine- Household Maintenance	0.4		2.6	
6- Medical Care	1.5		20.6	
7- Transportation	0.2		5.9	
8- Communication	0.2		0.1	
9- Recreation and Culture	0.5		9.4	
10- Education	0		15.0	
11- Restaurants and Hotels	0.9		14.2	
12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	0.9		10.5	
Special Groups :				
1- Goods	0.8		7.8	
2- Services	0.3		10.0	
3 - Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	0.1		5.9	

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Bahman 1388

(1383=100)

The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) increased 0.6 percent in Bahman 1388. The index level of 208.1 (1383=100) was 8.9 percent higher than in Bahman 1387.

For the first eleven months of 1388, the Consumer Price Index rose 10.8 percent, compared to the similar period in 1387.

The inflation rate has advanced 11.3 percent over the last twelve months.

The food and beverages index turned up 1.1 percent in Bahman, largely due to the increases of the indexes for mutton by 1.7 percent, poultry 2.3 percent and pomegranate 13.9 percent. Advances in the indexes for onion by 15.0 percent, loaf sugar 5.7 percent, bread 1.8 percent, grapes 5.3 percent, leafy green vegetables 2.5 percent, beef 1.1 percent, lettuce 8.1 percent, tangerine 5.7 percent, pasteurized butter 7.1 percent, apple 1.5 percent, candy and chocolate 1.1 percent, zucchini 9.2 percent, green beans 9.7 percent, pulses 1.4 percent, banana 3.4 percent, and sugar 6.0 percent accounted for the rise of this group index as well. Within the food and beverages group, decreases in the indexes for eggs by 10.5 percent, cucumber 9.9 percent, tomato 11.8 percent, lime 10.0 percent, saffron 3.5 percent, carrot 12.2 percent, rice(Sadri- highest quality) 0.4 percent, orange 0.6 percent, and tomato paste 1.0 percent were also considerable in Bahman.

The index for tobacco was unchanged.

The clothing and footwear index went up 0.1 percent, mostly as a result of the increases in the indexes for tailoring, cleaning and laundering wage by 2.1 percent and clothing materials by 0.8 percent. The index for ready to wear clothing declined 0.5 percent.

During Bahman, the housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels index increased 0.1 percent which was attributed to the advances of the indexes for rental equivalence of owner occupied houses by 0.1 percent and maintenance and repair

services by 0.6 percent. The index for rent of residential houses was unchanged in Bahman.

The furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance index went up 0.4 percent in Bahman. The rises in the indexes for goods and services for routine household maintenance by 0.5 percent, carpet (mashine-made) by 1.1 percent, household textiles by 0.8 percent, and glassware, tableware, and utensils by 0.6 percent contributed principally to this advance.

The index for medical care advanced 1.5 percent in Bahman. Increases in the index for medicine by 7.8 percent mainly accounted for the Bahman rise of this group index. The indexes for medical, paramedical and dental services and hospital services went up 0.5 and 0.9 percent, respectively.

The transportation index went up 0.2 percent with the advance being driven by increases of 0.7 and 0.6 percent in the operation of personal transport equipment index and urban land trip fare index, respectively.

The index for communication decreased 0.2 percent in Bahman.

The index for recreation and culture rose 0.5 percent, largely due to the increases of the indexes for package holiday and flower by 0.6 and 2.5 percent, respectively.

The education index was unchanged in Bahman .

The index for restaurants and hotels increased 0.9 percent in Bahman that was principally attributed to the advance of food away from home index by 0.9 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services index went up 0.9 percent in Bahman. Increases in the indexes for services of hairdressing salons and barbers and goldsmith wage by 1.9 and 2.7 percent, respectively, were the major reasons for this rise.

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

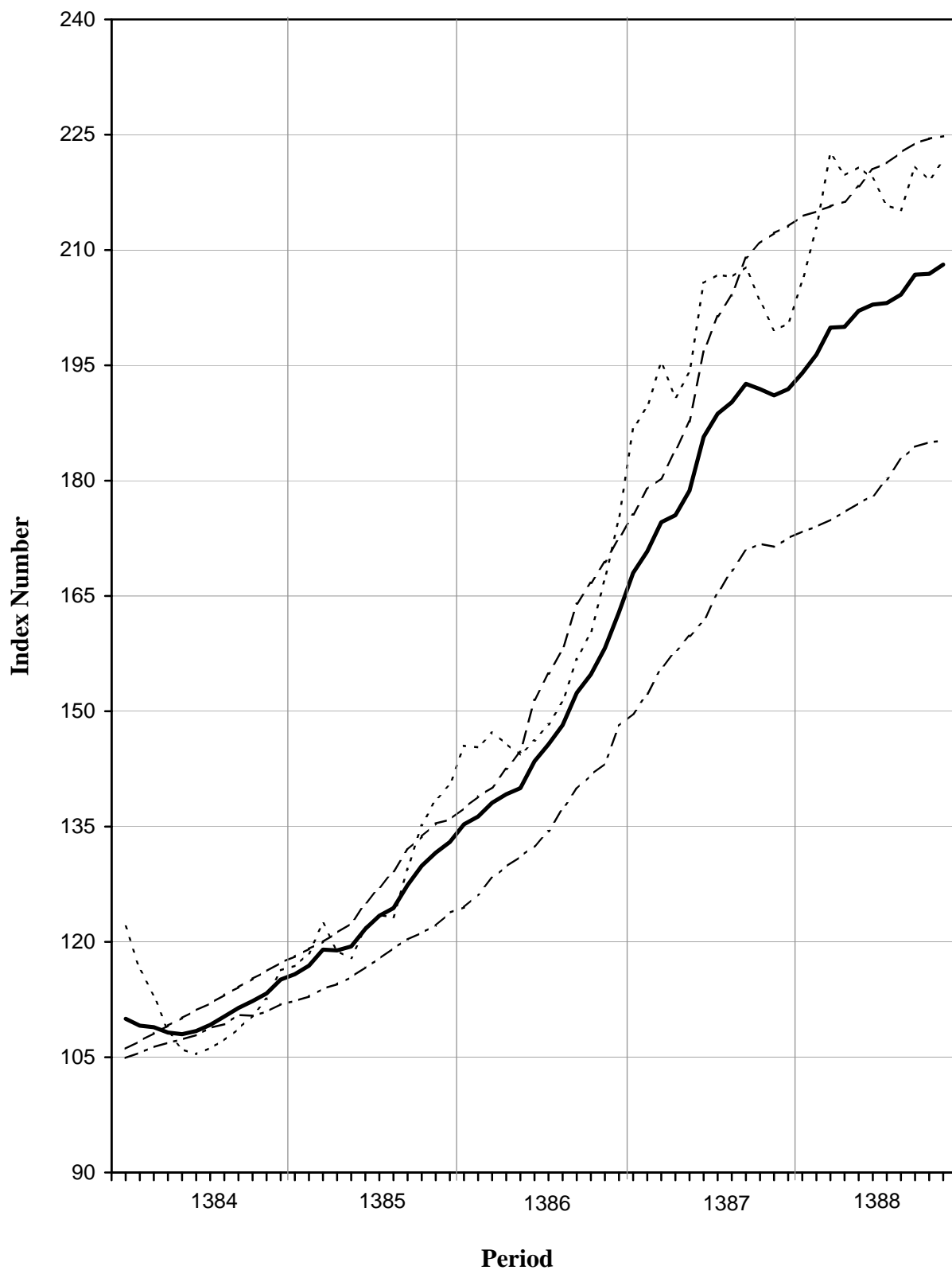


Table 1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Bahman 1388
(1383=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Bahman 1388	Percent Change			
			Bahman 1388 compared to previous month		Bahman 1387 compared to previous month	
General Index	100.00	208.1	0.6	8.9	-0.4	20.8
Major Groups and selected sub-groups:						
1-Food and Beverages	28.49	221.6	1.1	11.0	-1.9	19.4
Food	27.26	223.8	1.2	11.3	-2.0	19.6
Bread and cereals	4.56	229.0	0.4	-1.3	-2.6	41.0
Meat	6.74	239.7	1.8	33.9	-0.1	17.5
Fish and seafood	0.79	230.4	3.0	9.9	0.9	24.8
Dairy products and eggs	3.47	192.5	-2.2	3.4	-1.4	16.5
Fats and oils	0.97	189.8	1.8	-2.0	-2.4	10.1
Fruit and nut	5.26	220.4	3.8	13.3	-2.0	15.5
Vegetables, pulses and vegetable products	3.87	220.8	-1.0	-1.6	-5.4	8.1
Sugar, sugar lump, jam,honey,chocolate and confectionary	1.27	237.9	2.7	24.2	-0.4	18.1
Salt, spices, sauces, condiments and food products	0.32	306.4	-0.9	8.6	5.5	48.3
Beverages	1.23	169.9	1.8	5.4	-0.2	12.8
2-Tobacco	0.52	226.9	0	22.8	1.4	23.8
3-Clothing and Footwear	6.22	185.2	0.1	8.1	-0.2	19.7
4-Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	28.6	224.8	0.1	5.9	0.6	25.3
Rent of residential houses	5.80	227.7	0	5.9	0.7	26.2
Rental equivalence of owner occupied houses	19.17	228.9	0.1	6.5	0.7	26.2
Maintenance and repair services	1.82	276.5	0.6	6.8	-0.5	27.2
Water	0.44	132.0	0	0	0	10.8
Electricity, gas and other fuels	1.37	120.0	-0.3	-6.2	0.9	2.2
5-Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine-Household Maintenance	6.26	189.0	0.4	2.6	-0.8	19.3
6-Medical Care	5.54	242.6	1.5	20.6	0.1	22.6
7-Transportation	11.97	162.1	0.2	5.9	0	15.7
8-Communication	1.63	97.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.3
9-Recreation and Culture	3.80	149.7	0.5	9.4	-0.2	9.4
10-Education	2.07	233.9	0	15.0	0.2	16.4
11-Restaurants and Hotels	1.72	229.7	0.9	14.2	0.4	29.7
12-Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.18	215.4	0.9	10.5	0.5	23.4
Special Groups:						
1-Goods	57.13	191.5	0.8	7.8	-1.3	17.8
2-Services	42.87	230.1	0.3	10.0	0.6	24.4
3-Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	28.60	224.8	0.1	5.9	0.6	25.3

Table 2
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
General and Major Groups Index Numbers
(1383=100)

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
1387	183.3	198.9	167.8	163.1	196.2	179.0	190.0	149.0	96.9	133.6	187.5	189.0	184.3
1387													
Bahman	191.1	199.6	184.7	171.4	212.2	184.3	201.2	153.1	97.0	136.8	203.4	201.2	194.9
Esfand	191.9	200.4	186.7	172.5	213.1	183.3	202.8	152.3	97.0	140.7	203.6	202.6	196.7
1388													
Farvardin	194.0	205.9	193.8	173.4	214.4	183.2	204.1	152.0	97.2	138.5	203.6	204.7	199.2
Ordibehesht	196.4	212.9	196.6	174.0	215.0	183.2	205.5	152.1	97.1	137.7	203.9	206.8	199.9
Khordad	199.9	222.6	198.2	174.9	215.7	183.8	208.0	153.9	97.1	138.0	204.9	208.6	201.3
Tir	200.0	219.7	212.8	175.9	216.3	186.6	212.4	154.4	97.2	138.7	205.5	211.1	202.8
Mordad	202.1	220.8	221.4	177.1	218.3	187.0	222.3	156.2	97.4	144.1	205.7	213.7	203.8
Shahrivar	202.9	219.3	223.3	178.0	220.5	185.4	228.9	156.8	97.4	146.7	206.5	214.3	205.7
Mehr	203.1	215.8	232.0	180.2	221.3	186.3	232.2	158.4	97.3	147.9	213.2	219.8	208.6
Aban	204.2	215.2	232.2	182.8	222.7	186.9	234.0	159.3	97.4	148.8	229.8	223.2	210.9
Azar	206.8	220.9	229.7	184.4	223.9	187.5	237.0	159.9	97.4	149.1	233.8	225.7	212.9
Dey	206.9	219.1	227.0	185.0	224.5	188.3	239.1	161.8	97.3	149.0	233.9	227.7	213.4
Bahman	208.1	221.6	226.9	185.2	224.8	189.0	242.6	162.1	97.1	149.7	233.9	229.7	215.4