

Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change
at Section Level for December 2007
(Oct. 2004 - Sep. 2005 = 100)

Section	Composite CPI		CPI(A)		CPI(B)		CPI(C)	
	Index for Dec 2007	% change over Dec 2006	Index for Dec 2007	% change over Dec 2006	Index for Dec 2007	% change over Dec 2006	Index for Dec 2007	% change over Dec 2006
Food	110.2	+6.9	111.0	+7.6	109.7	+6.7	109.5	+6.2
<i>Meals bought away from home</i>	106.3	+4.0	105.9	+3.9	106.1	+3.9	107.3	+4.1
<i>Food, excluding meals bought away from home</i>	116.6	+11.7	118.1	+12.4	116.3	+11.5	114.0	+10.4
Housing #	112.3	+4.3	108.5	+2.1	113.8	+4.8	115.0	+6.4
<i>Private housing rent</i>	115.8	+6.1	114.6	+5.5	116.4	+5.9	116.2	+6.9
<i>Public housing rent</i>	89.2	-10.8	89.2	-10.9	89.2	-10.8	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	105.1	+5.1	104.9	+5.2	105.1	+5.2	105.5	+4.9
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	95.7	+0.1	96.0	+1.1	95.2	-0.7	95.7	-1.6
Clothing and footwear	111.1	+2.4	111.2	+3.1	111.0	+3.1	111.2	+1.2
Durable goods	86.4	-3.8	85.1	-4.0	84.3	-4.3	89.5	-3.1
Miscellaneous goods	106.4	+3.9	106.4	+4.5	106.1	+3.8	106.8	+3.3
Transport	101.3	+0.5	100.3	-0.7	101.5	+0.4	102.1	+1.7
Miscellaneous services	104.8	+1.6	100.5	-0.8	105.8	+2.3	106.5	+2.3
<i>Selected major groups</i>								
<i>Educational services</i>	99.7	-3.8	96.4	-7.3	100.4	-2.9	101.0	-2.7
<i>Telephone and other communications services</i>	96.9	-1.0	96.4	-0.9	96.9	-1.1	97.7	-0.9
<i>Medical services</i>	102.4	+1.6	101.9	+1.7	102.4	+1.7	102.9	+1.4
All items	107.4	+3.8	106.4	+3.4	107.6	+3.9	108.2	+4.0

- Not applicable.

Note:

The CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) are compiled with reference to the average expenditure patterns for different groups of households as obtained from the Household Expenditure Survey. By aggregating the expenditure patterns of all households covered by the above three indices, a Composite CPI is also compiled.

The expenditure ranges of the households covered in the 2004/05-based CPI series are as follows:

	Approximate percentage of households covered	Average monthly household expenditure range (at 2004/05 prices)	Average monthly household expenditure range (adjusted to 2007 prices)
	(%)	(\$)	(\$)
CPI(A)	50	4,000 - 15,499	4,100 - 16,100
CPI(B)	30	15,500 - 27,499	16,100 - 28,900
CPI(C)	10	27,500 - 59,999	28,900 - 63,200
Composite CPI	90	4,000 - 59,999	4,100 - 63,200

Apart from "Private housing rent" and "Public housing rent", the "Housing" section also includes "Management fees and other housing charges" and "Materials for house maintenance".

Table 2

Movements of Consumer Price Indices, December 2005 - December 2007

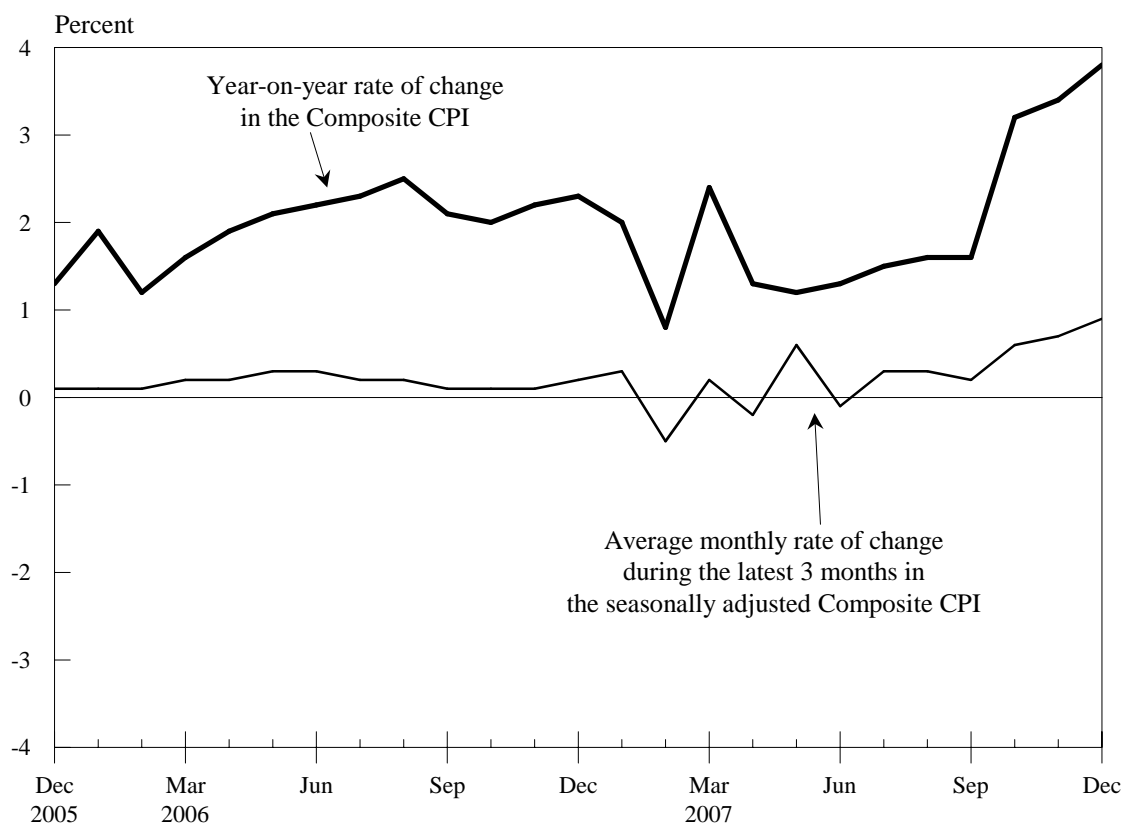
		CPI				Seasonally adjusted CPI [#]			
		Year-on-year rate of change (%)				Average monthly rate of change during the latest 3 months (%)			
Year/month		Composite CPI	CPI(A)	CPI(B)	CPI(C)	Composite CPI	CPI(A)	CPI(B)	CPI(C)
2005	Dec	+1.3	+1.3	+1.4	+1.3	+0.1	+0.2	+0.1	+0.1
2006	Jan	+1.9	+1.6	+2.0	+2.0	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1
	Feb	+1.2	+1.1	+1.2	+1.4	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1
	Mar	+1.6	+1.4	+1.7	+1.8	+0.2	+0.1	+0.2	+0.2
	Apr	+1.9	+1.7	+2.0	+2.0	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2
	May	+2.1	+1.8	+2.2	+2.4	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3
	Jun	+2.2	+1.9	+2.2	+2.5	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3
	Jul	+2.3	+2.0	+2.4	+2.5	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2	+0.3
	Aug	+2.5	+2.3	+2.6	+2.6	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2	+0.1
	Sep	+2.1	+1.9	+2.2	+2.3	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1	+0.1
	Oct	+2.0	+1.7	+2.1	+2.1	+0.1	*	+0.1	+0.1
	Nov	+2.2	+1.8	+2.2	+2.6	+0.1	*	+0.1	+0.2
	Dec	+2.3	+1.9	+2.3	+2.7	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2
2007	Jan	+2.0	+1.8	+1.9	+2.3	+0.3	+0.2	+0.2	+0.3
	Feb	+0.8 (+3.1)	-3.2 (+2.6)	+2.1 (+3.2)	+3.6 (+3.6)	-0.5	-1.6	-0.1	+0.3
	Mar	+2.4	+2.2	+2.3	+2.7	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2	+0.2
	Apr	+1.3 (+2.4)	+0.7 (+2.1)	+1.3 (+2.3)	+1.9 (+2.8)	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1
	May	+1.2 (+2.3)	+0.7 (+2.1)	+1.3 (+2.3)	+1.7 (+2.6)	+0.6	+1.7	+0.2	-0.1
	Jun	+1.3 (+2.4)	+0.8 (+2.2)	+1.4 (+2.4)	+1.9 (+2.7)	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	*
	Jul	+1.5 (+2.6)	+1.0 (+2.4)	+1.6 (+2.6)	+2.1 (+2.9)	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3	+0.3
	Aug	+1.6 (+2.7)	+0.7 (+2.1)	+1.7 (+2.7)	+2.4 (+3.3)	+0.3	+0.2	+0.3	+0.4
	Sep	+1.6 (+2.7)	+1.0 (+2.4)	+1.8 (+2.8)	+2.2 (+3.0)	+0.2	+0.1	+0.3	+0.3
	Oct	+3.2	+2.9	+3.2	+3.5	+0.6	+0.6	+0.6	+0.6
	Nov	+3.4	+3.1	+3.5	+3.6	+0.7	+0.8	+0.7	+0.6
	Dec	+3.8	+3.4	+3.9	+4.0	+0.9	+1.0	+0.9	+0.8

* Denotes a figure within $\pm 0.05\%$.

() Denotes the rate of change upon removing the effect of one-off measures of the public housing rental waiver in February 2007 and the rates concession in April - September 2007.

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Chart 1 Movements of the Composite Consumer Price Index



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