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## **Consumer Price Index**

## October, 2016

**Tirana, on November 08, 2016:** Consumer Price Index in October 2016 arrived 101.2 % considerate December 2015 as base period.

**In October 2016 the annual rate of consumer price is 1.5 %.** A year before the annual rate was 2.1 %.

Contribution of main groups in yearly changes of CPI: Annual growth rate in October was push up mainly from "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" group by +1.12 p.p. Prices of "Different goods and service" group contributed by +0.15 p.p..Prices of "Hosing, water, electricity and other fuel" group contributed by +0.10 p.p. in annual rate. Prices of "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" group contributed by +0.08 p.p.. Price of "Clothing and footwear" and "Recreation and culture" group contributed recpectly by + 0.4 and +0.03 p.p. Prices group "Communication" and "Education service" each of them contributed by +0.01 p.p. Prices of "Transport" groups, contributed by -0.10 p.p.. Prices of "Health" groups contributed by -0.02 p.p.. (See Fig. 2, pg 2).

Yearly rate of main groups: Compared to October 2015, prices increased the most in the group, "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" by 3.1 %, followed by "Different goods and services" by 3.0 %, "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" group by 1.6 %, "Recreation and culture" and "Clothing and footwear" groups by 1.0 % etc. Within the food group prices of "fruits" subgroup are increased by 10.5 %, followed by "vegetables include potatoes" subgroup by 9.3 %, "sugar, jam and dessert" subgroup by 5.4 %, "milk, cheese and eggs" subgroup by 4.0 %, "fish" by 3.6 %, etc. On the other hand prices decreased the most in the "Transport" group by 1.5 %, followed by "Health" group by 0.5 %."

**Monthly rate of consumer price is - 0.2 %.** Compared to September 2016 prices decreased the most in "Food and non-alcoholic beverage" groups by 0.7 %. Within the food group prices of "vegetables include potatoes" subgroup are decreased by 5.3 %, followed by "fruits" subgroup by 2.9 %, etc.



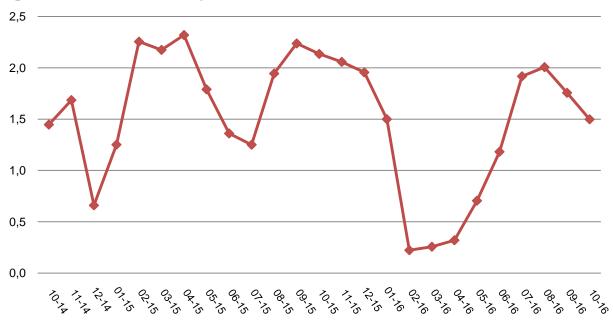
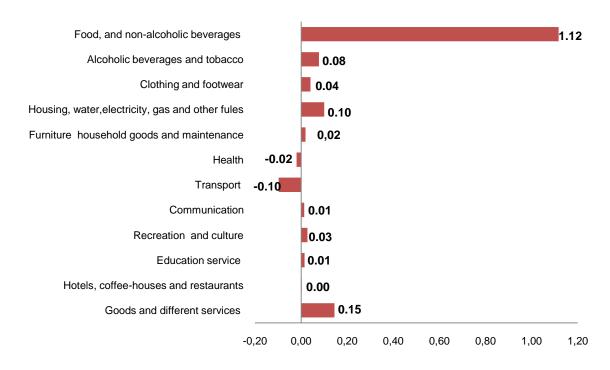


Fig. 2 Contribute of main groups in annual rate



Notice: Individual Contribution may no sum to total annual changes due to rounding.

**Tab. 1 Consumer Price Index** 



Tab. 2 Annual rate of CPI

														%
Code	Groups	10-15/10-14	11-15/11-14	12-15/12-14	01-16/01-15	02-16/02-15	03-16/03-15	04-16/04-15	05-16/05-15	06-16/06-15	07-16/07-15	08-16/08-15	09-16/09-15	10-16/10-15
	Total	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.5	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.7	1.2	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.5
1	Food. and non-alcoholic beverages	5.5	5.9	5.1	4.3	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.3	2.7	4.3	4.7	3.7	3.1
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	6.1	3.3	3.3	3.3	2.6	2.6	1.7	1.6	1.4	1.7	1.4	1.4	1.6
3	Clothing and footwear	-3.7	-4.0	-3.2	-3.7	-3.4	-2.3	-2.3	-1.9	-1.5	-1.3	-0.4	1.4	1.0
4	Housing, water. Electricity, gas and other fuels	-1.4	-1.7	-2.0	-1.3	-1.3	-0.9	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.5
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	-0.3	0.0	0.6	0.9	1.1	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.0	8.0	8.0	0.3
6	Health	-0.5	-1.3	-0.9	-1.6	-2.2	-2.2	-2.5	-2.8	0.5	0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5
7	Transport	-2.1	-2.8	-0.6	-2.5	-4.1	-4.5	-5.3	-4.7	-3.6	-3.3	-2.2	-1.7	-1.5
8	Communication	0.0	-0.8	-1.1	-1.1	-1.0	-0.7	-1.1	-1.2	-1.0	-1.2	-0.1	0.5	0.5
9	Recreation and culture	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8	1.6	2.8	2.4	1.7	1.0
10	Education service	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.4	3.8	0.4
11	Hotels. coffee-houses and restaurants	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.1	0.1
12	Goods and different services	-0.6	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.2	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.7	2.6	3.0

**Tab. 3 Monthly rate of CPI** 

														%
Code	Groups	10-15	11-15	12-15	01-16	02-16	03-16	04-16	05-16	06-16	07-15	08-16	09-16	10-16
	Total	0.0	-0.3	0.6	0.9	0.3	0.4	-0.4	-1.2	-0.6	0.1	0.9	0.3	-0.2
1	Food. and non-alcoholic beverages	-0.1	-0.6	1.3	2.3	3.3	1.1	-1.1	-3.4	-1.9	0.1	2.3	0.3	-0.7
2	Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.1	-0.2	0.6	-0.1	0.3	0.4	-0.4	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.2
3	Clothing and footwear	0.8	0.5	0.2	0.0	-1.3	0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	0.0	1.8	0.4
4	Housing, water. Electricity, gas and other fuels	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.2	0.1
5	Furniture household goods and maintenance	-0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	-0.2	-0.6
6	Health	0.2	-0.5	0.0	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.1	-0.2
7	Transport	0.0	-1.2	0.0	0.4	-0.9	0.5	0.0	0.9	1.5	8.0	0.4	-0.3	0.1
8	Communication	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	-0.4	0.0	0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.6	0.0
9	Recreation and culture	0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	8.0	-0.3	0.3	-0.5
10	Education service	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.5
11	Hotels, coffee-houses and restaurants	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12	Goods and different services	-0.4	0.2	-0.4	0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.3	2.9	-0.1

## Methodology

Consumer Price Index (CPI) is calculated with a new basket of product from December 2015. Weights are based on the results of the Household Budged Survey carried out during in INSTAT in 2014. December 2015 is considered as the base period (December 2015 = 100). Previous change of the product basket was from January 2007. where the number of the products was increased from 262 to 271 products. In the new basket the number of product is 333. The international classification ECOICOP with 12 main groups was introduced which is totally comparable with the expenditure classification used by EUROSTAT.

The new index will cover all territory of Albania (weights concept). Each product have three type of weights: the product weights at country level, product weights at region level and the geographic weights. Prices are collected in main cities of 11 prefectures were Kukës is within the prefecture of Dibër.

The Consumer Price Index of Albania is a Laspeyres type index:

$$I_{0,i}^{t} = \frac{\sum_{i} P_{i}^{t} * Q_{i}^{0}}{\sum_{i} P_{i}^{0} * Q_{i}^{0}}$$

With weights ( $w = P^*Q$ ) from base period this is approximated to:

$$I_{0,i}^{t} = \sum_{i} w_{i} * \begin{pmatrix} p_{i}^{t} / p_{i}^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

In more detail, a price relative is calculated for each item and region with geometrical mean on the sample of outlets:

$$PR_{t-1,ij}^{t} = \prod_{k=1}^{n} \left( P_{ijk}^{t} / P_{ijk}^{Dec(t-1)} \right)^{1/n}$$

Chaining from December of previous year gives the price relative from the base period:

$$PR_{0,ij}^t = PR_{0,ij}^1 * \cdots * PR_{Dec(t-1),ij}^t$$

Regional CPI is calculated:

$$RCPII_{i,0}^{t} = \sum_{i} r_{ij} * PR_{0,ij}^{t}$$

The price relatives are aggregated geographically to form product indices on items for whole Albania:

$$I_{0,i}^t = \sum_j r_{ij} * PR_{0,ij}^t$$
 Where:  $\sum_j r_{ij} = 1$  :  $\forall_i$  (for all cases)

Aggregation over items then gives the CPI of Albania:

$$CPI_0^t = \sum_{i} w_{i.} * I_{0,i}^t$$
 Where:  $\sum_{i} w_{i.} = 1$ 

The annual rate measures the price change between the current month and the same month of the previous year. This measure is responsive to recent changes in price levels but can be influenced by one-off effect in either month

Yearly changes = 
$$\left( \frac{I_{m_t}^{y_t}}{I_{m_t}^{y_{(t-1)}}} - 1 \right) * 100$$

The monthly rate measures the price change between current month and previous month. Although upto-date it can be affected by seasonal and other effects.

Monthly changes = 
$$\left( \frac{I_{m_t}^{y_t}}{I_{m_{(t-1)}}^{y_t}} - 1 \right) * 100$$

The 12-month average rate compares average Consumer Price Indices and the latest 12 month to the average of the previous 12 months.

Yearly average changes = 
$$\left(\frac{I_{mes}^{y_t}}{I_{mes}^{y_{(t-1)}}} - 1\right) * 100$$

## Acronyms

P price

PR price relative

I index

CPI Consumer Price Index

t time period t t=0 base period

r geographical weights

w item weights

j numbering of regionsi numbering of items

 $I_m^{y_t}$  monthly index of corrent year

 $I_{m_t}^{y_{(t-1)}}$  monthly index of previews year

 $I_{m_{c,1}}^{y_t}$  index of previews month of corrent year

 $I_{\it mes}^{\it y_t}$  average index of current year

 $I_{\it mes}^{y_{\it (t-1)}}$  average index of previews year