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









Summary Results of the Wholesale Price Index in Iran

Farvardin 1386

increase 

no change 

decrease 

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Percent change compared to</u>			
	<u>previous month</u>		<u>similar month of the previous year</u>	
General Index	1.3		17.5	
Major Groups:				
1- Food	1.1		21.1	
2- Beverages and Tobacco	0.0		7.9	
3- Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	1.3		15.8	
4- Mineral Fuels and Related Materials	0.6		3.4	
5- Chemical and Petrochemical Products	0.4		12.2	
6- Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	2.3		20.7	
7- Machinery and Transport Equipment	0.5		10.8	
8- Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	0.0		4.9	
Special Groups:				
1- Farm, Livestock and Fishing Products	1.2		23.7	
2- Building Materials	2.0		24.5	

Wholesale Price Index in Iran

Farvardin 1386

(1376 = 100)

The Wholesale Price Index (**WPI**) went up 1.3 percent in Farvardin 1386. Showing the index point of 322.8, the **WPI** was 17.5 percent higher than the similar month in 1385.

On the average, the Wholesale Price Index increased 13.3 percent during the last twelve month leading to Farvardin 1386 compared with the similar preceding period.

In Farvardin, the food group index went up 1.1 percent, which was mainly attributed to the rise in the prices of chickens, unprocessed milk, eggs, fresh fruits, dried fruits and exported saffron.

The beverages and tobacco group index and the miscellaneous manufactured articles group index had no change.

The advance in the price of exported processed sheep skins mainly caused 1.3 percent increase in the group index of crude materials, inedible, except fuels.

The mineral fuels and related materials group index and the chemical and petrochemical products group index rose 0.6 percent and 0.4 percent, respectively.

The manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials group index went up 2.3 percent, which was mainly due to advance in the prices of imported motor vehicles tube, threads, hand-made carpets and rugs (domestic use), bricks, iron beams (home produce), exported hot coil iron, iron rods (home produce), copper, imported bolts and nuts and metal doors and windows.

The machinery and transport equipment group index increased 0.5 percent.

In the special groups, the farm, livestock and fishing products group index and the building materials group index rose 1.2 percent and 2.0 percent, respectively.

Wholesale Price Index in Iran (1376=100)

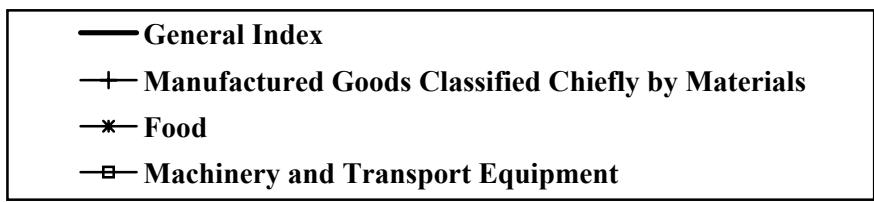
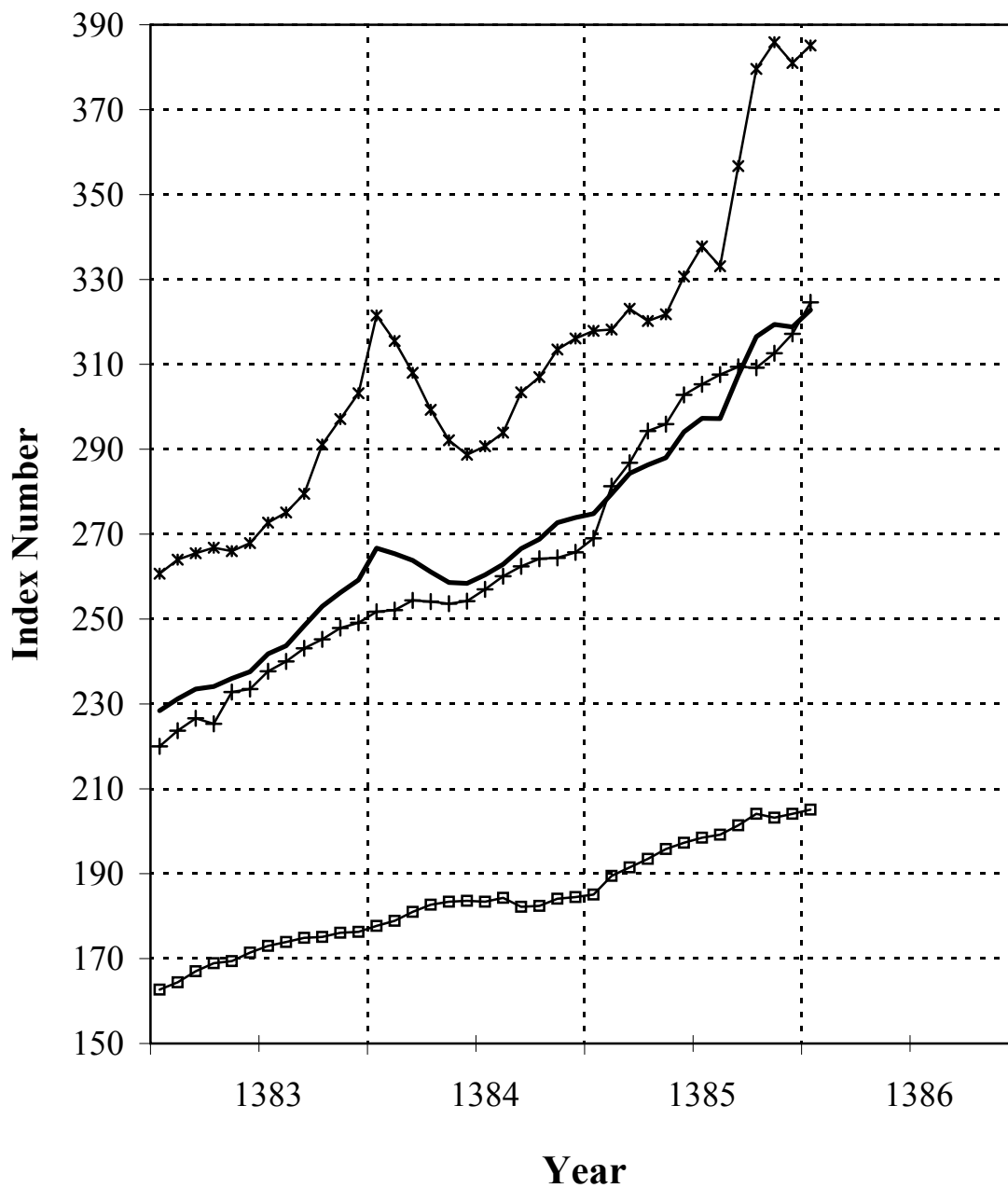


Table 1
Wholesale Price Index in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Farvardin 1386
(1376 = 100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Farvardin 1386	Percent Change			
			Farvardin 1386 compared to:		Farvardin 1385 compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	322.8	1.3	17.5	0.3	3.0
Major Groups and Selected Sub Groups:						
1- Food	35.40	385.1	1.1	21.1	0.6	-1.1
Meat, poultry, fish and their products	7.02	423.9	1.5	17.8	0.4	1.8
Dairy products and eggs	4.97	304.2	2.6	14.1	2.7	9.4
Pulses	0.59	535.5	1.4	19.2	-1.5	57.8
Grains and its products	6.82	367.5	-0.1	9.1	-0.1	6.1
Fruits and vegetables	10.23	428.7	1.3	38.3	0.7	-16.2
Fresh fruits	4.59	483.3	7.4	46.1	6.7	-18.7
Citrus	1.28	420.9	8.8	41.0	15.0	-21.5
Apples	0.82	577.6	5.3	50.2	7.0	-32.7
Other fruits with seeds and pits	1.48	549.2	6.0	46.5	1.7	-10.5
Melons	1.01	388.5	11.3	47.8	6.4	-9.1
Fresh vegetables	2.99	477.5	-7.0	46.0	-6.4	-22.6
Root vegetables	0.80	690.9	-8.8	57.8	1.6	48.1
Garden vegetables	1.32	408.4	1.1	46.8	-2.4	-50.8
Leaf vegetables	0.78	389.8	-13.6	27.3	-20.3	-5.3
Dried fruits	1.57	313.9	2.3	12.8	-0.9	2.2
Preserved fruits and vegetables	0.94	229.6	0.0	4.9	-0.8	6.5
Concentration and juice	0.14	228.5	0.0	-0.3	0.0	1.8
Sugar and its products and honey	3.80	389.8	0.0	17.8	0.0	7.6
Tea and spices	0.42	210.9	7.0	28.4	0.1	8.4
Butter and vegetable oils	0.93	237.6	0.3	9.3	0.0	-0.1
Feeding stuff for animals	0.62	239.4	0.3	3.8	0.5	0.6
2- Beverages and Tobacco	0.78	303.8	0.0	7.9	0.0	5.7
Beverages	0.41	325.1	0.0	7.4	0.0	4.9
Tobacco and tobacco manufactures	0.37	280.5	0.0	8.6	0.0	6.7
3- Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	3.86	274.2	1.3	15.8	0.8	8.1
Skins and intestines	0.21	190.3	2.7	15.3	-2.4	-23.8
Oil seeds	0.47	287.2	0.0	-0.4	0.1	6.0
Wood and lumber	0.57	297.9	0.6	20.8	4.2	9.3
Wool, cotton and silk	0.97	236.7	0.0	17.6	0.4	-2.1
Mineral products	1.33	293.4	2.4	23.6	0.4	29.1
Crude animal and vegetable materials	0.31	304.1	3.0	1.8	0.0	-7.2

Table 1 (continued)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Farvardin 1386	Percent Change			
			Farvardin 1386 compared to:		Farvardin 1385 compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
4- Mineral Fuels and Related Materials	2.76	504.6	0.6	3.4	-0.1	3.2
5- Chemical and Petrochemical Products	8.60	327.0	0.4	12.2	-3.0	8.1
Organic and inorganic chemicals	2.65	450.1	0.9	19.2	-7.1	7.5
Paints and ink	0.27	199.9	0.0	13.3	0.0	13.7
Pharmaceuticals and insecticides	1.44	285.7	0.0	3.6	0.1	17.1
Hygienic products	1.55	271.7	0.0	8.2	0.0	3.2
Chemical fertilizers	0.52	255.3	0.0	8.4	0.0	7.1
Plastics in primary forms and synthetic rubber	2.13	277.6	0.0	9.0	0.0	6.6
6- Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	26.92	324.6	2.3	20.7	1.2	6.9
Leather	0.10	219.7	6.0	17.4	0.0	0.3
Rubber, plastic and artificial plastic manufactures	2.49	236.8	2.3	15.2	-0.4	9.7
Wood manufactures	0.73	270.2	0.5	12.4	0.0	4.7
Paper and cardboard	2.07	230.4	0.4	14.7	0.5	5.7
Textiles	6.48	218.9	0.9	12.7	-0.6	7.5
Non - metallic mineral manufactures	3.53	353.4	1.8	5.3	0.1	8.7
Iron and steel	6.92	433.9	1.8	35.6	2.7	-0.4
Other metals	1.44	620.1	8.7	31.2	4.8	26.9
Manufactures of metal	3.16	282.3	2.4	14.0	0.8	10.3
7- Machinery and Transport Equipment	19.45	205.1	0.5	10.8	0.3	4.2
Power generating machinery and equipment	0.36	293.2	0.0	7.4	0.0	11.4
Machinery specialized for particular industries	1.94	241.9	0.2	7.0	0.2	8.3
General industrial machinery and equipment	3.53	194.5	1.5	21.6	0.0	4.7
Telecommunication and sound or video recording equipment	1.89	124.7	0.0	-0.1	-0.8	-2.3
Other machinery equipment	2.74	231.8	0.0	15.0	2.4	13.0
Road vehicles and its equipment	8.99	206.6	0.4	8.5	0.1	1.1
8- Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	2.23	187.1	0.0	4.9	0.1	4.0
Special Groups:						
1- Farm, Livestock and Fishing Products	26.82	403.1	1.2	23.7	0.7	-3.2
Farm products	16.83	419.4	0.8	26.4	0.3	-6.0
Livestock and fishing products	9.99	375.6	2.0	19.0	1.4	2.1
2- Building Materials	10.74	373.7	2.0	24.5	2.1	7.4
Metallic building materials	6.23	390.6	2.2	39.6	3.8	6.7
Non - metallic building materials	4.51	350.2	1.5	6.7	0.1	8.1

Table 2
Wholesale Price Index in Iran
 General, Major and Special Groups Index Numbers
 (1376=100)

Description Period	General Index	Major Groups								Special Groups	
		Food	Beverages and Tobacco	Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	Mineral Fuels and Related Materials	Chemical and Petrochemical Products	Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	Machinery and Transport Equipment	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	Farm, Livestock and Fishing Products	Building Materials
1370	19.1	22.2	23.7	25.7	18.4	12.1	20.8	13.5	19.1	21.9	19.8
1371	25.5	27.8	26.7	30.5	23.5	18.6	27.8	20.9	20.6	27.8	26.5
1372	31.9	32.8	36.5	36.8	34.1	37.3	33.6	27.6	28.8	33.3	32.6
1373	45.4	44.9	51.3	59.3	46.2	53.4	48.0	39.6	47.0	46.0	45.1
1374	72.7	74.6	73.3	90.4	61.9	72.1	75.3	66.4	80.2	77.4	65.3
1375	91.0	86.7	89.3	100.7	83.1	87.7	100.0	85.5	98.4	86.6	94.4
1376	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1377	116.7	126.4	118.6	113.0	139.5	114.4	106.5	112.7	108.6	122.6	108.7
1378	144.9	155.4	150.6	134.5	216.8	148.6	131.4	135.9	134.0	154.5	134.8
1379	166.3	177.0	172.6	166.3	242.6	179.7	152.8	151.0	146.1	176.5	155.2
1380	174.7	191.8	180.5	171.8	271.0	190.0	157.4	150.7	148.1	193.5	160.9
1381	191.5	217.4	220.2	176.3	342.3	201.3	169.5	155.7	149.9	219.6	192.1
1382	210.9	244.7	238.2	194.8	413.9	214.2	187.4	159.6	157.1	248.6	217.0
1383	241.9	275.8	255.7	215.8	464.5	242.7	235.4	171.1	162.9	282.1	268.8
1384	264.9	304.1	276.2	224.6	486.3	281.5	257.8	182.4	176.2	310.6	285.4
1385	297.0	342.2	293.9	257.6	499.5	312.4	299.3	196.9	182.4	353.9	342.3
1385:											
Farvardin	274.8	317.9	281.6	236.8	488.1	291.5	269.0	185.1	178.3	325.8	300.1
Ordibehesht	279.5	318.2	281.6	239.4	493.9	293.5	281.3	189.5	179.8	324.9	320.2
Khordad	284.3	323.1	292.5	241.5	496.7	303.7	286.8	191.5	180.4	332.9	323.9
Tir	286.3	320.2	289.3	247.7	499.5	307.1	294.3	193.5	179.9	328.3	331.7
Mordad	288.0	321.8	288.5	250.1	501.3	308.9	295.9	195.8	181.7	330.1	334.5
Shahrivar	294.1	330.7	292.9	250.2	503.2	317.0	302.8	197.3	181.1	340.3	348.8
Mehr	297.3	337.8	292.9	259.5	500.2	311.1	305.3	198.5	179.1	349.5	352.3
Aban	297.2	333.1	299.3	266.2	501.6	316.5	307.6	199.2	182.7	342.7	354.9
Azar	307.4	356.7	301.4	273.3	503.0	321.9	309.4	201.4	186.4	372.6	353.8
Dey	316.5	379.6	301.4	280.0	503.1	325.3	309.2	204.1	186.3	396.5	357.9
Bahman	319.4	385.9	301.2	276.1	501.7	326.0	312.6	203.2	186.3	405.0	362.7
Esfand	318.8	381.0	303.8	270.6	501.5	325.7	317.2	204.1	187.1	398.2	366.5
1386:											
Farvardin	322.8	385.1	303.8	274.2	504.6	327.0	324.6	205.1	187.1	403.1	373.7