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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

December 2019



Executive Summary

The All Groups CPI was 114.64 in the month of December 2019, compared with 116.10 in the month of November 2019.

The monthly change, December 2019 compared to November 2019, was a decrease of -1.27 percent. This is compared to a monthly decrease of -0.12 percent in the previous month of November 2019. There were no significant monthly price increases during the month of December.

Over the twelve months to the month of December 2019 (inflation rate), the All Groups CPI decreased to 3.13 percent, compared with 3.81 percent over the twelve months to the month of November 2019.

Table 1: Inflation rate according to CPI; December 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)

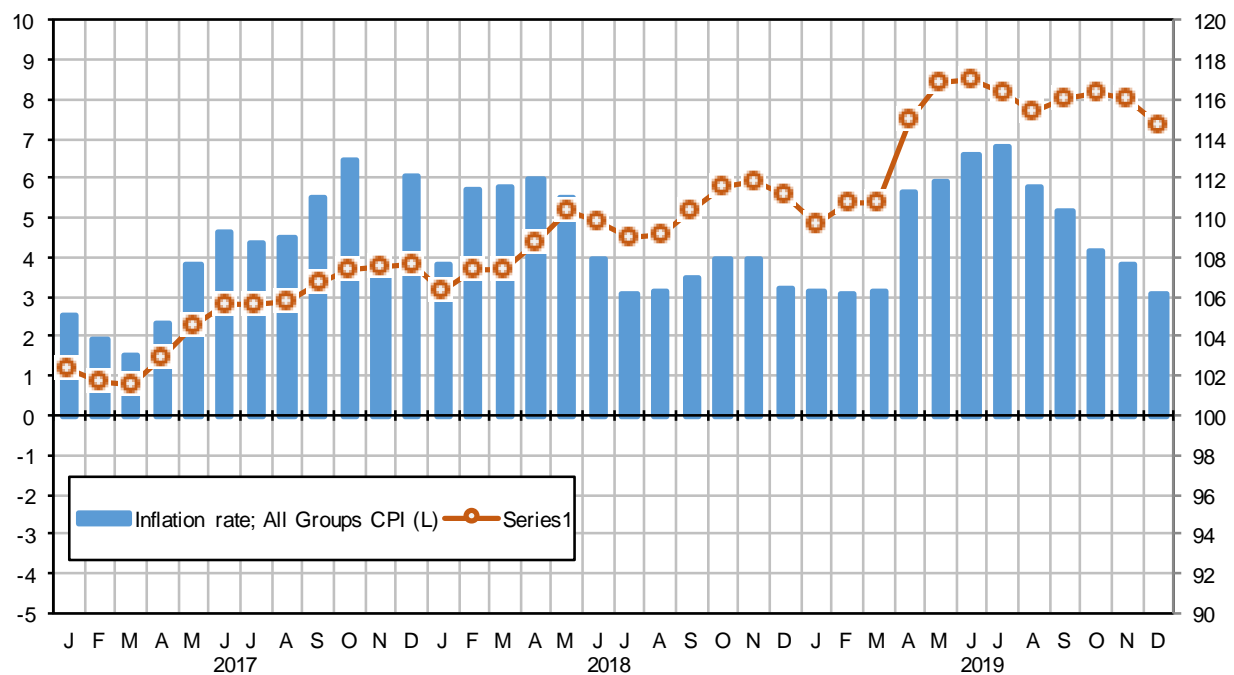
Consumer Price Index, December 2019	
Index (current month)	114.64
Index (previous month)	116.10
Index (previous year, same month)	111.16
Monthly % change	-1.27%
Annual % change (inflation rate)	3.13%

Inflation rate according to CPI

Percent change over twelve months

CPI Index

Index = 100 @ December 2014



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

Consumer Price Index (CPI) December 2019

General Inflation rate: All Groups CPI, December 2019

The rate of inflation for December 2019 is the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) over the twelve-month period, from December 2018 to December 2019.

The **All Groups CPI** decreased 3.13 percent over the twelve months to December 2019 compared to 3.81 percent over the twelve months to November 2019.

The **All Groups CPI** monthly change for December 2019 was a decrease of -1.27 percent. This is compared to decrease of -0.12 percent recorded for November 2019.

General Inflation rate: Selected Groups, December 2019

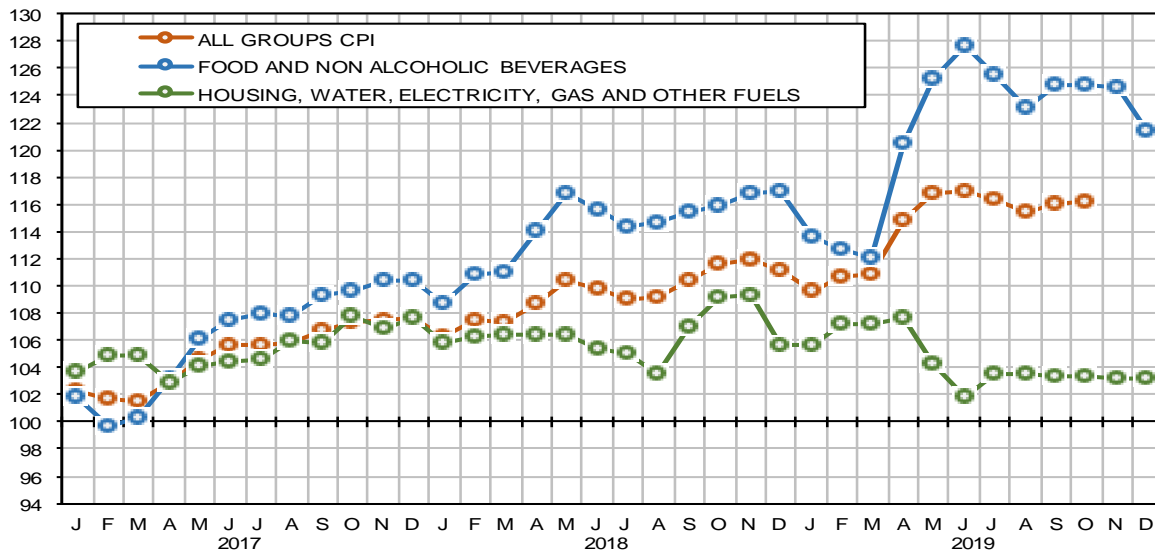
The rate of inflation for **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** and **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas** are the most significant items in the consumer basket in terms of expenditure and have the largest weighted influence on the **All Groups CPI**.

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages experienced a monthly decrease of -2.59 percent. This was due to a decrease in prices of some foodstuffs. As a result, the year on year inflation decreased to 3.80 percent in December 2019. This is compared to the year on year inflation of 6.61 percent experienced in November 2019.

Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas was 0.00 percent during the month of December compared to a monthly decrease of -0.07 percent experienced in November 2019. The year on year inflation decreased to -2.23 percent in December 2019. This is compared to the year on year inflation of -5.51 percent experienced in November 2019.

All Groups CPI and Selected Groups

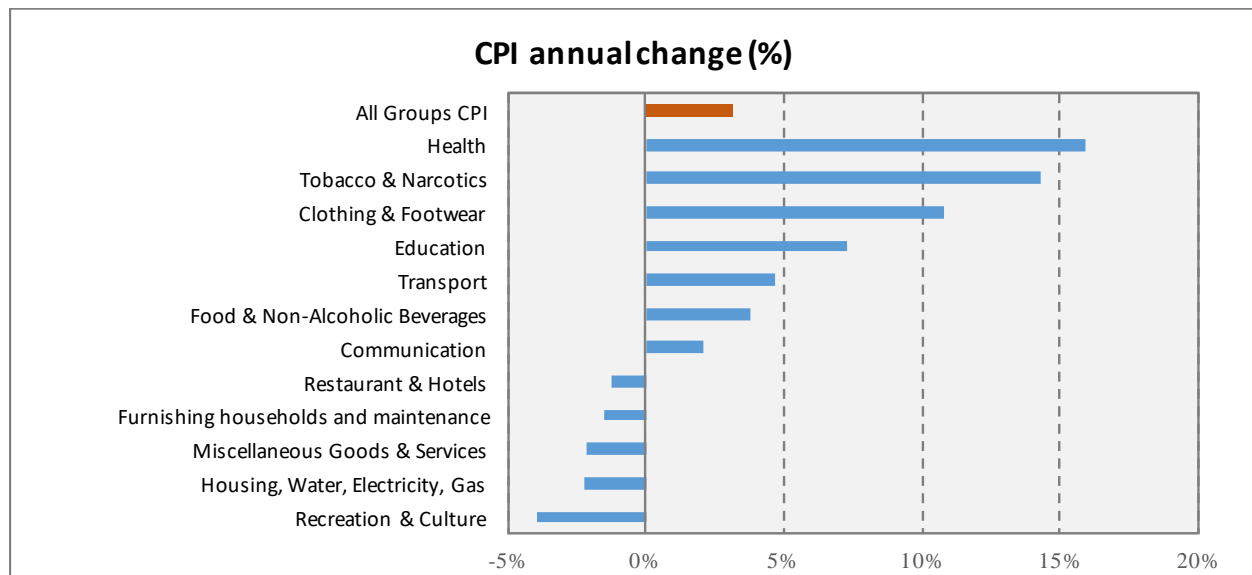
Index = 100 @ December 2014



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

A bulletin on the December 2019 CPI and more detailed data in time series format have been posted on the DNS website: <http://www.dns.org.so>. Twitter @DNS_MoPIED

A. Major contributions of the different groups to the annual percentage change in the CPI
Chart 1: CPI indices, Annual inflation rate by all groups; December 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)



Major contributions (positive):

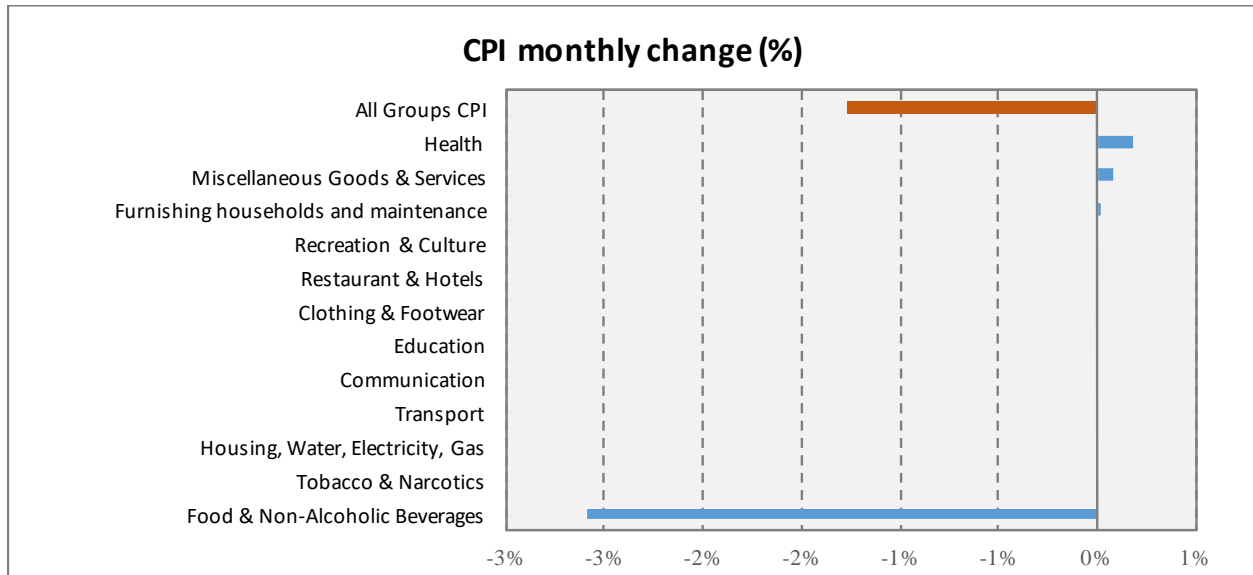
- **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** increased 3.80 percent over the 12-months to December 2019. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of fruits (12.53%). Most of upwards contribution came from prices of Grapefruits (+42.86%).
- **Clothing and Footwear** recorded an increase of 10.84 percent compared to an annual increase of 11.38 percent in November 2019. Most of the upward contribution came from prices on garments of Children (+15.45%) due to price increases on clothing.
- **Transport** showed an annual decrease of 4.73 percent for the year December 2019 compared to 4.92 percent recorded for the year November 2019. Most of the upwards contribution came from Purchase of Vehicles (+11.28%).
- **Tobacco & Narcotics** increased to 14.28 percent for the year December 2019 compared with 12.99 percent recorded for the year November 2019 due to higher prices and fluctuations of chewing Khat/Miraa based products. The increase was impacted by normal volatility in prices for khat.

Major contributions (negative):

- **Recreation & Culture** recorded an annual decrease of -3.95 percent in December 2019 compared to an annual decrease of -3.44 percent in November 2019. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices on Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures (-4.34%).
- **Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas** recorded an annual decrease of -2.23 percent in December 2019 compared to an annual decrease of -5.51 percent in November 2019. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices on water supply and Miscellaneous services. (-5.98%).

B. Major contributions of the different groups to the monthly percentage change in the CPI

Chart 2: CPI; Monthly inflation rate by all groups; December 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)



Major contributions (positive):

- In general, no groups showed a significant Positive monthly change for the month of December 2019.

Major contributions (negative):

- **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** registered a decrease of -2.59 percent during the month of December 2019 from -0.12 percent recorded in November 2019. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices food (-2.67%).

Table 2: Changes in the Price Indices for December 2019 by main COICOP groups (Dec 2014=100)

COICOP Classification Group	CPI Weight	December 2018 Index	November 2019 Index	December 2019 Index	% change on previous month and current month	% change on same month of previous year (yr on yr)
All Groups CPI	100.00	111.16	116.10	114.64	-1.27	3.13
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	46.04	116.89	124.55	121.33	-2.59	3.80
Tobacco & Narcotics	1.25	124.39	142.16	142.16	0.00	14.28
Clothing & Footwear	5.03	108.88	120.68	120.68	0.00	10.84
Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas	23.41	105.62	103.26	103.26	0.00	-2.23
Furnishing, Households and Maintenance	2.93	104.29	102.71	102.73	0.02	-1.49
Health	5.00	102.77	118.92	119.13	0.18	15.92
Transport	3.77	105.57	110.57	110.57	0.00	4.73
Communication	2.80	94.37	96.32	96.32	0.00	2.07
Recreation & Culture	1.00	102.5	98.45	98.45	0.00	-3.95
Education	4.00	100.45	107.75	107.75	0.00	7.27
Restaurant & Hotels	2.00	137.63	135.9	135.90	0.00	-1.26
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	2.77	107.44	105.03	105.11	0.08	-2.16

Note:

The Consumer Price Index is generated by conducting a survey of purchaser prices for a representative basket of household consumption (goods and services), during the first and third weeks of the collection month. The prices are obtained from selected retail outlets in four data collection zones spread across Mogadishu.

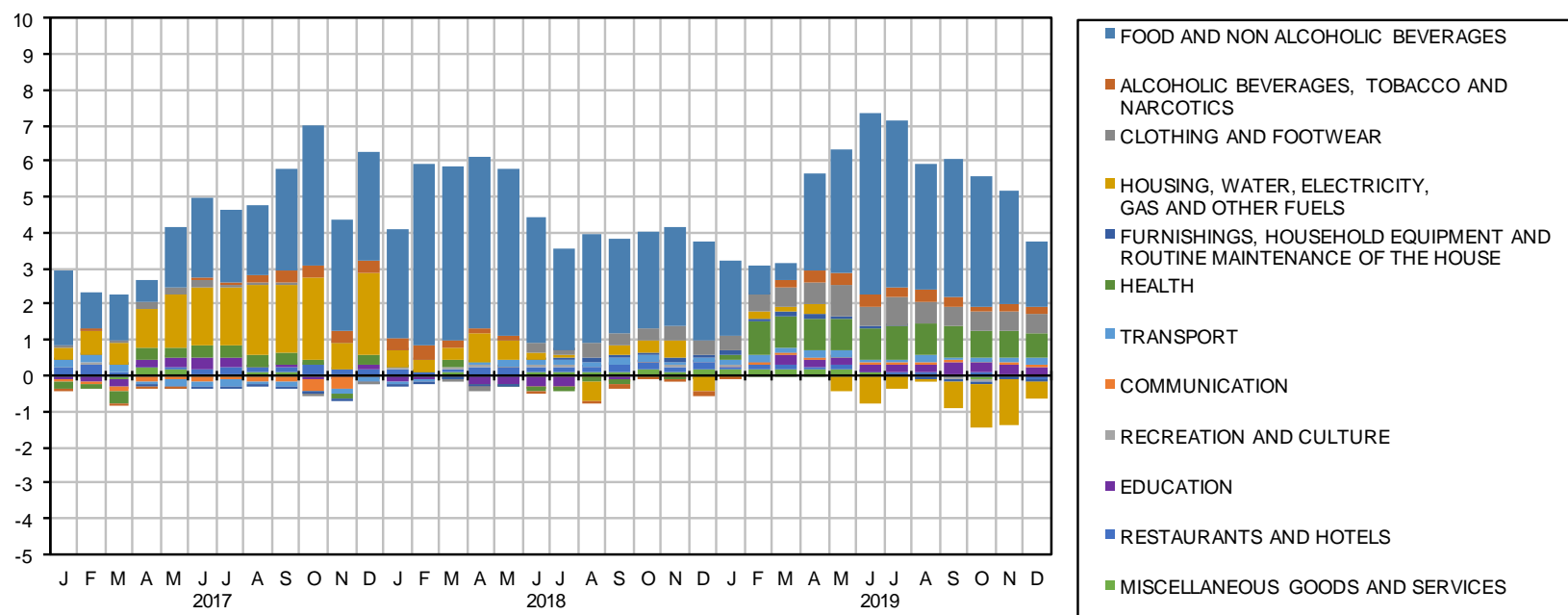
Next release

Consumer price index, January 2020, will be released on 15th February 2020. For more information on prices and other official statistics, please visit the DNS website at <http://www.dns.org.so>

Annex 1: All Groups CPI – Points Contribution to Inflation Rate by COICOP Division in December 2019.

All Groups CPI

Points contribution (%) to inflation rate (contribution by COICOP)



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

Annex 1 provides an analysis of the inflation rate for the month broken up into a cross section of COICOP Divisions displaying their respective impact (contribution) to the All Groups CPI.