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

**Percent Change of Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household in Iran**

**1387 Compared with 1386**

Increase 

No change or virtually unchanged 

Decrease 

<u>Expenditure Groups</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	16.8 
<b>1- Food and Beverages</b>	18.7 
<b>2- Tobacco</b>	16.5 
<b>3- Clothing and Footwear</b>	7.4 
<b>4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and Other Fuels</b>	21.5 
<b>5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	9.0 
<b>6- Health</b>	20.9 
<b>7-Transport</b>	9.9 
<b>8- Communication</b>	15.3 
<b>9- Recreation and Culture</b>	10.9 
<b>10- Education</b>	20.9 
<b>11- Restaurants and Hotels</b>	13.2 
<b>12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	14.8 

## **Summary Results of the Household Budget Survey in Urban Areas in Iran 1388**

This report presents results of the data collected from about 8600 sample households living in urban areas of Iran in 1388. Selection the sample household was based on a three stage-stage sampling scheme. The summary results of the survey are found as follows:

### **Household Size**

The average size of an urban household was 3.76 persons which decreased compared with previous year.

### **Gross Expenditure**<sup>1</sup>

Iranian urban households spent an average of 127139 thousand rials for current annual living expenses in 1388 (about 10595 thousand rials per month).

The above mentioned amount includes the rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses.

The total expenditure rose by 10.1% compared with 1387.

The share allocated by households to "food and beverages" was 23.7%, "tobacco" 0.4%, "clothing and footwear" 5.1%, "housing, water, electricity and gas and other fuels" 31.4%, "furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance" 5.3%, "health" 5.1%, " transport" 11.6%, "communication" 2.3%, "recreation and culture" 2.7%, "education" 2.2%, "restaurants and hotels" 2.2% and "miscellaneous goods and services" 7.9% (table 1).

### **Gross Income**<sup>2</sup>

In 1388, urban households had an annual average gross income<sup>3</sup> of 123949 thousand rials (about 10329 thousand rials per month) out of which 71.8% was the share of money income and 28.2% was the share of non – money income.

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<sup>1</sup> Expenditure: is calculated without household's payment for income taxes and retirement pensions.

<sup>2</sup> Gross Income: The amount of income subtract income taxes, retirement pensions (household's share) and earnings by selling second-hand goods.

<sup>3</sup> It is possible that households understate their income.

Comparing with previous year, the annual average of gross income rose by 9.5% (table 2).

### **Age Groups**

In 1388, about 6.3% of households' members were 5 years old and younger, 6.7% were 6 to 10 years old, 7.6% were 11 to 15 years old, 11.0% were 16 to 20 years old, 22.5% were 21 to 30 years old, 27.1% were 31 to 50 years old and 18.8% were 51 years old and over (table 3).

### **Education**<sup>1</sup>

Outcomes of this survey indicate that out of six year old members and older ones in urban households, 12.4% were illiterate, 1.6% were capable to read and write, 21.0% had elementary education, 46.7% had junior high school and secondary education and 18.3% had university education (table 4).

### **Employment**

In reported year, 21.9% of households had no employed member, 56.5% had one, 16.9% had two and 4.7% had three and more employed members (table 5). Compared with the year 1387, the percentage of households with no employed member increased while the percentage of households with one employed member, households with two employed member and households with three and more employed members decreased.

### **Tenure Status**

In 1388, the study of tenure status of households shows that 65.5% of households were living in their own dwellings, 24.9% in rental houses, 1.1% in rented in lieu of service houses and 8.5% in free of charge dwellings (table 6).

Compared with 1387, the percentage of households who were living in their own dwellings, rented in lieu of service houses and free of charge dwellings decreased while the percentage of households who were living in rental houses increased.

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<sup>1</sup> Religious education has been assigned, as the case may be, to junior high school, secondary school and university education.

### **Living Facilities**

In 1388, the percentage of households using the living facilities in their dwellings is obtained as follows:

98.5% piped-in water, 99.6% electricity, 90.4% piped-in gas, 33.2% urban sewage system, 91.1% telephone (fixed line), 96.6% kitchen, 98.0% bathroom, 70.8% fixed air-cooler, 10.4% central heating system, 1.2% package (heating system) and 41.1% storeroom (table 7).

### **Household Equipment and Appliances**

In reported year, the percentage of households using equipment and appliances is obtained as follows:

36.6% personal car, 19.0% motorcycle, 16.8% bicycle, 67.7% sewing machine, 60.4% radio cassette recorder, 99.1% television, 58.8% video and CD-player, 41.1% personal computer <sup>1</sup>, 14.8% camcorder (video camera), 66.0% refrigerator, 69.3% freezer and fridge-freezer, 99.0% gas cooker, 89.1% vacuum cleaner, 78.0% washing machine and 86.7% cell phone (table 8).

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<sup>1</sup> Incl. laptop and notebook.

**Table 1 – Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household - 1388**

Type of Expenditure	Gross Expenditure (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1388 to 1387)
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>127139134</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>10.1</b>
1- Food and Beverages	30168256	23.7	9.8
2- Tobacco	518649	0.4	14.6
3- Clothing and Footwear	6447370	5.1	20.3
4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and other Fuels	39878707	31.4	4.4
5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine household maintenance	6702724	5.3	15.3
6- Health	6455474	5.1	23.9
7- Transport	14766676	11.6	10.5
8- Communication	2942121	2.3	-1.4
9- Recreation and Culture	3459946	2.7	22.5
10- Education	2854071	2.2	7.7
11- Restaurants and Hotels	2846005	2.2	14.7
12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	10099135	7.9	17.1

**Table 2 – Annual Average Gross Income per Urban Household - 1388**

Source of Income	Gross Income (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1388 to 1387)
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>123948935</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9.5</b>
<b>Money Income</b>	<b>88961431</b>	<b>71.8</b>	<b>11.7</b>
1- Wages and Salaries – Public Sector	16801840	13.6	5.0
2- Wages and Salaries – Private Sector	17156468	13.8	9.8
3- Self – employed in Agricultural Sector	1321248	1.1	— <sup>1</sup>
4- Self–employed in Non – agricultural Sector	24617781	19.9	1.9
5- Miscellaneous	24525187	19.8	36.4
6- Sale of Second – hand Goods	4538907	3.7	7.4
<b>Non – money Income</b>	<b>34987504</b>	<b>28.2</b>	<b>4.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The number of sample households who have income in this sector are not optimum, so the result of this group is not sufficient and did not compare with previous year.

**Table 3 – Percentage Distribution of Households’ Members  
By Age Groups – 1388**

Age Groups	Percent
0-5 years	6.3
6-10 years	6.7
11-15 years	7.6
16-20 years	11.0
21-30 years	22.5
31-50 years	27.1
51 years old and over	18.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 4– Distribution of Six Year Old and over Members of  
Households by Education – 1388**

Level of Education	Percent
Illiterate	12.4
Capable to Read and Write	1.6
Elementary Education	21.0
Junior High School and Secondary Education	46.7
University Education	18.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Table 5 – Percentage Distribution of Households  
By Number of Employed Members – 1388**

Number of Employed Members	Percent
0	21.9
1	56.5
2	16.9
3 and more	4.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 6 – Percentage Distribution of Households by  
Tenure Status – 1388**

Tenure Status	Percent
Owner Occupied	65.5
Rented	24.9
Rented in Lieu of Service	1.1
Rent Free	8.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 7 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Living  
Facilities of Dwellings – 1388**

Kind of Facilities	Percent
Piped-in Water	98.5
Electricity	99.6
Piped-in Gas	90.4
Urban Sewage System	33.2
Telephone (Fixed Line)	91.1
Kitchen	96.6
Bathroom	98.0
Fixed Air-cooler	70.8
Central Heating System	10.4
Package (Heating System)	1.2
Storeroom	41.1

**Table 8 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Equipment and Appliances – 1388**

Equipment and Appliances	Percent
Personal Car	36.6
Motorcycle	19.0
Bicycle	16.8
Sewing Machine	67.7
Radio Cassette Recorder	60.4
Television	99.1
Video and CD Player	58.8
Personal Computer	41.1
Camcorder (video camera)	14.8
Refrigerator	66.0
Freezer and Fridge-freezer	69.3
Gas Cooker	99.0
Vacuum Cleaner	89.1
Washing Machine	78.0
Cell Phone	86.7