

Explanatory Document on the Published Data

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Index of Consumer Prices

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Sector:

Economic (collecting retail prices for several goods and services to be used for calculation of the reference number of consumer prices)

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Purpose and historical reference

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The survey of animal production inputs aims to:

- 1- Indices are used as a tool to measure the GDP at the fixed prices
- 2- The indices are considered as a factor to which wages and salaries in some institutions is related.
- 3- Indices are indicators to identify the impact of economic – and even political- decisions over the economic situation.
- 4- The index of consumer prices is used to measure inflation in the living standards.

Historical reference (please indicate the year the survey started)

The index of industrial production is calculated by adopting 2006 as a base year

Users and Applications:

Users: economic experts and researchers in economic fields, Central Bank, Ministry of Finance, Private Sector.

Applications: these numbers are used as parameters to calculate the GDP at the fixed prices, development and implementation of government financial policies, and taking economic decisions

Source (please write all data resources)

Monthly Survey.

Authorized organization to collect and publish data

Department of Statistics under Law No. 8 of 2003 .

1. Contents

1-1 Content description

This survey provides the monthly and accumulated index of consumer prices, as it also provides the monthly percentages of change of consumer prices.

2-1 Statistical Definitions:

Industrial Production Amounts Index: is a number that measures the amount of change in the consumer prices amounts in a time period called the compare period proportioned to another period called base period.

3-1 variables

Prices of goods

4-1 Classifications (basis of details in the tables)

Schedules are published upon the base of 2006

2- Time

2-1 reference period (during which the data is collected)

Monthly collection process of data

2-2 date of dissemination

Data are disseminated after the end of the reference month with a period of 8-14 days.

3-2 commitment to date of dissemination

Available

4-2 periodicity

Monthly

5-2 availability of time series (mention available time series of this survey)

There is a time series from 1992 – till the present time on monthly basis

Time series is available 1967 – 2013 on annual basis

3- Accuracy

3-1 overall accuracy (very high if all items in checklist are implemented, high if two thirds are implemented, medium if less than half the items are implemented)

Very high

3-2 sources of inaccuracy

Sample

3-3 available accuracy measures

Descriptive accuracy measures

4- Comparability

4-1 comparability over time (ability to compare data with previously published data)

The data is comparable with previously published data, due to using the same methodology.

4-2 comparability with other statistics (ability to compare data with figures in other surveys, and with other countries)

The data is comparable with other statistics, which use the same international standards and classifications relative to indices.

5- Data accessibility

5-1 publication formats (how can the user access the data, e.g. DOS website, paper copies, etc..)

The data is published in printed and electronic format on DOS website.

http://www.dos.gov.jo/dos_home_a/main/economic/price_num

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