

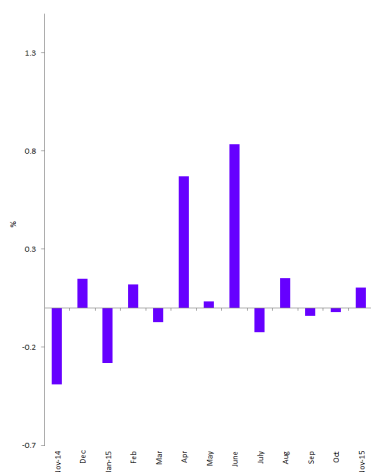
# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

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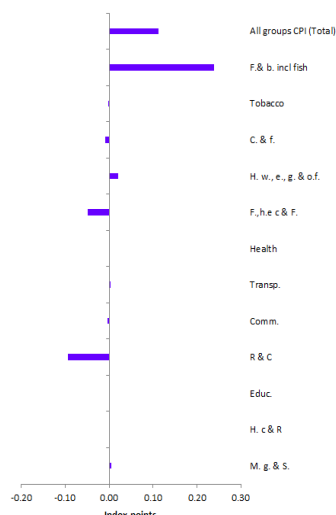
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All groups CPI  
Monthly change  
(October 2015 to November 2015)



Contribution to monthly change  
(October 2015 to November 2015)



## KEY FIGURES

### Inflation rates : Republic

	Oct 2015 to Nov 2015 % change	Nov 2014 to Nov 2015 % change
<b>All groups CPI (Total)</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>1.54</b>
Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish	0.78	2.72
Tobacco and aracanut	-0.04	16.01
Clothing & footwear	-0.21	-1.75
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels	0.08	1.08
Furnishing, household equip.& routine maint.	-0.58	-0.23
Health	0.00	3.59
Transport	0.04	-1.55
Communication	-0.09	-0.71
Recreation & culture	-1.81	-0.95
Education	0.00	7.54
Hotels, cafes & Restaurants	0.00	-0.09
Miscellaneous goods & Services	0.08	-0.37
<b>CPI analytical series</b>		
Total excluding fish	-0.38	1.28
Food and non-alcoholic beverages excl fish	-1.14	2.05
Fish	5.42	4.28
Actual rentals for housing	0.17	3.06

## KEY POINTS

### THE ALL GROUPS CPI

- The Consumer Price Index for all groups CPI rose by +0.10% in November 2015, compared to the fall of -0.02% in October 2015.
- The index for all items excluding fish fell by -0.38% in November 2015 compared to the rise of +0.05% in October 2015 .
- The Consumer Price Index for all groups CPI rose by +1.54% through the year to November 2015, compared to rise of +1.04% through the year to October 2015.

### OVERVIEW OF THE CPI MOVEMENTS

- The most significant price increase in this month were from fish (+5.42%), actual rentals paid by tenants (+0.17%) and other appliances, articles and products for personal care (+0.11%).
- The most significant price fall recorded in this month were from vegetables (-6.58%), information processing equipment (-5.11%), major household appliances whether or not electrical (-1.84%), fruit (-1.79%), equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures (-2.81%), milk, cheese and eggs (-0.42%), garments (-0.35%), mineral waters, soft drinks, fruit and vegetable juices (-0.42%), tools and equipment (-1.28%) and other glassware, tableware and household utensils (-0.71%).

### INQUIRIES

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Any discrepancies between totals and sum of components in this publication are due to rounding.

## ABBREVIATIONS

DNP	Department of National Planning
CPI	Consumer Price Index
n.e.c	not elsewhere classified
F & b. inl fish	Food & non-alcoholic beverages including fish
C. & f.	Clothing & footwear
H. w.,e.,g. & o.f	Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels
F.,h.e c & F.	Furnishing, household equip. & routine maintenance
Transp.	Transport
Comm.	Communication
R & C	Recreation & culture
Educ.	Education
H. c & R	Hotels, cafes & Restaurants
M. g. & S.	Miscellaneous goods & Services
IMF	International Monetary Fund

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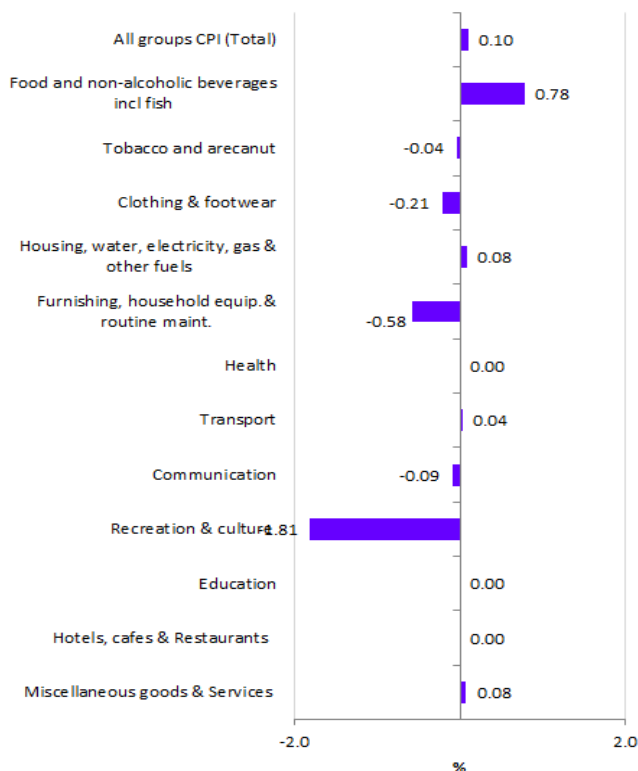
## CPI GROUPS

The discussion of the CPI groups below are ordered in terms of their absolute significance to the change in All groups index points for the month (see table1).

## CONTRIBUTION TO MONTHLY CHANGE

CPI GROUPS	Republic
All groups CPI (Total)	0.11
Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish	0.24
Tobacco and aracanut	0.00
Clothing & footwear	-0.01
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels	0.02
Furnishing, household equip.& routine maint.	-0.05
Health	0.00
Transport	0.00
Communication	0.00
Recreation & culture	-0.09
Education	0.00
Hotels, cafes & Restaurants	0.00
Miscellaneous goods & Services	0.01

## TOTAL PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH, DISPLAYING ALL CPI GROUPS FOR REPUBLIC, (October 2015 to November 2015)



## FISH

(+5.42%)

Fish group rose in November 2015. The main contributor to this rise was the increase in the price of skipjack tuna (+14.01%). This rise was partially offset by the fall in prices of canned fish (-1.15%), and smoked fish (-1.39%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Fish group rose by +4.28%.

## FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

(+0.78%)

The Food and non-alcoholic beverages group rose in November 2015. The main contributors for this rise was the increase in prices of skipjack tuna (+14.01%), green chilly (+9.52%), papaya (+27.24%), milk powder (+0.32%) and banana (+2.00%). This rise was partially offset by the fall in prices of onion (-11.01%), mango (-32.73%), carrot (-17.07%), canned fish (-1.15%), eggs(-4.73%), smoked fish (-1.39%), mineral water (-1.10%), tomato (-10.91%), potatoes (-3.27%) and garlic (-3.79%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Food and non-alcoholic beverages group rose by +2.72%.

## MAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO CHANGE

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HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS  
(+0.08%)

The Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels group rose in November 2015. The main contributor to this rise was the increase in the price of rent (+0.17%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels group rose by +1.08%.

MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES  
(+0.08%)

The Miscellaneous goods and services group rose in November 2015. The main contributors to this rise was the increase in the prices of facial cream (+0.81%), facewash (+0.67%), perfume (+0.43%) and tooth paste(+0.60%). This rise was partially offset by the fall in prices of sanitary pad (-0.77%) and body spray (-0.47%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Miscellaneous goods and services group fell by -0.37%.

TRANSPORT  
(+0.04%)

The Transport group rose in November 2015. The main contributor to this rise was the increase in the price of international air fare - Male' - Colombo - Male' (+1.76%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Transport group fell by -1.55%.

HEALTH  
(0.00%)

The Health group remained unchanged during November 2015.

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Health group rose by +3.59%.

RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS  
(0.00%)

The Restaurant and hotels group remained unchanged during November 2015.

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Restaurant and hotels group fell by -0.09%.

EDUCATION  
(0.00%)

The Education group remained unchanged during November 2015.

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Education group rose by +7.54%.

## MAIN CONTRIBUTORS TO CHANGE

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### TOBACCO AND ARACANUTS

(-0.04%)

The Tobacco and Aracanuts group fell in November 2015. The main contributor to this fall was the decrease in the price of cigarettes (-0.08%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Tobacco and Aracanuts group rose by +16.01%.

### COMMUNICATION

(-0.09%)

The Communication group fell in November 2015. The main contributor to this fall was the decrease in the price of mobile phone (-0.45%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, Communication group fell by -0.71%.

### CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR

(-0.21%)

The Clothing and footwear group fell in November 2015. The main contributor to this fall was the decrease in the price of girls t-shirt (-5.40%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Clothing and footwear group fell by -1.75%.

### FURNISHING HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENTS AND ROUTINE MAIN- TANANCE

(-0.58%)

The Furnishing household equipments & routine maintenance group fell in November 2015. The main contributors to this fall was the decrease in the prices of washing machine (-2.68%), plate (-2.10%), refrigerators (-2.44%), water pump (-1.28%) and Oven (-1.90%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Furnishing household equipments & routine maintenance group fell by -0.23%.

### RECREATION AND CULTURE

(-1.81%)

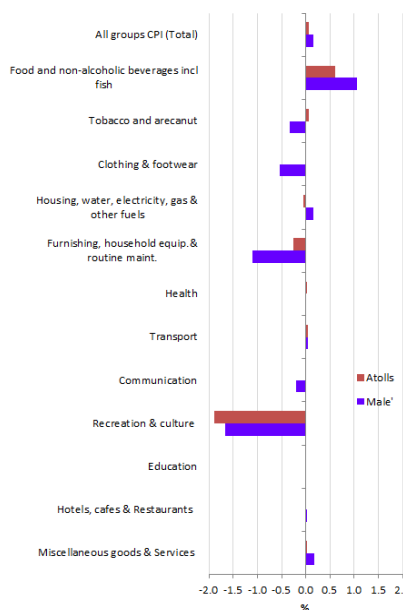
The Recreation and culture group fell in November 2015. The main contributors to this fall was the decrease in the prices of laptop (-5.11%) and Television (-3.42%).

Over the twelve months until November 2015, the Recreation and culture group fell by -0.95%.

# COMPARISON BETWEEN MALE' AND ATOLLS

## ALL GROUPS CPI

Total percentage change from previous month, displaying all CPI groups for Male' & Atolls, (October 2015 to November 2015)



### Inflation rates : Male' & Atolls

Oct 2015 to Nov 2015

% change

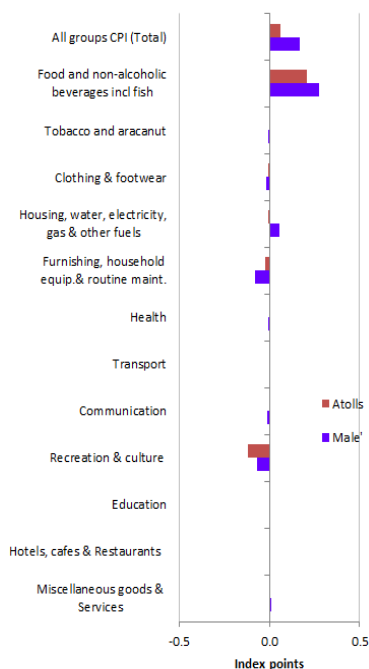
Male' Atolls

CPI Group	Male'	Atolls
All groups CPI (Total)	0.16	0.06
Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish	1.06	0.60
Tobacco and arcanut	-0.33	0.06
Clothing & footwear	-0.54	-0.01
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels	0.15	-0.05
Furnishing, household equip.& routine maint.	-1.10	-0.25
Health	-0.02	0.01
Transport	0.04	0.04
Communication	-0.20	0.00
Recreation & culture	-1.67	-1.89
Education	0.00	0.00
Hotels, cafes & Restaurants	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous goods & Services	0.18	0.01

### CPI analytical series

Total excluding fish	-0.37	-0.39
Food and non-alcoholic beverages excl fish	-1.47	-0.94
Fish	6.69	4.52
Actual rentals for housing	0.18	0.00

Contribution to monthly change, Male' & Atolls (October 2015 to November 2015)



CPI rise at the All Group Level in Male' by +0.16% in November 2015 and in Atolls by +0.06%. (See table 2 & 3).

For Male' the largest positive contributor to the rise in CPI was Food and beverages group which was recorded at +1.06% due to the rise in prices of skipjack tuna (+13.48%), papaya (+30.85%), milk powder (+1.93%), canned fish (+0.79%), banana (+4.57%), cream cracker biscuit (+1.95%), apples (+6.58%), coconut (+3.56%), coffee (+1.90%) and reef fish (+4.03%). This was partially offset by the fall in prices of onion (-15.17%), carrot (-28.32%), eggs (-13.58%), smoked fish (-2.88%), Potato (-12.52%), young coconut (-19.73%), mineral waters (-1.41%), tomato (-15.41%), lemon (-5.87%) and sugar (-2.50%).

For Atolls the largest positive contributor to the rise in CPI was Food and beverages group which was recorded at +0.60% due to the rise in prices of skipjack tuna (+14.50%), green chilly (+12.94%) and young coconut (+6.89%). This was partially offset by the fall in prices of onion (-7.99%), mango (-43.55%), canned fish (-2.21%), eggs (-1.72%), cream cracker biscuit (-1.10%), milk powder (-0.41%), garlic (-3.46%), cucumber (-9.61%) and whole chicken (-1.12%).

In Male' most significant negative contributor was Furnishing household equipments & routine maintenance group which was recorded at -1.10% due to the fall in prices of plate (-5.22%), washing machine (-5.13%) refrigerators (-4.24%), oven (-2.38%), water pump (-2.08%) and mattress (-1.68%). This was partially offset by the rise in price of drinking tumbler (+2.77%),

In Atolls most significant negative contributor was Recreation and culture group which was recorded at -1.89% due to the fall in prices of laptop (-5.11%) and television (-3.42%).

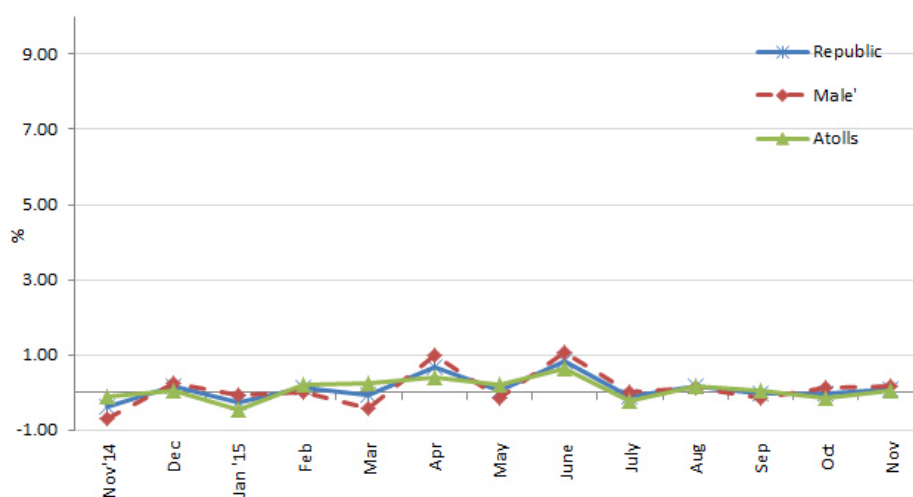
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## ALL GROUPS CPI

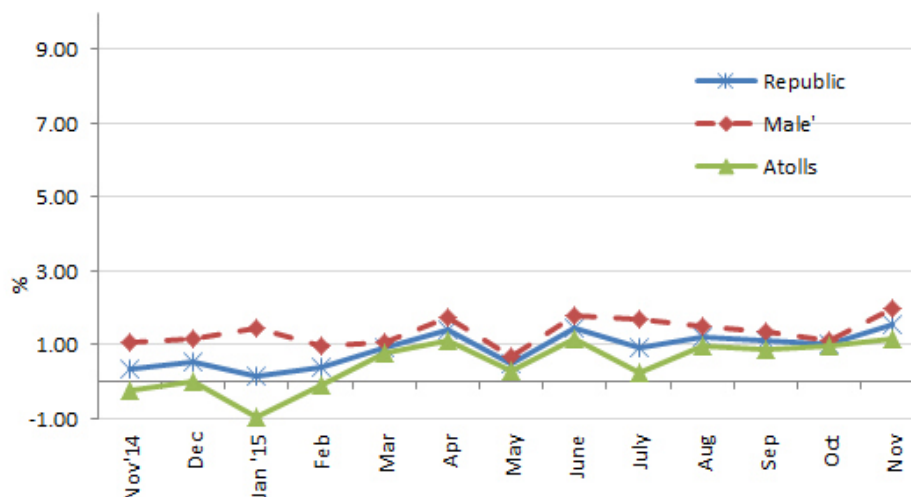
	Index	Percentage change	
	number (a)	Nov-15	Oct 2015 to Nov 2015
Republic	107.06	0.10	1.54
Male'	108.24	0.16	1.97
Atolls	106.06	0.06	1.16

(a) Base of each index: June 2012=100

### PERCENTAGE CHANGES (from previous month)



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