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## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

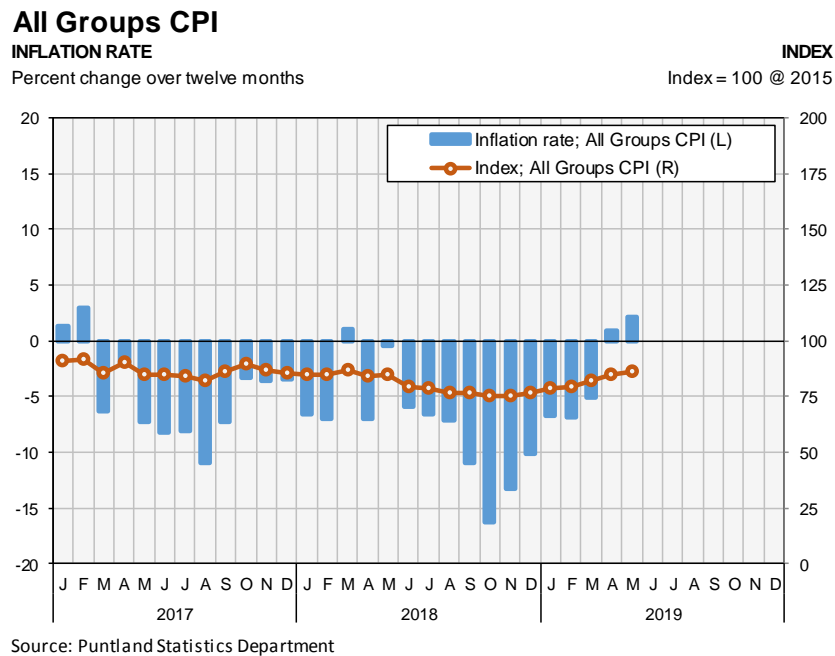
**MAY 2019**

### Consumer Price Index: All Groups CPI, May 2019.

The All Groups CPI increased from 85.0 to 86.4 in the month of May 2019. The monthly change of May compared to the monthly change of April 2019, was an increase of 1.6 percent and 3.5 percent respectively.

The most significant monthly price increases were Clothing and Footwear (+2.6%), Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas (+2.4%), Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics (+2.3%), Restaurants & Hotels (+1.7%), Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages (+1.7%), Transport (+0.4%) and Furnishings, Household Equipment & Maintenance (+0.4%). In general, there was a groundswell of positive price development.

Figure 1: All Groups CPI - Combination inflation rate and index graph.



The annual change (or inflation rate), over the twelve months to the month of May 2019, was an increase of 2.2 percent. This change is compared to an increase of 0.9 percent over the twelve months to the month of April 2019.

The most significant price increases were Transport (+10.3%), Clothing and Footwear (+6.1%), Communication (+5.1%), Housing, Water, Electricity & Gas (+5.0%), Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages (+1.2%) and Recreation & Culture (+0.8%).

These positive movements were partly offset by price decreases in Restaurants & Hotels (-1.7%), Furnishings, Household Equipment & Maintenance (-4.0%), Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics (-5.2%) and Miscellaneous Goods & Services (-5.2%).

Table 1: Inflation rate according to CPI - May 2019 (2015 = 100)

| Consumer Price Index, May 2019                         |      |
|--|------|
| Index (current month) = May 2019                       | 86.4 |
| Index (previous month) = April 2019                    | 85.0 |
| Index (previous year, same month) = May 2018           | 84.5 |
| Monthly % change = May 2019 / April 2019               | 1.6  |
| Annual % change (inflation rate) = May 2019 / May 2018 | 2.2  |

A bulletin on the May 2019 CPI and more detailed data in time series format have been posted on the Puntland Statistics Department website: <http://www.pl.statistics.so>. Twitter @PSD\_Mopic

### Consumer Price Index: Selected Groups, May 2019.

**Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** and **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels** are currently the most significant items in the consumer basket in terms of household expenditure and therefore have the largest weighted influence on the **All Groups CPI**.

**Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** experienced a monthly increase of 1.7 percent. Year on year inflation increased to 1.2 percent in May 2019. This change is compared to a year on year inflation of -1.4 percent experienced in April 2019.

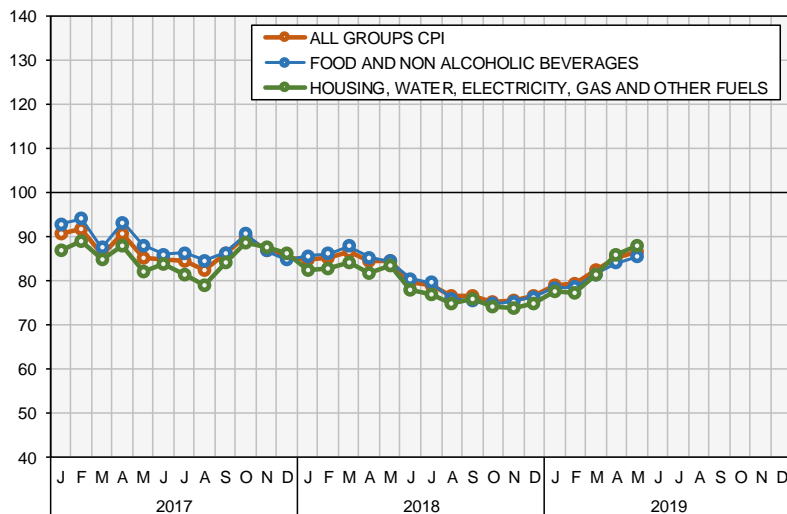
**Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels** experienced a monthly increase of 2.4 percent. Year on year inflation increased to 5.0 percent in May 2019. This change is compared to a year on year inflation of 4.7 percent experienced in April 2019.

Figure 2: All Groups CPI comparison with selected groups.

#### All Groups CPI and Selected Groups

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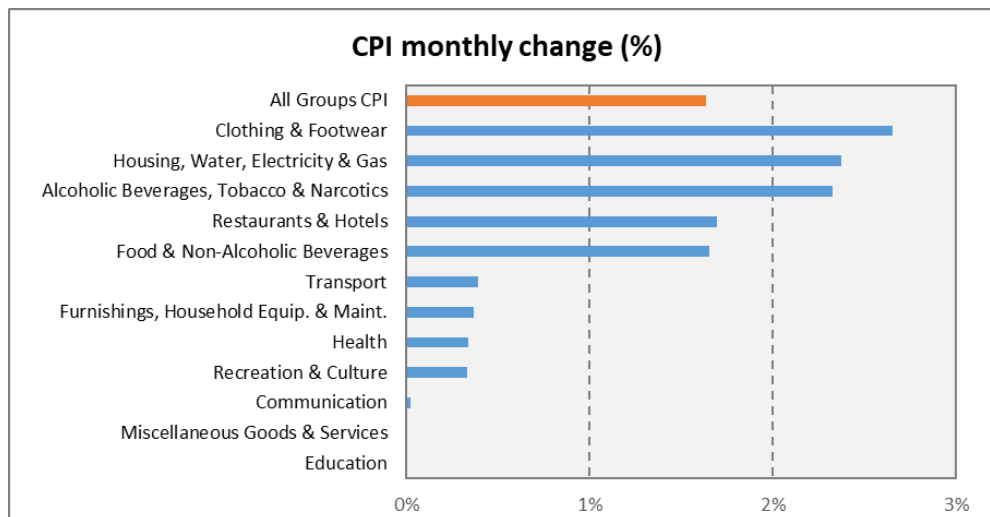
Index = 100 @ 2015



Source: Puntland Statistics Department

### Consumer Price Index: Major Movements by COICOP Group – Monthly Change.

Figure 3: CPI indices, monthly inflation rate by COICOP groups; May 2019.



#### Major contributors (positive).

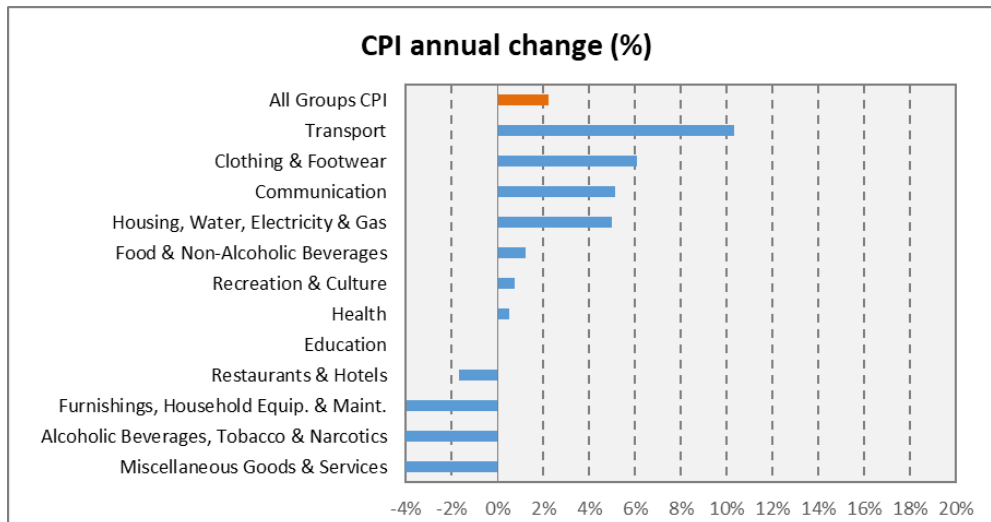
- **Clothing and Footwear** increased by 2.7 percent in May 2019 compared to 2.5 percent recorded for April 2019. The increase came from a general groundswell of positive movement across the Clothing and Footwear group as a whole due to Eid festival.
- **Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas** increased 2.4 percent during the month of May 2019 following strong increases in both March (+5.4%) and April (+5.6%). This was mainly due to increases in Water Supply and Misc. Services (+3.6%) and Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels (+4.8%).
- **Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics** increased 2.3 percent in May 2019 compared to 1.8 percent recorded for April 2019. The increase was mainly due to Tobacco (+6.0%) slightly offset by a price decrease in Narcotics (-2.6%).
- **Restaurant and Hotels** increased by 1.7 percent in May 2019 compared to 1.3 percent recorded in April 2019. This was mainly due to an increase in Catering Services (+2.0%) fueled this month's movement.
- **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** increased by 1.7 percent in May 2019 compared to 3.3 percent recorded in April 2019. This was mainly due to an increase in items relating to Food (+1.8%) more particularly Meat (+6.7%), Fruits (+2.1%) and Vegetables (+1.0%) and can be attributed to Ramadan.
- **Transport** increased by 0.4 percent in May 2019 following an increase of 0.9 percent in April 2019. This was mainly due to an increases in Purchases of Vehicles (+1.0).

#### Major contributors (negative).

- **All Groups CPI** had a groundswell of flat to positive price development in the month of May.

### Consumer Price Index: Major Movements by COICOP Group – Annual Change.

Figure 4: CPI indices, annual inflation rate by COICOP groups; May 2019.



Major contributors (positive).

- **Transport** increased to 10.3 percent for the year ending May 2019 compared to 8.9% percent recorded for the year ending April 2019. The largest drivers of this increase were Purchase of Vehicles (+11.0%) and Transport Services (+13.6%).
- **Clothing & Footwear** increased to 6.1 percent for the year ending May 2019 compared to 3.8 percent recorded for the year ending April 2019. This was mainly due to an increase of Clothing (+8.0%).
- **Communication** showed an annual price development of 5.1 percent. This is a similar movement to the year ending April 2019 in which Communication grew by 5.2 percent. This was mainly due to an increase of Mobile and Telephone Equipment's (+9.0%) and Telephone and Telefax Services (+4.9).
- **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels** increased to 5.0 percent for the year ending May 2019 compared to 4.7 percent recorded for the year ending April 2019. The increase was mainly the result of higher prices of Actual Rentals for Housing (+16.4%) and Water Supply and Misc. Services (+11.9%)

Major contributors (negative).

- **Restaurant and Hotels** showed a decrease of -1.7 percent in the year ending May 2019 compared to -2.8 percent in the year ending April 2019. This movement can be largely attributed to a decrease in Catherine Services (-3.3%).
- **Furnishings, Household Equipment & Maintenance** showed a further annual inflation decrease to -4.0 percent in the year ending May 2019 compared to -4.5 percent in April. The decrease was mainly attributed to Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance (-21.3%).
- **Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics** showed a decrease of -5.2 percent in the year ending May 2019 compared to -7.7 percent in the year ending April 2019. This movement can be largely attributed to a decrease in Tobacco (-1.3%) and Narcotics (-10.5%).

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## Consumer Price Index: Summary Table and Inflation Contribution by COICOP Group

### Summary Table. Key Figures.

Table 2: Key Figures, May 2019 by main COICOP groups (Index = 100 at 2015)

| COICOP Classification Group                      | May-18<br>Index | Apr-19<br>Index | May-19<br>Index | Apr-19<br>to May-19<br>(monthly)<br>% change | May-18<br>to May-19<br>(annual)<br>% change |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|---|
| ALL GROUPS CPI                                   | 84.5            | 85.0            | 86.4            | 1.6  | 2.2   |
| FOOD AND NON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES                 | 84.3            | 83.9            | 85.3            | 1.7  | 1.2   |
| ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS       | 87.3            | 80.9            | 82.8            | 2.3  | -5.2  |
| CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR                            | 78.3            | 81.0            | 83.1            | 2.6  | 6.1   |
| HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY AND GAS              | 83.5            | 85.6            | 87.7            | 2.4  | 5.0   |
| FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE | 82.1            | 78.5            | 78.8            | 0.4  | -4.0  |
| HEALTH   | 84.6            | 84.7            | 85.0            | 0.3  | 0.5   |
| TRANSPORT  | 81.6            | 89.7            | 90.0            | 0.4  | 10.3  |
| COMMUNICATION                                    | 83.1            | 87.3            | 87.3            | 0.0  | 5.1   |
| RECREATION AND CULTURE                           | 79.1            | 79.4            | 79.7            | 0.3  | 0.8   |
| EDUCATION  | 84.1            | 84.1            | 84.1            | 0.0  | 0.0   |
| RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS                           | 82.3            | 79.6            | 80.9            | 1.7  | -1.7  |
| MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES                 | 119.9           | 113.7           | 113.7           | 0.0  | -5.2  |

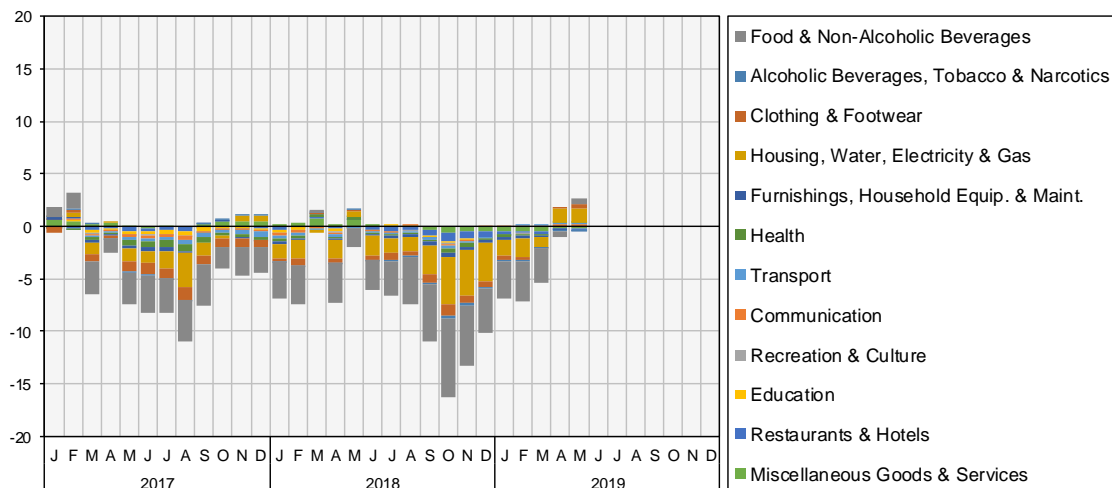
### Annual Inflation. Contribution by COICOP Group.

Figure 5: Point contribution (weighted %) by COICOP Group to the All Groups CPI; May 2019.

#### All Groups CPI

##### POINTS CONTRIBUTION (%)

Points contribution to inflation rate (contribution by COICOP)



Source: Puntland Statistics Department

Figure 5 provides an additional analysis of the All Groups CPI inflation result. The All Groups movement is broken up into a cross section of COICOP Groups displaying their respective impact (contribution) to the All Groups CPI.

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