

**Federal Republic of Somalia**  
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# **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

**September 2019**



## Executive Summary

The All Groups CPI was 116.07 in the month of September 2019, compared with 115.41 in the month of August 2019.

The monthly change, September 2019 compared to August 2019, was an increase of 0.57 percent. This is compared to a monthly decrease of -0.81 percent in the previous month of August 2019. There were no significant monthly price increases during the month of September.

Over the twelve months to the month of September 2019 (inflation rate), the All Groups CPI decreased 5.17 percent, compared with 5.80 percent over the twelve months to the month of August 2019.

**Table 1: Inflation rate according to CPI; September 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)**

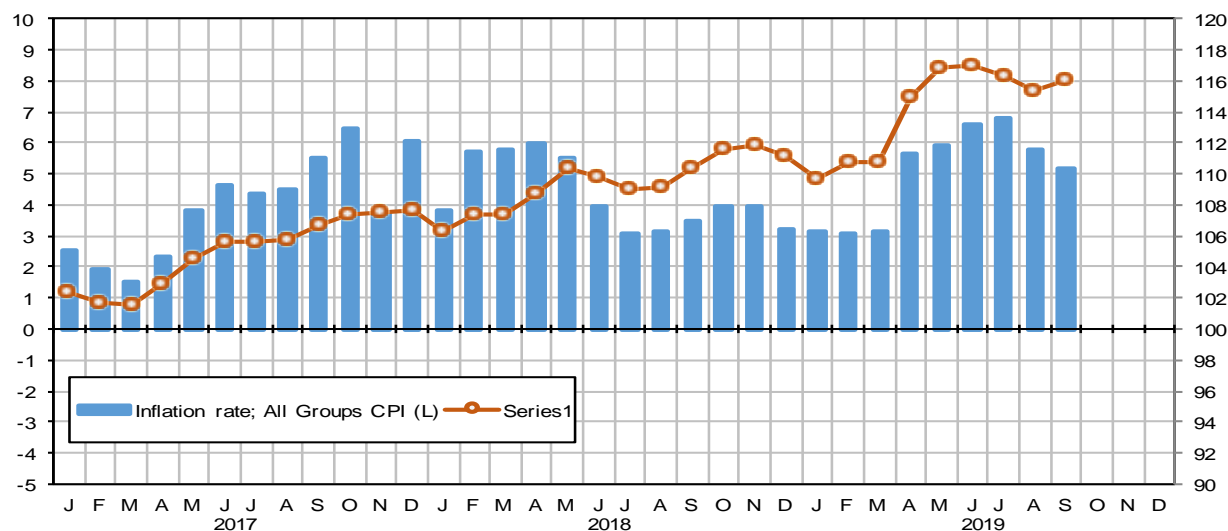
Consumer Price Index, September 2019	
Index (current month)	116.07
Index (previous month)	115.41
Index (previous year, same month)	110.36
Monthly % change	0.57%
Annual % change (inflation rate)	5.17%

### Inflation rate according to CPI

Percent change over twelve months

### CPI Index

Index = 100 @ December 2014



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

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## Consumer Price Index (CPI) September 2019

### General Inflation rate: All Groups CPI, September 2019

The rate of inflation for September 2019 is the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) over the twelve-month period, from September 2018 to September 2019.

The **All Groups CPI** decreased 5.17 percent over the twelve months to September 2019 compared to 5.80 percent over the twelve months to August 2019.

The **All Groups CPI** monthly change for September 2019 was an increase of 0.57 percent. This is compared to a decrease of -0.81 percent recorded for August 2019.

### General Inflation rate: Selected Groups, September 2019

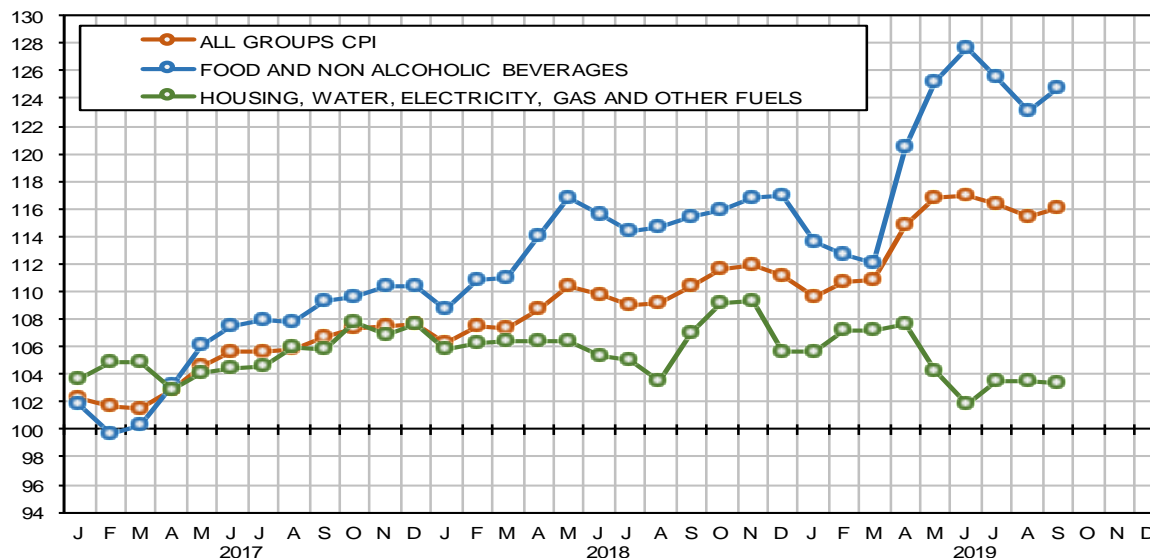
The rate of inflation for **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** and **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas** are the most significant items in the consumer basket in terms of expenditure and have the largest weighted influence on the **All Groups CPI**.

**Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** experienced a monthly increase of 1.38 percent. This was due to increases in prices of some foodstuffs. As a result, the year on year inflation increased to 8.12 percent in September 2019. This is compared to the year on year inflation of 7.23 percent experienced in August 2019.

**Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas** experienced a monthly decrease to -0.14 percent. The year on year inflation decreased to -3.39 percent in September 2019. This is compared to the year on year inflation of -0.08 percent experienced in August 2019.

## All Groups CPI and Selected Groups

Index = 100 @ December 2014

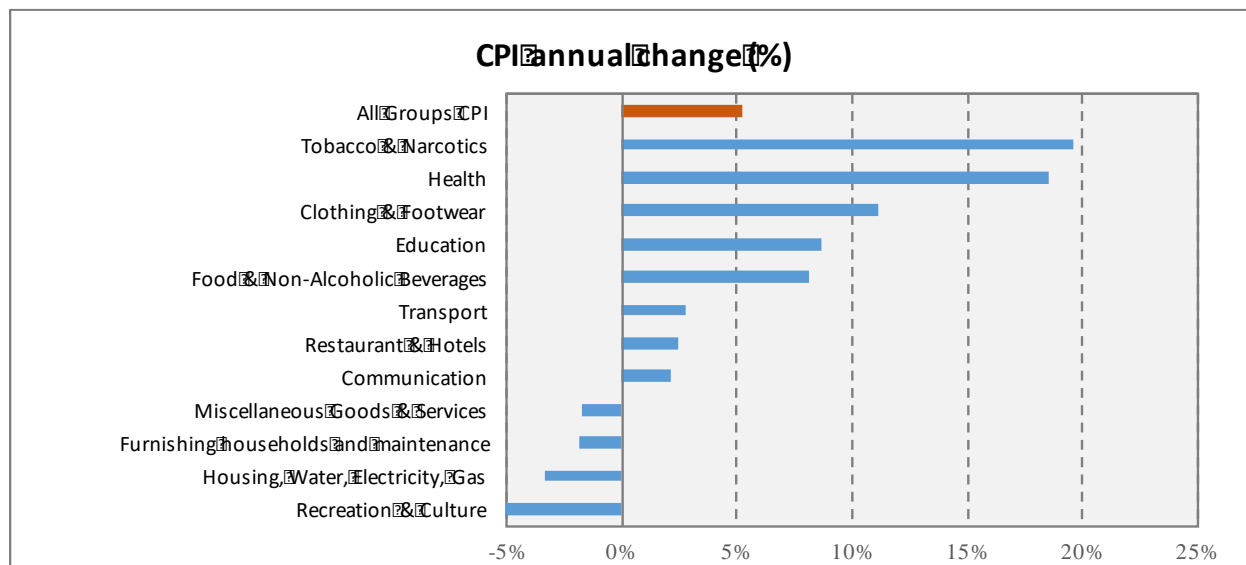


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## A. Major contributions of the different groups to the annual percentage change in the CPI

Chart 1: CPI indices, Annual inflation rate by all groups; September 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)



### Major contributions (positive):

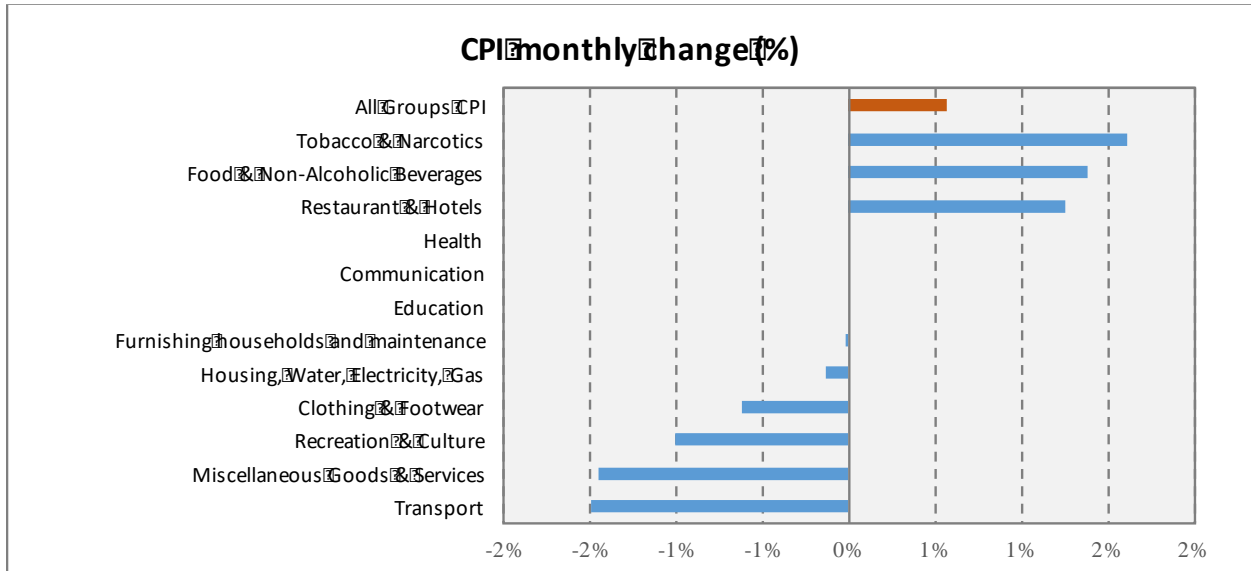
- **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** increased 8.12 percent over the 12-months to September 2019. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of vegetables. Most of upwards contribution came from prices Bread and cereals (+11.65%).
- **Clothing and Footwear** recorded an increase of 11.09 percent compared to an annual increase of 11.86 percent in August 2019. Most of the upward contribution came from prices on garments of Women (+9.78%) due to price increases on clothing.
- **Restaurant & Hotels** increased by 2.39 percent in September 2019. The increase was mainly the result of prices of Restaurants, cafés and the like(S). Most of the upwards contribution came from prices of accommodation Services (+4.20%).
- **Transport** showed an annual decrease of 2.73 percent for the year September 2019 compared to 4.85 percent recorded for the year August 2019. Most of the downwards contribution came from Purchase of transport services (+0.59%).
- **Tobacco & Narcotics** increased to 19.58 percent for the year September 2019 due to higher prices and fluctuations of chewing Khat/Miraa based products. The increase was impacted by normal volatility in prices for khat.

### Major contributions (negative):

- **Recreation & Culture** recorded an annual decrease of -5.11 percent in September 2019 compared to an annual decrease of -3.54 percent in August 2019. Most of the downwards contribution came from prices on Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound & pictures (-6.06%).

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**B. Major contributions of the different groups to the monthly percentage change in the CPI**  
**Chart 2: CPI; Monthly inflation rate by all groups; September 2019 (Dec 2014 = 100)**



**Major contributions (positive):**

- In general, no groups showed a significant Positive monthly change for the month of September 2019.

**Major contributions (negative):**

- In general, no groups showed a significant negative monthly change for the month of September 2019.

**Table 2: Changes in the Price Indices for September 2019 by main COICOP groups (Dec 2014=100)**

<b>COICOP Classification Group</b>	<b>CPI Weight</b>	<b>September 2018 Index</b>	<b>August 2019 Index</b>	<b>September 2019 Index</b>	<b>% change on previous month and current month</b>	<b>% change on same month of previous year (yr on yr)</b>
<b>All Groups CPI</b>	100.00	110.36	115.41	116.07	0.57	5.17
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	46.04	115.36	123.04	124.73	1.38	8.12
Tobacco & Narcotics	1.25	122.89	144.62	146.95	1.61	19.58
Clothing & Footwear	5.03	108.56	121.36	120.60	-0.63	11.09
Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas	23.41	106.96	103.47	103.33	-0.14	-3.39
Furnishing, Households and Maintenance	2.93	104.63	102.71	102.71	-0.01	-1.84
Health	5.00	100.31	118.92	118.92	0.00	18.55
Transport	3.77	105.41	109.93	108.28	-1.50	2.73
Communication	2.80	94.33	96.32	96.32	0.00	2.12
Recreation & Culture	1.00	102.54	98.29	97.30	-1.01	-5.11
Education	4.00	97.48	105.93	105.93	0.00	8.67
Restaurant & Hotels	2.00	132.71	134.19	135.88	1.26	2.39
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	2.77	106.12	105.81	104.27	-1.46	-1.75

**Note:**

The Consumer Price Index is generated by conducting a survey of purchaser prices for a representative basket of household consumption (goods and services), during the first and third weeks of the collection month. The prices are obtained from selected retail outlets in four data collection zones spread across Mogadishu.

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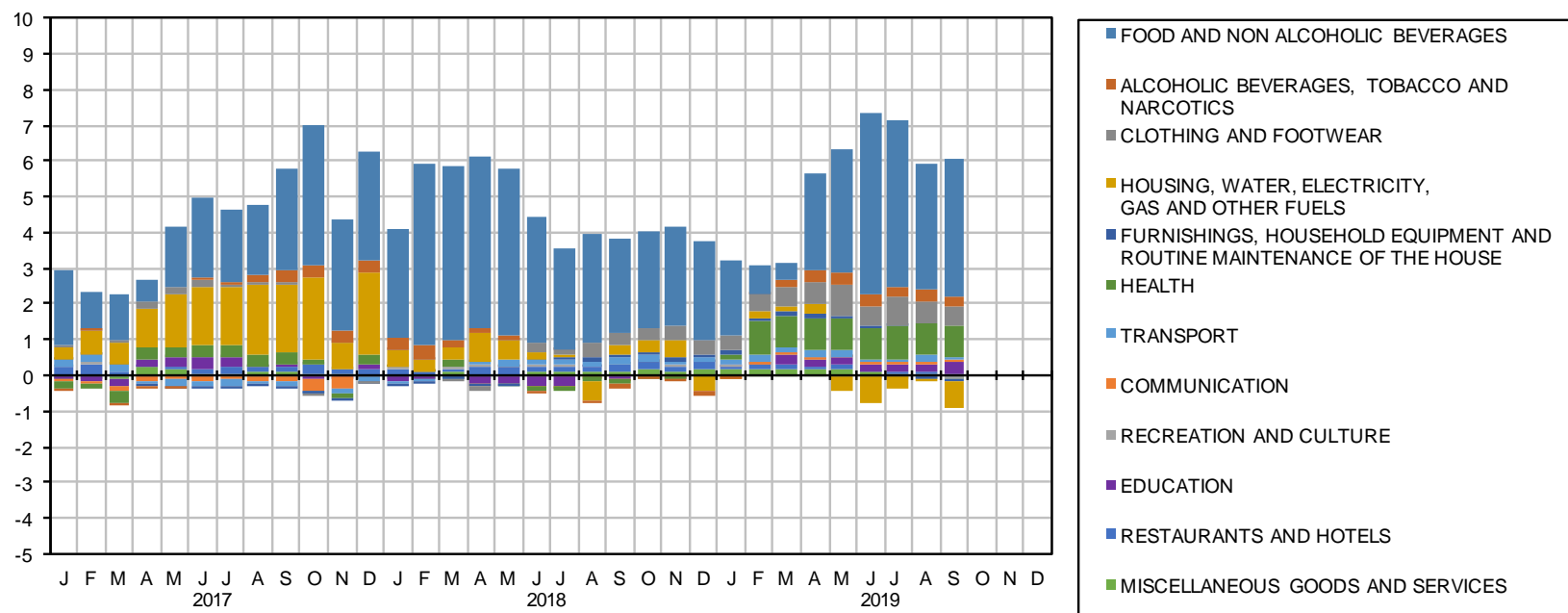
Consumer price index, October 2019, will be released on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019. For more information on prices and other official statistics, please visit the DNS website at <http://www.dns.org.so>

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## Annex 1: All Groups CPI – Points Contribution to Inflation Rate by COICOP Division in September 2019.

### All Groups CPI

Points contribution (%) to inflation rate (contribution by COICOP)



Source: Directorate of National Statistics

**Annex 1** provides an analysis of the inflation rate for the month broken up into a cross section of COICOP Divisions displaying their respective impact (contribution) to the All Groups CPI.

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