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5.1% the Average Increase of the Inflation Rate for May 2018 compared with the same month of 2017(100=2010)

The monthly report on inflation in Jordan issued by the Department of Statistics indicates that the Consumer Price Average (Inflation) reached 124.9 in May 2018 against 118.9 during May 2017 recorded an increase by 5.1%. The main commodities groups, which contributed to this increase, were “Transport” 1.50 percentage points, “Cereals and its Products” 1.09 percentage points, “Tobacco and cigarettes” 0.62% percentage points, “Meats and Poultry” 0.43 percentage points and “rents” 0.43% percentage points . Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” by 0.10% percentage points “clothes” 0.09% , “fruits and nuts” 0.04% percentage points and “shoes” 0.02% percentage points.

The Consumer Price Average for May 2018 has increased by 0.5% compared with the previous month (April) 2018. The main commodities groups which contributed to this increase were “Transport” 0.26% percentage points, “Meat and poultry” 0.14 percentage points, “Fuel and lightening” 0.11 percentage points, “Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” 0.08 percentage points “culture and entertainment ” 0.04 percentage points. Meanwhile, the main groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were “drinks and beverage” 0.04 percentage points, Fruits and Nuts” 0.03 percentage points, “Diary and its products and egg” 0.03% percentage points and “ Cereals and its products” 0.01%.

The report also shows that the Consumer Price Average for the first five months of 2018 has increased by 4.1% compared with the same period of 2017. The main commodities groups which contributed to this increase were “Transport” 1.26% percentage points, “Cereals and its products” 0.89 percentage points, “Tobacco and cigarettes” by 0.68 percentage points, “Rents” 0.43% percentage points, “Fuel and lightening” 0.29% percentage. Meanwhile, the main commodities groups which witnessed a decrease in their prices were Vegetables, Dried and Canned Legumes” 0.46% percentage points, “Clothes” 0.05% percentage points, “Yoghurt and its products and eggs” 0.04% percentage points, “shoe” 0.01% percentage points.

As for the core inflation of the consumer Price index for May 2018 (which is calculated after excluding the most fluctuating commodities’ prices of food, fuel, lighting and transport group) it has reached 128.1 against 125.0 during the same month of 2017 recording an increase of 2.4%.

Figure 1: General Monthly CPI Index for 2017 and 2018

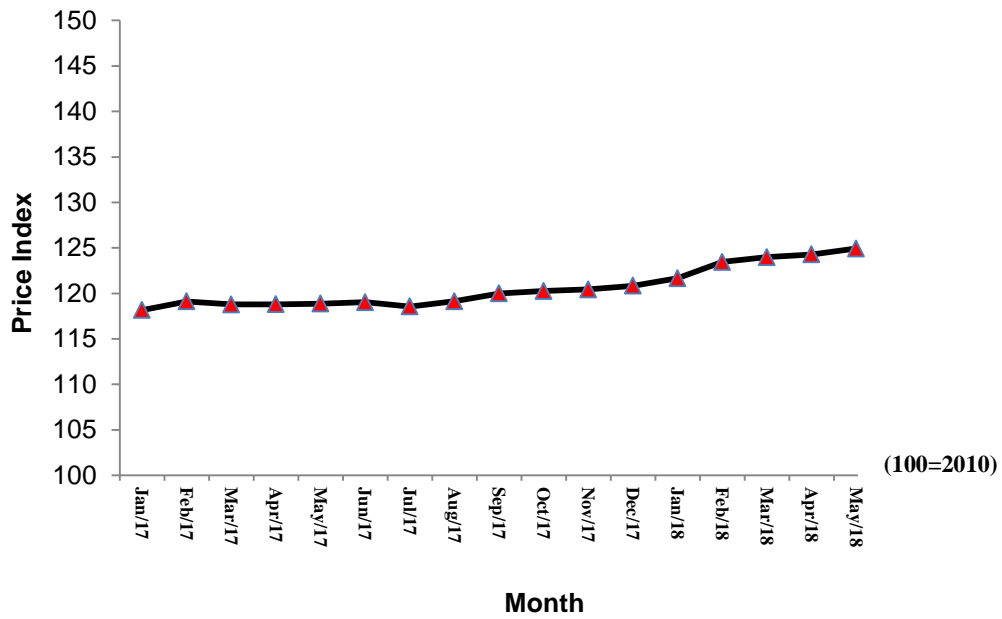


Table 1: General CPI Monthly Index for 2017 and 2018 (100=2010)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
2017	118.17	119.12	118.78	118.80	118.88	119.03	118.56	119.13	120.00	120.26	120.44	120.84
2018	121.67	123.46	123.99	124.28	124.93							

**Table 2: Monthly & accumulative average change of the Consumer Price Index
during 2017 and 2018 (100=2010)**

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	August	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Year												
2017												
Monthly	0.95	0.81	0.29-	0.02	0.06	0.13	0.40-	0.48	0.73	0.21	0.15	0.34
2017												
accumulative	2.54	3.54	3.78	3.72	3.71	3.71	3.44	3.29	3.31	3.33	3.33	3.32
2018												
monthly	0.69	1.47	0.43	0.23	0.52							

Table 3: Average change in the accumulative core inflations for 2017 & 2018 (100=2010)

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Year												
2017	2.78	3.07	3.09	2.92	2.96	3.29	3.17	3.29	2.79	3.02	2.09	2.04
2018	2.29	2.35	2.5	2.39	2.42							