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### Preas Ráiteas Press Statement

## January 2012 Consumer Price Index & Introduction of Rebased Series

The Central Statistics Office today released the January 2012 Consumer Price Index (CPI) and announced that it has introduced a re-based index from January 2012. The re-basing is part of the regular updating of the weighting basis of the index and also includes the introduction of a revised basket of goods and services. The previous update was introduced in January 2007.

The purpose of updating the index is to ensure the continuing accuracy of the index. The following is a summary of the main changes which have come into effect.

#### Update of Coverage of Goods and Services:

The CSO carried out a detailed review of the items included in the CPI basket of Goods and Services. Following this, a number of items from the previous basket have been replaced to reflect current consumer spending habits. In summary, 27 new items have been introduced, 26 have been deleted and 15 new splits of existing categories have been introduced. A further 27 items have been modified with respect to definition and coverage. The net effect is, that where the previous basket of goods and services had 616 items, the new basket comprises 632 items. The main changes in the basket are outlined in Appendix A.

#### Changes to the Expenditure Profile:

The expenditure weights of the CPI goods and services have been updated based on the results of the 2009/2010 Household Budget Survey. An adjustment has been made to include expenditure by foreign tourists on goods and services in Ireland. In addition, adjustments have been made for underreporting of expenditure on Alcohol and Tobacco within the Household Budget survey and in a number of other areas. These adjustments ensure that the expenditure weights are reflective of actual consumption patterns.

The most notable changes to the new CPI Weights are the increases in the weights for Transport (+1.8 percentage points (pp) to 15.09%), Miscellaneous Goods & Services (+1.49pp to 9.92%), Health (+1.48pp to 4.63%) and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels (+1.0pp to 17.5%) and the decreases in the weights for Recreation & Culture (-2.03pp to 8.08%), Hotels & Restaurants<sup>1</sup> (-1.25pp to 14.17%), Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance (-1.20pp to 3.22%) and Alcohol & Tobacco<sup>2</sup> (-1.14pp to 4.91%). At a higher level, Services now represent 56.6% of the CPI basket compared to 52.9% in December 2006 and Goods represent 43.4%, compared 47.1% of the previous CPI basket.

The weights of the twelve COICOP divisions for the current base are outlined in Appendix B.

<sup>1</sup>Hotels & Restaurants - includes meals out/accommodation/alcohol in licensed premises

<sup>2</sup>Alcohol & Tobacco - alcohol sold in office licences/supermarkets

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**Pricing Locations:**

The pricing locations have been reviewed and a number of changes have been made, based on changes in population as reflected by the preliminary results of the 2011 Census of Population. A number of new towns have been added to replace some existing pricing locations. Within larger urban areas a number of retail areas have been changed. Also, within all locations a review of specific pricing outlets has been undertaken and where relevant changes have been made to ensure the sample includes the most popular outlets.

**Methodological changes:**

A number of methodological changes have been made as part of the rebase. The first change applies to the calculation of mortgage interest repayments. Previously, only changes in the standard variable interest rate were taken into account in the CPI. With effect from the beginning of 2012, a weighted average interest rate, covering fixed, variable and tracker mortgage interest rates is used to calculate changes in average mortgage interest repayments. In addition, a new method of tracking price changes in mobile phone usage has been introduced by pricing a number of typical consumer profiles. Bundled telecommunication services (telephone & internet services) are now included in the basket.

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## Appendix A – Changes to the basket of goods and services from January 2012

### Replacements - product replaces an already existing product (in brackets)

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| • Milk 1 litre (low fat)                 | (Milk 1 litre (full fat))                             |
| • Probiotic drinks                       | (Yoghurt drinks)                                      |
| • Lemons                                 | (Cooking apples)                                      |
| • Berries - fresh                        | (Melons)  |
| • Flavoured alcoholic drinks - take home | (Flavoured alcoholic drinks-take home (275ml bottle)) |
| • Stout - take home (50cl can)           | (Stout - take home (6 × 250ml bottles))               |
| • Baking utensil                         | (Wok)   |
| • TV small up to 26"                     | (TV small up to 24")                                  |
| • TV mid-range 32" - 42"                 | (TV large widescreen)                                 |
| • MP4 player                             | (MP3 player)  |
| • Liquid soap                            | (Toilet soap)   |
| • Sunscreen/sunblock                     | (Suntan oil/cream)                                    |

Replacements refer to:

- (a) where a product has been directly substituted by a corresponding product or  
(b) where it has been replaced by a different item.

### Additions - the new product is brought into the index in addition to the existing products

- Gluten free foods
- Fruit smoothies
- Cycling helmet
- Taps/mixer taps
- Maintenance charges in apartment blocks
- Building energy rating (BER) assessment fees
- Bathroom furniture
- Carbon monoxide detector
- Cold/flu drinks powder
- Pregnancy test kit
- Physiotherapists fees
- Bundled telephone & internet services
- Smart TVs
- MP4 docking station
- Media tablets
- Computer software
- Music downloads
- Hard drives
- Memory sticks
- Computer repairs
- Flowers/bushes/shrubs for the garden
- Other non-fiction books
- Printer paper
- Inkjet cartridge
- Mineral water (500ml) (bought in restaurants, cafes & the like)
- Home help & day care services for the elderly
- Travel insurance

### Deletions – the product has been removed from the basket

- Round steak
- Roast loin of pork
- Lamb pieces
- Collar of bacon
- Cauliflower
- Frozen sweetcorn
- Tinned spaghetti in tomato sauce

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- Ice cream cakes
- Fresh/chilled ready to eat meals - asian
- Quick soup
- Baby juices & drinks
- Fine quality wines & champagne - take home 75cl bottle
- Lager tray 12 × 330ml
- Mens overcoat
- Ladies classic court shoe
- Ladies slippers & house shoes
- Concrete blocks - solid
- Concrete blocks - hollow
- Plastic basin
- Dishwashing utensil
- DVD player/recorder
- DVD blank
- CD single
- DVD hire
- Second level boarding
- Lager draught bar - 0.5pt

### **Modifications and extensions – addition to an already existing product (in brackets)**

- |   |  |
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| • Brown wholemeal/wholegrain            | (Brown wholemeal)                          |
| • Oat based breakfast cereals           | (Oatmeal)                                  |
| • Cereal bars                           | (Cereal breakfast bars)                    |
| • Lamb - whole leg/half leg             | (Lamb - whole leg)                         |
| • Fresh salmon                          | (Fresh salmon steak)                       |
| • Olive oil                             | (Olive oil & other flavoured oils)         |
| • Cooking oil & other edible oils       | (Cooking oil)                              |
| • Sultanas & other dried fruits         | (Sultanas)                                 |
| • Nuts & edible seeds                   | (Nuts)                                     |
| • Meat extract, gravy & casserole mixes | (Meat extract & gravy mixes)               |
| • Wine - take home (75cl bottle)        | (Table wine - take home (75cl bottle))     |
| • Childrens tracksuits/separates        | (Boys tracksuits/separates)                |
| • Childrens jumpers/sweatshirts/hoodies | (Boys jumpers & sweatshirts)               |
| • Childrens pyjamas                     | (Boys pyjamas)                             |
| • Ladies low heel shoes                 | (Ladies low heel walking shoes)            |
| • Coal                                  | (Coal & anthracite)                        |
| • Briquettes                            | (Turf & briquettes)                        |
| • Continental quilt/duvet               | (Continental quilt)                        |
| • Continental quilt/duvet cover         | (Continental quilt cover)                  |
| • Electrical repairs                    | (Electrical & TV repairs)                  |
| • Spectacles & contact lenses           | (Spectacles)                               |
| • CD (R & RW) (now a separate item)     | (was under Computers & accessories)        |
| • Greeting cards (now a separate item)  | (was under Miscellaneous goods & services) |
| • Hair dryer/styler                     | (Hair dryer)                               |
| • Razor blades/cartridges               | (Razor blades)                             |
| • Nursing homes                         | (Nursing homes & nursing agencies)         |
| • Birth/marriage/death certificate fees | (Birth certificate fee)                    |

### **Combinations – combining of two already existing products (in brackets)**

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|-----------------------------|--|
| • Childrens casual jacket   | (Boys casual jacket) and (Girls casual jacket)         |
| • Childrens casual trousers | (Boys casual trousers) and (Girls casual trousers)     |
| • Childrens tops & t-shirts | (Boys tops & t-shirts) and (Girls tops)                |
| • Childrens vests           | (Boys vests & white cotton t-shirts) and (Girls vests) |
| • Childrens socks           | (Boys socks) and (Girls socks)                         |
| • Shampoo/conditioner       | (Shampoo) and (Hair conditioner)                       |

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### Renaming of an already existing product (in brackets)

- Mineral water - large bottle (Mineral bottled water)
- Dress hire - morning & evening suits (Dress hire)
- Natural gas (Piped gas)
- Home heating oil (Fuel oil)
- Telephone services - landline (Telephone - private)
- Telephone services - mobile (Telephones - mobile)
- Veterinary services & animal care (Veterinary services)
- Private primary fees (Private primary)
- Private second level day fees (Second level day)
- Third level accommodation (Third level maintenance)

### Splits – splits of an already existing product (in brackets)

- Plumbers services (House maintenance services)
- Electricians services (House maintenance services)
- Services for maintenance of heating systems (House maintenance services)
- Painters services (House maintenance services)
- Carpenters services (House maintenance services)
- Other house maintenance services (House maintenance services)
- Gardeners services (Domestic services)
- Carpet cleaning services (Domestic services)
- Other domestic & household services (Domestic services)
- Hearing aids (Therapeutic equipment)
- Other therapeutic appliances & equipment (Therapeutic equipment)
- General practitioners fees (Doctors fees)
- Specialist fees (Doctors fees)
- Car maintenance (Car maintenance)
- National car test (NCT) (Car maintenance)
- Computers (Computers & accessories)
- Computer accessories (Computers & accessories)
- Water sports equipment (Sports & recreation goods)
- Sport & recreation goods (Sports & recreation goods)
- Equipment for camping & open-air recreation (Sports & recreation goods)
- Theatres & concerts (Cultural & other admittance)
- Museums, libraries & zoological gardens (Cultural & other admittance)
- Rail catering (Canteens)
- Canteens (Canteens)

## Appendix B: COICOP percentage expenditure weights and constituent item headings priced

<u>COICOP Headings December 2011</u>	<u>December 2011 % Expenditure weights</u>	<u>Item Heading</u>
<b>01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages</b>	<b>11.3659</b>	
<b>01.1 Food</b>	<b>10.2532</b>	
<b>01.1.1 Bread and cereals</b>	<b>1.9822</b>	
Rice	0.0539	(1) Rice
Flours and other cereals	0.0673	(1) Flour - white self-raising (2) Flour - brown wholemeal
Bread	0.6588	(1) White sliced pan large (800g) (2) Brown sliced pan large (800g) (3) Brown wholemeal/wholegrain (4) French baguette (5) Specialised breads
Other bakery products	0.6163	(1) Cream crackers & other cheese biscuits (2) Plain biscuits (3) Chocolate biscuits (4) Other sweet biscuits (5) Fruit cake (6) Swiss rolls & chocolate logs (7) Other small cakes & buns (8) Large fresh cakes or fruit pies/tarts
Pizza and quiche	0.1505	(1) Pizza
Pasta products and couscous	0.1060	(1) Noodles (2) Spaghetti (3) Pasta
Breakfast cereals	0.2819	(1) Cornflakes (2) Wheat based breakfast cereals (3) Muesli (4) Children's sugar/chocolate cereals (5) Oat based breakfast cereals
Other cereal products	0.0475	(1) Bread & cake mixes (2) Cereal bars
<b>01.1.2 Meat</b>	<b>2.4233</b>	
Beef and veal	0.4170	(1) Sirloin steak (2) Striploin steak (3) Roast beef - topside/rib (4) Sliced/diced beef pieces
Pork	0.1458	(1) Pork - loin chops (2) Pork steak
Lamb and goat	0.1414	(1) Lamb - whole leg/half leg (2) Lamb - loin chops (3) Lamb - gigot chops
Poultry	0.4599	(1) Chicken - uncooked, medium size (2) Chicken breast fillet (3) Other poultry
Edible offal	0.0065	(1) Lamb's liver
Dried, salted or smoked meat	0.8656	(1) Ham fillet (2) Cooked ham (3) Other cooked meats (4) Best back rashers (5) Pork sausages (6) Black/white pudding
Other meat preparations	0.3871	(1) Minced beef (2) Chicken - cooked whole (3) Chicken - prepared fillets (4) Frozen beef burgers (5) Frozen chicken products

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<u>COICOP Headings December 2011</u>	<u>December 2011 % Expenditure weights</u>	<u>Item Heading</u>
<b>01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages - contd.</b>		
<b>01.1.3 Fish</b>	<b>0.3220</b>	
Fresh or chilled fish	0.1249	(1) Fresh fillet of whiting (2) Fresh fillet of cod (3) Fresh salmon (4) Fresh fillet of plaice
Frozen fish	0.0491	(1) Frozen fish fillets
Fresh or chilled seafood	0.0374	(1) Fresh/chilled shellfish
Dried, smoked or salted fish and seafood	0.0365	(1) Smoked fish fillets (2) Smoked salmon
Other preserved or processed fish and seafood-based preparations	0.0740	(1) Frozen fish fingers (2) Tinned salmon (3) Tinned tuna
<b>01.1.4 Milk, cheese and eggs</b>	<b>1.4569</b>	
Fresh whole milk	0.4250	(1) Milk 2 litre (full fat)
Fresh low fat milk	0.1589	(1) Milk 1 litre (low fat)
Yoghurt	0.2535	(1) Yoghurt (2) Yoghurt products - childrens
Cheese and curd	0.3347	(1) Cheese - processed (2) Irish cheddar cheese (3) Cheese - foreign (4) Cheese products
Other milk products	0.1326	(1) Fresh cream (2) Probiotic drinks
Eggs	0.1522	(1) Eggs - medium (half dozen) (2) Eggs - large (half dozen)
<b>01.1.5 Oils and fats</b>	<b>0.2885</b>	
Butter	0.1293	(1) Butter (2) Butter - spreadable
Margarine and other vegetable fats	0.0921	(1) Margarine (2) Low fat spreads
Olive oil	0.0260	(1) Olive oil
Other edible oils	0.0410	(1) Cooking oil & other edible oils
<b>01.1.6 Fruit</b>	<b>0.7447</b>	
Fresh or chilled fruit	0.6216	(1) Lemons (2) Apples - eating (3) Oranges, satsumas, mandarins, clementines (4) Grapes (5) Bananas (6) Kiwi (7) Berries - fresh
Dried fruit and nuts	0.1045	(1) Sultanas & other dried fruits (2) Nuts & edible seeds
Preserved fruit and fruit-based products	0.0186	(1) Tinned fruit
<b>01.1.7 Vegetables</b>	<b>1.3874</b>	
Fresh or chilled vegetables other than potatoes and other tubers	0.5944	(1) Tomatoes (2) Cabbage (3) Broccoli (4) Carrots (5) Peppers (6) Lettuce (7) Onions (8) Mushrooms (9) Garlic

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<b>01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages - contd.</b>		
Frozen vegetables other than potatoes and other tubers	0.0358	(1) Frozen peas (2) Frozen mixed vegetables
Dried vegetables, other preserved or processed vegetables	0.2517	(1) Tinned peas (2) Tinned baked beans (3) Tinned tomatoes (4) Prepared packaged vegetables (5) Prepared green salads (6) Coleslaw & other mixed salads (7) Vegetarian meals/products
Potatoes	0.3055	(1) Potatoes 2.5kg (2) Potatoes 10kg (3) Frozen chips/french fries (4) Other frozen potato products
Crisps	0.2000	(1) Potato crisps (2) Premium quality snacks
<b>01.1.8 Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery</b>	<b>0.7966</b>	
Sugar	0.0732	(1) Sugar - white granulated
Jams, marmalades and honey	0.0887	(1) Jam (2) Marmalade (3) Honey
Chocolate	0.3401	(1) Box of chocolates (2) Multi pack/fun size chocolate (3) Chocolate bar
Confectionery products	0.1428	(1) Packet of sweets (2) Chewing gum
Edible ices and ice cream	0.1458	(1) Ice cream (2) Other ice cream products
Artificial sugar substitutes	0.0060	(1) Artificial sweeteners
<b>01.1.9 Food products n.e.c.</b>	<b>0.8516</b>	
Sauces and condiments	0.2290	(1) Pasta meal sauces (2) Ready mix sauces (3) Oriental stir fry sauces & mixtures (4) Ketchup (5) Relishes, dressings & other sauces (6) Mayonnaise (7) Mustard (8) Vinegar
Salt, spices and culinary herbs	0.0405	(1) Salt (2) Black/white pepper (3) Mixed herbs & spices
Baby food	0.1008	(1) Baby milk compound (2) Baby biscuits/rice cakes (3) Tin/jar/packet of baby food
Ready-made meals	0.2525	(1) Fresh/chilled ready to eat meals - European (2) Frozen meals - Indian/Chinese (3) Frozen meals - European (4) Prepared desserts - ready to eat (5) Convenience chilled foods (6) Hot deli foods (7) Other world cuisine
Other food products n.e.c.	0.2289	(1) Meat extract, gravy & casserole mixes (2) Garlic bread (3) Tinned, pouches, cartons fresh soup (4) Dried soup (5) Custard (6) Gluten free foods



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<b>01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages - contd.</b>		
<b>01.2 Non-alcoholic beverages</b>	<b>1.1127</b>	
<b>01.2.1 Coffee, tea and cocoa</b>	<b>0.2301</b>	
Coffee	0.0963	(1) Coffee - instant (2) Coffee - filter
Tea	0.1217	(1) Specialised teas (2) Tea - bags
Cocoa and powdered chocolate	0.0120	(1) Cocoa/drinking chocolate
<b>01.2.2 Mineral waters, soft drinks, fruit and vegetable juices</b>	<b>0.8826</b>	
Mineral or spring waters	0.1256	(1) Mineral water - large bottle
Soft drinks	0.5246	(1) Soft drink - can/small bottle (2) Soft drink - large bottle (3) Energy drinks
Fruit and vegetable juices	0.2324	(1) Concentrated squash (2) Orange juice (3) Other fruit juices (4) Children's fruit juices (5) Fruit smoothies
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<b>02 Alcoholic beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>4.9084</b>	
<b>02.1 Alcoholic beverages</b>	<b>2.2629</b>	
<b>02.1.1 Spirits</b>	<b>0.3509</b>	(1) Whiskey - take home (70cl bottle) (2) Brandy - take home (70cl bottle) (3) Vodka - take home (70cl bottle) (4) Cream liqueur - take home (70cl bottle) (5) Flavoured alcoholic drinks - take home
<b>02.1.2 Wine</b>	<b>1.0529</b>	(1) Wine - take home (75cl bottle) (2) Cider - take home (50cl can) (3) Sherry - take home (75cl bottle)
<b>02.1.3 Beer</b>	<b>0.8591</b>	(1) Lager - take home (50cl can) (2) Multi pack beer - take home (bottles) (3) Stout - take home (50cl can)
<b>02.2 Tobacco</b>	<b>2.6455</b>	
Cigarettes	2.5150	(1) Cigarettes - filtered
Other tobacco products	0.1304	(1) Cigars (2) Tobacco - flake

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<b>03 Clothing and footwear</b>	<b>5.2025</b>	
<b>03.1 Clothing</b>	<b>4.1220</b>	
<b>03.1.2 Garments</b>	<b>3.8776</b>	(1) Mens casual overjacket/rain jacket (2) Mens 2-piece suit (3) Mens sports jacket & blazer (4) Mens casual trousers (5) Mens formal trousers (6) Mens jumpers & pullovers (7) Mens tops & t-shirts (8) Mens formal shirts (9) Mens casual shirts (10) Mens underwear (11) Mens vests & white cotton t-shirts (12) Mens pyjamas (13) Mens socks (14) Mens fleeces & similar type jackets (15) Mens tracksuits/separates (16) Mens sweatshirts/rugby shirts (17) Mens replica sports jersey (18) Ladies casual overjacket/rain coat (19) Ladies overcoat (20) Ladies 2-piece suit (21) Ladies blazer & jacket (22) Ladies dress - formal or informal (23) Ladies jeans & casual trousers (24) Ladies formal trousers (25) Ladies skirt (26) Ladies blouse (27) Ladies knitwear (28) Ladies tops (29) Ladies knickers & panties (30) Ladies body shapers (31) Ladies bras (32) Ladies nightdresses & pyjamas (33) Ladies tights & stockings (34) Ladies swimwear (35) Ladies leisure suits (36) Childrens casual jacket (37) Childrens tracksuits/separates (38) Childrens casual trousers (39) Childrens jumpers/sweatshirts/hoodies (40) Boys shirts - non-school (41) Childrens tops & t-shirts (42) Girls skirt (43) Childrens vests (44) Childrens pyjamas (45) Childrens socks (46) School uniforms (47) Babies sleep suits/babygros (48) Toddlers outfit
<b>03.1.3 Other articles of clothing and clothing accessories</b>	<b>0.1634</b>	(1) Neck tie (2) Men's clothing accessories (3) Ladies clothing accessories (4) Cycling helmet (5) Sewing accessories

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<b>03 Clothing and footwear - contd.</b>		
<b>03.1.4 Cleaning, repair and hire of clothing</b>	<b>0.0810</b>	
Dry cleaning and laundry	0.0628	(1) Dry cleaning - man's suit (2) Dry cleaning - ladies jacket (3) Dry cleaning - ladies trousers (4) Laundry
Dress hire and repair of clothing	0.0182	(1) Alteration to trousers (2) Dress hire - morning & evening suits
<b>03.2 Footwear</b>	<b>1.0806</b>	
<b>03.2.1 Shoes and other footwear</b>	<b>1.0713</b>	(1) Mens formal leather shoes (2) Mens dressy casual shoes (3) Mens boots - casual/hiking (4) Mens trainers & runners (5) Ladies low heel shoes (6) Ladies fashion shoes (7) Ladies boots (8) Ladies sandals (9) Boys shoes (10) Girls shoes (11) Children's trainers & runners
<b>03.2.2 Repair and hire of footwear</b>	<b>0.0092</b>	(1) Mens shoe repairs (2) Ladies shoe repairs
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<b>04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	<b>17.4761</b>	
<b>04.1/04.2 Actual rentals for housing and imputed rentals for housing</b>	<b>10.6732</b>	
<b>04.1.1 Actual rentals paid by tenants (rents)</b>	<b>5.0040</b>	
Private rents	4.3536	(1) Private rents
Local authority rents	0.6504	(1) Local authority rents
<b>04.2.1 Imputed rentals of owner-occupiers (mortgage interest)</b>	<b>5.6692</b>	(1) Mortgage interest
<b>04.3 Maintenance and repair of the dwelling</b>	<b>0.8747</b>	
<b>04.3.1 Materials for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling</b>	<b>0.3444</b>	(1) Floor tiles (2) Paint (3) Paint brush (4) Paint roller (5) White spirit (6) Varnish (7) DIY household maintenance products (8) Taps/mixer taps (9) Building materials
<b>04.3.2 Services for the maintenance and repair of the dwelling</b>	<b>0.5303</b>	(1) Plumbers services (2) Electricians services (3) Services for maintenance of heating systems (4) Painters services (5) Carpenters services (6) Other house maintenance services (i) Services for maintenance of burglar alarms (ii) Locksmiths services
<b>04.4 Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling</b>	<b>0.6260</b>	
<b>04.4.2 Refuse collection</b>	<b>0.4375</b>	(1) Refuse collection

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<b>04 Housing, water, electricity, gas &amp; other fuels - contd.</b>		
<b>04.4.4 Other services relating to the dwelling n.e.c.</b>	<b>0.1885</b>	(1) Maintenance charges in apartment blocks (2) Chimney sweep (3) Building energy rating (BER) assessment fees
<b>04.5 Electricity, gas and other fuels</b>	<b>5.3022</b>	
<b>04.5.1 Electricity</b>	<b>2.3386</b>	(1) Electricity
<b>04.5.2 Gas</b>	<b>1.1810</b>	
Natural gas	1.1215	(1) Natural gas
Bottled gas	0.0595	(1) Bottled gas
<b>04.5.3 Liquid fuels</b>	<b>1.3076</b>	(1) Home heating oil
<b>04.5.4 Solid fuels</b>	<b>0.4751</b>	(1) Coal (2) Briquettes (3) Firelighters (4) Fire handy packs
<b>05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance</b>	<b>3.2196</b>	
<b>05.1 Furniture and furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings</b>	<b>0.6557</b>	
<b>05.1.1 Furniture and furnishings</b>	<b>0.6086</b>	(1) Lounge suite (2) Single armchair (3) Bed (4) Mattress (5) Bedroom furniture (6) Dining table (7) Dining chair (8) Kitchen units (9) Bathroom furniture (10) Garden furniture (11) Lamps (12) Children's furniture (13) Computer & office furniture (14) Decorative home accessory (15) Cushions
<b>05.1.2 Carpets and other floor coverings</b>	<b>0.0471</b>	(1) Carpet (2) Vinyl floor covering (3) Wooden flooring
<b>05.2 Household textiles</b>	<b>0.2946</b>	(1) Curtains readymade (2) Continental quilt/duvet (3) Continental quilt/duvet cover (4) Pillow (5) Pillow case (6) Sheet (7) Throws & other spreads (8) Bath towel (9) Tea towel

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<b>05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance - contd.</b>		
<b>05.3 Household appliances</b>	<b>0.4648</b>	
<b>05.3.1 Major household appliances whether electric or not</b>	<b>0.3618</b>	(1) Fridge freezer (2) Deep freeze (3) Dishwasher (4) Washing machine (5) Tumble dryer (6) Electric cooker (7) Gas cooker (8) Microwave oven (9) Electric heater (10) Vacuum cleaner
<b>05.3.2 Small electrical household appliances</b>	<b>0.0690</b>	(1) Food processor/blender/smoothie maker (2) Kettle (3) Coffee maker (4) Iron (5) Toaster (6) Health grill - electric (7) Deep fat fryer (8) Baby monitor
<b>05.3.3 Repair of household appliances</b>	<b>0.0340</b>	(1) Electrical repairs
<b>05.4 Glassware, tableware and household utensils</b>	<b>0.2302</b>	(1) Coffee mug (2) Crockery combi service set (3) Glass tumbler (4) Wine glass (5) Casserole dish (6) Salt & pepper set (7) Cutlery set (8) Carving knife (9) Bottle opener (10) Saucepan (11) Frying pan (12) Baking utensil (13) Tea pot (14) Kitchen utensil (15) Baking & roasting tins (16) Chopping board (17) Dustbin (18) Ironing board (19) Bathroom accessories
<b>05.5 Tools and equipment for house and garden</b>	<b>0.3778</b>	
<b>05.5.1 Major tools and equipment</b>	<b>0.0945</b>	(1) Lawnmower (2) Power drill (3) Other DIY power tools (4) Other outdoor power tools (5) Tool hire
<b>05.5.2 Small tools and miscellaneous accessories</b>	<b>0.2832</b>	(1) Garden implement (2) Hammer (3) Screw driver (4) Ladders & steps (5) Battery (6) Light bulb (7) Electrical accessory (8) Flashlight (9) Clothes line (10) Smoke alarm (11) Carbon monoxide detector

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<b>05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance - contd.</b>		
<b>05.6 Goods and services for routine household maintenance</b>	<b>1.1965</b>	
<b>05.6.1 Non-durable household goods</b>	<b>0.7091</b>	(1) Automatic washing powder/liquid (2) Fabric conditioner (3) Washing-up liquid (4) Dishwasher detergent (5) Household cleaning products (6) Bathroom cleaning products (7) Disinfectant (8) Air freshener (9) Other cleaning materials (10) Shoe polish or liquid (11) Rubber gloves (12) Sweeping brush (13) Household mop (14) Kitchen paper (15) Tin foil (16) Cling film (17) Matches (18) Plastic rubbish bags (19) Food & sandwich bags (20) Shopping bags
<b>05.6.2 Domestic services and household services</b>	<b>0.4874</b>	(1) Gardeners services (2) Carpet cleaning services (3) Other domestic & household services (i) Cleaners services (ii) Window cleaners services
<b>06 Health</b>		
<b>06.1 Medical products, appliances and equipment</b>	<b>1.0656</b>	
<b>06.1.1 Pharmaceutical products</b>	<b>0.8196</b>	
Prescribed drugs	0.2203	(1) Prescribed drugs (oral) (2) Prescribed drugs (non-oral)
Other medicines	0.5993	(1) Vitamins & other supplements (2) Pain reliever (3) Antacid (4) Cough mixture (5) Cold/flu drinks powder
<b>06.1.2 Other medical products</b>	<b>0.0717</b>	(1) Condoms (2) Pregnancy test kit (3) Petroleum jelly (4) Disinfectant - first aid (5) Adhesive dressing
<b>06.1.3 Therapeutic appliances and equipment</b>	<b>0.1743</b>	(1) Spectacles & contact lenses (2) Hearing aids (3) Dentures (4) Other therapeutic appliances & equipment

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<b>06 Health - contd.</b>		
<b>06.2 Out-patient services</b>	<b>1.4654</b>	
<b>06.2.1/3 Medical and paramedical services</b>	<b>0.9919</b>	
Doctors fees	0.8224	(1) General practitioners fees (2) Specialist fees (3) Opticians fees
Other medical and paramedical services	0.1695	(1) Alternative & complementary medicine (i) Homeopath fees (ii) Chiropractor fees (iii) Acupuncturist fees (2) Physiotherapists fees
<b>06.2.2 Dental services</b>	<b>0.4735</b>	(1) Dentists fees
<b>06.3 Hospital services</b>	<b>2.0978</b>	(1) Hospital charges
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<b>07 Transport</b>	<b>15.0878</b>	
<b>07.1 Purchase of vehicles</b>	<b>3.4252</b>	
<b>07.1.1 Motor cars</b>	<b>3.3599</b>	(1) Motor cars (new) (2) Motor cars (second hand)
<b>07.1.2 Motor cycles</b>	<b>0.0207</b>	(1) Motor cycles
<b>07.1.3 Bicycles</b>	<b>0.0446</b>	(1) Adult's bicycle (2) Children's bicycle
<b>07.2 Operation of personal transport equipment</b>	<b>8.7038</b>	
<b>07.2.1 Spare parts and accessories for personal transport equipment</b>	<b>0.4224</b>	(1) Motor car tyres (2) Other motor car parts
<b>07.2.2 Fuels and lubricants for personal transport equipment</b>	<b>6.0586</b>	
Petrol	4.1392	(1) Petrol
Diesel	1.8941	(1) Diesel
Motor oil	0.0253	(1) Motor oil
<b>07.2.3 Maintenance and repair of personal transport equipment</b>	<b>0.6427</b>	(1) Car wash (2) Car maintenance (3) Puncture repair
<b>07.2.4 Other services in respect of personal transport equipment</b>	<b>1.5801</b>	
Motor tax	1.1689	(1) Motor tax - motor cycle (2) Motor tax - car
Other vehicle costs	0.4112	(1) Car rental (2) Parking fees (3) Toll charges (4) Other vehicle costs (5) Driving lessons (6) Driving test fees (7) Driving licences (8) National car test (NCT)
<b>07.3 Transport services</b>	<b>2.9588</b>	
<b>07.3.1 Passenger transport by railway</b>	<b>0.2374</b>	(1) Rail fares
<b>07.3.2 Passenger transport by road</b>	<b>1.0393</b>	
Bus fares	0.6481	(1) Bus fares (2) School transport
Taxi fares	0.3913	(1) Taxi fares

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<b>07 Transport - contd.</b>		
<b>07.3.3 Passenger transport by air</b>	<b>1.5479</b>	(1) Air fares
<b>07.3.4 Passenger transport by sea and inland waterway</b>	<b>0.0911</b>	(1) Boat fares
<b>07.3.5 Combined passenger transport</b>	<b>0.0262</b>	(1) Commuter tickets
<b>07.3.6 Other purchased transport services</b>	<b>0.0169</b>	(1) Furniture removal
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<b>08 Communications</b>	<b>3.4870</b>	
<b>08.1 Postal services</b>	<b>0.1020</b>	(1) Postage
<b>08.2/3.0 Telephone and telefax equipment and telephone and telefax services</b>	<b>3.3851</b>	(1) Telephone equipment (2) Telephone services - landline (3) Telephone services - mobile (4) Internet services (5) Bundled telephone & internet services
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<b>09 Recreation and culture</b>	<b>8.0753</b>	
<b>09.1 Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment</b>	<b>0.9117</b>	
<b>09.1.1 Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures</b>	<b>0.3557</b>	(1) Clock radio (2) Midi system (3) Home cinema surround sound system (4) TV small up to 26" (5) TV mid-range 32" - 42" (6) Smart TVs (7) MP4 player (8) MP4 docking station (9) Media tablets
<b>09.1.2 Photographic and cinematographic equipment and optical instruments</b>	<b>0.0730</b>	(1) Digital camera (2) Camera - disposable (3) Camcorder
<b>09.1.3 Information processing equipment</b>	<b>0.2332</b>	(1) Computers (2) Computer accessories (3) Computer software
<b>09.1.4 Recording media</b>	<b>0.2226</b>	(1) DVD pre-recorded (2) CD album (3) Music downloads (4) CD (R & RW) (5) Film or memory card (6) Hard drives (7) Memory sticks
<b>09.1.5 Repair of audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment</b>	<b>0.0272</b>	(1) Computer repairs
<b>09.2 Other major durables for recreation and culture</b>	<b>0.0877</b>	
<b>09.2.1/2 Major durables for indoor and outdoor recreation including musical instruments</b>	<b>0.0877</b>	(1) Water sports equipment (2) Musical instruments



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<b>09 Recreation and culture - contd.</b>		
<b>09.3 Other recreational items and equipment, gardens and pets</b>	<b>1.5920</b>	
<b>09.3.1 Games, toys and hobbies</b>	<b>0.5381</b>	(1) Computer games console (2) Computer game (3) Group game (4) Child's doll (5) Model car/tractor/lorry (6) Lego & building blocks (7) Educational toy (8) Soft cuddly toy (9) Motorised toy
<b>09.3.2 Equipment for sport, camping and open-air recreation</b>	<b>0.2171</b>	(1) Sport & recreation goods (2) Equipment for camping & open-air recreation
<b>09.3.3 Gardens, plants and flowers</b>	<b>0.3855</b>	(1) Flower pot (2) Soil, peat & fertiliser (3) Weed killer (4) Cut flowers (5) Flowers/bushes/shrubs for the garden
<b>09.3.4/5 Pets and related products including veterinary and other services for pets</b>	<b>0.4513</b>	(1) Pet food (2) Veterinary services & animal care
<b>09.4 Recreational and cultural services</b>	<b>3.3520</b>	
<b>09.4.1 Recreational and sporting services</b>	<b>1.0343</b>	
Sports admittance	0.1294	(1) Sports admittance
Sports participation	0.2454	(1) Sports participation
Club and society subscriptions	0.6594	(1) Club & society subscriptions
<b>09.4.2 Cultural services</b>	<b>2.3178</b>	
Cinema	0.2079	(1) Cinema
Nightclubs	0.1392	(1) Nightclubs
Cultural admittance	0.4331	(1) Theatres & concerts (2) Museums, libraries & zoological gardens
Television services	1.4452	(1) Cable & satellite TV services (2) TV licence
Other entertainment	0.0925	(1) Library charges (2) Passport photo (3) Digital photo printing (4) Photo development
<b>09.5 Newspapers, books and stationery</b>	<b>1.4578</b>	
<b>09.5.1 Books</b>	<b>0.3956</b>	(1) Infant books (2) Paperback books (3) Text books (4) Other non-fiction books
<b>09.5.2 Newspapers and periodicals</b>	<b>0.7132</b>	(1) Newspapers (2) Comics (3) Magazines

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<b>09 Recreation and culture - contd.</b>		
<b>09.5.3/4 Miscellaneous printed matter and stationery and drawing materials</b>	<b>0.3490</b>	(1) Greeting cards (2) School copybook (3) Envelopes (4) Refill pad (5) Printer paper (6) Sellotape (7) Lead pencil (8) Ballpoint pen (9) Markers & crayons (10) Other stationery (11) Inkjet cartridge
<b>09.6 Package holidays</b>	<b>0.6740</b>	(1) Package holidays
<b>10 Education</b>		
<b>10.1 Pre-primary and primary education</b>	<b>0.1483</b>	(1) Playschools (2) Private primary fees
<b>10.2 Secondary education</b>	<b>0.3784</b>	(1) Private second level day fees
<b>10.4 Tertiary education</b>	<b>1.5687</b>	(1) Third level tuition (2) Third level accommodation
<b>10.5 Education not definable by level</b>	<b>0.3657</b>	(1) Other education & training (2) Examination fees
<b>11 Restaurants and hotels</b>		
<b>11.1 Catering services</b>	<b>12.2965</b>	
<b>11.1.1 Restaurants, cafes and the like</b>	<b>11.4857</b>	
Licensed premises	6.4942	
Spirits	1.5787	(1) Whiskey - bar (2) Brandy - bar (3) Vodka - bar (4) Flavoured alcoholic drinks - bar
Wine	1.0311	(1) Wine - bar (small bottle) (2) Cider bottle - bar (3) Cider draught - bar (1pt)
Beer	3.5869	(1) Lager bottle - bar (2) Lager draught - bar (1pt) (3) Ale draught - bar (1pt) (4) Stout draught - bar (1pt)
Soft drinks and mineral water	0.2975	(1) Mineral - bar (2) Mixer - bar
Restaurants, cafes, fast food and take-away food	4.9915	(1) Lunch (2) Dinner (3) Meal in ethnic restaurant (4) Chips - small single (5) Fast food meal (6) Take-away meal (7) Tea/coffee - eat-in (8) Tea/coffee - take-away (9) Sandwich/wrap/roll/bagel - eat-in (10) Sandwich/wrap/roll/bagel - take-away (11) Mineral water (500ml) (12) Rail catering

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<b>11 Restaurants and hotels - contd.</b>		
<b>11.1.2 Canteens</b>	<b>0.8107</b>	(1) Canteens
<b>11.2 Accommodation services</b>	<b>1.8756</b>	(1) Guesthouses & B&B's (2) Hotels (3) Hostels
<b>12 Miscellaneous goods and services</b>		
<b>12.1 Personal care</b>	<b>2.3298</b>	
<b>12.1.1 Hairdressing salons and personal grooming establishments</b>	<b>0.8177</b>	
Hairdressing	0.6195	(1) Gents - dry haircut (2) Gents - wash, cut & blowdry (3) Ladies - shampoo & set (4) Ladies - wash, cut & blowdry (5) Ladies - perm/bodywave (6) Ladies - hair colour & highlights
Health and beauty treatments	0.1850	(1) Health & beauty treatments
Other personal grooming	0.0133	(1) Ear piercing
<b>12.1.2 Electric appliances for personal care</b>	<b>0.0222</b>	(1) Electric razor (2) Hair dryer/styler
<b>12.1.3 Other appliances, articles and products for personal care</b>	<b>1.4898</b>	
Hygiene products	0.3136	(1) Toilet paper (2) Liquid soap (3) Shower gel (4) Toothpaste (5) Dental floss (6) Mouth wash
Hair products	0.1779	(1) Shampoo/conditioner (2) Hair gel (3) Hair colour (4) Hairspray
Cosmetic and skincare products	0.6411	(1) Shaving foam (2) Baby powder (3) Deodorant (4) Sunscreen/sunblock (5) Self-tanning products (6) Cleansing cream/wipes (7) Moisturiser (8) Hand cream (9) Perfume (10) Aftershave (11) Lipstick (12) Foundation - make-up (13) Mascara
Toilet accessories	0.3573	(1) Toothbrush (2) Razor blades/cartridges (3) Disposable nappies (4) Baby wipes (5) Tampons (6) Sanitary towel/pads (7) Tissues (8) Cotton wool
<b>12.3 Personal effects n.e.c.</b>	<b>0.5864</b>	
<b>12.3.1 Jewellery, clocks and watches</b>	<b>0.3539</b>	(1) Jewellery (2) Wrist watch (3) Clock

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<b>12 Miscellaneous goods and services - contd.</b>		
<b>12.3.2 Other personal effects</b>	<b>0.2325</b>	(1) Suitcase (2) Ladies handbag (3) Wallet (4) Baby's carriage (5) Baby/child's seat (6) Cigarette lighter (7) Umbrella (8) Sunglasses (9) Giftware/souvenir
<b>12.4 Social protection</b>	<b>0.9666</b>	
Childcare	0.7855	(1) Childcare
Other social protection	0.1810	(1) Nursing homes (2) Home help & day care services for the elderly
<b>12.5 Insurance</b>	<b>5.4346</b>	
<b>12.5.2 Insurance connected with the dwelling</b>	<b>0.8686</b>	(1) House insurance - contents (service) (2) House insurance - contents (non-service) (3) House insurance - dwelling
<b>12.5.3 Insurance connected with health</b>	<b>2.8695</b>	(1) Health insurance
<b>12.5.4 Insurance connected with transport</b>	<b>1.6965</b>	
Motor insurance	1.6780	
Motor cycle insurance	0.0143	(1) Motor cycle insurance
Motor car insurance	1.6638	(1) Motor car insurance (service) (2) Motor car insurance (non-service)
Travel insurance	0.0184	(1) Travel insurance
<b>12.6 Financial services</b>	<b>0.1226</b>	(1) Financial services
<b>12.7 Other services n.e.c.</b>	<b>0.4753</b>	(1) Passport fees (2) Birth/death/marriage certificate fees (3) Other licences (4) Professional & legal services (i) <i>Engineers/surveyors fees</i> (ii) <i>Estate agents fees</i> (iii) <i>Solicitors fees</i> (5) Funeral services (6) Union subscriptions (7) Newspaper advertisements (8) Weddings (9) Miscellaneous goods & services