Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change at Section Level for February 2014

(Oct. 2009 - Sep. 2010 = 100)

	Composite CPI		<u>CPI(A)</u>		<u>CPI(B)</u>		<u>CPI(C)</u>	
		%		%		%		%
	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change
	for Feb	over Feb	for Feb	over Feb	for Feb	over Feb	for Feb	over Feb
Section	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Food	123.9	+4.2	125.3	+4.5	124.0	+4.1	121.2	+3.6
Meals bought away from home	120.5	+4.2	121.4	+4.6	120.8	+4.2	118.8	+3.7
Food, excluding meals bought away from home	129.4	+4.1	130.5	+4.4	130.2	+4.0	125.8	+3.4
Housing #	127.0	+5.5	130.5	+5.1	126.4	+6.0	123.7	+5.2
Private housing rent	126.7	+6.3	128.6	+7.0	127.0	+6.4	124.5	+5.3
Public housing rent	144.8	-1.8	144.7	-1.8	145.1	-1.8	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	100.6	+5.6	99.1	+6.1	100.8	+5.4	103.8	+4.7
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	123.7	+1.5	126.2	+1.3	123.7	+1.4	116.8	+1.9
Clothing and footwear	108.1	+1.9	109.5	+1.8	108.4	+1.7	106.9	+2.2
Durable goods	87.9	-3.1	86.7	-3.6	87.4	-3.4	89.2	-2.5
Miscellaneous goods	111.1	+3.2	112.4	+4.9	111.1	+2.7	109.9	+2.2
Transport	111.9	+2.2	109.5	+2.5	111.2	+2.1	114.6	+1.9
Miscellaneous services	115.2	+3.5	111.4	+3.7	115.1	+3.2	117.8	+3.6
Selected major groups								
Educational services	112.7	+4.1	112.0	+4.0	112.0	+3.9	114.1	+4.5
Information and communications services	96.9	+3.4	97.3	+3.1	96.5	+3.4	96.7	+3.7
Medical services	113.4	+3.0	112.8	+2.9	113.6	+2.9	113.5	+3.1
All items	118.8	+3.9	120.8	+4.2	118.4	+4.0	117.1	+3.5

<sup>-</sup> 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 2009/10-based CPI series are as follows:

		Average monthly	Average monthly
	Approximate percentage	household expenditure range	household expenditure range
	of households covered	(at 2009/10 prices)	(adjusted to 2013 prices)
	(%)	(\$)	(\$)
CPI(A)	50	4,500 - 18,499	5,200 - 21,400
CPI(B)	30	18,500 - 32,499	21,400 - 37,300
CPI(C)	10	32,500 - 65,999	37,300 - 75,500
Composite CPI	90	4,500 - 65,999	5,200 - 75,500

<sup>#</sup> 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, February 2012 - February 2014

**CPI** Year-on-year rate of change (%) Composite Year/month CPI CPI(A) CPI(C) CPI(B) 2012 Feb +4.7 (+5.4) +4.2 (+5.5) +4.9 (+5.5) +4.7 (+5.0)Mar +4.9 (+5.6) +4.3 (+5.6) +5.2 (+5.8) +5.1 (+5.4) Apr +4.7 (+5.6) +4.2 (+5.5) +5.0 (+5.7) +4.9 (+5.3) May +4.3 (+5.1) +3.8 (+5.1) +4.6 (+5.3) +4.3 (+4.8) Jun +3.7 (+4.5) +3.3 (+4.7) +4.0 (+4.7) +3.7 (+4.2) Jul +1.6 (+4.2)-2.4 (+4.3)+3.5 (+4.4) +3.7 (+3.8)Aug +3.7(+3.7)+4.1 (+3.8)+3.8 (+3.9)+3.2(+3.3)Sep +3.8 (+3.9)+4.3 (+4.4) +3.9(+4.0)+3.3 (+3.4) Oct +3.8 (+3.8)+4.3 (+4.3) +3.7 (+3.8)+3.2 (+3.3)Nov +3.7 (+3.8)+4.2 (+4.2) +3.6 (+3.7)+3.3(+3.4)Dec +3.7 (+3.8) +4.2 (+4.3) +3.6 (+3.6) +3.3 (+3.4) 2013 Jan +3.0 (+3.1)+3.8 (+3.8) +2.8 (+2.9)+2.4 (+2.5) +4.4 (+4.4) +4.2 (+4.3) Feb +4.7 (+4.7) +4.2 (+4.2) Mar +3.6 (+3.7) +4.0 (+4.0) +3.5 (+3.6) +3.4 (+3.5) Apr +4.0 (+3.9)+4.7 (+4.6) +3.8 (+3.7)+3.5(+3.4)May +3.9(+3.8)+4.4 (+4.3) +3.7 (+3.6)+3.6 (+3.4)Jun +4.1 (+4.0) +4.6 (+4.5) +3.9 (+3.8) +3.7 (+3.6) Jul +6.9 (+4.2) +12.0 (+4.8) +5.0(+4.0)+4.0 (+3.9) Aug +4.5 (+4.3) +4.9 (+5.0) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.3 (+3.8)Sep +4.6 (+4.2) +5.1 (+4.8) +4.5 (+4.2) +4.2 (+3.7) Oct +4.3 (+4.0) +4.5 (+4.4) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.1 (+3.6) +4.4 (+4.3) Nov +4.3 (+4.0) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.2 (+3.7)Dec +4.3 (+3.9) +4.3 (+4.2) +4.4 (+4.0) +4.1 (+3.5) 2014 Jan +4.6 (+4.3) +4.5 (+4.3) +4.8 (+4.5) +4.5 (+4.0) Feb +3.9 (+3.6) +4.2 (+4.1) +4.0 (+3.7)+3.5 (+3.0)

<sup>( )</sup> Denotes the rate of change upon removing the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures: Government's payment of public housing rentals in August - September 2011, July - August 2012 and August - September 2013; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2012; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2009 - March 2012 and April 2013 - March 2014; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2012 - March 2013; Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy (subject to maximum cumulative amount of \$3,600 starting from September 2008, \$1,800 starting from July 2011, \$1,800 starting from July 2012 and \$1,800 starting from July 2013); and the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy in August 2008 - July 2013.

Seasonally adjusted CPI<sup>#</sup>
Average monthly rate of change during the latest 3 months (%)

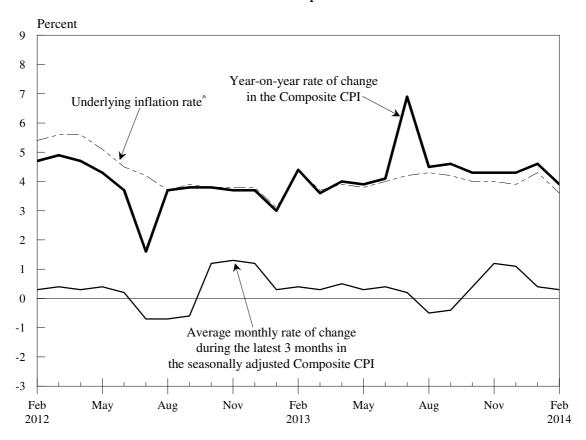
Year/mo	onth	Composite CPI	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>
2012 F	Feb	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.2 (+0.2)
N	Mar	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
A	Apr	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)
N	May	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
J	<b>Jun</b>	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
J	Iul	-0.7 (+0.1)	-2.0 (+0.2)	-0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
A	Aug	-0.7 (+0.1)	-2.1 (+0.1)	-0.2 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
S	Sep	-0.6 (+0.3)	-1.9 (+0.4)	-0.1 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.3)
(	Oct	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.7 (+0.4)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
1	Nov	+1.3 (+0.5)	+2.8 (+0.5)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
Ι	Dec	+1.2 (+0.3)	+2.7 (+0.4)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
2013 J	Jan	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
F	Feb	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
N	Mar	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
A	Apr	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.4)
N	May	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
J	Jun	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
J	ful	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
A	Aug	-0.5 (+0.3)	-1.9 (+0.3)	* (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.2)
S	Sep	-0.4 (+0.4)	-1.8 (+0.4)	+0.1 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.3)
(	Oct	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)
1	Nov	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.6 (+0.3)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
Ι	Dec	+1.1 (+0.2)	+2.5 (+0.2)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
2014 J	Jan	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
F	Feb	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes a figure within  $\pm 0.05\%$ .

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Chart 1 Movements of the Composite Consumer Price Index



^ Denotes the year-on-year rate of change in the Composite CPI upon removing the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures: Government's payment of public housing rentals in August to September 2011, July to August 2012 and August to September 2013; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2012; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2009 to March 2012 and April 2013 to March 2014; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2012 to March 2013; Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy (subject to a maximum cumulative amount of \$3,600 starting from September 2008, \$1,800 starting from July 2011, \$1,800 starting from July 2012 and \$1,800 starting from July 2013); and the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy in August 2008 to July 2013.

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