

KENYA NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS



CONSUMER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION RATES FOR JULY 2016

Kenya National Bureau of Statistics hereby releases Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and inflation rates for July, 2016. These numbers have been generated using data collected during the second and third weeks of the month under review. The prices were obtained from selected retail outlets in 25 data collection zones located in Nairobi and 13 other urban centers.

As shown in Tables 1 and 2, the CPI increased by 0.64 per cent from 169.76 in June 2016 to 170.84 in July 2016. The overall inflation rate stood at 6.39 per cent in July 2016.

Table 1: One Month and Twelve Months' Changes in the Price Indices

Broad Commodity Group	CPI Weight	% Change on previous month (July 2016/June 2016)	% Change on previous year (July 2016/July 2015)
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	36.04	1.12	10.78
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	2.06	0.32	14.22
Clothing & Footwear	7.43	0.17	3.47
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	18.3	-0.15	0.92
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	6.16	0.24	3.53
Health	3.13	0.24	3.58
Transport	8.66	1.13	0.82
Communication	3.82	0.03	1.80
Recreation & Culture	2.25	0.12	4.22
Education	3.14	0.00	4.22
Restaurant & Hotels	4.48	0.19	5.15
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.52	0.50	3.55
Total	100.00	0.64	6.39

Table 2: Overall CPI and Inflation Rates Base February 2009=100

Month	Overall CPI	Overall Rate of Inflation
15-Jul	160.57	6.62
15-Aug	160.90	5.84
15-Sep	161.33	5.97
15-Oct	162.13	6.72
15-Nov	162.97	7.32
15-Dec	164.72	8.01
16-Jan	165.37	7.78
16-Feb	165.06	6.84
16-Mar	165.92	6.45
16-Apr	167.07	5.27
16-May	167.99	5.00
16-Jun	169.76	5.80
16-Jul	170.84	6.39

Table 3: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Units of Measure	Average Price July 2015	Average Price June 2016	Average Price July 2016	% Change on last month	% change on same month last year
Cabbages	1 Kg	41.96	59.84	64.63	8.01	54.01
Potatoes (Irish)	1 Kg	63.25	78.80	76.90	-2.40	21.59
Mangoes	1 Kg	77.68	95.93	102.62	6.98	32.12
Kale-Sukuma Wiki	1 Kg	37.74	39.05	40.25	3.08	6.65
Maize Flour - Sifted	2 Kg	113.00	110.57	113.07	2.26	0.07
Tomatoes	1 Kg	111.34	171.19	175.84	2.72	57.94
Sugar	1 Kg	109.00	113.70	115.42	1.51	5.89
Maize Grain - Loose	1 Kg	45.18	42.47	43.09	1.44	-4.64
Wheat Flour	2 Kg	126.67	122.57	121.54	-0.84	-4.05
Kerosene	1 litre	63.69	59.10	62.42	5.62	-1.99
Petrol	1 litre	99.45	87.07	93.81	7.74	-5.67
Diesel	1 litre	85.51	74.69	84.20	12.73	-1.53
Electricity	200 Kwh	3,405.66	3,398.70	3,361.58	-1.09	-1.29
Electricity	50 Kwh	536.04	534.3	525.02	-1.74	-2.06
Gas - (LPG)	13 Kg	2,376.22	2,229.50	2,097.51	-5.92	-11.73

Between June and July 2016, Food and Non-Alcoholic Drinks' Index increased by 1.12 per cent. As indicated in Table 3, this was as a result of increase in prices of some food items which outweighed those that declined. The year on year food inflation was 10.78 per cent.

The Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' Index, decreased by 0.15 per cent. This was due to lower prices of electricity and cooking gas in July 2016 compared with the previous month.

The Transport Index increased by 1.13 per cent in July 2016 compared to June 2016 mainly driven by prices increases in pump prices of petrol and diesel. On average, prices of diesel rose from KSh 74.69 per litre in June to KSh 84.20 in July 2016 an increase of 12.73 per cent.