Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change at Section Level for September 2020

(Oct. 2014 - Sep. 2015 = 100)

	Composite CPI		<u>CPI(A)</u>		<u>CPI(B)</u>		<u>CPI(C)</u>	
		%		%		%		%
	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change	Index	change
	for Sep	over Sep	for Sep	over Sep	for Sep	over Sep	for Sep	over Sep
<u>Section</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Food	119.2	+1.6	121.0	+1.9	118.4	+1.5	117.2	+1.0
Meals bought away from	113.5	+0.6	114.5	+1.1	113.3	+0.5	112.2	*
home								
Food, excluding meals	129.7	+3.1	131.2	+3.1	129.2	+3.4	127.6	+2.8
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Housing #	108.0	-5.3	97.9	-15.6	112.6	-1.1	112.8	+0.5
Private housing rent	113.1	+0.2	114.4	+0.2	113.3	+0.2	111.9	+0.3
Public housing rent	9.2	-92.5	9.1	-92.6	10.3	-91.7	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	78.9	-19.8	76.5	-22.7	79.7	-18.7	83.8	-14.3
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	105.9	+1.8	107.4	+1.6	104.4	+1.9	104.7	+2.6
Clothing and footwear	87.9	-7.0	87.8	-6.4	87.6	-6.8	88.6	-7.5
Durable goods	83.9	-3.0	83.0	-3.5	83.1	-3.1	85.4	-2.6
Miscellaneous goods	110.2	+1.9	111.7	+1.6	110.0	+2.4	109.2	+1.5
Transport	105.6	-2.1	102.0	-4.4	105.3	-2.4	108.6	-0.2
Miscellaneous services	108.3	+0.6	104.6	+0.3	107.8	+0.6	111.1	+0.7
Selected major groups								
Educational services	109.6	+1.4	106.3	+1.3	109.0	+1.4	112.4	+1.4
Information and	87.6	+0.6	87.4	*	87.3	+0.7	88.6	+1.6
communications services								
Medical services	122.0	+1.9	122.2	+2.0	121.3	+1.8	122.5	+2.0
All items	108.4	-2.2	105.8	-5.9	109.6	-0.7	109.8	*

^{*} 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 of 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 2014/15-based CPI series are as follows:

		Average monthly	Average monthly
	Approximate percentage	household expenditure range	household expenditure range
	of households covered	(at 2014/15 prices)	(adjusted to 2019 prices)
	(%)	(\$)	(\$)
CPI(A)	50	5,500 - 24,499	6,200 - 27,200
CPI(B)	30	24,500 - 44,499	27,200 - 48,900
CPI(C)	10	44,500 - 89,999	48,900 - 98,600
Composite CPI	90	5,500 - 89,999	6,200 - 98,600

[#] 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".

⁻ Denotes not applicable.

Table 2 Movements of Consumer Price Indices, September 2018 - September 2020

	_	CPI					
		Year-on-year rate of change (%)					
		Composite					
Year	month/	CPI	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>		
2018	Sep	+2.7 (+3.1)	+3.3 (+3.6)	+2.5 (+2.9)	+2.4 (+2.7)		
	Oct	+2.7 (+3.0)	+3.2 (+3.5)	+2.5 (+2.9)	+2.3 (+2.6)		
	Nov	+2.6 (+2.9)	+3.0 (+3.3)	+2.4 (+2.8)	+2.3 (+2.6)		
	Dec	+2.5 (+2.9)	+3.0 (+3.3)	+2.4 (+2.8)	+2.2 (+2.5)		
2019	Jan	+2.4 (+3.0)	+2.8 (+3.3)	+2.3 (+2.9)	+2.3 (+2.6)		
	Feb	+2.1 (+2.6)	+2.6 (+3.2)	+1.9 (+2.4)	+1.8 (+2.1)		
	Mar	+2.1 (+2.6)	+2.4 (+3.0)	+1.9 (+2.4)	+1.9 (+2.3)		
	Apr	+2.9 (+2.9)	+3.0 (+3.1)	+2.8 (+2.7)	+3.0 (+2.9)		
	May	+2.8 (+2.8)	+3.1 (+3.2)	+2.6 (+2.5)	+2.7 (+2.6)		
	Jun	+3.3 (+3.2)	+3.9 (+4.0)	+3.0 (+2.9)	+2.9 (+2.8)		
	Jul	+3.3 (+3.2)	+3.9 (+4.0)	+3.1 (+3.0)	+2.8 (+2.7)		
	Aug	+3.5 (+3.4)	+4.1 (+4.2)	+3.2 (+3.1)	+3.0 (+2.9)		
	Sep	+3.2 (+3.2)	+3.5 (+3.6)	+3.1 (+3.0)	+3.0 (+2.9)		
	Oct	+3.1 (+3.1)	+3.5 (+3.6)	+3.1 (+3.0)	+2.9 (+2.8)		
	Nov	+3.0 (+2.9)	+3.5 (+3.6)	+2.9 (+2.8)	+2.5 (+2.4)		
	Dec	+2.9 (+2.9)	+3.4 (+3.5)	+2.9 (+2.7)	+2.5 (+2.4)		
2020		+1.4 (+3.7)	-2.0 (+4.3)	+2.8 (+3.5)	+3.4 (+3.4)		
	Feb	+2.2 (+2.5)	+2.7 (+3.3)	+2.1 (+2.3)	+1.8 (+1.8)		
	Mar	+2.3 (+2.6)	+2.5 (+3.1)	+2.3 (+2.5)	+2.1 (+2.1)		
	Apr	+1.9 (+2.3)	+2.3 (+3.0)	+1.9 (+2.3)	+1.5 (+1.7)		
	May	+1.5 (+1.9)	+1.7 (+2.5)	+1.5 (+1.9)	+1.2 (+1.4)		
	Jun	+0.7 (+1.2)	+0.6 (+1.4)	+0.8 (+1.2)	+0.7 (+1.0)		
	Jul	-2.3 (+0.2)	-6.0 (+0.4)	-0.7 (+0.2)	-0.1 (+0.1)		
	Aug	-0.4 (+0.1)	-0.6 (+0.1)	-0.4 (*)	-0.1 (+0.1)		
	Sep	-2.2 (+0.5)	-5.9 (+1.0)	-0.7 (+0.3)	* (+0.2)		

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

^() Denotes the rate of change after netting out the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures: the rates concession of up to \$1,000 per quarter in April 2016 - March 2018; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2018 - March 2019; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2019 - March 2021; Government's provision of electricity charge allowance (subject to maximum cumulative amount of \$3,600 starting from September 2008, \$1,800 starting from July 2011, \$1,800 starting from July 2012, \$1,800 starting from July 2013, \$3,000 starting from January 2019 and \$2,000 starting from January 2020); Government's payment of examination fees for school candidates sitting for 2019, 2020 and 2021 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination; Government's payment of public housing rentals and waiver of two-thirds of rent for tenants of Group B estates by Hong Kong Housing Society in January and July 2020; and waiver of public housing rentals by Hong Kong Housing Authority in September 2020.

Seasonally adjusted CPI *

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

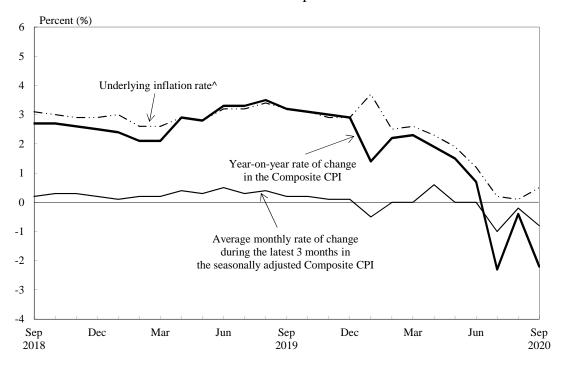
Year/m	onth_	Composite CPI	<u>CPI(A)</u>	CPI(B)	<u>CPI(C)</u>
2018	Sep	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Oct	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Nov	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.3)
	Dec	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.3)
2019	Jan	+0.1 (+0.1)	* (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
	Feb	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Mar	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Apr	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.3)	+0.4 (+0.4)
	May	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)
	Jun	+0.5 (+0.4)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.5 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.3)
	Jul	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Aug	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
	Sep	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Oct	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Nov	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)
	Dec	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
2020	Jan	-0.5 (+0.3)	-1.8 (+0.3)	* (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.3)
	Feb	* (+0.1)	-0.1 (+0.2)	* (+0.1)	* (+0.1)
	Mar	* (+0.1)	-0.1 (+0.2)	* (+0.1)	* (+0.1)
	Apr	+0.6 (-0.1)	+1.8 (-0.1)	+0.1 (*)	-0.1 (-0.1)
	May	* (*)	-0.1 (-0.1)	* (*)	* (*)
	Jun	* (*)	* (*)	* (*)	-0.1 (-0.1)
	Jul	-1.0 (-0.3)	-2.2 (-0.3)	-0.5 (-0.4)	-0.3 (-0.3)
	Aug	-0.2 (-0.2)	-0.2 (-0.2)	-0.3 (-0.3)	-0.2 (-0.2)
	Sep	-0.8 (*)	-2.0 (+0.1)	-0.3 (-0.1)	* (*)

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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 after netting out the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures: the rates concession of up to \$1,000 per quarter in April 2016 to March 2018; the rates concession of up to \$2,500 per quarter in April 2018 to March 2019; the rates concession of up to \$1,500 per quarter in April 2019 to March 2021; Government's provision of electricity charge allowance (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, \$1,800 starting from July 2013, \$3,000 starting from January 2019 and \$2,000 starting from January 2020); Government's payment of examination fees for school candidates sitting for 2019, 2020 and 2021 Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination; Government's payment of public housing rentals and waiver of two-thirds of rent for tenants of Group B estates by Hong Kong Housing Society in January and July 2020; and waiver of public housing rentals by Hong Kong Housing Authority in September 2020.

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