Tuvalu

A: Identification

Title of the CPI: Consumer Price Index

Organisation responsible: Central Statistical Division

Periodicity: Quarterly

Index reference period: 2010 = 100


Main uses of CPI: Indexation of wages, pensions and/or social security payment, indexation of rents, contracts and/or other payments, main inflation indicator used for monetary policy, macroeconomic modelling and other analytic uses.

B: CPI Coverage

Geographical Coverage

Weights: Funafuti Island

Price collection: Funafuti Island

Population coverage: Resident households of nationals.

C: Concepts, definitions, classifications and weights

Classification: COICOP (Classification of individual consumption by purpose)

Sources of weights: Household expenditure surveys.

Frequency of weight updates: Above 5 years.

Price updating of weight reference period to the index reference period: No, not needed.

D: Sample design

E: Data Collection

Approximate number of localities, outlets and price observations: Outlets: 26

Frequency with which prices are collected: Prices are collected quarterly.

Reference period for data collection: Prices are collected in a two-week period in the middle of a given quarter.
Methods of Price Collection

- Personal data collection
- Official tariffs

Treatment of:

Missing or faulty prices: Missing prices for the reference quarter are substituted by prices collected for the previous quarter.

Treatment of seasonal items and seasonality

Treatment of housing

F: Computation

Formula to aggregate elementary indices to higher level indices: The CPI computation or aggregation method is the weighted Laspeyre’s formula.

G: Editing and validation procedures

H: Documentation and dissemination

Timeliness of dissemination of the CPI data: The CPI data are disseminated two weeks after the reference quarter.

Level of detailed CPI published

Paper publication: All items CPI, Division-level (12 Divisions)

Online: All items CPI, Division-level (12 Divisions)

Documentation

Publications and websites where indices can be found: Biannual Statistical Report, CSD, Internet website: www.spc.int

Publications and websites where methodological information can be found: There is no metadata available.

I: Other Information

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