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CPI AND INFLATION RATES FOR NOVEMBER 2013

Kenya National Bureau of Statistics hereby releases Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and rates of inflation for November 2013. 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 0.27 per cent from 142.75 in October 2013 to 143.14 in November 2013. The overall inflation rate stood at 7.36 per cent in November 2013.

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

Broad Commodity Group	CPI Weight	% Change on last month (November 2013/ October 2013)	% Change on same month of previous year (November 2013/ November 2012)
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	36.04	0.40	10.66
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	2.06	0.25	8.29
Clothing & Footwear	7.43	0.35	5.26
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	18.30	0.52	5.07
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	6.16	0.28	5.14
Health	3.13	0.19	5.46
Transport	8.66	-0.42	5.02
Communication	3.82	0.00	-3.36
Recreation & Culture	2.25	0.27	10.76
Education	3.14	0.04	4.85
Restaurant & Hotels	4.48	0.33	7.68
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.52	0.21	4.92
Total	**100.00**	**0.27**	**7.36**

Table 2: Overall CPI and Inflation Rates

February 2009=100

Month	Overall CPI	Overall Rate of Inflation
Nov-12	133.33	3.25
Dec-12	134.25	3.2
Jan-13	135.62	3.67
Feb-13	136.57	4.44
Mar-13	137.96	4.11
Apr-13	139.25	4.12
May-13	139.52	4.05
Jun-13	139.59	4.91
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

Table 3: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Units of Measure	Average Price November 2012	Average Price October 2013	Average Price November 2013	% change on last month	% change on same month last year
Fresh Packeted Milk	500 Ml	42.23	54.44	53.61	-1.54	26.94
Onions	1 Kg	99.31	105.76	104.46	-1.23	5.18
Spinach	1 Kg	35.37	44.69	43.95	-1.65	24.27
Kale-Sukuma Wiki	1 Kg	32.35	44.74	44.30	-0.97	36.94
Beef - With Bones	1 Kg	328.14	349.24	351.18	0.56	7.02
Bread	400 G	46.13	48.89	49.43	1.10	7.16
Electricity	50 Kwh	584.5	594.7	609.7	2.52	4.31
Gas (LPG)	13 Kg	2,617.02	2,835.20	2,846.06	0.38	8.75
Kerosene	1 litre	84.50	85.87	83.68	-2.55	-0.97
Petrol	1 litre	114.48	113.07	110.48	-2.28	-3.49
Diesel	1 litre	106.86	105.38	104.62	-0.72	-2.09

During the month of November 2013, Food and Non Alcoholic drinks' Index increased by 0.40 per cent being a net effect of increase in prices of some food items outweighing falls in prices of others.

Although the price of kerosene decreased by 2.55 per cent, over the review period, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' index, increased by 0.52 per cent. This was attributed to notable rises in the cost of some house rents, electricity and cooking gas as shown in Table 3. For instance, despite decrease in forex adjustment charges, fuel cost adjustment charges increased which led to slightly higher cost of electricity in November 2013 compared to October 2013.

Transport Index dropped by 0.42 per cent mainly due to reduced prices of petrol and diesel.