Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change at Section Level for January 2012

(Oct. 2009 - Sep. 2010 = 100)

Section	Composite CPI		CPI(A)		CPI(B)		CPI(C)	
	Index for Jan 2012	% change over Jan 2011	Index for Jan 2012	% change over Jan 2011	Index for Jan 2012	% change over Jan 2011	Index for Jan 2012	% change over Jan 2011
Food	112.7	+8.2	113.4	+8.6	112.7	+8.3	111.6	+7.4
Meals bought away from home	*109.4*	*+6.5*	*109.6*	*+6.7*	*109.6*	*+6.7*	*108.7*	*+5.8*
Food, excluding meals bought away from home	*118.3*	*+10.9*	*118.5*	*+11.0*	*118.7*	*+11.3*	*116.9*	*+10.2*
Housing #	113.7	+8.5	116.4	+7.1	113.1	+9.2	111.6	+9.2
Private housing rent	*112.8*	*+9.7*	*113.1*	*+9.6*	*113.1*	*+9.8*	*112.1*	*+9.5*
Public housing rent	*134.4*	*-1.5*	*134.4*	*-1.5*	*134.7*	*-1.5*	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	90.7	-15.6	88.6	-17.9	91.3	-15.6	94.6	-9.5
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	120.1	+19.5	122.6	+22.1	120.3	+19.6	112.9	+12.0
Clothing and footwear	107.8	+5.4	107.5	+5.5	107.0	+4.8	108.9	+6.1
Durable goods	93.9	-2.4	93.3	-2.7	94.0	-2.0	94.2	-2.8
Miscellaneous goods	105.6	+3.0	105.0	+2.7	105.9	+3.1	105.9	+3.1
Transport	107.5	+4.6	105.8	+4.0	107.0	+4.4	109.6	+5.3
Miscellaneous services	108.0	+5.6	105.0	+3.2	108.3	+5.9	109.6	+6.9
Selected major groups								
Educational services	*104.4*	*+2.5*	*103.7*	*+2.1*	*104.0*	*+2.3*	*105.3*	*+3.0*
Information and communications services	*95.9*	*-4.9*	*96.1*	*-4.6*	*95.6*	*-5.1*	*95.7*	*-5.1*
Medical services	*106.5*	*+4.3*	*105.9*	*+3.9*	*106.4*	*+4.2*	*107.1*	*+4.7*
All items	**109.8**	**+6.1**	**110.6**	**+5.4**	**109.5**	**+6.3**	**109.2**	**+6.4**

- 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:

	Approximate percentage of households covered	Average monthly household expenditure range (at 2009/10 prices)	Average monthly household expenditure range (adjusted to 2011 prices)
	(%)	($)	($)
CPI(A)	50	4,500 - 18,499	4,800 - 19,600
CPI(B)	30	18,500 - 32,499	19,600 - 34,400
CPI(C)	10	32,500 - 65,999	34,400 - 69,900
Composite CPI	90	4,500 - 65,999	4,800 - 69,900

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, January 2010 - January 2012

Year/month	CPI			
	Year-on-year rate of change (%)			
	Composite CPI	CPI(A)	CPI(B)	CPI(C)
2010 Jan	+1.0 (*)	+1.7 (+0.2)	+0.9 (-0.1)	+0.5 (-0.2)
Feb	+2.8 (+1.6)	+3.4 (+1.8)	+2.7 (+1.6)	+2.2 (+1.5)
Mar	+2.0 (+0.8)	+2.5 (+0.8)	+1.9 (+0.8)	+1.5 (+0.8)
Apr	+2.4 (+1.3)	+2.9 (+1.2)	+2.3 (+1.3)	+2.0 (+1.5)
May	+2.5 (+1.4)	+3.0 (+1.3)	+2.4 (+1.4)	+2.2 (+1.6)
Jun	+2.8 (+1.7)	+3.2 (+1.6)	+2.7 (+1.7)	+2.4 (+1.9)
Jul	+1.3 (+1.9)	-0.8 (+1.8)	+2.1 (+2.0)	+2.6 (+2.0)
Aug	+3.0 (+1.9)	+3.6 (+1.8)	+3.0 (+1.9)	+2.5 (+1.9)
Sep	+2.6 (+2.2)	+3.2 (+2.4)	+2.5 (+2.2)	+2.0 (+1.9)
Oct	+2.5 (+2.1)	+3.0 (+2.3)	+2.3 (+2.0)	+2.1 (+2.0)
Nov	+2.8 (+2.4)	+3.3 (+2.5)	+2.5 (+2.2)	+2.5 (+2.5)
Dec	+2.9 (+2.7)	+3.3 (+2.8)	+2.7 (+2.5)	+2.8 (+2.8)
2011 Jan	+3.4 (+3.4)	+3.6 (+3.5)	+3.2 (+3.2)	+3.5 (+3.5)
Feb	+3.6 (+3.5)	+3.8 (+3.5)	+3.5 (+3.5)	+3.5 (+3.5)
Mar	+4.4 (+4.3)	+4.8 (+4.4)	+4.2 (+4.2)	+4.2 (+4.2)
Apr	+4.6 (+4.4)	+5.0 (+4.7)	+4.5 (+4.5)	+4.2 (+4.1)
May	+5.2 (+5.1)	+5.6 (+5.3)	+5.2 (+5.1)	+4.9 (+4.8)
Jun	+5.6 (+5.5)	+5.9 (+5.6)	+5.6 (+5.5)	+5.4 (+5.4)
Jul	+7.9 (+5.8)	+12.5 (+5.9)	+6.2 (+5.8)	+5.4 (+5.7)
Aug	+5.7 (+6.3)	+5.4 (+6.3)	+5.8 (+6.3)	+6.0 (+6.3)
Sep	+5.8 (+6.4)	+5.2 (+6.1)	+6.0 (+6.5)	+6.3 (+6.5)
Oct	+5.8 (+6.4)	+5.2 (+6.2)	+6.0 (+6.5)	+6.2 (+6.5)
Nov	+5.7 (+6.4)	+5.3 (+6.3)	+6.0 (+6.5)	+5.9 (+6.2)
Dec	+5.7 (+6.4)	+5.3 (+6.3)	+5.9 (+6.5)	+5.9 (+6.2)
2012 Jan	+6.1 (+6.7)	+5.4 (+6.4)	+6.3 (+6.9)	+6.4 (+6.7)

* Denotes a figure within ±0.05%.

( ) Denotes the rate of change upon removing the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures : the rates concession of up to $5,000 per quarter in January 2008 - March 2009; Government's payment of public housing rentals in August - September 2009, July - August 2010 and August - September 2011; the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy since August 2008; Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from September 2008 (subject to maximum cumulative amount of $3,600); the rates concession of up to $1,500 per quarter in April 2009 - March 2012; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2010; and Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from July 2011 (subject to maximum cumulative amount of $1,800).

Note: From October 2010 onwards, the year-on-year rates of change are derived from the 2009/10-based CPIs. The year-on-year rates of change before October 2010 were derived using the index series in the base periods at that time (for instance the 2004/05-based index series), compared with the index a year earlier in the same base period.

Table 3 Movements of Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Indices, January 2010 - January 2012

	Seasonally adjusted CPI #			
	Average monthly rate of change during the latest 3 months (%)			
Year/month	Composite CPI	CPI(A)	CPI(B)	CPI(C)
2010 Jan	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.3 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Feb	+0.4 (+0.2)	+0.5 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Mar	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Apr	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.3 (+0.3)
May	+0.1 (+0.1)	* (*)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Jun	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Jul	-0.8 (+0.1)	-2.2 (+0.1)	-0.2 (+0.1)	* (*)
Aug	-0.8 (+0.1)	-2.2 (+0.1)	-0.2 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Sep	-0.7 (+0.2)	-2.0 (+0.3)	-0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Oct	+1.1 (+0.3)	+2.7 (+0.3)	+0.6 (+0.3)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Nov	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.8 (+0.4)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Dec	+1.3 (+0.4)	+2.7 (+0.3)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.4 (+0.4)
2011 Jan	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)
Feb	+0.7 (+0.6)	+0.7 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)
Mar	+0.7 (+0.6)	+0.8 (+0.7)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)
Apr	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.7 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)
May	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)
Jun	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.6 (+0.6)	+0.6 (+0.6)
Jul	+0.3 (+0.5)	+0.1 (+0.5)	+0.3 (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.5)
Aug	-0.6 (+0.5)	-2.3 (+0.4)	* (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.5)
Sep	-0.6 (+0.5)	-2.2 (+0.5)	* (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.5)
Oct	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)
Nov	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.7 (+0.4)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Dec	+1.2 (+0.4)	+2.7 (+0.4)	+0.7 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)
2012 Jan	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)	+0.5 (+0.5)

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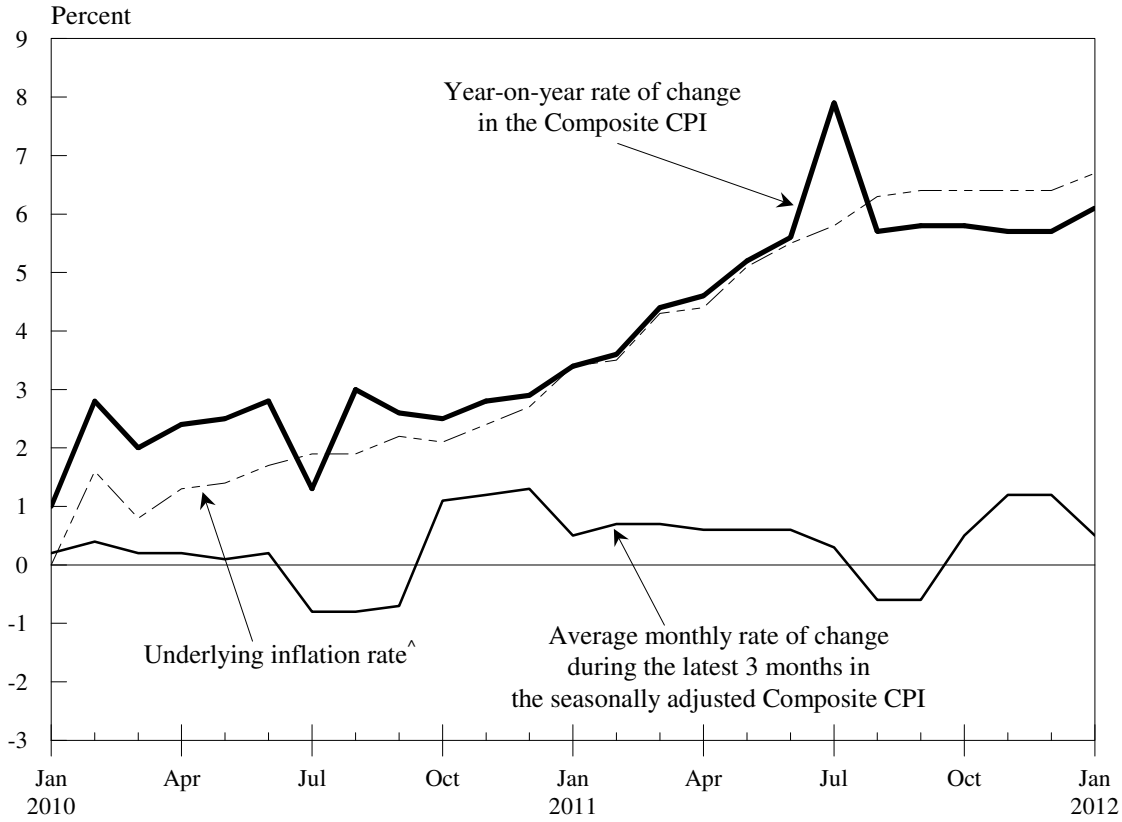
( ) Denotes the rate of change upon removing the effects of the following Government's one-off relief measures : Government's payment of public housing rentals in July - August 2010 and August - September 2011; the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy since August 2008; Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from September 2008 (subject to maximum cumulative amount of $3,600); the rates concession of up to $1,500 per quarter in April 2009 - March 2012; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2010; and Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from July 2011 (subject to maximum cumulative amount of $1,800).

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

Note: In calculating the average monthly rates of change during the latest three months in the seasonally adjusted CPIs, the new 2009/10-based CPIs are used as from the reference month of January 2010 onwards. For the earlier months, the average monthly rates of change during the latest three months are derived from the seasonally adjusted CPIs with old base period.

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: the rates concession of up to $5,000 per quarter in January 2008 to March 2009; Government's payment of public housing rentals in August to September 2009, July to August 2010 and August to September 2011; the suspension of Employees Retraining Levy since August 2008; Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from September 2008 (subject to a maximum cumulative amount of $3,600); the rates concession of up to $1,500 per quarter in April 2009 to March 2012; the public housing rental waiver by Housing Authority in September 2010; and Government's provision of electricity charge subsidy starting from July 2011 (subject to a maximum cumulative amount of $1,800).

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