

Table Title:Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change at Section Level for January 2009

The index for food in the Composite CPI was 120.1.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food in the Composite CPI was +7.2%.

The index for food in the CPI(A) was 122.2.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food in the CPI(A) was +7.9%.

The index for food in the CPI(B) was 119.2.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food in the CPI(B) was +6.9%.

The index for food in the CPI(C) was 118.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food in the CPI(C) was +6.3%.

The index for meals bought away from home in the Composite CPI was 112.1.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for meals bought away from home in the Composite CPI was +4.5%.

The index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(A) was 111.6.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(A) was +4.4%.

The index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(B) was 111.9.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(B) was +4.4%.

The index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(C) was 113.2.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for meals bought away from home in the CPI(C) was +4.6%.

The index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the Composite CPI was 133.6.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the Composite CPI was +11.2%.

The index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(A) was 136.9.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(A) was +12.1%.

The index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(B) was 132.7.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(B) was +10.9%.

The index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(C) was 127.9.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for food, excluding meals bought away from home in the CPI(C) was +9.4%.

The index for housing in the Composite CPI was 117.1.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for housing in the Composite CPI was +7.3%.

The index for housing in the CPI(A) was 110.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for housing in the CPI(A) was +5.3%.

The index for housing in the CPI(B) was 119.3.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for housing in the CPI(B) was +7.9%.

The index for housing in the CPI(C) was 122.5.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for housing in the CPI(C) was +8.5%.

The index for private housing rent in the Composite CPI was 122.8.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for private housing rent in the Composite CPI was +8.8%.

The index for private housing rent in the CPI(A) was 120.1.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for private housing rent in the CPI(A) was +7.6%.

The index for private housing rent in the CPI(B) was 123.6.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for private housing rent in the CPI(B) was +9.3%.

The index for private housing rent in the CPI(C) was 124.3.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for private housing rent in the CPI(C) was +9.3%.

The index for public housing rent in the Composite CPI was 77.9.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for public housing rent in the Composite CPI was -2.1%.

The index for public housing rent in the CPI(A) was 77.9.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for public housing rent in the CPI(A) was -2.1%.

The index for public housing rent in the CPI(B) was 78.

The year-on-year rate of change in the index for public housing rent in the CPI(B) was -2.1%.

The index for electricity, gas and water in the Composite CPI was 63.1.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for electricity, gas and water in the Composite CPI was -42%.
The index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(A) was 57.7.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(A) was -46.8%.
The index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(B) was 64.5.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(B) was -40.8%.
The index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(C) was 73.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for electricity, gas and water in the CPI(C) was -33.3%.

The index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the Composite CPI was 95.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the Composite CPI was -0.9%.
The index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(A) was 95.9.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(A) was -0.2%.
The index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(B) was 94.3.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(B) was -1.4%.
The index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(C) was 93.8.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for alcoholic drinks and tobacco in the CPI(C) was -2.5%.

The index for clothing and footwear in the Composite CPI was 104.6.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for clothing and footwear in the Composite CPI was -0.2%.
The index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(A) was 107.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(A) was +1%.
The index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(B) was 106.3.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(B) was +0.6%.
The index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(C) was 100.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for clothing and footwear in the CPI(C) was -2.2%.

The index for durable goods in the Composite CPI was 83.8.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for durable goods in the Composite CPI was -3.2%.
The index for durable goods in the CPI(A) was 82.7.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for durable goods in the CPI(A) was -3.1%.
The index for durable goods in the CPI(B) was 81.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for durable goods in the CPI(B) was -3.7%.
The index for durable goods in the CPI(C) was 87.1.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for durable goods in the CPI(C) was -2.8%.

The index for miscellaneous goods in the Composite CPI was 111.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous goods in the Composite CPI was +4%.
The index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(A) was 111.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(A) was +4.2%.
The index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(B) was 111.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(B) was +4.2%.
The index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(C) was 111.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous goods in the CPI(C) was +3.6%.

The index for transport in the Composite CPI was 102.9.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for transport in the Composite CPI was +1.6%.
The index for transport in the CPI(A) was 103.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for transport in the CPI(A) was +2.7%.
The index for transport in the CPI(B) was 103.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for transport in the CPI(B) was +1.7%.
The index for transport in the CPI(C) was 102.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for transport in the CPI(C) was +0.6%.

The index for miscellaneous services in the Composite CPI was 105.1.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous services in the Composite CPI was +1.5%.

The index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(A) was 98.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(A) was -1.7%.
The index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(B) was 106.5.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(B) was +2.2%.
The index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(C) was 108.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for miscellaneous services in the CPI(C) was +2.7%.

The index for educational services in the Composite CPI was 94.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for educational services in the Composite CPI was -5.3%.
The index for educational services in the CPI(A) was 84.4.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for educational services in the CPI(A) was -12.5%.
The index for educational services in the CPI(B) was 94.7.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for educational services in the CPI(B) was -5.6%.
The index for educational services in the CPI(C) was 100.8.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for educational services in the CPI(C) was -0.2%.

The index for telephone and other communications services in the Composite CPI was 94.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for telephone and other communications services in the Composite CPI was -2.9%.
The index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(A) was 93.6.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(A) was -2.8%.
The index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(B) was 94.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(B) was -3%.
The index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(C) was 95.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for telephone and other communications services in the CPI(C) was -2.7%.

The index for medical services in the Composite CPI was 107.8.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for medical services in the Composite CPI was +5.1%.
The index for medical services in the CPI(A) was 106.6.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for medical services in the CPI(A) was +4.6%.
The index for medical services in the CPI(B) was 108.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for medical services in the CPI(B) was +5.4%.
The index for medical services in the CPI(C) was 108.5.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for medical services in the CPI(C) was +5%.

The index for all items in the Composite CPI was 110.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for all items in the Composite CPI was +3.1%.
The index for all items in the CPI(A) was 108.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for all items in the CPI(A) was +2.1%.
The index for all items in the CPI(B) was 110.5.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for all items in the CPI(B) was +3.4%.
The index for all items in the CPI(C) was 111.2.
The year-on-year rate of change in the index for all items in the CPI(C) was +3.7%.

Notes:

1. The base period for the Consumer Price Indices is October 2004 to September 2005.
2. 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 CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) respectively cover some 50%, 30% and 10% of households in Hong Kong. The average monthly household expenditures (in HK\$) of these groups in the base period (that is October 2004 to September 2005) were \$4000 to \$15499, \$15500 to \$27499 and \$27500 to \$59999 respectively. The Composite CPI covers 90% of households, which had an average monthly household expenditure of \$4000 to \$59999 in the same period.
Taking into account the impact of price changes since the base period, the monthly household expenditure ranges

of the CPI(A), CPI(B), and CPI(C) adjusted to the price level of 2008 are broadly equivalent to \$4300 to \$16800, \$16800 to \$30200 and \$30200 to \$66100 respectively, and that of the Composite CPI is broadly equivalent to \$4300 to \$66100.

3. 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'.
4. 'Public housing rent' is not a constituent of the CPI(C).
5. Apart from 'Educational services', 'Telephone and other communications services' and 'Medical services', the 'Miscellaneous services' section also includes other miscellaneous services.
6. 0% denotes a figure within +0.05% and -0.05%.

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Table Title: Table 2 Movements of Consumer Price Indices, January 2007 to January 2009

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jan 2007 was +2%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jan 2007 was +1.8%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jan 2007 was +1.9%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jan 2007 was +2.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Feb 2007 was +0.8%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Feb 2007 was -3.2%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Feb 2007 was +2.1%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Feb 2007 was +3.6%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A) and CPI(B) for the month Feb 2007 were +3.1%, +2.6% and +3.2% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Mar 2007 was +2.4%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Mar 2007 was +2.2%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Mar 2007 was +2.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Mar 2007 was +2.7%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Apr 2007 was +1.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Apr 2007 was +0.7%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Apr 2007 was +1.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Apr 2007 was +1.9%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Apr 2007 were +2.4%, +2.1%, +2.3% and +2.8% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month May 2007 was +1.2%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month May 2007 was +0.7%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month May 2007 was +1.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month May 2007 was +1.7%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month May 2007 were +2.3%, +2.1%, +2.3% and +2.6% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jun 2007 was +1.3%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jun 2007 was +0.8%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jun 2007 was +1.4%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jun 2007 was +1.9%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jun 2007 were +2.4%, +2.2%, +2.4% and +2.7% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jul 2007 was +1.5%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jul 2007 was +1%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jul 2007 was +1.6%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jul 2007 was +2.1%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jul 2007 were +2.6%, +2.4%, +2.6% and +2.9% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Aug 2007 was +1.6%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Aug 2007 was +0.7%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Aug 2007 was +1.7%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Aug 2007 was +2.4%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Aug 2007 were +2.7%, +2.1%, +2.7% and +3.3% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Sep 2007 was +1.6%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Sep 2007 was +1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Sep 2007 was +1.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Sep 2007 was +2.2%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Sep 2007 were +2.7%, +2.4%, +2.8% and +3.0% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Oct 2007 was +3.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Oct 2007 was +2.9%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Oct 2007 was +3.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Oct 2007 was +3.5%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Nov 2007 was +3.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Nov 2007 was +3.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Nov 2007 was +3.5%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Nov 2007 was +3.6%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Dec 2007 was +3.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Dec 2007 was +3.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Dec 2007 was +3.9%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Dec 2007 was +4%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jan 2008 was +3.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jan 2008 was +2.9%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jan 2008 was +3.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jan 2008 was +3.5%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jan 2008 were +4.3%, +4.2%, +4.4% and +4.3% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Feb 2008 was +6.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Feb 2008 was +9.9%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Feb 2008 was +5.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Feb 2008 was +3.9%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Feb 2008 were +5.1%, +5.2%, +5.1% and +4.8% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Mar 2008 was +4.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Mar 2008 was +3.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Mar 2008 was +4.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Mar 2008 was +4.4%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Mar 2008 were +5.3%, +5.1%, +5.5% and +5.3% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Apr 2008 was +5.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Apr 2008 was +5.5%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Apr 2008 was +5.5%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Apr 2008 was +5.2%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Apr 2008 were +5.4%, +5.5%, +5.5% and +5.3% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month May 2008 was +5.7%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month May 2008 was +5.6%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month May 2008 was +5.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month May 2008 was +5.5%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month May 2008 were +5.7%, +5.6%, +5.8% and +5.6% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jun 2008 was +6.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jun 2008 was +6.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jun 2008 was +6.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jun 2008 was +5.8%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jun 2008 were +6.1%, +6.1%, +6.3% and +5.8% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jul 2008 was +6.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jul 2008 was +6.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jul 2008 was +6.5%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jul 2008 was +6.1%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jul 2008 were +6.3%, +6.4%, +6.5% and +6.1% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Aug 2008 was +4.6%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Aug 2008 was +2.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Aug 2008 was +5.5%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Aug 2008 was +6%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Aug 2008 were +6.3%, +6.6%, +6.4% and +6.1% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Sep 2008 was +3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Sep 2008 was -0.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Sep 2008 was +4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Sep 2008 was +5.4%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Sep 2008 were all +6.1%.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Oct 2008 was +1.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Oct 2008 was -1.7%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Oct 2008 was +2.8%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Oct 2008 was +4.3%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Oct 2008 were +5.9%, +6.0%, +6.0% and +5.9% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Nov 2008 was +3.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Nov 2008 was +2.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Nov 2008 was +3.3%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Nov 2008 was +3.8%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Nov 2008 were +5.6%, +5.6%, +5.6% and +5.5% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Dec 2008 was +2.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Dec 2008 was +1.2%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Dec 2008 was +2.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Dec 2008 was +2.7%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Dec 2008 were +4.6%, +4.7%, +4.7% and +4.4% respectively.

The year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI for the month Jan 2009 was +3.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(A) for the month Jan 2009 was +2.1%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(B) for the month Jan 2009 was +3.4%.
The year-on-year rate of change in the CPI(C) for the month Jan 2009 was +3.7%.
Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the year-on-year rates of change in the Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) for the month Jan 2009 were +4.5%, +4.2%, +4.7% and +4.5% respectively.

Notes:

1. 0% denotes a figure within +0.05% and -0.05%.
2. Government's one-off relief measures implemented since 2007 include: the public housing rental waiver by the Housing Authority and Housing Society in February 2007; the rates concession in April to September 2007 and January 2008 to March 2009; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Society in February 2008; Government's payment of public housing rentals in August to October 2008; suspension of Employees Retraining Levy since August 2008; and Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from September 2008.

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The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2007 was -0.5%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2007 was -1.7%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2007 was -0.1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2007 was +0.2%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A) and CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2007 were +0.2%, +0.3% and +0.2% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2007 was -0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2007 was -0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2007 was -0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2007 was -0.1%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2007 were +0.2%, +0.2%, +0.1% and +0.2% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended May 2007 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended May 2007 was +1.7%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended May 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended May 2007 was -0.1%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended May 2007 were all +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2007 was -0.1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2007 was -0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2007 was -0.1%. The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2007 was 0%. Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2007 were all +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2007 was +0.3%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2007 were all +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2007 was +0.1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2007 was +0.4%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2007 were +0.3%, +0.1%, +0.3% and +0.4% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2007 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2007 was +0.1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2007 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2007 was +0.3%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2007 were +0.2%, +0.1%, +0.3% and +0.3% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2007 was +0.7%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2007 was +0.7%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2007 was +0.7%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2007 was +0.7%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2007 were +0.3%, +0.2%, +0.4% and +0.4% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Nov 2007 was +0.8%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Nov 2007 was +0.9%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Nov 2007 was +0.8%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Nov 2007 was +0.7%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Nov 2007 were +0.4%, +0.4%, +0.4% and +0.5% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2007 was +0.9%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2007 was +1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2007 was +0.9%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2007 was +0.8%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2007 were all +0.5%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2008 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2008 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2008 was +0.2%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2008 was +0.2%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2008 were +0.5%, +0.6%, +0.5% and +0.4% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2008 was +0.4%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2008 was +0.5%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2008 was +0.5%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2008 was +0.4%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Feb 2008 were +0.8%, +1.0%, +0.8% and +0.6% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2008 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2008 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2008 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2008 was +0.3%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Mar 2008 were +0.7%, +0.8%, +0.6% and +0.6% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2008 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2008 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2008 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2008 was +0.6%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Apr 2008 were +0.6%, +0.7%, +0.7% and +0.6% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended May 2008 was +0.4%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended May 2008 was +0.3%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended May 2008 was +0.4%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended May 2008 was +0.4%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended May 2008 were +0.3%, +0.3%, +0.4% and +0.4% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2008 was +0.5%.

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The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2008 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2008 was +0.5%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jun 2008 were +0.5%, +0.6%, +0.6% and +0.5% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2008 was +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2008 was +0.6%.

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The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2008 was +0.6%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jul 2008 were all +0.6%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2008 was -0.1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2008 was -1%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(B) during the latest 3 months ended Aug 2008 was +0.2%.

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Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Sep 2008 were +0.3%, +0.1%, +0.3% and +0.4% respectively.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2008 was -0.8%.

The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(A) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2008 was -1.9%.

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Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Oct 2008 were +0.2%, +0.1%, +0.2% and +0.3% respectively.

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The average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2008 was 0%.

Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Dec 2008 were 0%, +0.1%, +0.1% and 0% respectively.

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Upon removing the effects of all Government's one-off relief measures, the average monthly rates of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI, CPI(A), CPI(B) and CPI(C) during the latest 3 months ended Jan 2009 were 0%, 0%, 0% and -0.1% respectively.

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3. The seasonally adjusted indices are subject to revision up to 3 years after original publication.

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" Chart 1 Movements of the Composite Consumer Price Index The Composite CPI rose by 3.1% in January 2009 over a year earlier, larger than the 2.1% increase in December 2008. As for the average monthly rate of change in the seasonally adjusted Composite CPI during the latest 3 months, it was 0.5% in January 2009. The corresponding rate of change in December 2008 was 0.6%.