Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change at Section Level for May 2015

(Oct. 2009 - Sep. 2010 = 100)

	Compo	osite CPI	<u>CP</u>	I(A)	<u>CP</u>	<u>I(B)</u>	<u>CP</u>	I(C)
		%		%		%		%
	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change
	for May	over May	for May	over May	for May	over May	for May	over May
Section	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Food	128.5	+3.7	129.4	+3.4	128.7	+3.6	126.6	+4.3
Meals bought away from home	126.7	+4.2	127.4	+4.1	126.7	+4.1	125.7	+4.9
Food, excluding meals bought away from home	131.5	+2.8	132.1	+2.6	132.6	+2.7	128.2	+3.4
Housing #	133.7	+4.2	138.7	+5.2	132.8	+3.9	129.3	+3.4
Private housing rent	133.0	+3.8	135.9	+4.2	133.4	+3.8	129.7	+3.2
Public housing rent	158.4	+10.0	158.4	+10.0	158.8	+10.2	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	123.4	+21.9	127.3	+27.8	120.9	+18.9	118.9	+13.7
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	132.4	+0.2	135.9	+0.2	132.3	+0.2	122.4	+0.2
Clothing and footwear	113.7	-3.5	113.1	-1.7	112.8	-1.4	115.1	-6.6
Durable goods	82.3	-5.8	81.3	-5.7	81.7	-5.9	83.7	-5.9
Miscellaneous goods	112.8	+1.4	114.4	+1.7	112.6	+1.1	111.5	+1.3
Transport	112.9	*	112.5	+1.6	112.3	+0.1	113.8	-1.2
Miscellaneous services	114.4	+1.8	111.7	+2.2	114.0	+1.7	116.4	+1.6
Selected major groups								
Educational services	116.8	+3.6	115.9	+3.5	115.8	+3.4	118.6	+4.0
Information and communications services	97.8	+0.6	98.3	+0.6	97.3	+0.6	97.4	+0.5
Medical services	118.1	+3.4	117.8	+3.7	118.9	+3.8	117.2	+2.8
All items	122.9	+3.0	126.3	+4.2	122.1	+2.8	120.0	+2.0

^{*} Denotes a figure within $\pm 0.05\%$.

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 2014 prices)
	(%)	(\$)	(\$)
CPI(A)	50	4,500 - 18,499	5,400 - 22,200
CPI(B)	30	18,500 - 32,499	22,200 - 38,500
CPI(C)	10	32,500 - 65,999	38,500 - 77,800
Composite CPI	90	4,500 - 65,999	5,400 - 77,800

[#] 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".

⁻ Not applicable.

Table 2 Movements of Consumer Price Indices, May 2013 - May 2015

Year-on-year rate of change (%)

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Year/month	Composite <u>CPI</u>	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>		
2013 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 Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec 2014 Jan Feb Mar	+4.1 (+4.0) +6.9 (+4.2) +4.5 (+4.3) +4.6 (+4.2) +4.3 (+4.0) +4.3 (+3.9) +4.6 (+4.3) +3.9 (+3.6) +3.9 (+3.6)	+4.6 (+4.3) +12.0 (+4.8) +4.9 (+5.0) +5.1 (+4.8) +4.5 (+4.4) +4.4 (+4.3) +4.3 (+4.2) +4.5 (+4.3) +4.2 (+4.1) +4.3 (+4.1)	+5.0 (+4.0) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.5 (+4.2) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.4 (+4.1) +4.4 (+4.0) +4.8 (+4.5) +4.0 (+3.7) +3.9 (+3.6)	+3.7 (+3.6) +4.0 (+3.9) +4.3 (+3.8) +4.2 (+3.7) +4.1 (+3.6) +4.2 (+3.7) +4.1 (+3.5) +4.5 (+4.0) +3.5 (+3.0) +3.5 (+3.0)		
Apr	+3.7 (+3.5)	+3.9 (+3.8)	+3.8 (+3.6)	+3.5 (+3.1)		
May	+3.7 (+3.5)	+3.9 (+3.8)	+3.7 (+3.5)	+3.5 (+3.1)		
Jun	+3.6 (+3.4)	+3.7 (+3.7)	+3.6 (+3.4)	+3.5 (+3.1)		
Jul	+4.0 (+3.3)	+4.6 (+3.6)	+4.0 (+3.3)	+3.5 (+2.9)		
Aug	+3.9 (+3.2)	+4.8 (+3.5)	+3.8 (+3.2)	+3.2 (+2.9)		
Sep	+6.6 (+3.3)	+12.3 (+4.0)	+4.7 (+3.2)	+3.1 (+2.8)		
Oct	+5.2 (+3.4)	+7.1 (+4.1)	+4.7 (+3.2)	+3.6 (+2.7)		
Nov	+5.1 (+3.3)	+7.2 (+4.1)	+4.6 (+3.1)	+3.4 (+2.6)		
Dec	+4.9 (+3.1)	+6.9 (+3.9)	+4.4 (+2.9)	+3.2 (+2.4)		
2015 Jan	+4.1 (+2.3)	+6.3 (+3.3)	+3.6 (+2.1)	+2.2 (+1.4)		
Feb	+4.6 (+2.8)	+6.5 (+3.5)	+4.2 (+2.7)	+3.0 (+2.2)		
Mar	+4.5 (+2.8)	+6.6 (+3.6)	+4.1 (+2.6)	+2.8 (+1.9)		
Apr	+2.8 (+2.4)	+3.9 (+3.0)	+2.6 (+2.3)	+1.9 (+1.7)		
May	+3.0 (+2.6)	+4.2 (+3.3)	+2.8 (+2.5)	+2.0 (+1.9)		

^() 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 July - August 2012, August - September 2013 and August 2014; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2012; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2013 - September 2014; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2012 - March 2013 and April - September 2015; 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.

Table 3 Movements of Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Indices, May 2013 - May 2015

Seasonally adjusted CPI#

Average monthly rate of change during the latest 3 months (%)

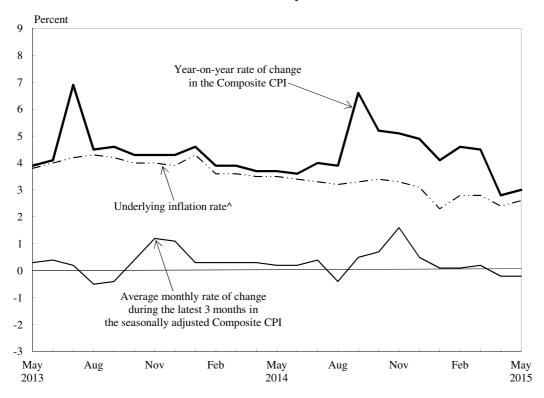
Year/month	Composite <u>CPI</u>	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>
2013 May	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Jun	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.2)
Jul	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Aug	-0.5 (+0.3)	-1.9 (+0.3)	* (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.2)
Sep	-0.4 (+0.4)	-1.8 (+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)
Nov	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.7 (+0.3)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
Dec	+1.1 (+0.2)	+2.5 (+0.2)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
2014 Jan	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Feb	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Mar	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Apr	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.4)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.3)
May	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Jun	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Jul	+0.4 (+0.2)	+0.5 (+0.2)	+0.4 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)
Aug	-0.4 (+0.2)	-1.6 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.1)
Sep	+0.5 (+0.3)	+0.9 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.2)
Oct	+0.7 (+0.3)	+1.1 (+0.5)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.2)
Nov	+1.6 (+0.4)	+3.4 (+0.6)	+0.9 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)
Dec	+0.5 (+0.2)	+0.8 (+0.2)	+0.5 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.1)
2015 Jan	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	* (*)
Feb	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	* (*)
Mar	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Apr	-0.2 (+0.2)	-0.5 (+0.2)	-0.2 (+0.1)	* (+0.2)
May	-0.2 (+0.2)	-0.4 (+0.2)	-0.1 (+0.2)	* (+0.3)

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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 July to August 2012, August to September 2013 and August 2014; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2012; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2013 to September 2014; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2012 to March 2013 and April to September 2015; 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 2013 and the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy in August 2008 to July 2013.

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