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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

DETAILED SUB-INDICES RELEASE

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The attached release contains a summary of the major price developments in the main CPI commodity groupings together with a selection of the detailed CPI Sub-Indices which are available. Details of the current index together with the monthly and annual percentage changes are supplied.

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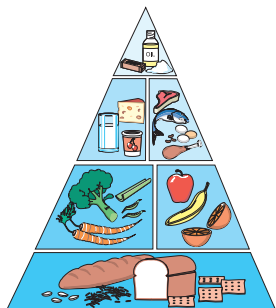
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Food

Food prices rose by 0.4% in November bringing the annual percentage change to 3.5%, up from 2.9% in the 12 months to October. There were increases in the price of beef, bacon, fresh vegetables, biscuits and cakes, soft drinks and meals out. Decreases were recorded for potatoes, tomatoes and lamb.



Drink

Drink prices showed a marginal increase of 0.2% in November. As a result the annual increase rose to 3.8%.



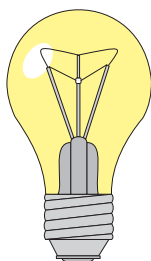
Tobacco

Tobacco prices remained relatively unchanged in November leaving the annual percentage increase at 3.1%, slightly lower than last month.



Clothing & Footwear

Clothing and Footwear prices rose by 0.9% in November. The annual percentage change remained fixed at -7.3%.



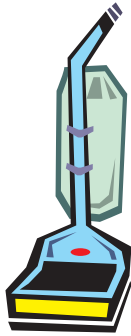
Fuel & Light

Fuel and light increased by 4.9% in the year. Home heating oil decreased by 1.4% in November, reducing the annual increase marginally to 23.2%.



Housing

There was a reduction in the cost of local authority mortgages while private rents rose. In the year to November the cost of housing declined by 14%.



Durable Household Goods

Durable Goods prices rose by 0.3% in November. Despite this rise prices remain lower than in the same period last year. There were price increase in November in furniture, soft furnishings and floor coverings.



Other Goods

Other Goods increased marginally in November rising by 0.1%. Price increases were recorded for hair applications, toilet accessories and condoms.



Transport

There were marginal increases in the cost of motor oil, car repairs and maintenance, while the cost of spare parts declined. The annual percentage change in the year to November 1999 was 5.4%.



Services & Related Expenditure

In November there were increases in the cost of education, entertainment, laundry and dry cleaning and hair dressing, while accommodation charges declined. The annual increase in the year to November was 5.8%, up from 5.3% in October.



Overall CPI

The CPI for November increased by 0.2% over the previous month, resulting in an annual increase of 2.1%. The main contributors to the monthly percentage change were increases in Food, Services & Related Expenditure, Clothing & Footwear and Alcohol, while Housing and Fuel & Light declined.

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TABLE 1 - FOOD

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	22.8497	110.3	0.4	3.5
<u>Items</u>				
1 BEEF	1.0124	100.9	3.5	5.4
2 MUTTON/LAMB	0.4869	102.5	-1.3	3.1
3 PORK	0.3829	93.7	0.4	0.1
4 BACON	0.8557	98.6	2.0	1.6
5 POULTRY	0.9482	100.9	-0.4	2.3
6 COOKED MEAT	0.5328	109.5	0.5	4.2
7 SAUSAGES	0.2882	108.7	0.8	2.9
8 OTHER MEAT	0.3075	103.5	0.2	1.3
9 FRESH FISH	0.1926	116.1	0.8	7.0
10 FROZEN FISH	0.1509	116.2	0.4	7.7
11 SMOKED FISH	0.0291	97.0	-2.5	-2.0
12 TINNED FISH	0.0577	129.5	0.2	4.4
13 POTATOES	0.6146	154.9	-1.0	-2.8
14 TOMATOES	0.0679	117.2	-7.7	-5.2
15 OTHER FRESH VEGETABLES	0.5004	115.4	3.2	2.1
16 DRIED VEGETABLES	0.0124	115.1	0.1	4.1
17 TINNED VEGETABLES	0.1986	121.0	0.4	7.9
18 FROZEN VEGETABLES	0.2163	105.8	-1.1	4.1
19 BREAD	1.2377	103.7	-0.4	3.9
20 FLOUR	0.0868	101.9	-0.2	1.9
21 BISCUITS	0.5189	113.5	1.7	4.5
22 CAKES	0.4911	110.7	0.5	3.7
23 PASTEURISED MILK	1.7399	100.6	0.2	1.8
24 OTHER MILK PRODUCTS	0.3647	111.0	0.4	4.5
25 CHEESE	0.3601	107.1	0.4	3.7
26 EGGS	0.2354	109.5	-0.1	5.4
27 BUTTER	0.2705	103.2	0.5	2.6
28 MARGARINE	0.3033	120.3	0.2	5.3
29 OTHER FATS & OILS	0.0869	117.8	0.6	3.9
30 FRESH FRUIT	0.7009	114.9	-0.7	3.9
31 TINNED FRUIT	0.0538	105.9	0.1	1.2
32 DRIED FRUIT & NUTS	0.0722	110.1	-0.7	2.6
33 TEA	0.2999	117.6	0.2	2.8
34 COFFEE	0.1358	115.9	-0.4	-0.2
35 COCOA	0.0212	116.2	-0.5	-0.2
36 SUGAR	0.2075	101.4	0.0	0.2
37 BREAKFAST CEREALS	0.4263	134.5	1.4	6.5
38 OATMEAL	0.0230	93.5	-0.7	-4.0
39 OTHER CEREALS	0.1600	105.4	0.1	2.1
40 SAUCES & MEAT EXTRACT	0.3107	108.6	0.5	2.9
41 SOUPS	0.1468	114.1	-0.3	3.4
42 PRESERVES	0.1320	109.1	0.4	2.9
43 SWEETS & CHOCOLATE	0.9008	120.5	0.2	5.7
44 CUSTARD	0.0101	123.4	0.2	8.2
45 DESSERTS & ICE CREAMS	0.3728	106.3	-0.2	2.3
46 BABY FOOD	0.0393	124.7	0.1	4.5
47 MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS	0.9014	109.1	0.1	3.8
48 SOFT DRINK	1.1075	110.3	0.7	3.6
49 MEALS OUT	4.2776	112.7	0.3	4.9

TABLE 2 - ALCOHOL

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	12.6298	110.1	0.2	3.8
<u>Items</u>				
1 BEER	8.6190	110.3	0.2	3.9
2 SPIRITS	2.7137	109.6	0.1	3.5
3 WINE	1.2971	109.3	0.0	3.2

TABLE 3 FUEL & LIGHT

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	4.9038	103.3	-0.2	4.9
<u>Items</u>				
1 FIRELIGHTERS	0.0761	101.5	-0.7	0.2
2 COAL & ANTRACITE	0.8595	111.7	0.0	5.0
3 TURF & BRIQUETTES	0.3661	109.4	0.0	4.9
4 BOTTLED GAS	0.2881	112.9	1.2	6.8
5 PIPED GAS	0.4396	100.0	0.0	0.0
6 ELECTRICITY	2.0252	102.1	0.0	0.0
7 FUEL OIL	0.8491	93.6	-1.4	23.2

TABLE 4 - HOUSING

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	8.0385	86.7	-0.7	-14.0
<u>Items</u>				
1 RENTS	1.7518	116.3	1.2	5.7
2 LOCAL AUTHOR. CHARGES	0.2952	24.4	0.0	18.4
3 MORTGAGE INTEREST	3.6315	65.3	-3.0	-36.1
4 HOUSE INSURANCE	0.7311	107.4	0.0	3.4
5 REPAIRS & DECORATIONS	1.6288	104.8	0.0	3.7

TABLE 5 - TRANSPORT

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	13.9402	108.0	0.0	5.4
<u>Items</u>				
1 MOTOR CYCLES	0.0168	99.5	0.0	-0.8
2 MOTOR CARS	3.9458	102.5	0.2	2.2
3 OTHER VEHICLES	0.1683	107.2	0.5	0.8
4 MOTOR REG & TAX	0.8345	106.1	0.0	3.0
5 MOTOR INSURANCE	2.0077	118.4	0.0	9.1
6 MOTOR FUEL	4.1761	107.1	0.1	9.4
7 MOTOR OIL	0.0460	112.6	1.1	6.5
8 SPARE PARTS	0.5010	103.8	-0.8	0.8
9 REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	0.6495	112.2	0.3	6.7
10 OTHER VEHICLE COSTS	0.0988	113.8	0.0	4.2
11 BUS FARES	0.6097	102.7	0.0	0.0
12 RAIL FARES	0.1790	109.8	0.0	1.9
13 COMBINED TRAVEL	0.1608	101.8	0.0	0.0
14 OTHER TRAVEL	0.5461	126.1	0.3	2.0

TABLE 6 - SERVICES & RELATED EXPENDITURE

	Nov. 1996 base expenditure weights	Current Index	% change 1 month	% change 12 months
TOTAL	16.7232	112.8	0.4	5.8
<u>Items</u>				
1 CINEMA	0.1774	113.1	0.3	4.7
2 DANCING	0.4527	111.9	0.0	9.3
3 OTHER ENTERTAINMENT	0.9787	115.4	0.9	7.2
4 EDUCATION & TRAINING	1.6085	131.2	1.6	11.8
5 MEDICAL FEES	0.9729	119.0	1.0	6.6
6 MEDICINES & DRUGS	0.5922	107.2	0.0	2.4
7 HOSPITAL CHARGES	0.1883	125.9	0.0	9.9
8 OTHER MEDICAL EXPENSES	1.3443	128.8	0.0	9.2
9 THERAPEUTIC EQUIPMENT	0.0573	110.2	0.0	2.3
10 HAIRDRESSING	1.0846	124.1	0.4	9.2
11 SHOE REPAIRS	0.0345	116.9	0.4	6.2
12 LAUNDRY & DRYCLEANING	0.1334	110.1	0.7	4.7
13 OTHER SERVICES	1.0860	126.9	0.0	13.0
14 POSTAGE	0.1352	99.3	0.0	0.0
15 TELEPHONES	1.8388	83.2	-0.1	-5.1
16 SOCIETY SUBSCRIPTION	0.5223	112.9	0.0	5.3
17 UNION SUBSCRIPTIONS	0.2626	105.2	0.1	2.7
18 TV RENTAL	0.4392	103.7	0.0	5.0
19 LICENCES	0.3871	101.6	0.0	1.6
20 ACCOMMODATION CHARGES	0.3180	115.8	-1.3	5.9
21 PACKAGE HOLIDAYS	2.9161	108.6	0.1	3.7
22 OTHER EXPENDITURE	1.1929	105.9	0.1	1.8