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CONSUMER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION RATES FOR JULY 2014

Kenya National Bureau of Statistics hereby releases Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and inflation rates for July 2014. These numbers have been generated using data collected during the second and third weeks of the month under review. The prices were obtained from selected retail outlets in 25 data collection zones located in 13 urban centers.

As shown in Tables 1 and 2, the CPI increased by 0.46 per cent from 149.91 in June 2014 to 150.60 in July 2014. The overall inflation rate stood at 7.67 per cent in July 2014 up from 7.39 per cent in June 2014.

Table 1: One Month and Twelve Months' Changes in the Price Indices

Broad Commodity Group	CPI Weight	% Change on last month (July 2014/ June 2014)	% Change on same month of previous year (July 2014/ July 2013)
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	36.04	0.50	9.06
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	2.06	-0.35	5.07
Clothing & Footwear	7.43	0.37	4.94
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	18.30	0.57	7.70
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	6.16	0.80	5.52
Health	3.13	0.49	6.73
Transport	8.66	0.35	11.80
Communication	3.82	0.02	-2.86
Recreation & Culture	2.25	0.13	12.51
Education	3.14	0.01	5.60
Restaurant & Hotels	4.48	0.71	7.49
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.52	0.39	4.58
Total	**100.00**	**0.46**	**7.67**

Table 2: Overall CPI and Inflation Rates

February 2009=100

Month	Overall CPI	Overall Rate of Inflation
Jul-13	139.87	6.02
Aug-13	140.29	6.67
Sep-13	142.82	8.29
Oct-13	142.75	7.76
Nov-13	143.14	7.36
Dec-13	143.85	7.15
Jan-14	145.40	7.21
Feb-14	145.95	6.86
Mar-14	146.61	6.27
Apr-14	148.20	6.41
May-14	149.70	7.30
Jun-14	149.91	7.39
Jul-14	150.60	7.67

Table 3: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Units of Measure	Average Price July 2013	Average Price June 2014	Average Price July 2014	% change on last month	% change on same month last year
Potatoes (Irish)	1 Kg	47.39	56.27	55.56	-1.26	17.23
Sugar	1 Kg	121.22	107.03	106.64	-0.37	-12.03
Beef - With Bones	1 Kg	342.87	365.85	368.29	0.67	7.41
Tomatoes	1 Kg	71.24	93.80	97.43	3.87	36.75
Orange	1 Kg	66.79	77.74	77.20	-0.69	15.58
Onions	1 Kg	110.52	121.71	121.03	-0.56	9.51
Cabbages	1 Kg	45.53	54.46	55.48	1.87	21.86
Spinach	1 Kg	49.47	51.90	54.38	4.79	9.92
Maize Flour - Sifted	2 Kg	108.09	121.98	123.49	1.23	14.24
Gas LPG	13 Kg	2564.79	3074.57	3042.80	-1.03	18.64
Electricity	50 Kwh	566.5	647.7	691.00	6.69	21.98
Electricity	200 Kwh	566.5	3541	3919.00	10.67	39.07
Kerosene	1 litre	80.36	84.04	84.99	1.13	5.76
Diesel	1 litre	103.71	106.31	106.24	-0.06	2.44
Petrol	1 litre	110.27	115.08	116.03	0.82	5.22

During the review period, Food and Non-Alcoholic Drinks' Index increased by 0.50 per cent. This was mainly as a result of observed increase in the prices of several food commodities outweighing the price falls in other food items. The Alcoholic Drinks, Tobacco and Narcotics Index dropped by 0.35 per cent, mainly due to continued falls in the prices of Khat (Miraa).

Between June and July 2014, the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' Index, increased by 0.57 per cent. This was mainly due to increase in prices of rent, electricity and other cooking fuels. The increase in the cost of electricity was mainly attributed to revision of power tariffs.

Over the same period, the Transport Index increased by 0.35 per cent due to rise in the cost of petrol and Matatu/bus fares. This was in spite of a slight fall in the cost of diesel.