



## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) NOVEMBER 2020



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### Important announcement

With the publication of the January 2020 index, GBoS has updated the official CPI series. This involves updating the weights and product basket as well as a number of methodological improvements. These updates improve the transparency, relevance and representativity of the CPI. For the first time, GBoS will also be calculating CPI indexes for urban and rural areas. These estimates are available on our website. See [www.gbosdata.org/downloads](http://www.gbosdata.org/downloads), [www.gambia.opendataforafrica.org/nsdp](http://www.gambia.opendataforafrica.org/nsdp) or the Annex to this release for full details.

To highlight these improvements, the long run CPI index has been re-referenced (rescaled) to January 2020=100. Please note that historical inflation rates are unaffected by this rescaling.

Please visit our website for the full CPI series.

The Gambia Bureau of Statistics presents to users the Consumer Price Index (CPI) based on January 2019 =100 (Re-referenced to January 2020=100). The CPI is published on 15th of every month for the preceding month

COICOP	ALL ITEMS(JANUARY 2020=100)	Weights 2015/16	Nov-19	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Changes in % Over	
							1 Month	12 Months
0	All-items CPI (OVERALL INDEX)	100000	99.3	103.44	104.29	105.00	0.7	5.8
01	FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	52623	98.6	103.73	104.54	105.04	0.5	6.5
01.1	FOOD	49529	98.5	103.76	104.61	105.09	0.5	6.7
01.1.1	Bread & Cereals	14258	94.9	101.42	101.13	100.49	-0.6	5.9
01.1.2	Meat	5248	96.8	97.49	97.23	98.76	1.6	2.0
01.1.3	Fish	5799	99.1	115.94	122.93	123.60	0.5	24.8
01.1.4	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	2710	100.1	99.95	100.09	103.46	3.4	3.3
01.1.5	Oils and fats	4313	95.3	104.53	104.73	106.50	1.7	11.7
01.1.6	Fruits & nuts	1665	110.4	117.41	120.87	115.76	-4.2	4.8
01.1.7	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	8938	100.2	102.50	102.64	103.28	0.6	3.1
01.1.8	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	3438	103.7	101.92	101.89	103.43	1.5	-0.3
01.1.9	Other food products n.e.c	3159	104.5	104.12	103.89	104.21	0.3	-0.2
01.2	Non-alcoholic beverages	3094	100.9	103.25	103.42	104.16	0.7	3.2
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>47377</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>103.11</b>	<b>104.01</b>	<b>104.93</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>4.9</b>
02	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	1163	106.9	109.46	109.74	111.17	1.3	4.0
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	31	97.0	107.93	107.93	118.84	10.1	22.6
02.2	Tobacco	940	109.1	111.96	111.93	113.22	1.2	3.8
03	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	7895	99.1	102.87	102.36	102.40	0.0	3.3
03.1	GARMENTS	6585	99.0	102.73	101.86	102.31	0.4	3.3
03.1.1	Clothing materials	2195	97.8	98.44	98.32	98.85	0.5	1.0
03.1.2	Garments	1894	98.7	111.78	108.85	109.46	0.6	10.9
03.1.4	Repair and hire of clothing	2495	100.3	99.83	99.83	100.08	0.2	-0.2
3.2	Footwear	1310	100.0	103.62	104.94	102.90	-1.9	2.9
04	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	7302	98.8	100.53	101.09	101.21	0.1	2.5
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	15	99.3	112.51	112.51	112.51	0.0	13.3
04.4.1	Water supply	832	99.9	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0	0.1
04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	5998	98.6	100.31	100.98	101.12	0.1	2.6
05	FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, ETC	7306	97.2	101.35	104.18	104.61	0.4	7.6
05.1	Furniture, decorations, floor coverings and repairs	397	101.2	105.77	105.65	105.72	0.1	4.5
05.2	Household textiles	319	99.4	100.67	100.97	102.24	1.3	2.8
05.3	Household appliances	52	97.2	97.88	97.93	98.06	0.1	0.9
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	5669	95.9	101.07	104.33	104.48	0.1	8.9
06	HEALTH	574	103.4	103.18	103.33	103.56	0.2	0.2
07	TRANSPORT	9644	99.8	102.20	102.55	104.97	2.4	5.2
08	COMMUNICATIONS	8809	99.9	96.77	95.68	96.18	0.5	-3.7
09	RECREATION AND CULTURE	428	99.7	96.47	96.66	97.92	1.3	-1.8
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	69	110.5	104.46	104.46	106.57	2.0	-3.6
09.5	Newspapers, books and stationery	268	104.9	101.35	101.35	102.48	1.1	-2.3
10	Education	20	100.0	100.00	100.00	185.35	85.4	85.4
11	HOTELS, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS	754	98.7	107.36	108.90	109.03	0.1	10.5
12	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	3482	98.3	116.42	124.14	126.77	2.1	29.0
12.1	Personal care	1823	99.0	127.07	122.67	128.35	4.6	29.6
	<b>ALL ITEM INDEX</b>	<b>100000</b>	<b>99.3</b>	<b>103.44</b>	<b>104.29</b>	<b>105.00</b>		<b>5.8</b>
	<b>12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>							<b>5.1</b>
	<b>Year on Year inflation</b>							<b>5.8</b>

From November 2019 to November 2020, the year on year All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate increased by 5.76 percent. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 6.49 percent whilst Non-Food Products rose by 4.88 percent.

In November 2020, the All-items CPI index was 105.00, an increase of 0.7 percent over the October 2020 All-items index of 104.29

From November 2019 to November 2020, within Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, ‘Fish’ increased by 24.77 percent, ‘Oils and Fats’ increased by 11.73 percent, ‘Bread and Cereals’ increase by 5.91, ‘Fruits and Nuts’ increased by 4.81 percent, and ‘Milk, ‘Cheese and eggs’ increased by 3.3 percent.

Over the same period, for the Non-Food products, major increases were recorded by ‘Education’, 85.41 percent, ‘Miscellaneous’, 28.97 percent, ‘Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant’, 10.52 percent, ‘Furnishing, Household Equipment, etc.’, 7.57 percent, ‘Transport’ 5.23 percent, ‘Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics’, 2.93 percent, and ‘Clothing and Footwear’, 3.28 percent.

From October 2020 to November 2020, the highest inflation rates were for ‘Milk Cheese and Eggs’, 3.37 percent, ‘Oils and Fats’, 1.68 percent, ‘Meat’ 1.58 percent, ‘Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets’, 1.51 percent, and ‘Vegetables, root crops and tubers’, 0.63 percent.

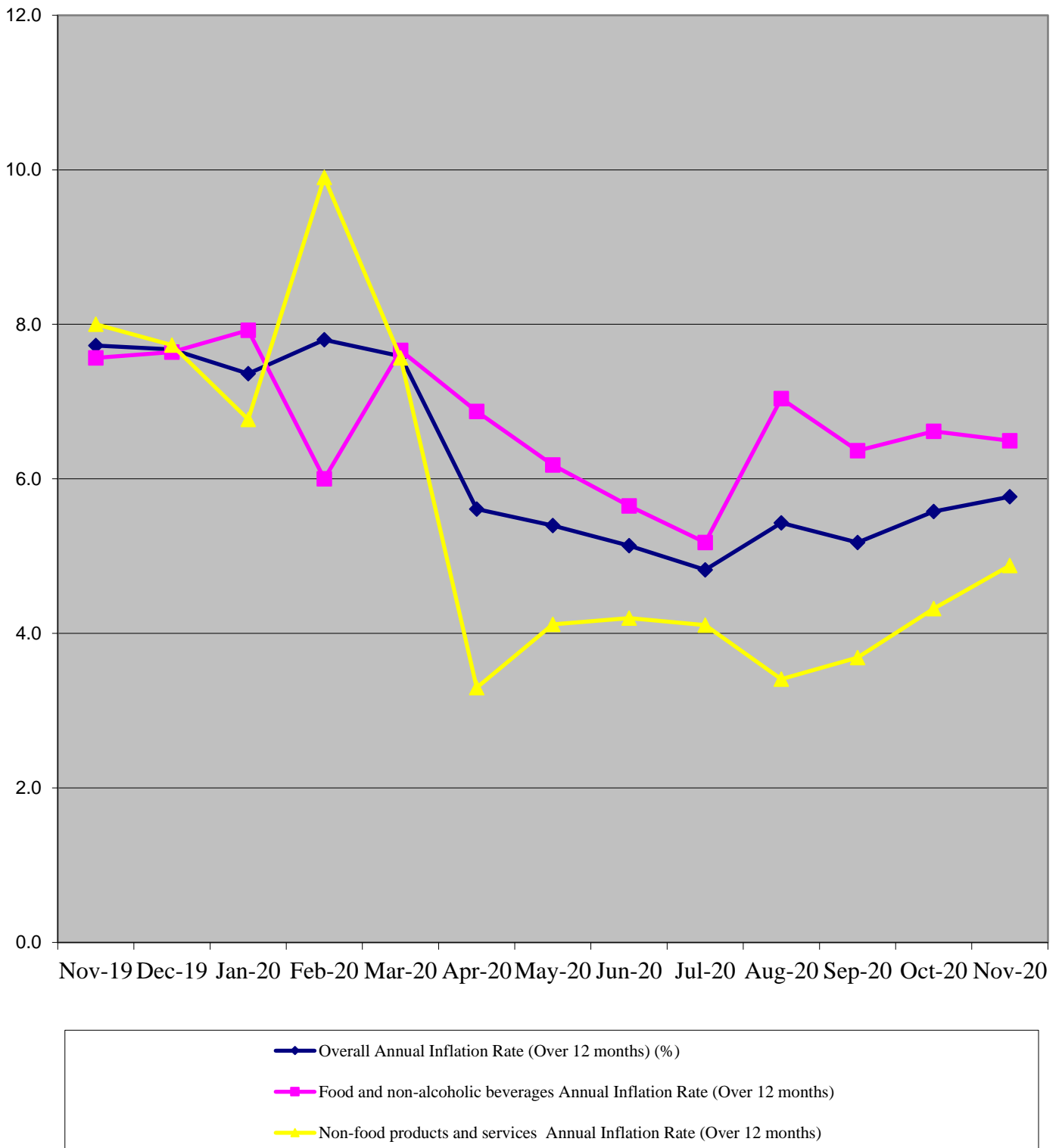
Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, the annual inflation rate was 5.1 percent in November 2020 compared to 5.1 percent recorded in October 2020.

**All-items year on year Inflation Rate (Comparison with the same month for the previous year)**

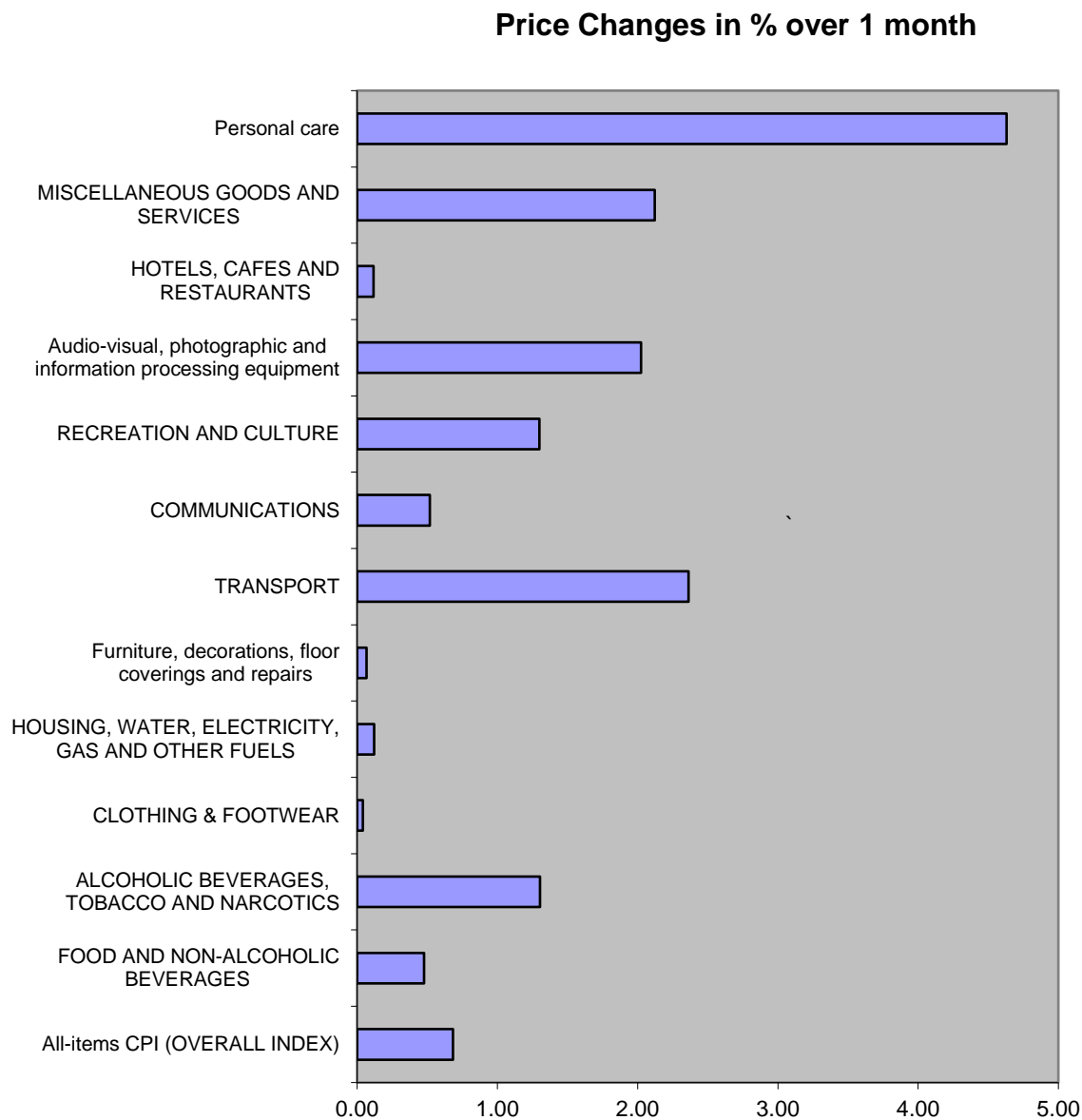
Year	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
2019	6.08	6.16	6.13	6.91	7.46	7.35	7.31	7.36	7.58	7.55	7.73	7.68
2020	7.36	7.84	7.58	5.61	5.40	5.13	4.82	5.43	5.18	5.58	5.77	

**Figure 1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year (November 2019 – November 2020)**

**Annual Inflation Rate**



**Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: October 2020 to November 2020**



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