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Increase of 0.8% in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), April 2022

- The CPI increased 0.8% in April 2022 compared to March 2022. It was 104.9 points compared to 104.1 points in the previous month (base: average 2020 = 100.0 points). The CPI excluding housing has increased 1.0% and was 105.1 points. The CPI excluding vegetables and fruit increased 0.7% and was 104.9 points. The CPI excluding energy increased 0.8% and was 104.3 points.
- Prices of the following groups increased in particular: fresh vegetables 5.5%, clothing 2.8%, transport 2.3%, culture and entertainment 1.5%.
- Prices of the following groups decreased in particular: communication 1.2%.
- Since the start of the year the CPI increased 2.2%. The CPI excluding housing increased 2.6%. The CPI excluding fruit and vegetables increased 2.0%. The CPI excluding energy increased 1.9%.
- Over the past 12 months (April 2022 compared to April 2021) the CPI increased 4.0%, the CPI excluding housing increased 4.2%, the CPI excluding vegetables and fruit increased 3.9%. The CPI excluding energy increased 3.5%.
- In April 2022 the seasonally adjusted CPI increased 0.5%. The seasonally adjusted CPI excluding housing and the seasonally adjusted CPI excluding vegetables, fruit and housing increased 0.6%, each.
- Based on the trend data for the period January 2022 – April 2022, the annual pace of increase in the CPI was 4.7%, the annual pace of increase in the CPI excluding housing and the annual pace of increase in the CPI excluding vegetables, fruit and housing was 5.3%, each.

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Diagram 1 – Monthly Percentage Change in CPI during the Past 12 Months

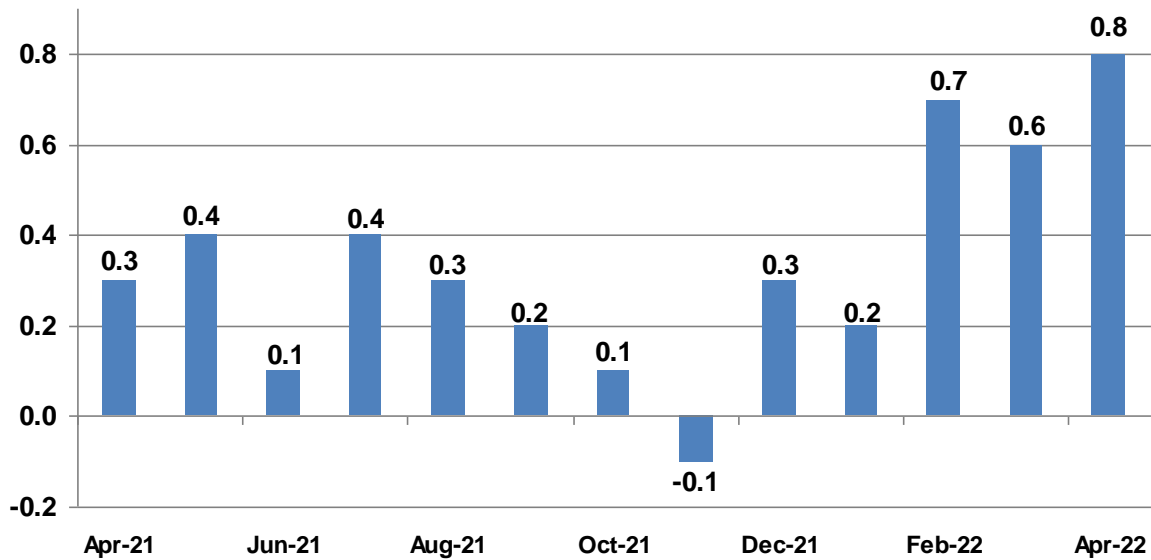
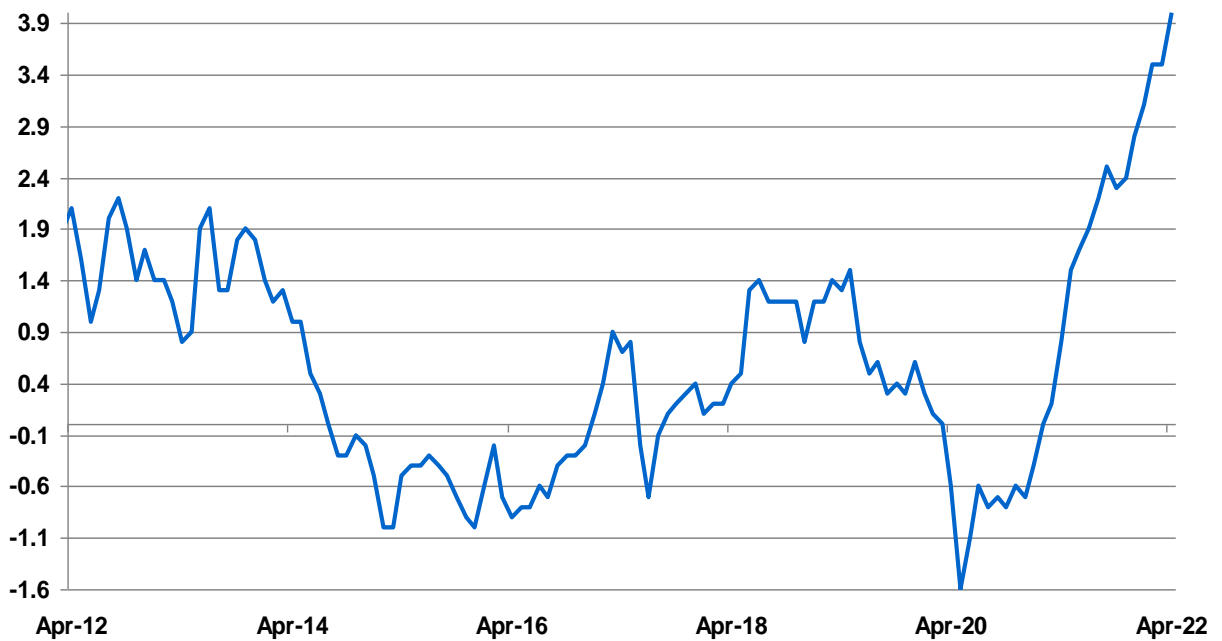


Diagram 2 – CPI 12-Month Inflation Rate for the Past 10 Years Product and Service



Groups that Particularly Influenced the Index This Month:

<i>Product / Service Group</i>	<i>Percentage Change</i>	<i>Contribution to Index's Percentage Change</i>
Recreation and holidays domestic and abroad	7.8	0.3232
meat, poultry, fish and their products	2.5	0.0900
fresh vegetables	5.5	0.0804
vehicle fuel and lubricants	2.2	0.0697
clothing	2.8	0.0538
communication	-1.2	-0.0189
bathing products and cosmetics	-2.0	-0.0198

Major Changes in Primary Consumption Items

Food (excluding vegetables and fruit)

The food price index increased 0.6%

The following increased in particular: chicken and turkey liver (10%), poultry, other parts (8.3%), chicken leg quarters (6.4%), chicken and turkey breast (5.3%), fresh fish (5.3%), crackers (4.4%), chicken, fresh (4.1%), candy and miscellaneous sweets (1.5%), products at kiosks and convenience stores (1.5%), hard drinks and liqueurs (1.4%), other meat :mutton (1.3%), beef, fresh(1.2%), oils (1.0%) and salty snacks (1.0%).

The following decreased in particular: passover crackers (3.3%), tahini (3.2%), raw rice(2.7%), baking and cake decorating products(2.5%), jam, honey and confiture (2.2%), canned fish(2.2%), baby food (2.2%), natural fruit juices(2.0%), cereals and cereal products(1.8%), prepared vegetable salads(1.8%), ground coffee(1.5%), ice cream(1.4%) butter (1.3%) and cream (1.0%).

Vegetables and Fruit

The vegetables and fruit index increased 2.8%.

The fresh vegetables index increased 5.5% and the fresh fruit index increased 1.6%. The frozen, pickled and canned vegetables index decreased 1.5% and the dried, preserved and frozen fruit index decreased 1.1%.

Among the fresh vegetables, the following increased in particular: tomatoes (26.3%), pumpkin and butternut squash (9.2%), eggplant (8.7%), peppers (7.0%), corn on the cob (5.5%), onions and scallions (5.4%), fresh beans (5.2%), cauliflower (3.8%), lettuce (2.5%), potatoes and sweet potatoes (2.3%), cabbage (2.0%) and carrots (1.5%).

The following decreased in particular: artichoke (16.7%), garlic (8.6%), kohlrabi (7.3%), radishes (6.2%), cucumbers (3.9%), broccoli (3.8%), sprouts (3.5%), squash (1.2%) and fennel (1.2%).

Among the fresh fruit, the following increased in particular: bananas (14.5%), pomelos (11.9%), clementine (5.2%), sugar melons (4.7%), pears (2.7%), kiwi (2.0%) and apples (1.2%).

The following decreased in particular: strawberries (15.4%) and lemons (1.8%).

Among the processed vegetables and fruit, the following decreased in particular: frozen vegetables (4.4%), dried fruit (1.5%), walnuts and pistachio nuts (1.3%) and olives (1.1%).

The following increased in particular: canned legumes and vegetables (1.4%) and other pickled vegetables (1.1%).

Housing

The housing price index remained unchanged.

The owned dwellings services index remained unchanged.

Owned Dwellings Services

The owned dwellings services index remained unchanged in April 2022 compared to March 2022.

The stability in rental prices set in contracts signed in March 2022 – April 2022, compared to contracts signed in February 2022 – March 2022.

Dwelling Maintenance

The dwelling maintenance index increased 0.3%.

The following increased in particular: kerosene and diesel oil for heating (3.7%), plumbing services (3.1%), painting and whitewashing services (2.8%), other laundry products (2.0%) and glazier service (1.8%).

The following decreased in particular: other cleaning materials (1.1%).

Furniture and Household Equipment

The furniture and household equipment index decreased 0.2%.

The following decreased in particular: dressers (1.7%), sofas, armchairs, beds, and mattresses (1.1%) and deep freezer (1.1%).

The following increased in particular: electrical equipment for heating and cooling the dwelling (2.8), serving dishes and storage containers (1.2%) and insurance and repair of electrical equipment (1.2%).

Clothing and Footwear

The clothing and footwear index increased 2.1%; the seasonally adjusted index decreased 0.2%.

The clothing index increased 2.8% and the footwear index increased 0.1%.

Among clothing item, the following increased in particular: miscellaneous clothing (13.3%), sports and exercise clothes (3.8%) and outerwear (2.6%).

Health

The health index increased 0.1%.

The following increased in particular: dietary supplements (2.0%).

The following decreased in particular: glasses and associated optical products (2.4%) and body hygiene products (1.0%).

Education, Culture and Entertainment

The education, culture and entertainment index increased 0.9%.

The education services index increased 0.3% and the culture and entertainment index increased 1.5%.

The following increased in particular: recreation, holidays and trips (11.1%), tickets or subscription to sporting event (3.6%), reading and nonfiction books (2.2%), daily newspapers, weeklies, and monthlies (1.9%), textbooks and school supplies (1.0%), other religious articles (1.0%) and pets and associated products (1.0%).

The following decreased in particular: cinema tickets (3.7%), museum entrance tickets (1.7%), computers and peripheral equipment (1.2%) and audio-visual systems (1.1%).

Transport and Communication

The transport and communication index increased 2.0 %.

The transport index increased 2.3 %; in contrast the communication index decreased 1.2%.

The following increased in particular: expenditures for travel abroad and domestic flights (7.1%), hauling services (3.9%), transport by taxi (3.3%), vehicle fuel and lubricants (2.2%) and car rental for domestic travel (1.4%).

The following decreased in particular: telephone and Internet services and communications products (1.1%).

Miscellaneous

The miscellaneous index decreased 0.3%.

The following decreased in particular: bathing products and cosmetics (2.0%).

The following increased in particular: cigarettes, manufactured in Israel (1.7%).

The price indices will be published at the following times during the next 12 months:

Index for Month	To be published on date	Time
May 2022	Wednesday, June 15, 2022	18:30
June 2022	Friday, July 15, 2022	14:00
July 2022	Monday, August 15, 2022	18:30
August 2022	Thursday, September 15, 2022	18:30
September 2022	Friday, October 14, 2022	14:00
October 2022	Tuesday, November 15, 2022	18:30
November 2022	Thursday, December 15, 2022	18:30
December 2022 and Annual Summary of 2022	Sunday, January 15, 2023	18:30
January 2023	Wednesday, February 15, 2023	18:30
February 2023	Wednesday, March 15, 2023	18:30
March 2023	Friday, April 14, 2023	14:00
April 2023	Monday ,May 15 , 2023	18:30