



## THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) DECEMBER 2021



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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	Dec-20	Oct-21	Nov-21	Dec-21	Changes in % Over	
							1 Month	12 Months
0	All-items CPI (OVERALL INDEX)	100000	105.6	111.9	112.4	113.6	1.0	7.6
01	FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	52623	106.1	113.7	114.6	116.6	1.8	10.0
01.1	FOOD	49529	106.2	114.0	114.9	117.0	1.8	10.2
01.1.1	Bread & Cereals	14258	102.2	108.4	108.9	110.6	1.6	8.3
01.1.2	Meat	5248	102.5	118.3	118.2	119.0	0.7	16.1
01.1.3	Fish	5799	125.5	130.0	129.2	131.4	1.7	4.7
01.1.4	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	2710	101.8	106.0	107.0	107.6	0.5	5.7
01.1.5	Oils and fats	4313	106.3	143.4	143.1	144.8	1.2	36.2
01.1.6	Fruits & nuts	1665	118.9	122.8	122.5	123.8	1.1	4.1
01.1.7	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	8938	103.3	101.2	105.8	105.9	0.1	2.5
01.1.8	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	3438	102.8	106.0	106.2	113.9	7.3	10.7
01.1.9	Other food products n.e.c	3159	104.4	108.3	108.4	116.8	7.7	11.9
01.2	Non-alcoholic beverages	3094	104.0	109.6	109.6	110.3	0.7	6.0
	<b>NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>47377</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>109.9</b>	<b>110.0</b>	<b>110.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>4.9</b>
02	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	1163	110.3	138.9	139.0	139.5	0.3	26.4
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	31	119.0	135.3	135.0	135.0	0.0	13.4
02.2	Tobacco	940	112.2	148.6	148.6	148.7	0.1	32.5
03	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	7895	103.5	107.4	107.6	107.5	-0.1	3.9
03.1	GARMENTS	6585	103.6	106.7	107.0	106.8	-0.2	3.1
03.1.1	Clothing materials	2195	100.5	104.1	104.7	104.0	-0.7	3.5
03.1.2	Garments	1894	112.3	118.5	118.6	118.3	-0.2	5.4
03.1.4	Repair and hire of clothing	2495	99.8	100.3	100.6	100.8	0.2	1.0
3.2	Footwear	1310	102.9	110.7	110.6	110.9	0.3	7.7
04	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	7302	101.3	105.5	105.3	108.6	3.1	7.2
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	15	112.5	122.0	122.0	122.0	0.0	8.4
04.4.1	Water supply	832	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	5998	101.2	104.9	104.7	108.6	3.7	7.4
05	FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, ETC	7306	104.7	103.6	103.8	103.8	0.0	-0.9
05.1	Furniture, decorations, floor coverings and repairs	397	106.0	103.3	103.5	103.4	-0.1	-2.4
05.2	Household textiles	319	102.1	104.5	104.6	104.7	0.1	2.5
05.3	Household appliances	52	98.2	100.9	100.9	100.9	0.0	2.7
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	5669	104.6	103.0	103.3	103.2	-0.1	-1.4
06	HEALTH	574	103.6	138.1	138.1	138.1	0.0	33.3
07	TRANSPORT	9644	105.0	113.1	113.1	111.5	-1.5	6.2
08	COMMUNICATIONS	8809	95.4	96.5	96.5	96.6	0.0	1.3
09	RECREATION AND CULTURE	428	98.1	100.3	101.4	101.5	0.1	3.4
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	69	106.6	108.6	108.9	108.9	0.0	2.2
09.5	Newspapers, books and stationery	268	102.7	104.3	105.8	105.8	0.0	3.1
10	Education	20	185.4	185.4	232.3	232.3	0.0	25.3
11	HOTELS, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS	754	109.6	120.9	121.0	120.2	-0.7	9.7
12	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	3482	126.8	136.1	136.2	136.3	0.1	7.5
12.1	Personal care	1823	128.4	138.1	138.3	138.4	0.1	7.8
	<b>ALL ITEM INDEX</b>	<b>100000</b>	<b>105.6</b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>112.4</b>	<b>113.6</b>		<b>7.6</b>
	<b>12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE</b>							<b>5.6</b>
	<b>Year on Year inflation</b>							<b>7.6</b>

From December 2020 to December 2021, the year-on-year All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate increased by 7.61 percent. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 9.98 percent whilst Non-Food Products increased by 4.91 percent.

In December 2021, the All-items CPI was 113.60, an increase of 1.02 percent over the November 2021 All-items index of 112.45.

From December 2020 to December 2021, within Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, ‘Oils and Fats’ increased by 36.22 percent, ‘Meat and Meat Products’ increased by 16.10 percent, ‘Other Food Products N.E.C.’ increased by 11.89 percent, ‘Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets’ increased by 10.75 percent ‘Bread and Cereals’ increased by 8.26 percent, ‘Non-alcoholic beverages’ increased by 6.04 percent, ‘Milk, Cheese and Egg’ increased by 5.73 percent, ‘Fish and Fish Products’ increased by 4.71 percent ‘Fruits and Nuts’ increase by 4.11 percent and Vegetable, Root Crops and Tubers’ increased by 2.49 percent.

Over the same period, for the Non-Food products, major increases were recorded by ‘Health’, 33.29 percent, ‘Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics’, 26.44 percent, ‘Education’, 25.31 percent, ‘Hotel, Cafes and Restaurant’, 9.69 percent, ‘Miscellaneous’, 7.45 percent, ‘Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels’, 7.23 percent ‘Transport’, 6.20 percent, ‘Clothing and Footwear’, 3.87 percent, ‘Recreation and Culture’, 3.41 percent and ‘Communication’, 1.26 percent.

From November 2021 to December 2021, the highest inflation rates within the Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages were for ‘Other Food Products N.E.C’, 7.68 percent, ‘Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets’, 7.25 percent, ‘Fish and Fish Products’, 1.69 percent, ‘Bread and Cereals’, 1.58 percent, ‘Oils and Fats’, 1.23 percent, ‘Fruits and Nuts’, 1.05 percent, ‘Non-alcoholic beverages’, 0.70 percent, ‘Meat and Meat Products’, 0.67 percent, ‘Milk, Cheese and Egg’, 0.53 percent, ‘Vegetable, Root Crops and Tubers’, 0.07 percent.

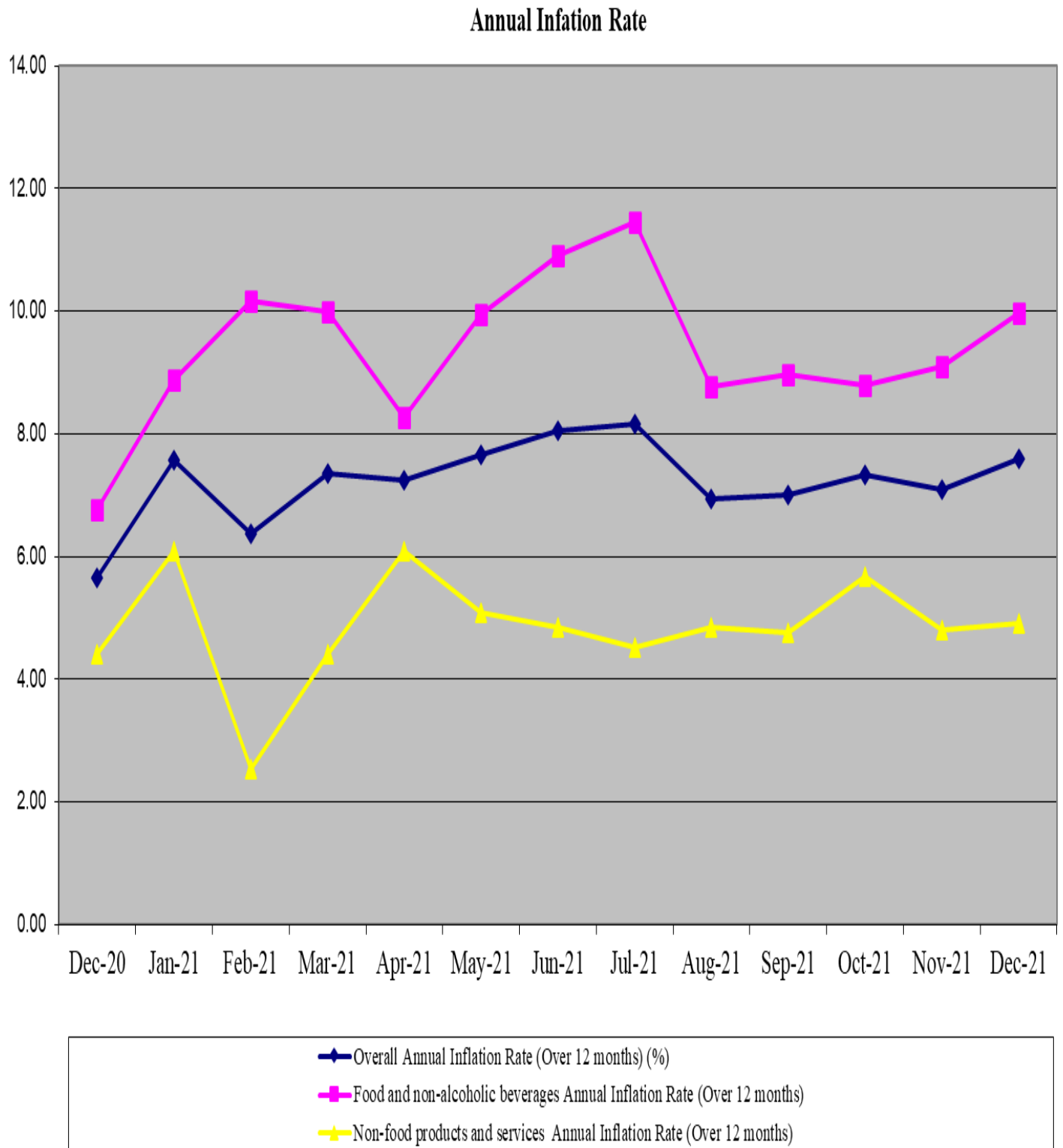
Also, from November 2021 to December 2021, the highest inflation rates within the Non-Food Products and Services were for ‘Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels’, 3.08 percent and ‘Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics’, 0.33 percent.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, the annual inflation rate was 5.6 percent in December 2021 compared to 6.5 percent recorded in November 2021.

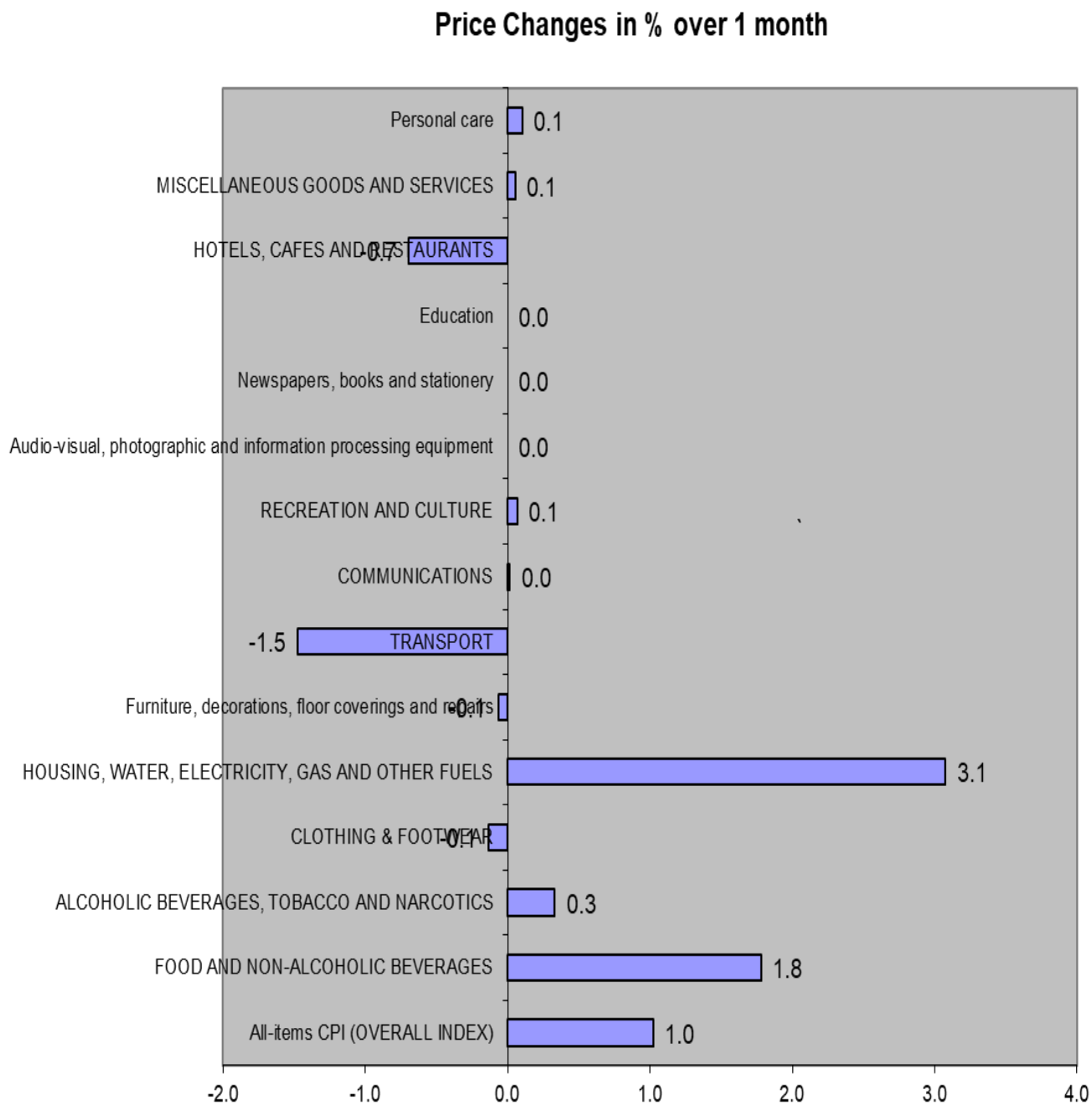
**All-items year on year Inflation Rate (Comparison with the same month for the previous year)**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>March</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>Jun</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>Aug</b>	<b>Sept</b>	<b>Oct</b>	<b>Nov</b>	<b>Dec</b>
<b>2019</b>	<b>6.08</b>	<b>6.16</b>	<b>6.13</b>	<b>6.91</b>	<b>7.46</b>	<b>7.35</b>	<b>7.31</b>	<b>7.36</b>	<b>7.58</b>	<b>7.55</b>	<b>7.73</b>	<b>7.68</b>
<b>2020</b>	<b>7.36</b>	<b>7.84</b>	<b>7.58</b>	<b>5.61</b>	<b>5.40</b>	<b>5.13</b>	<b>4.82</b>	<b>5.43</b>	<b>5.18</b>	<b>5.58</b>	<b>5.77</b>	<b>5.67</b>
<b>2021</b>	<b>7.57</b>	<b>6.38</b>	<b>7.37</b>	<b>7.26</b>	<b>7.67</b>	<b>8.05</b>	<b>8.17</b>	<b>6.94</b>	<b>7.01</b>	<b>7.34</b>	<b>7.09</b>	<b>7.61</b>

**Figure 1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year  
(December 2020 – December 2021)**



**Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: November 2021 to December 2021**



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