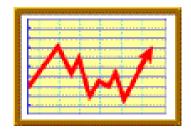
FACT SHEET

Consumer Price Index





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JULY 2015 ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

The United States City Average Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for July 2015 was 238.654 representing a change of 0.2 percent over the index for July 2014.

The Northeast Area Consumer Price Index for July 2015 was 253.405— representing a change of -0.2 percent over the index for July 2014.

The New York-Northern New Jersey Area Consumer Price Index for July 2015 was **261.199**— representing a change of **-0.1** percent over the index for July 2014.

The August CPI will be available September 16, 2015.

CPI increases are projected at 0.3 percent for 2015 and 2.1 percent for 2016. Future projections of the CPI by businesses and economic organizations are found on page 3.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

	UNITED STATES CITY AVERAGE		Northeast Area		New York- Northern New Jersey Area		
Month	Index	Increase Over Same Period of Previous Year	Index	Increase Over Same Period of Previous Year	Index	Increase Over Same Period of Previous Yea	
2013							
January	230.280	1.6	247.277 1.8		254.807	2.2	
February	232.166	2.0	248.665	2.0	256.234	2.4	
March	232.773	1.5	248.719	1.5	256.589	1.9	
April	232.531	1.1	248.464	1.1	255.967	1.4	
May	232.945	1.4	248.584	1.2	256.270	1.4	
June	233.504	1.8	248.851	1.5	256.911	1.8	
July	233.596	2.0	249.411	1.8	257.326	2.1	
August	233.877	1.5	249.858	1.5	257.659	1.7	
September	234.149	1.5	250.231	1.5	258.504	1.6	
October	233.546	1.2	249.320	0.7	257.069	1.0	
November	233.069	1.0	249.503	1.0	257.377	1.1	
December	233.049	1.2	249.567	1.3	257.284	1.2	
	255.049	1.3	249.307	1.3	231.284	1.3	
Average for 2013 Calendar Year	232.957	232.957 1.5		1.4	1.4 256.833		
2014							
January	233.916	1.6	251.045	1.5	259.596	1.9	
February	234.781	1.1	251.233	1.0	259.019	1.1	
March	236.293	1.5	252.413	1.5	259.791	1.3	
April	237.072	2.0	252.506	1.6	259.985	1.6	
May	237.900	2.1	253.598	2.0	261.225	1.9	
June	238.343	2.1	253.555	1.9	261.350	1.7	
July	238.250	2.0	253.833	1.8	261.498	1.6	
August	237.852	1.7	253.185	1.3	261.075	1.3	
September	238.031	1.7	253.154	1.2	261.074	1.0	
October	237.433	1.7	252.730	1.4	260.500	1.3	
November	236.151	1.3	251.781	0.9	259.382	0.8	
December	234.812	0.8	250.519	0.4	258.080	0.3	
Average for 2014 Calendar Year	236.736	1.6	252.463	1.4	260.215	1.3	
2015							
January	233.707	-0.1	250.016	-0.4	258.376	-0.5	
February	234.722	0.0	250.619	-0.2	259.240	0.1	
March	236.119	-0.1	251.451	-0.4	259.647	-0.1	
April	236.599	-0.2	251.760	-0.3	259.959	0.0	
May	237.805	0.0	252.770	-0.3	261.066	-0.1	
June	238.638	0.1	253.626	0.0	261.512	0.1	
July	238.654	0.2	253.405	-0.2	261.199	-0.1	
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Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Projecting Increases in the Consumer Price Index (CPI)

A large number of organizations project increases in the Consumer Price Index. NYSUT subscribes to *Blue Chip Economic Indicators*. This monthly publication presents 2015 and 2016 economic projections from approximately 50 sources.

Projected Increases in the Consumer Price Index U.S. City Average All Urban Consumers

<u>Blue Chip Economic Indicators</u>, published by Aspen Publishers, Inc. This forecast uses the projections from approximately 50 different organizations and the mean of these projections is reported here.

YEAR	December 2014	January 2015	February 2015	March 2015	April 2015	May 2015	June 2015	July 2015	August 2015
2015	1.4	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3
2016		2.3	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1

<u>Blue Chip</u> also reports that 17 of the 47 forecasters contributing to its 2015 consensus CPI projection were revised upward from the prior month. Eighteen forecasts were unchanged and 12 were revised downward. Seventeen of the 46 forecasts for 2016 were unchanged, 10 were revised upward and 19 were revised downward.

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