

# **Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics** (PCBS)

# **Increase in the Consumer Price Index** during August, 08/2017

The overall CPI for Palestine during August 2017 increased by 0.56% compared with July 2017 (by 0.57% in the West Bank\*\*, by 0.47% in Jerusalem J1\*, and by 0.31% in Gaza Strip).

The changes in Palestinian CPI for August 2017 is traced back to changes in prices of the following expenditure sub groups compared with previous month:

Sub Groups	Percent Change %
Dried Vegetables	+ 15.23%
Eggs	+ 14.39%
Fresh Vegetables	+ 7.05%
Fresh Poultry	+ 5.77%
Liquid Fuel for House	+ 4.01%
Liquid Fuel for Cars	+ 3.24%
Potatoes and other Tubers	+ 2.81%
Fresh Fish	+ 1.36%
Fresh Fruit	- 5.91%
Gas	- 2.54%

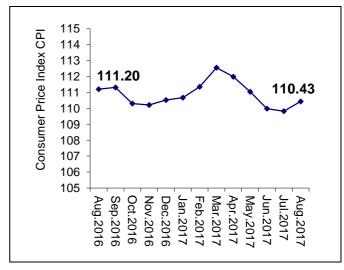
The Palestinian CPI during August 2017 decreased by 0.70% compared with August 2016 (by 1.24% in Gaza Strip, and by 1.16% in the West Bank\*\*, while it increased by 1.89% in Jerusalem J1\*).

The Palestinian CPI during the first eight months of 2017 increased by 0.13% compared with the same period of the previous year (by 2.62% in Jerusalem J1\*, and by 0.27% in the West Bank\*\*, while it decreased by 0.33% in Gaza Strip).

## The table below shows monthly percent changes in CPI by region for the period January – August 2017:

	Monthly Percent Change			
Month	Palesti ne	West Bank**	Gaza Strip	Jerusal-em J1*
January	+ 0.14	+ 0.03	+ 0.38	+ 1.02
February	+ 0.62	+ 0.78	+ 0.40	+ 0.35
March	+ 1.08	+ 0.22	+ 2.33	- 0.70
April	- 0.50	- 1.01	+ 0.13	+ 0.61
May	- 0.84	- 0.50	- 1.62	- 0.17
June	- 0.96	- 0.90	- 1.61	- 0.29
July	- 0.15	+ 0.36	- 0.58	- 0.13
August	+ 0.56	+ 0.57	+ 0.31	+ 0.47

### The trend line of Consumer Price Index in Palestine for August 2016 – August 2017 (Base Year 2010=100)



\*The data of Jerusalem J1 includes that part of Jerusalem governorate which was annexed forcefully by Israel following its occupation of the West Bank in 1967.

\*\*The data of the West Bank doesn't include that part of Jerusalem governorate which was annexed forcefully by Israel following its occupation of the West Bank in 1967.

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