



THE GAMBIA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) FEBRUARY 2022



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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, 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

								Changes in % Over	
COICOP	ALL ITEMS(JANUARY 2020=100)	Weights 2015/16	Feb-21	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	1 Month	12 Months	
0	All-items CPI (OVERALL INDEX)	100000	107.5	113.6	116.0	116.4	0.39	8.35	
01	FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	52623	108.8	116.6	119.6	120.2	0.47	10.42	
01.1	FOOD	49529	109.1	117.0	120.3	120.9	0.50	10.79	
01.1.1	Bread & Cereals	14258	104.3	110.6	117.0	118.3	1.18	13.43	
01.1.2	Meat	5248	111.3	119.0	119.6	120.0	0.31	7.82	
01.1.3	Fish	5799	130.6	131.4	133.2	133.5	0.26	2.22	
01.1.4	Milk, Cheese and Eggs	2710	102.9	107.6	111.4	111.7	0.28	8.51	
01.1.5	Oils and fats	4313	131.0	144.8	145.3	145.5	0.18	11.13	
01.1.6	Fruits & nuts	1665	122.8	123.8	123.9	124.0	0.05	0.97	
01.1.7	Vegetables, root crops & tubers	8938	94.3	105.9	105.6	105.7	0.07	12.02	
01.1.8	Sugar, jam, honey & sweets	3438	103.9	113.9	126.6	127.3	0.63	22.62	
01.1.9	Other food products n.e.c	3159	101.8	116.8	116.9	117.0	0.05	14.95	
01.2	Non-alcoholic beverages	3094	104.6	110.3	108.9	108.9	0.00	4.10	
	NON-FOOD PRODUCTS AND SERVICES	47377	105.9	110.1	111.9	112.2	0.28	5.95	
02	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	1163	110.5	139.5	138.6	138.6	-0.03	25.40	
02.1	Alcoholic beverages	31	115.1	135.0	132.3	132.3	-0.01	14.93	
02.2	Tobacco	940	112.6	148.7	147.7	147.6	-0.04	31.16	
03	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	7895	103.9	107.5	109.6	109.7	0.08	5.54	
03.1	GARMENTS	6585	103.5	106.8	109.3	109.4	0.09	5.72	
03.1.1	Clothing materials	2195	100.6	104.0	104.9	105.2	0.26	4.57	
03.1.2	Garments	1894	112.0	118.3	125.9	125.9	0.02	12.37	
03.1.4	Repair and hire of clothing	2495	99.8	100.8	101.1	101.1	0.00	1.23	
3.2	Footwear	1310	106.0	110.9	110.9	110.9	0.00	4.60	
04	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	7302	103.6	108.6	108.7	108.9	0.18	5.12	
04.1	Actual rentals for housing	15	112.5	122.0	122.0	122.0	0.00	8.41	
04.4.1	Water supply	832	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.00	0.00	
04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	5998	103.6	108.6	108.6	108.8	0.21	5.10	
05	FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, ETC	7306	104.6	103.8	104.2	104.2	0.02	-0.44	
05.1	Furniture, decorations, floor coverings and repairs	397	102.6	103.4	108.0	108.1	0.06	5.39	
05.2	Household textiles	319	101.3	104.7	105.2	105.7	0.49	4.40	
05.3	Household appliances	52	98.2	100.9	100.9	100.9	0.07	2.78	
05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	5669	104.6	103.2	103.2	103.2	-0.01	-1.34	
06	HEALTH	574	103.6	138.1	145.6	145.6	0.00	40.53	
07	TRANSPORT	9644	106.9	111.5	113.0	114.4	1.16	6.94	
08	COMMUNICATIONS	8809	95.8	96.6	96.6	96.6	0.01	0.78	
09	RECREATION AND CULTURE	428	97.4	101.5	101.6	101.7	0.03	4.40	
09.1	Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	69	106.6	108.9	109.9	109.9	0.00	3.14	
09.5	Newspapers, books and stationery	268	101.4	105.8	105.8	105.8	0.00	4.41	
10	Education	20	185.4	232.3	232.3	232.3	0.00	25.31	
11	HOTELS, CAFES AND RESTAURANTS	754	106.4	120.2	142.8	142.9	0.10	34.32	
12	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	3482	127.4	136.3	143.6	143.6	0.03	12.74	
12.1	Personal care	1823	131.2	138.4	150.3	150.3	0.06	14.58	
	ALL ITEM INDEX	100000	107.5	113.6	116.0	116.4		8.35	
	12-MONTH MOVING AVERAGE							7.10	
	Year on Year inflation							8.35	

From February 2021 to February 2022 the year-on-year All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rate increased by 8.35 percent. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 10.42 percent whilst Non-Food Products increased by 5.95 percent.

In February 2022, the All-items CPI was 116.43, an increase of 0.39 percent over the January 2022 All-items index of 115.98.

From February 2021 to February 2022, within Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, ‘Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets’ increased by 22.62 percent, ‘Other Food Products N.E.C’ increased by 14.95 percent, ‘Bread and Cereals’ increased by 13.43 percent, ‘Vegetable, Root Crops and Tubers’ increased by 12.02 percent, ‘Oils and Fats’ increased by 11.13 percent, ‘Milk, Cheese and Eggs’ increased by 8.51 percent, ‘Meat’ increased by 7.82 percent, ‘Non-alcoholic Beverages’ increase by 4.10 percent, ‘Fish’ increased by 2.22 percent, and ‘Fruits and Nuts’ increased by 0.97 percent.

Over the same period, for the Non-Food products, major increases were recorded by ‘Health’, 40.53 percent, ‘Hotel, Café and Restaurant’, 34.32 percent, ‘Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics’, 25.40 percent, ‘Education’, 25.31 percent, ‘Miscellaneous’, 12.74 percent, ‘Transport’, 6.94 percent, ‘Clothing and Footwear’, 5.54 percent, ‘Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels’, 5.12 percent and ‘Recreation and Culture’, 4.40 percent.

From January 2022 to February 2022, the highest inflation rates within the Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages were for ‘Bread and Cereals’, 1.18 percent, ‘Sugar, Jam, Honey and Sweets’, 0.63 percent, ‘Meat’, 0.31 percent, ‘Milk, Cheese and Eggs’, 0.28 percent, ‘Fish’, 0.26 percent, and ‘Oils and Fats’, 0.18 percent.

Also, from January 2022 to February 2022, the highest inflation rates within the Non-Food Products and Services were for ‘Transport’, 1.16 percent, ‘Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels’, 0.18 percent, and ‘Hotel, Cafes, and Restaurant’, 0.10 percent.

Using the 12 months-moving-average measure, the annual inflation rate was 7.10 percent in February 2022 compared to 7.9 percent recorded in January 2022.

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	5.67
2021	7.57	6.38	7.37	7.26	7.67	8.05	8.17	6.94	7.01	7.34	7.09	7.61
2022	7.81	8.35										

Figure 1: Annual changes – Comparison with the same month of the previous year (February 2021 – February 2022)

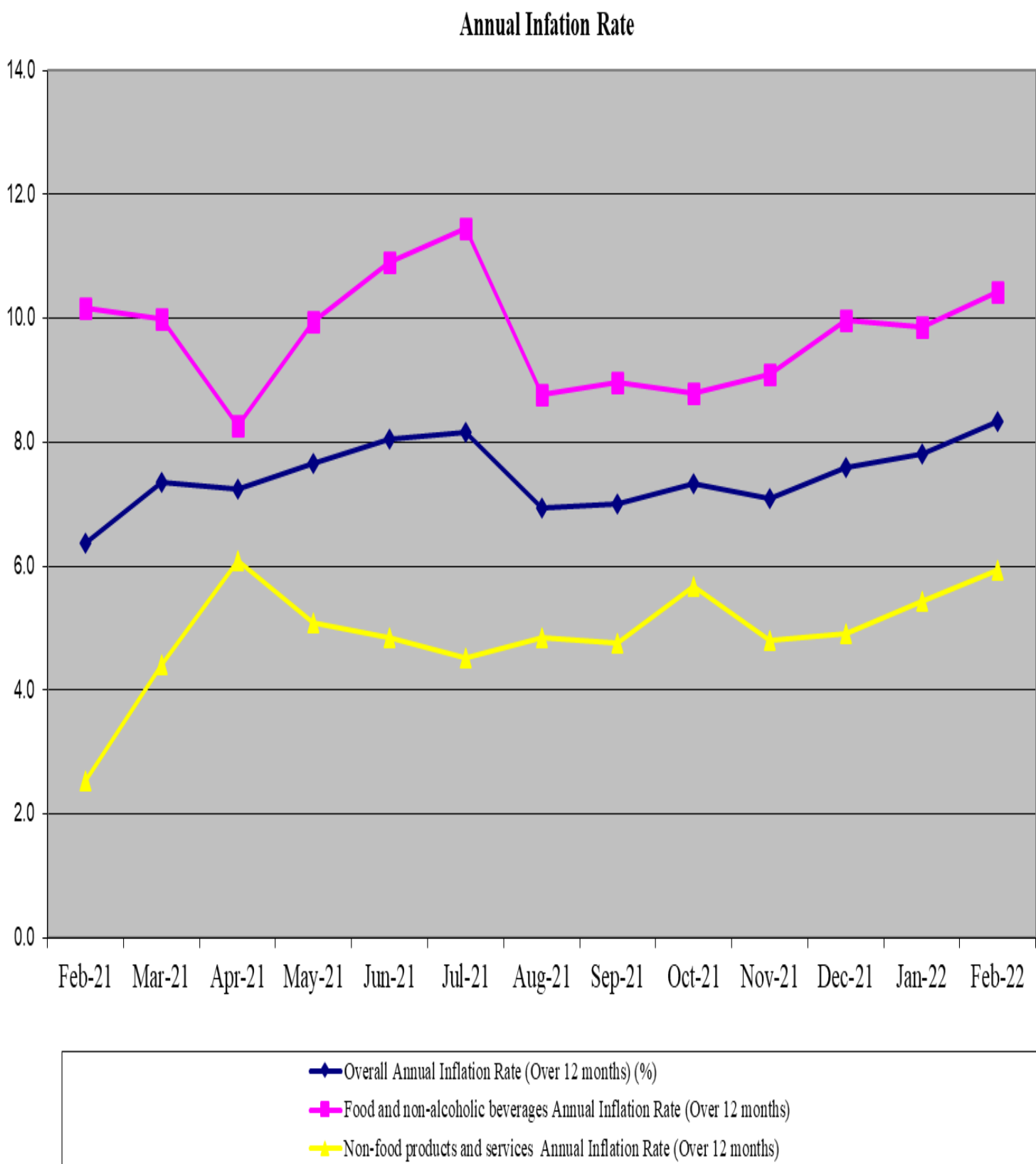
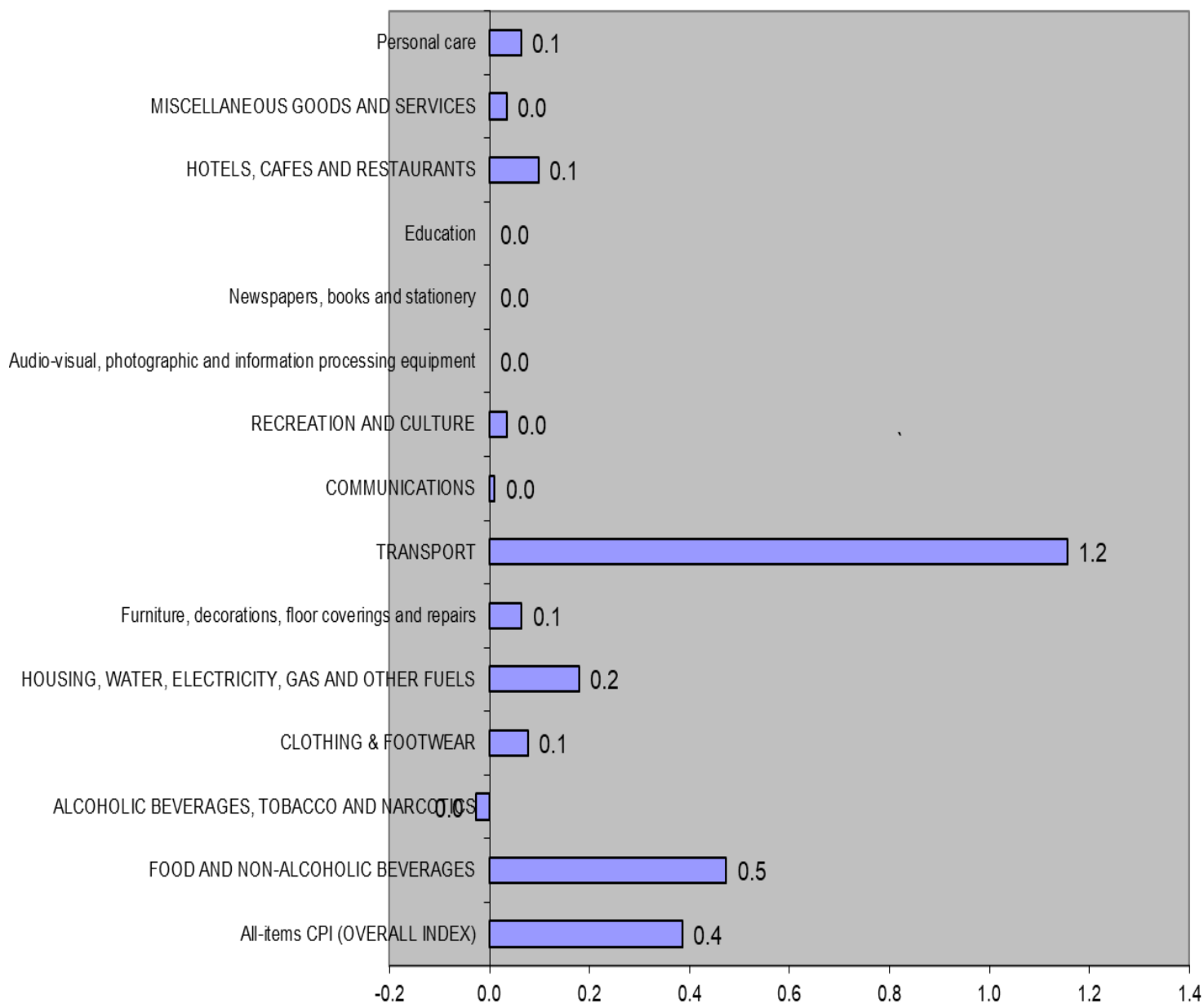


Figure 2: Monthly changes - Comparison with the previous month: January 2022 to February 2022

Price Changes in % over 1 month



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