



Press Release

Palestinian Consumer Price Index increase 0.17% in May 2007

The overall Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Palestinian Territory with its 1996 base year (1996=100) reached 152.97 in May 2007, a 0.17% increase relative to April 2007.

Analysis of consumer price developments for May indicates **increases in** the following major expenditure groups:

- Transport and Communications:	+ 1.02 %
- Food:	+ 0.28 %
- Recreational, Cultural Goods and Services:	+ 0.15 %
- Medical Care:	+ 0.12 %
- Beverages and Tobacco:	+ 0.07 %

At the same time, there were **declines** in other major expenditure groups including:

- Textiles, Clothing and Footwear:	- 0.89 %
- Furniture, Household Goods and Services:	- 0.51 %
- Miscellaneous Goods and Services:	- 0.18 %
- Education:	- 0.09 %
- Housing:	- 0.01 %

Palestinian Territory **regions** experienced different overall CPI developments as follows:

- Remaining West Bank:	+ 0.21%
- Gaza Strip:	+ 0.21%
- Jerusalem:	+ 0.16%

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