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CONSUMER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION RATES FOR NOVEMBER 2014

Kenya National Bureau of Statistics hereby releases Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and inflation rates for November 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 decreased by 0.05 per cent from 151.92 in September to 151.85 in November 2014. The overall inflation rate stood at 6.09 per cent in November 2014.

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

Broad Commodity Group	CPI Weight	% Change on last month (Nov. 2014/ Oct. 2014)	% Change on same month of previous year (Nov.2014/ Nov. 2013)
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	36.04	-0.18	7.54
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	2.06	0.37	2.12
Clothing & Footwear	7.43	0.46	4.73
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	18.30	-0.34	4.52
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	6.16	0.36	4.32
Health	3.13	0.19	5.31
Transport	8.66	-0.57	9.94
Communication	3.82	0.00	0.43
Recreation & Culture	2.25	0.55	5.86
Education	3.14	0.00	5.34
Restaurant & Hotels	4.48	0.28	6.10
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.52	0.70	4.44
Total	100.00	-0.05	6.09

Table 2: Overall CPI and Inflation Rates

February 2009=100

Month	Overall CPI	Overall Rate of Inflation
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
Aug-14	152.02	8.36
Sep-14	152.24	6.60
Oct-14	151.92	6.43
Nov-14	151.85	6.09

Table 3: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Units of Measure	Average Price November 2013	Average Price October 2014	Average Price November 2014	% Change on last month	% change on same month last year
Sugar	1 Kg	116.53	111.56	116.22	4.18	-0.27
Beef - With Bones	1 Kg	351.18	376.92	380.10	0.85	8.24
Potatoes (Irish)	1 Kg	50.12	45.20	46.46	2.79	-7.30
Rice- Grade 2	1 Kg	104.14	94.91	96.84	2.03	-7.01
Milk - Fresh Packeted	500 Ml	53.61	48.85	49.18	0.67	-8.26
Chicken	1 Kg	499.30	510.24	514.87	0.91	3.12
Mutton/Goat Meat	1 Kg	414.13	441.13	444.78	0.83	7.40
Diesel	1 litre	104.62	101.59	97.84	-3.69	-6.48
Gas LPG	13 Kg	2,846.06	3,068.58	3,033.28	-1.15	6.58
Mangoes	1 Kg	64.73	75.31	72.88	-3.22	12.60
Maize Grain - Loose	1 Kg	43.44	44.46	43.09	-3.08	-0.79
Cabbages	1 Kg	50.95	30.83	28.37	-7.97	-44.31
Petrol	1 litre	110.48	111.72	108.54	-2.85	-1.76
Maize Flour - Sifted	2 Kg	111.82	110.57	107.64	-2.65	-3.74
Electricity	50 KWh	609.70	627.10	554.60	-11.56	-9.04
Electricity	200 KWh	3,670.78	3,931.72	3,641.72	-7.38	-0.79
Tomatoes	1 Kg	67.07	93.33	83.30	-10.75	24.20

Between October and November 2014, Food and Non-Alcoholic Drinks' Index decreased by 0.18 per cent. The decline in food inflation resulted from observed falls in the prices of several food commodities which outweighed notable rises in the prices of others as indicated in Table 3.

Over the same period, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' Index, decreased by 0.34 per cent. This was mainly attributed to falls in the cost electricity and kerosene. For instance, consumption of 50KWh of electricity declined by 11.56 per cent from KSh 627.10 in October to KSh 554.60 in November 2014.

During the same review period, the Transport Index decreased by 0.57 per cent mainly due to reduction of pump prices of petrol and diesel in November 2014 compared to October 2014.