

Executive Summary

The All Groups CPI was 119.80 in the month of April 2020, compared with 116.55 in the month of March 2020.

The monthly change, April 2020 compared to March 2020, was an increase of 2.79 percent. This is compared to a monthly increase of 2.12 percent in the previous month of March 2020. The most significant monthly price increases were **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** (+4.82%) and **Health** (+5.70). The increase for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages was mainly the result of higher prices of Food (+4.81%). Most of the upwards contribution came from prices of Oils and fats (+41.15%), Vegetables (+27.16%) and Fruits (+5.18%) (Chart 2).

Over the twelve months to the month of April 2020 (inflation rate), the All Groups CPI decreased to 4.28 percent, compared with 5.20 percent over the twelve months to the month of March 2020.

Table 1: Inflation rate according to CPI; April 2020 (Dec 2014 = 100)

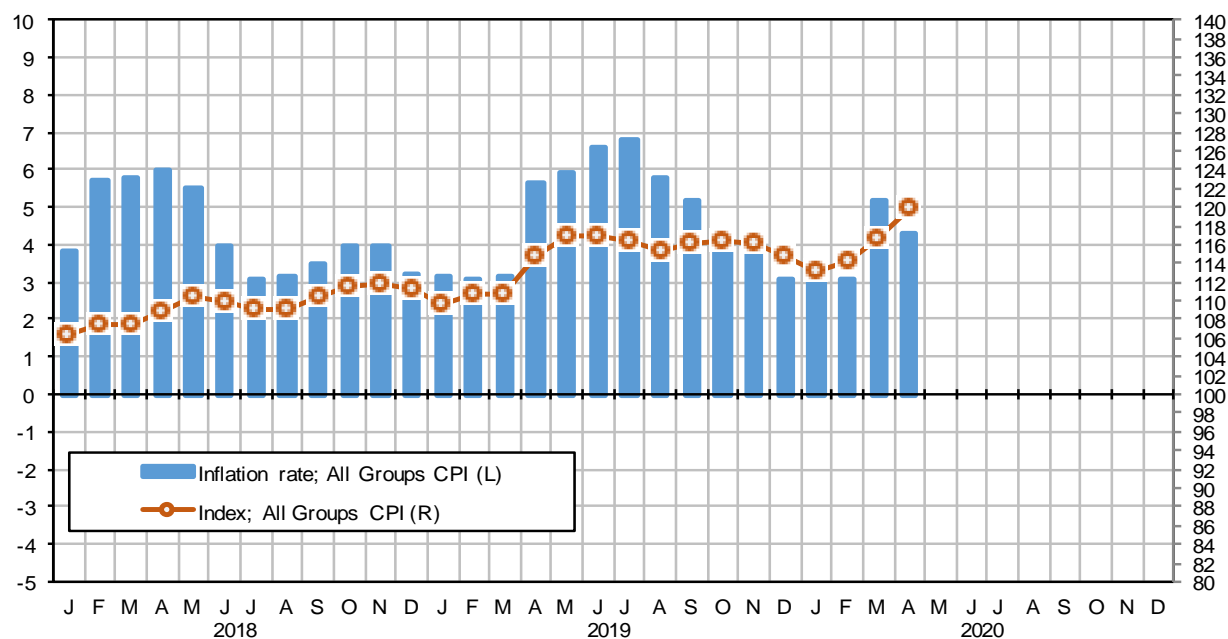
Consumer Price Index, April 2020	
Index (current month)	119.80
Index (previous month)	116.55
Index (previous year, same month)	114.89
Monthly % change	2.79%
Annual % change (inflation rate)	4.28%

Inflation rate according to CPI

CPI Index

Percent change over twelve months

Index = 100 @ December 2014



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

A bulletin on the April 2020 CPI and more detailed data in time series format have been posted on the DNS website: <http://www.dns.org.so>. Twitter @DNS_MoPIED

Consumer Price Index (CPI) April 2020

General Inflation rate: All Groups CPI, April 2020

The rate of inflation for April 2020 is the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) over the twelve-month period, from April 2019 to April 2020.

The **All Groups CPI** decreased 4.28 percent over the twelve months to April 2020 compared to 5.20 percent over the twelve months to March 2020.

The **All Groups CPI** monthly change for April 2020 was an increase of 2.79 percent. This is compared to an increase of 2.12 percent recorded for March 2020.

General Inflation rate: Selected Groups, April 2020

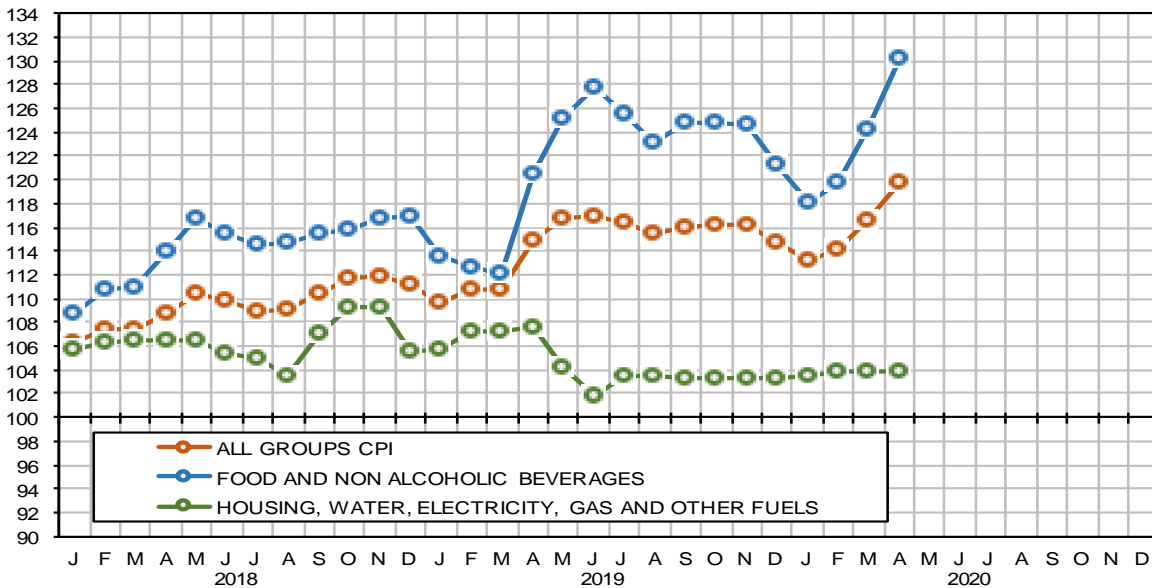
The rate of inflation for **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** and **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas** are the most significant items in the consumer basket in terms of expenditure and have the largest weighted influence on the **All Groups CPI**.

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages experienced a monthly increase of 4.82 percent. This was due to an increase in prices of some foodstuffs. As a result, the year on year inflation decreased to 8.10 percent in April 2020. This is compared to the year on year inflation of 10.84 percent experienced in March 2020.

Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas experienced a monthly immovability of 0.00 percent during the month of April 2020 compared to stability price movement of 0.00 percent experienced in March 2020. The year on year inflation decreased to -3.53 percent in April 2020. This is compared to the year on year inflation of -3.08 percent experienced in March 2020.

All Groups CPI and Selected Groups

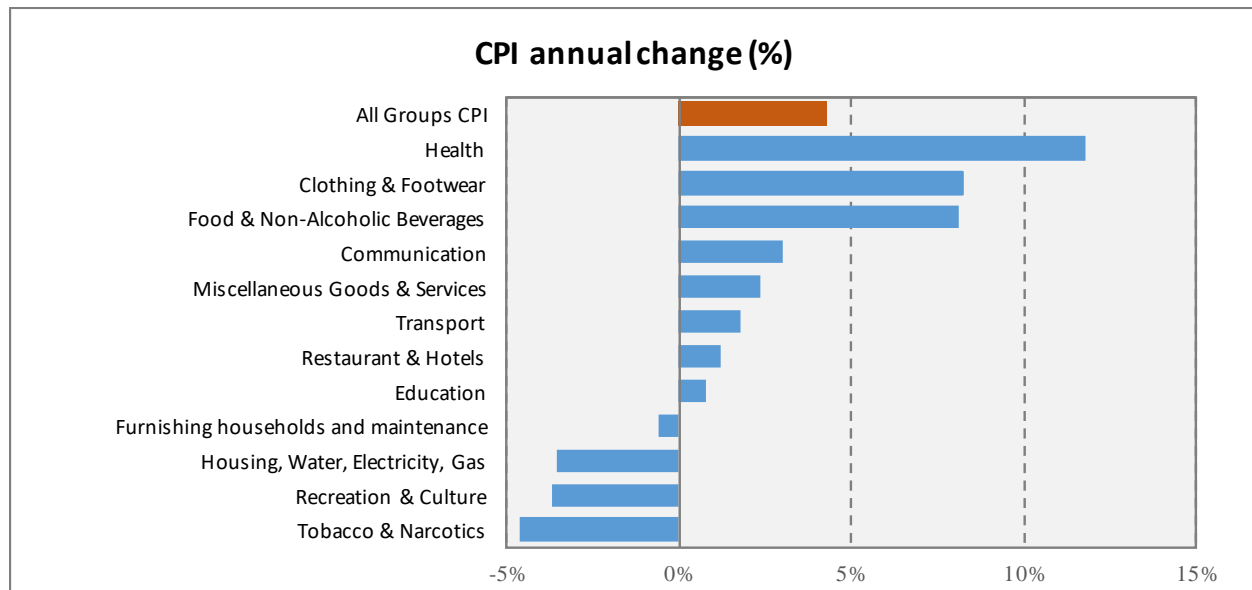
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A. Major contributions of the different groups to the annual percentage change in the CPI
Chart 1: CPI indices, Annual inflation rate by all groups; April 2020 (Dec 2014 = 100)



Major contributions (positive):

- **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** increased 8.10 percent over the 12-months to April 2020. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of Food (8.15%). Most of upwards contribution came from prices of Oils and Fats (+47.75%), Vegetables (+18.79%), and Food products n.e.c (+34.79%).
- **Health** showed an annual inflation rate of 11.78 percent in April compared to 5.75 percent registered in March. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of Medical services (+20.42%). Most of the upwards contribution came from prices of Hospital services (+35.56%).
- **Clothing and Footwear** recorded an increase of 8.24 percent compared to an annual increase of 9.37 percent in March 2020. Most of the upward contribution came from prices on Garments (+9.22%) due to price increases on garments for children (18.35%).
- **Communication** showed a stable annual movement of 3.01 percent for the year April 2020 compared to 3.01 percent recorded for the year March 2020. Most of the upwards contribution came from Telephone and telefax equipment (+5.06%).

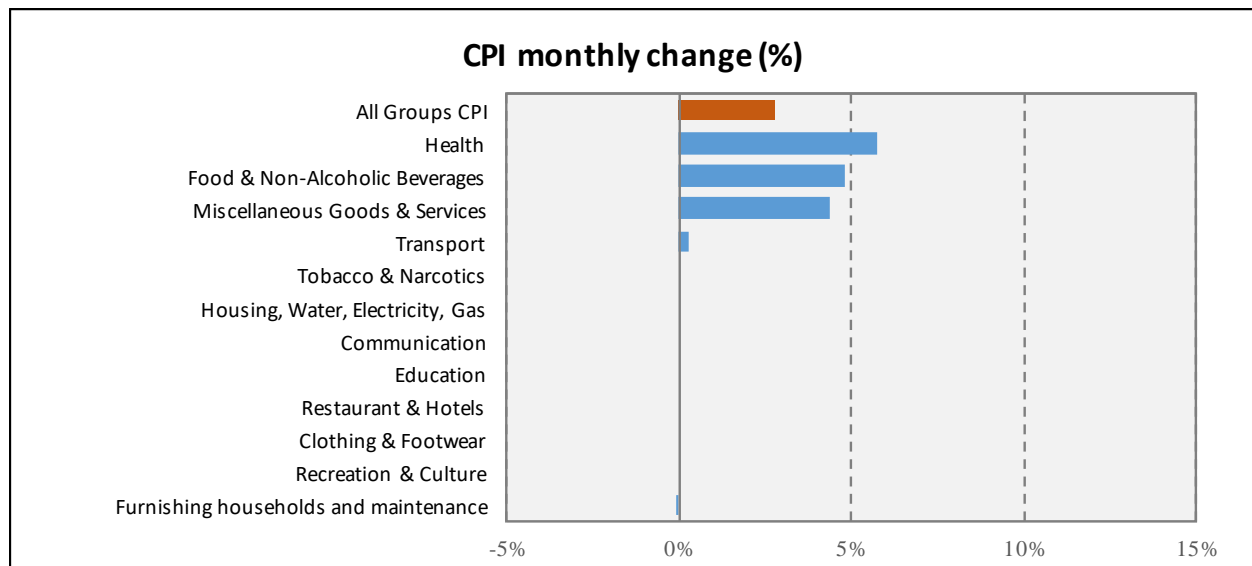
Major contributions (negative):

- **Recreation & Culture** recorded an annual decrease of -3.71 percent in April 2020 compared to an annual decrease of -3.76 percent in March 2020. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices on Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures (-4.52%).
- **Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas** recorded an annual decrease of -3.53 percent in April 2020 compared to an annual decrease of -3.08 percent in March 2020. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices on Water supply (-13.15%).

- **Tobacco & Narcotics** recorded an annual decrease of -4.62 percent in April 2020 compared to an annual decrease of -3.42 percent in March 2020. The decrease was mainly due to reporting uncertainty about Khat prices in the month of April, movements for Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics are estimated from prices fluctuations from Tobacco.

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

Chart 2: CPI; Monthly inflation rate by all groups; April 2020 (Dec 2014 = 100)



Major contributions (positive):

- **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** registered an increase of 4.82 percent during the month of April 2020 from 3.64 percent recorded in March 2020. Most of upwards contribution came from prices of Oils and Fats (+41.15%) and Vegetables (+27.16%).
- **Health** registered an increase of 5.70 percent during the month of April 2020 from the 4.49 percent recorded in March 2020. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of Medical services (+18.97%).
- **Miscellaneous Goods & Services** Increased to 4.38 percent during the month of April 2020 from 1.15 percent registered for the month March 2020. The increase was mainly the price increase of Jewellery, clocks and watches (+11.08%). Most of upwards contribution came from prices of Gold Necklace (+41.18%).

Major contributions (negative):

- In general, no groups showed a significant Negative monthly change for the month of April 2020.

Table 2: Changes in the Price Indices for April 2020 by main COICOP groups (Dec 2014=100)

COICOP Classification Group	CPI Weight	April 2019 Index	March 2020 Index	April 2020 Index	% change on previous month and current month	% change on same month of previous year (yr on yr)
All Groups CPI	100.00	114.89	116.55	119.80	2.79	4.28
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	46.04	120.42	124.19	130.17	4.82	8.10
Tobacco & Narcotics	1.25	143.72	137.08	137.08	0.00	-4.62
Clothing & Footwear	5.03	112.61	121.89	121.89	0.00	8.24
Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas	23.41	107.68	103.88	103.88	0.00	-3.53
Furnishing, Households and Maintenance	2.93	104.30	103.70	103.70	0.00	-0.58
Health	5.00	118.20	124.99	132.12	5.70	11.78
Transport	3.77	108.91	110.57	110.83	0.23	1.76
Communication	2.80	96.66	99.57	99.57	0.00	3.01
Recreation & Culture	1.00	102.34	98.54	98.54	0.00	-3.71
Education	4.00	106.96	107.75	107.75	0.00	0.73
Restaurant & Hotels	2.00	134.97	136.61	136.61	0.00	1.21
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	2.77	108.32	106.20	110.86	4.38	2.34

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.

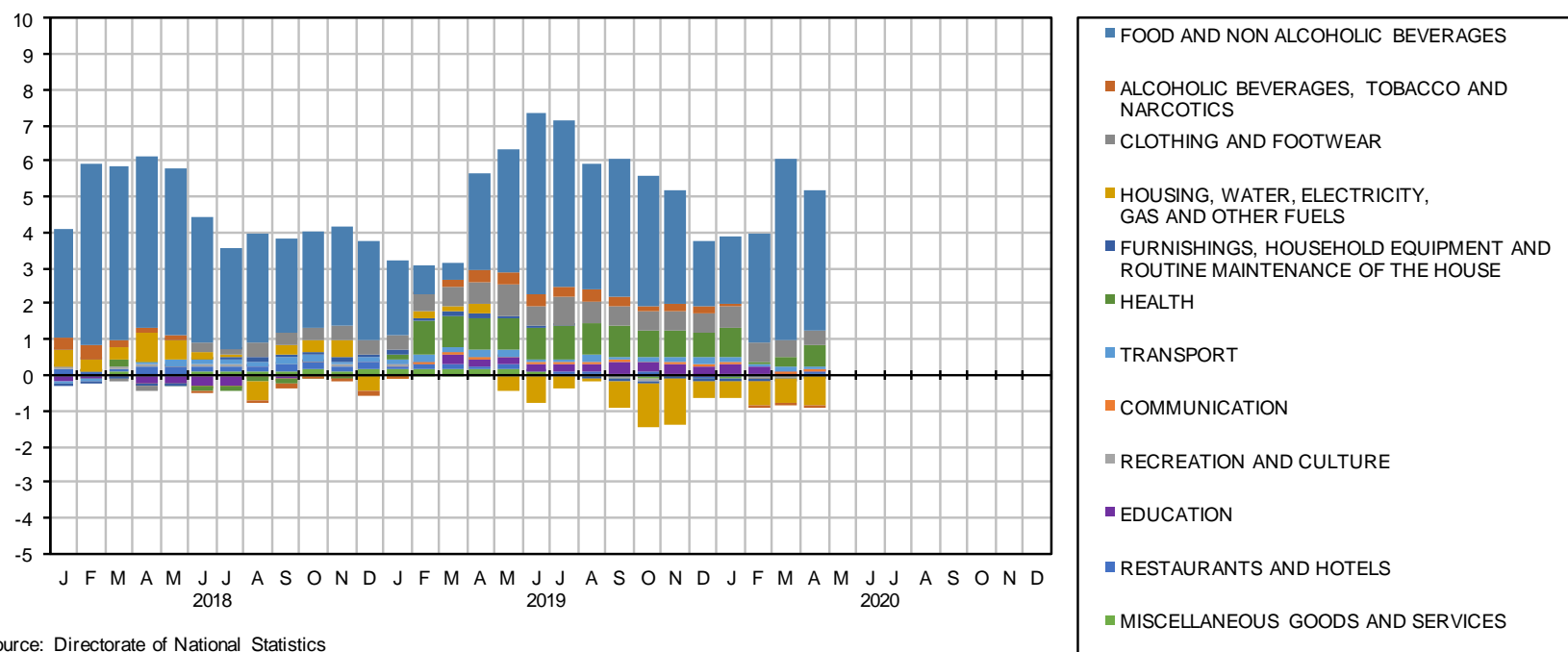
Next release

Consumer price index, May 2020, will be released on 15th June 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 April 2020.

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.