

Table 1 Consumer Price Indices and Year-on-year Rates of Change
at Section Level for March 2024
(Oct. 2019 - Sep. 2020 = 100)

Section	Composite CPI		CPI(A)		CPI(B)		CPI(C)	
	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%	Index	%
	for Mar 2024	change over Mar 2023	for Mar 2024	change over Mar 2023	for Mar 2024	change over Mar 2023	for Mar 2024	change over Mar 2023
Food	110.5	+1.9	110.0	+1.7	110.6	+2.0	110.9	+2.0
<i>Meals out and takeaway food</i>	112.2	+3.3	112.4	+3.5	112.2	+3.3	111.9	+3.1
<i>Basic food</i>	107.6	-0.5	106.8	-0.8	107.7	-0.3	109.0	-0.1
Housing #	104.0	+3.1	109.2	+4.4	101.7	+2.6	100.8	+2.0
<i>Private housing rent</i>	100.1	+2.1	100.5	+2.4	100.0	+2.2	99.8	+1.7
<i>Public housing rent</i>	166.3	+13.5	166.4	+13.5	165.8	+13.5	-	-
Electricity, gas and water	129.2	-8.7	131.8	-8.5	127.6	-8.6	125.6	-9.1
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	140.7	+17.7	147.4	+19.2	136.9	+16.9	127.5	+14.7
Clothing and footwear	112.4	+0.3	111.5	+0.2	112.4	+0.3	113.1	+0.5
Durable goods	97.4	-1.5	96.2	-1.7	96.8	-1.6	99.1	-1.3
Miscellaneous goods	100.5	+1.2	100.0	+1.1	100.5	+1.3	101.4	+1.2
Transport	108.4	+2.2	105.0	+2.6	108.5	+2.2	110.6	+1.8
Miscellaneous services	106.9	+2.9	104.7	+2.2	106.9	+2.9	108.3	+3.3
<i>Selected major groups</i>								
<i>Educational services</i>	109.8	+3.7	108.0	+3.1	109.4	+3.6	111.0	+4.2
<i>Information and communications services</i>	94.6	-1.1	94.0	-1.4	94.9	-0.9	95.2	-0.7
<i>Medical services</i>	110.6	+5.0	110.4	+4.8	110.8	+5.2	110.6	+5.0
All items	107.1	+2.0	109.3	+2.3	106.0	+1.9	106.0	+1.7

- Not applicable

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 2019/20-based CPI series are as follows:

	Approximate percentage of households covered	Average monthly household expenditure range (at 2019/20 prices)	Average monthly household expenditure range (adjusted to 2023 prices)
	(%)	(\$)	(\$)
CPI(A)	50	6,500 - 27,999	6,800 - 29,200
CPI(B)	30	28,000 - 48,499	29,200 - 50,400
CPI(C)	10	48,500 - 91,999	50,400 - 95,900
Composite CPI	90	6,500 - 91,999	6,800 - 95,900

Apart from "Private housing rent" and "Public housing rent", the "Housing" section also includes "Management fees and other housing charges".

Table 2 Movements of Consumer Price Indices, March 2022 - March 2024

<u>Year/month</u>	<u>CPI</u>			
	<u>Composite CPI</u>	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>
2022 Mar	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.8 (+1.9)	+1.7 (+1.6)	+1.8 (+1.7)
Apr	+1.3 (+1.6)	+1.1 (+1.6)	+1.3 (+1.5)	+1.6 (+1.7)
May	+1.2 (+1.7)	+0.8 (+1.7)	+1.3 (+1.7)	+1.6 (+1.8)
Jun	+1.8 (+1.8)	+1.8 (+1.8)	+1.7 (+1.7)	+2.0 (+2.0)
Jul	+1.9 (+1.9)	+1.9 (+1.9)	+1.8 (+1.8)	+2.0 (+2.0)
Aug	+1.9 (+1.8)	+1.9 (+1.8)	+1.8 (+1.8)	+1.9 (+1.9)
Sep	+4.4 (+1.8)	+8.9 (+1.8)	+2.4 (+1.7)	+1.9 (+1.9)
Oct	+1.8 (+1.7)	+2.0 (+1.7)	+1.7 (+1.6)	+1.8 (+1.8)
Nov	+1.8 (+1.7)	+1.8 (+1.8)	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.8 (+1.8)
Dec	+2.0 (+2.0)	+2.1 (+2.1)	+1.9 (+1.9)	+2.0 (+2.0)
2023 Jan	+2.4 (+2.4)	+2.6 (+2.6)	+2.3 (+2.2)	+2.4 (+2.4)
Feb	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.6 (+1.6)	+1.8 (+1.8)
Mar	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.7 (+1.7)	+1.6 (+1.6)	+1.9 (+1.9)
Apr	+2.1 (+1.8)	+2.2 (+1.9)	+2.0 (+1.7)	+2.1 (+1.8)
May	+2.0 (+1.8)	+2.2 (+1.9)	+1.9 (+1.6)	+2.0 (+1.8)
Jun	+1.9 (+1.7)	+2.1 (+1.8)	+1.9 (+1.6)	+1.8 (+1.6)
Jul	+1.8 (+1.6)	+1.9 (+1.6)	+1.8 (+1.5)	+1.8 (+1.6)
Aug	+1.8 (+1.5)	+1.8 (+1.5)	+1.7 (+1.4)	+1.8 (+1.6)
Sep	+2.0 (+1.8)	+2.1 (+1.8)	+2.0 (+1.7)	+2.1 (+1.9)
Oct	+2.7 (+1.7)	+3.2 (+1.7)	+2.5 (+1.7)	+2.4 (+1.9)
Nov	+2.6 (+1.6)	+3.0 (+1.4)	+2.4 (+1.6)	+2.4 (+1.9)
Dec	+2.4 (+1.4)	+2.7 (+1.1)	+2.2 (+1.4)	+2.3 (+1.8)
2024 Jan	+1.7 (+0.8)	+2.0 (+0.5)	+1.6 (+0.8)	+1.5 (+1.0)
Feb	+2.1 (+1.2)	+2.3 (+0.8)	+2.0 (+1.2)	+2.0 (+1.6)
Mar	+2.0 (+1.0)	+2.3 (+0.8)	+1.9 (+1.1)	+1.7 (+1.3)

() Denotes the rate of change after netting out the effects of Government's one-off relief measures affecting CPIs, such as the rates concession and provision of electricity charges allowance. For details about the one-off relief measures, please refer to Annex 2 of the Explanatory Notes in Part 5 of the "Monthly Report on the Consumer Price Index" on the C&SD's website.

Table 3 Movements of Seasonally Adjusted Consumer Price Indices, March 2022 - March 2024

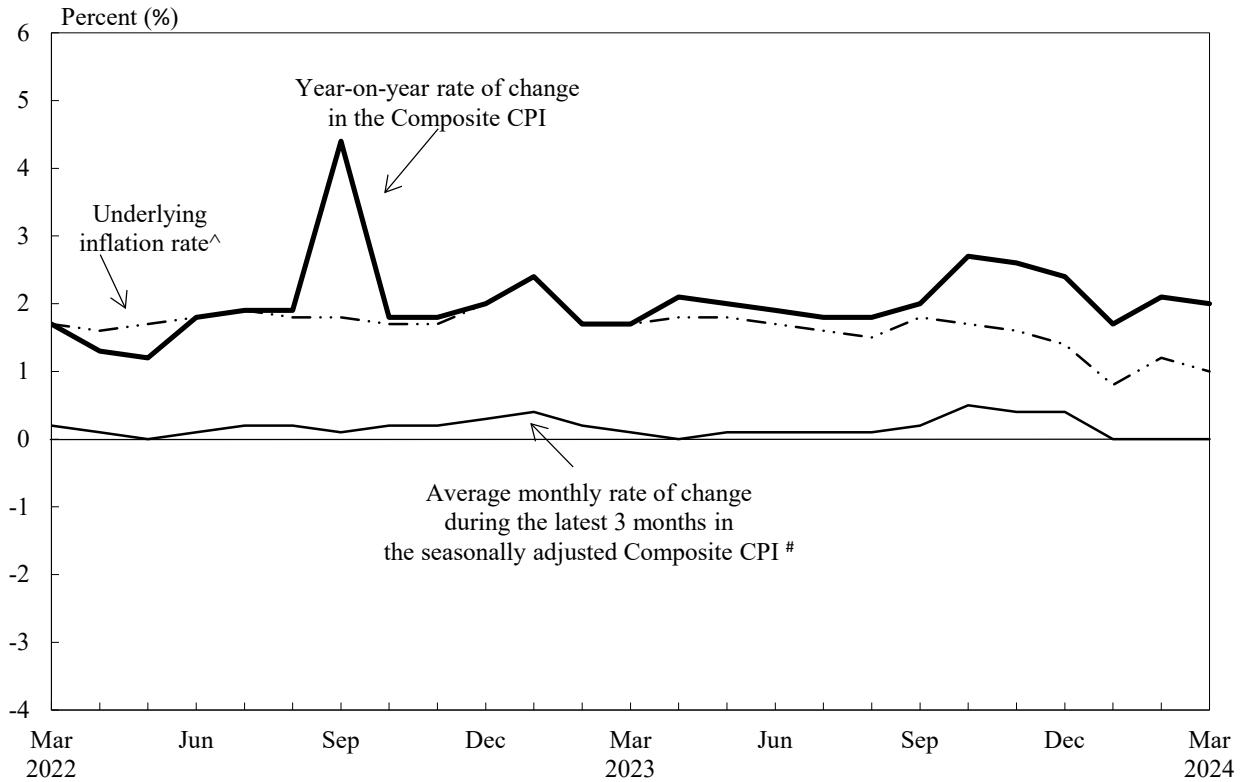
Seasonally adjusted CPI #				
Average monthly rate of change during the latest 3 months (%)				
<u>Year/month</u>	<u>Composite CPI</u>	<u>CPI(A)</u>	<u>CPI(B)</u>	<u>CPI(C)</u>
2022 Mar	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Apr	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.2)
May	* (+0.2)	-0.1 (+0.1)	* (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)
Jun	+0.1 (+0.1)	* (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.2)
Jul	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Aug	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Sep	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Oct	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)
Nov	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)
Dec	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.3 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)
2023 Jan	+0.4 (+0.4)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)	+0.3 (+0.3)
Feb	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.2 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Mar	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Apr	* (*)	* (*)	* (*)	* (*)
May	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)	+0.1 (+0.2)
Jun	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Jul	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Aug	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Sep	+0.2 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.1 (+0.1)	+0.2 (+0.2)
Oct	+0.5 (+0.1)	+0.6 (+0.1)	+0.4 (+0.2)	+0.4 (+0.2)
Nov	+0.4 (+0.1)	+0.6 (+0.1)	+0.4 (+0.1)	+0.3 (+0.2)
Dec	+0.4 (+0.1)	+0.5 (*)	+0.3 (+0.1)	+0.3 (+0.1)
2024 Jan	* (*)	-0.1 (-0.1)	* (*)	* (*)
Feb	* (*)	-0.1 (*)	* (*)	+0.1 (+0.1)
Mar	* (*)	* (*)	* (*)	-0.1 (-0.1)

* Increase or decrease of less than 0.05%

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Chart 1 Movements of the Composite Consumer Price Index



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