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CPI AND INFLATION RATES FOR JULY 2013

Kenya National Bureau of Statistics hereby releases Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and rates of inflation for July 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 0.2 per cent from 139.59 in June 2013 to 139.87 in July 2013. The overall inflation rate stood at 6.02 per cent in July 2013.

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

Broad Commodity Group	CPI Weight	% Change on last month (July 2013/ June 2013)	% Change on same month of Previous Year (July 2013/July 2012)
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	36.04	-0.10	8.44
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	2.06	0.77	5.63
Clothing & Footwear	7.43	0.23	4.87
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	18.30	0.13	4.39
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	6.16	0.66	3.58
Health	3.13	0.95	3.87
Transport	8.66	0.98	4.90
Communication	3.82	0.03	-0.12
Recreation & Culture	2.25	0.26	3.94
Education	3.14	0.12	4.69
Restaurant & Hotels	4.48	0.61	6.66
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.52	0.44	4.25
Total	**100.00**	**0.20**	**6.02**

Table 2: Overall CPI and Inflation Rates February 2009=100

Month	Overall CPI	Overall Rate of Inflation
Jul-2012	131.92	7.74
Aug-2012	131.51	6.09
Sep-2012	131.89	5.32
Oct-2012	132.46	4.14
Nov-2012	133.33	3.25
Dec-2012	134.25	3.20
Jan - 2013	135.62	3.67
Feb - 2013	136.57	4.44
Mar - 2013	137.96	4.11
Apr - 2013	139.25	4.12
May - 2013	139.52	4.05
Jun - 2013	139.59	4.91
Jul - 2013	139.87	6.02

Table3: National Average Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Units of Measure	Average price July2012	Average Price June 2013	Average Price July 2013	% change on last Month	% change on same Month last year
Milk - Fresh Packeted	500 Ml	37.08	37.29	38.88	4.24	4.85
Beef - With Bones	1 Kg	322.73	339.74	342.87	0.92	6.24
Cabbages	1 Kg	43.96	58.25	61.39	5.39	39.66
Kale-Sukuma Wiki	1 Kg	33.15	44.06	45.04	2.23	35.85
Petrol	1 Litre	110.43	110.29	111.30	0.92	0.79
Potatoes (Irish)	1 Kg	50.57	60.96	59.73	-2.02	18.12
Maize Flour - Sifted	2 Kg	117.56	110.14	108.09	-1.85	-8.05
Sugar	1 Kg	115.40	123.03	121.22	-1.47	5.04
Electricity	50 Units	546.50	543.50	508.00	-6.53	-7.04
Tomatoes	1 Kg	65.87	98.13	91.17	-7.09	38.40

Between June and July 2013, Food and Non Alcoholic drinks' Index decreased

by 0.10 per cent. As shown in Table 3, this marginal decline in the Index was a result of aggregate falls that outweighed rises in the average prices of various food items.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other fuels' index, rose by 0.13 per cent between June and July 2013, mainly due to increases in house rent and charcoal.

The Transport Index increased by 0.98 per cent over the review period mainly due to increases on the pump prices of petrol and diesel; and public transport fares while health index rose by 0.95 per cent due to increase in doctor's charges and some medicine.