

Introduction

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the average change in the price paid by consumers for a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is usually based on household expenditure weights of the goods and services in the basket and their current market prices. The twelve CPI's (i.e., the CPI's of the 11 Regions and the CPI at Country Level) presented in this report are based on the results of the Household Income, Consumption and Expenditure Survey (HICES) conducted by the Central Statistical Authority in 1999/2000 from which expenditure weights are derived for major household goods and services of that period and adjusted using the December 2000 retail prices of the goods and services as a base period.

This report is the first of its kind in Ethiopia which consists of Regional and Country Level CPI's with December 2000 as a base period. However, similar indices had been utilized at Addis Ababa Level since 1963 and at Country, Urban and Rural Levels since 1995/96. All the twelve indices have eleven major groups each, namely: Food; Beverages; Cigarettes and Tobacco; Clothing and Footwear; House Rent, Construction Materials, Water, and Fuel and Power; Furniture, Furnishing, Household Equipment and Operation; Medical Care and Health; Transport and Communication; Recreation, Entertainment and Education; Personal Care and Effects; and Miscellaneous Goods and Services.

The Food Index, which is the major component of the General Index in all cases, has 13 sub-groups each in all indices. These are: Cereals; Pulses; Bread and Other Prepared Food; Meat; Milk, Cheese and Eggs; Vegetables and Fruits; Spices; Potatoes, Other Tubers and Stems; Coffee Beans (whole) and Tea Leaves; Other Food Items; Milling Charges; and Food taken Away from Home.

For the construction of the current consumer price indices, up to date data on retail prices are collected in the purposely selected sample market places located in representative urban centers in each zone/special weredas of the country. In each zone, a maximum of two urban centers (market places) and one urban center (market place) in each especial

wereda was selected which is mainly the capital of that wereda. Hence, a total of 119 market places were selected for the retail price survey.

The distribution of urban center the market place of each region and items included in the basket of commodities are given on Table A above.

In each urban center market place an enumerator is assigned for undertaking the data collection activities of the retail price survey. At the end of each budget year, these enumerators take part on training and the training concentrated on the methodology of data collection and use of field equipment to be used during the survey. The enumerators are expected to collect the monthly retail prices of goods and services by interviewing the retailers and by actually measuring the weight of the items on the spot for each month in question. In some cases, price data are also collected from consumers at the time of purchase of the goods and services. An attempt was made to reduce the time lag between the data collection and the CPI data dissemination at country and regional levels by adjusting slightly the period of data collection. That is, instead of collecting price data from 8th through 22nd days of the month in question, the newly adjusted time frame is the 1st day through 15th days of European Calendar month under consideration. To calculate the monthly regional consumer price indices, geometric mean of prices of the specific regions are used.

For the Construction of the Consumer Price Index at Country Level the contributions of the five relatively major regions in terms of the magnitude of the expenditure account for more than 95 percent. These regions are Oromiya, Amhara, SNNP, Addis Ababa and Tigray. On the other hand, the contributions of the remaining regions (Somali, Dire Dawa, Harari, Gambela, Benshangul-Gumuz and Afar) to the Country Level Consumer Price Index is about five percent.

An important factor in constructing a Consumer Price Index is to select the representative basket of goods and services. Though the procedure for choosing the basket of commodity by expenditure cut-off points, the total number of items included in the regional basket in the December 2000 based indices are given in Table A above.

Table A: Number of Markets Covered and Basket of Commodities by Region

Sr.No	Region	Number of Markets	Basket of Commodities
1	Tigray	8	114
2	Afar	4	85
3	Amhara	20	118
4	Oromia	24	127
5	Somalie	6	85
6	Benishangul-Gumuz	6	111
7	SNNP	31	130
8	Gambela	3	105
9	Harari	2	102
10	Addis Ababa City Administration	12	175
11	Dire Dawa Administrative Council	3	121
	Total	119	

Comparison of CPI Movements, Current vs Last year's Similar Months at Country Level

The November 2006 Country Level Consumer Price Index has increased by 16.6 percent as compared to November 2005 (Table 1(a)). This increase was attributed to the rise in the indices of its components; namely: Food by 16.9 percent, Beverages by 7.3 percent, Cigarettes and Tobacco by 1.5 percent, Clothing and Footwear by 7.5 percent, House Rent, Construction Materials, Water and Fuel and Power by 22.8 percent, Furniture, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Operation by 11.8 percent, Medical Care and Health by 3.5 percent, Transport and Communication by 25.9 percent, Recreation, Entertainment and Education by 8.4 percent and Personal Care and Effects by 18.6 percent.

The 16.9 percent increase in the Food index was observed due to rise in the indices of the components of Food index (Table 1(b)) namely: Cereals by (17.2 percent), Pulses (24.1 percent), Bread and Other Prepared Food (15.5 percent), Meat (25.2 percent), Milk, Cheese and Eggs (14.2 percent), oils and Fats by (6.7 percent), Vegetables and fruits (34.2 percent), Spices (1.3 percent), Potatoes, Other Tubers and Stems (14.3 percent,) Coffee and Tea Leaves (11.0 percent), Other Food Items (9.3 percent), Milling Charge by (7.1 percent), and Food Taken Away from Home (21.3 percent).

Comparison of CPI Movements, Current vs Last year at Country and Regional Levels

Table 2(a) also displays that the November 2006 Country level General Consumer Price Index has increased by 16.6 percent as compared to November 2005. This increase was attributed to the rise in the indices of its constituent regions; namely: Addis Ababa 20.6 percent, Afar 12.6 percent, Amhara 15.7 percent, Benishangul Gumuz 12.0 percent, Dire Dawa 14.3 percent, Gambela 16.7 percent, Harari 17.8 percent, Oromia 19.4 percent, SNNP 18.0 percent, Somali 9.7 percent and Tigray 8.6 percent.

Table 2 (b) reveals that the 16.9 percent increase in the country level Food index was observed due to a rise in the indices of the regions namely: Addis Ababa 25.3 percent, Afar 18.8 percent, Amhara 11.9 percent, Benishangul Gumuz 13.2 percent, Dire Dawa 13.5 percent, Gambela 18.4 percent, Harari 19.3 percent, Oromia 20.9 percent, SNNP 22.1 percent, Somali 11.5 percent and Tigray 7.9 percent.

ሠንጠረዥ 1ሀ፡- ጠቅላላ የችርቻሮ ዋጋ መመዘኛ ኢንዱስትሪ በሥሩ የተካተቱ ክፍሎች በአገር አቀፍ ደረጃ ታህሳስ 1993 = 100

Table 1a: General Consumer Price Index and Its Components at Country Level
December 2000 = 100

ወርና ዓመት	ጠቅላላ ኢንዱስትሪ	ጠቅላላ ምግብ	መጠጥ	ሲጃራና ትምብህ	ልብና መጫሚያ	የቤት ኪራይ፣ የቤት መሥሪያ ሰዎች፣ ውሃና ኢነርጂ	የቤት ሰዎች የቤት ግብአትና የቤት ሠራተኛ ደመወዝ	ሕክምና	ትራንስፖርትና መገናኛ	መዝናኛና ትምህርት	የግል ጽሑፍና የግል ቋሚ ሰዎች	ሌሎች ሰዎች	Month and Year
General Index	Food Total	Beverages	Cigarettes and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	House Rent, Construction Materials, Water, and Fuel and power	Furniture, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Operation	Medical Care and Health	Transport and Communication	Recreation, Entertainment and Education	Personal Care and Effects	Miscellaneous Goods		
ታህሳስ 1993	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	December 2000
ጥር - ሰኔ 1993	100.8	101.3	100.1	102.2	99.7	100.1	100.3	97.0	99.9	101.6	95.0	104.4	January - June 2001
ሐምሌ 1993 - ሰኔ 1994	96.0	92.7	98.6	100.0	97.8	103.8	99.1	94.7	101.3	112.1	99.0	103.8	July - June 2002
ሐምሌ 1994 - ሰኔ 1995	110.5	115.7	99.2	107.2	95.5	106.1	97.6	94.7	105.5	113.7	100.6	103.7	July 2002 - June 2003
ሐምሌ 1995 - ሰኔ 1996	120.0	129.4	99.4	104.3	96.0	112.8	97.3	93.4	107.5	112.8	107.5	103.7	July 2003 - June 2004
ሐምሌ 1996 - ሰኔ 1997	128.2	139.3	100.3	93.3	96.9	123.2	99.6	98.1	116.0	116.4	122.0	103.7	July 2004 - June 2005
ሐምሌ 1997 - ሰኔ 1998	143.9	158.8	107.2	103.9	100.0	139.1	105.4	99.7	123.4	121.3	133.9	103.7	July 2005 - June 2006
1997													2004/2005
ሰኔ 1997	138.3	153.9	102.1	98.7	98.5	127.1	102.8	100.7	119.1	117.8	128.0	103.7	June "
1998													2005/2006
ሐምሌ 1997	140.1	155.2	102.6	97.6	97.5	134.7	101.3	98.5	120.4	119.4	128.9	103.7	July 2005
ክሐሴ 1997	141.1	156.4	102.3	101.9	100.6	133.2	102.7	97.9	119.0	119.3	130.4	103.7	August "
መስከረም 1998	143.4	158.9	108.8	101.6	98.7	136.9	102.7	98.9	122.8	118.1	131.1	103.7	September "
ጥቅምት 1998	142.0	157.2	106.4	103.0	98.1	136.2	102.2	97.7	121.4	119.6	129.3	103.7	October "
ሠጻር 1998	141.6	156.4	106.6	102.8	98.6	135.5	104.6	99.2	120.7	119.9	129.9	103.7	November "
ታህሳስ 1998	140.4	155.0	105.3	103.0	93.0	136.4	104.7	98.1	121.6	121.7	131.9	103.7	December "
ጥር 1998	141.2	155.2	106.3	104.4	98.8	137.3	105.7	98.1	121.8	121.6	132.0	103.7	January 2006
የካቲት 1998	142.7	156.7	107.4	105.8	101.2	138.9	106.7	100.2	121.6	121.8	133.7	103.7	February "
መጋቢት 1998	144.2	158.4	107.9	106.2	103.8	139.8	106.6	102.1	121.9	122.3	135.0	103.7	March "
ሚያዝያ 1998	144.6	159.0	110.1	107.2	104.1	139.8	103.6	100.5	121.7	124.1	136.4	103.7	April "
ግንቦት 1998	151.2	166.9	110.7	106.7	102.9	147.9	111.6	101.9	131.8	123.7	142.0	103.7	May "
ሰኔ 1998	154.3	170.5	111.5	106.6	103.1	152.1	112.9	103.7	136.6	124.4	145.7	103.7	June "
1999													2006/2007
ሐምሌ 1998	159.0	175.8	112.5	105.9	105.6	159.4	113.7	102.6	137.5	123.9	149.8	103.7	July "
ክሐሴ 1998	161.2	178.3	112.8	106.3	107.4	161.9	114.5	102.8	138.7	125.8	152.0	103.7	August "
መስከረም 1999	162.9	179.9	112.9	103.5	106.7	164.9	114.9	102.6	150.3	128.7	151.5	103.7	September "
ጥቅምት 1999	164.2	181.9	113.2	102.9	106.2	165.8	114.6	103.1	150.8	129.4	152.7	103.7	October "
ሠጻር 1999	165.0	182.8	114.4	104.4	106.0	166.5	117.0	102.6	151.9	130.0	154.0	103.7	November "

*Revised (የታረመ)

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ታህሳስ 1993 = 100

Table 1b: Consumer Price Index of Total Food and Its Components at Country Level
December 2000 = 100

ወርና ዓመት	ጠቅላላ ምግብ Food Total	በቤት ውስጥ የተወለዱ የምግብ ዓይነቶች					FOOD TAKEN AT HOME							ከቤት ውጪ የተወለዱ ምግቦች Food taken away from home	
		እህል Cereals	ጥራጥረ Pulses	ዳቦና ሌሎች የተዘጋጁ ምግቦች Bread and other Prepared Food	ሥጋ Meat	ወተት፥ ዓይብና እንቁላል Milk, Cheese and Egg	ዘይትና ቅባቶች Oils and Fats	አትክልትና ፍራፍረ Vegetables and Fruits	ቅመግ ቅመም Spices	ድንችና ሌሎች ሥራሥርቶች Potatoes, Other Tubers and Stems	ያልተቆላ ቡናና ሻይ ቅጠል Coffee (beans, whole) and Tea Leaves	ሌሎች ምግቦች Other Food Items	የግዝፈት ሀገራዊ ስጦታዎች Milling Charges		
ታህሳስ 1993	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
ጥር - ሰኔ 1993	101.3	103.2	97.6	97.7	109.3	98.2	96.2	103.5	104.9	95.0	97.5	104.9	104.9	103.8	103.8
ሐምሌ 1993 - ሰኔ 1994	92.8	90.7	86.1	88.5	112.2	93.7	88.6	100.2	88.8	96.7	87.8	92.6	100.7	108.3	108.3
ሐምሌ 1994 - ሰኔ 1995	115.7	136.6	106.4	92.8	117.9	97.6	114.7	107.5	104.0	103.7	74.6	90.7	100.8	109.4	109.4
ሐምሌ 1995 - ሰኔ 1996	129.4	152.7	117.5	98.4	131.1	104.1	126.2	117.2	131.7	113.0	91.5	95.6	99.9	114.3	114.3
ሐምሌ 1996 - ሰኔ 1997	139.3	163.9	119.6	100.0	142.6	106.7	127.4	118.3	155.1	119.3	119.6	101.2	103.0	120.6	120.6
ሐምሌ 1997 - ሰኔ 1998	158.8	191.1	125.0	113.7	179.9	115.8	126.2	131.9	155.7	134.7	148.6	113.9	108.4	135.1	135.1
1997															
ሰኔ 1997	153.9	190.6	121.0	104.2	161.1	108.9	124.5	119.2	173.6	121.7	135.9	108.0	105.9	126.2	126.2
1998															
ሐምሌ 1997	155.2	192.3	123.2	105.2	162.2	114.2	125.6	115.4	158.9	121.8	146.3	108.7	110.0	127.6	127.6
ነሐሴ 1997	156.4	195.2	122.2	107.1	166.4	112.7	123.4	111.6	161.1	123.9	142.0	111.5	109.3	128.5	128.5
መስከረም 1998	158.9	197.1	118.7	108.6	175.5	117.1	124.4	123.2	153.7	133.8	144.6	114.5	107.5	132.5	132.5
ጥቅምት 1998	157.2	192.3	121.2	110.5	173.3	114.4	123.7	121.8	155.6	134.6	144.8	107.8	106.2	131.2	131.2
ሀጻር 1998	156.4	189.8	120.2	110.9	174.5	113.7	124.7	121.9	157.7	135.0	145.6	105.8	108.0	131.8	131.8
ታህሳስ 1998	155.0	183.7	123.4	114.0	173.4	113.5	124.2	131.1	157.1	135.5	146.6	105.8	108.3	133.2	133.2
ጥር 1998	155.2	183.7	123.8	114.3	175.5	113.8	125.2	132.3	156.9	136.0	145.7	105.5	108.0	134.7	134.7
የካቲት 1998	156.7	185.6	125.4	115.4	177.2	115.7	126.9	133.4	156.2	137.8	145.5	109.7	108.7	135.9	135.9
መጋቢት 1998	158.4	187.7	125.6	116.7	178.9	117.6	128.2	135.4	156.3	138.9	146.8	122.0	108.1	136.1	136.1
ግንቦት 1998	159.0	187.9	127.0	118.3	181.1	118.0	129.7	142.8	154.9	135.8	148.5	125.4	109.4	138.1	138.1
ግንቦት 1998	166.9	196.2	131.7	119.3	208.2	118.4	129.5	155.5	150.4	141.3	162.4	126.1	108.3	144.0	144.0
ሰኔ 1998	170.5	202.0	137.0	124.4	212.3	120.3	129.1	158.6	149.7	142.1	164.4	123.9	109.0	147.6	147.6
1999															
ሐምሌ 1998	175.8	212.8	139.4	127.8	213.9	122.8	126.8	160.3	151.9	147.5	163.4	121.7	109.6	152.7	152.7
ነሐሴ 1998	178.3	215.8	142.4	130.2	215.7	125.2	127.3	161.9	155.4	150.1	164.8	121.5	111.0	155.5	155.5
መስከረም 1999	179.9	218.8	145.8	124.2	217.8	125.8	129.7	160.5	156.4	151.4	161.6	116.9	113.2	157.5	157.5
ጥቅምት 1999	181.9	221.6	147.2	126.7	218.0	128.2	130.9	162.2	157.9	153.0	162.7	118.1	113.9	158.9	158.9
ሀጻር 1999	182.8	222.5	149.1	128.0	218.4	129.9	133.1	163.5	159.7	154.4	161.7	115.6	115.7	159.9	159.9

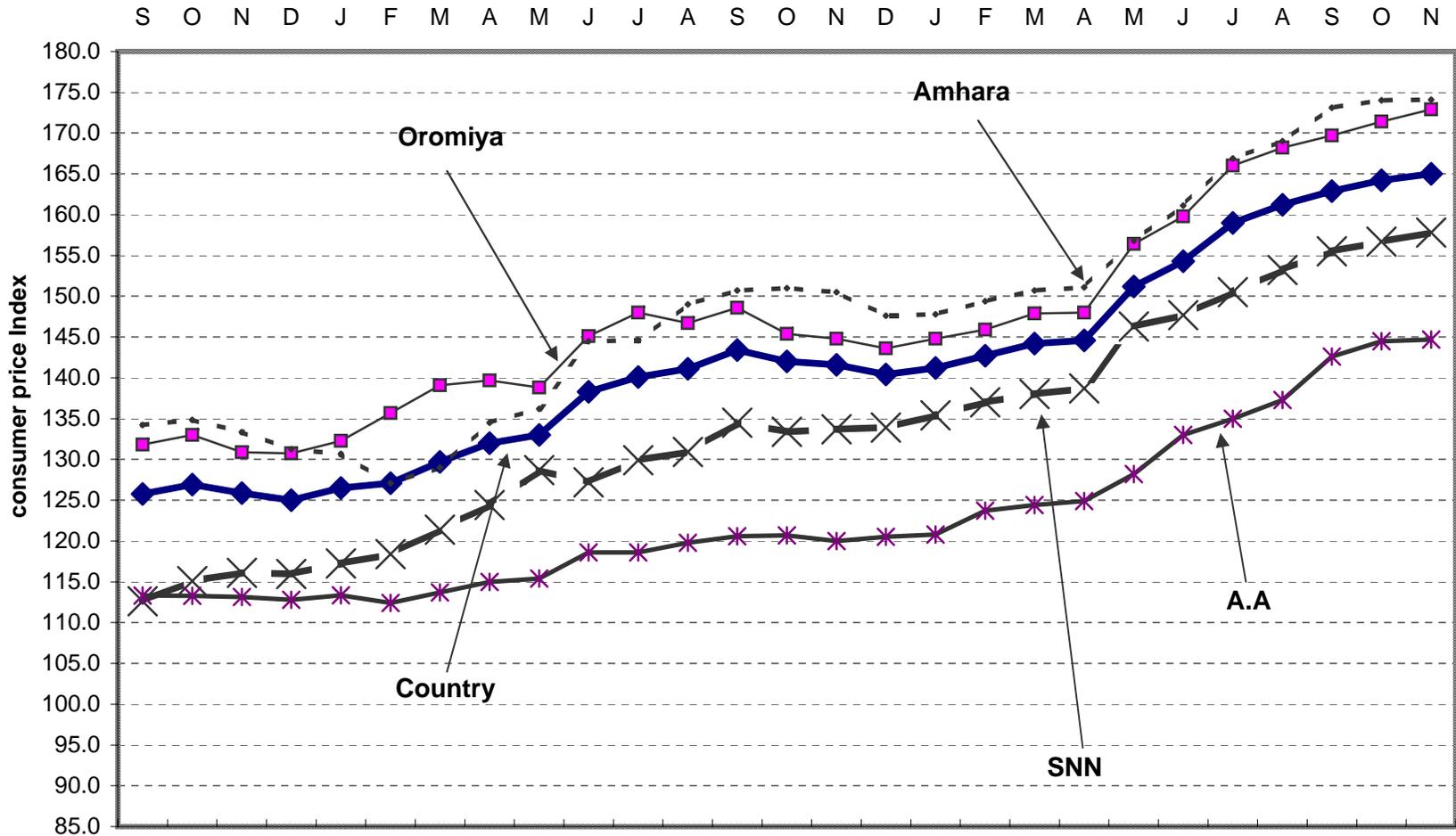
Month and Year
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General CPI for Country Level and Major Regions
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