FACT SHEET

Consumer Price Index



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MAY 2014 All Urban Consumers

The United States City Average Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for **May 2014** was **237.900** representing a change of **2.1** percent over the index for **May 2013**.

The Northeast Area Consumer Price Index for May 2014 was 253.598— representing a change of 2.0 percent over the index for May 2013.

The New York-Northern New Jersey Area Consumer Price Index for **May 2014** was **261.225**— representing a change of **1.9** percent over the index for **May 2013**.

The June CPI will be available July 22, 2014.

Future projections of the CPI by businesses and economic organizations are found on page 3. CPI increases are projected at 1.8 percent for 2014 and 2.0 percent for 2015.

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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 Year	
2012							
January	226.665	2.9	242.879	2.9	249.322	2.8	
February	227.663	2.9	243.850	2.8	250.285	2.6	
March	229.392	2.7	245.125	2.5	251.887	2.6	
April	230.085	2.3	245.850	2.3	252.349	2.4	
May	229.815	1.7	245.709	1.7	252.652	1.8	
June	229.478	1.7	245.201	1.5	252.406	1.6	
July	229.104	1.4	244.984	1.1	252.016	1.1	
August	230.379	1.7	246.252	1.3	253.472	1.4	
September	231.407	2.0	247.409	1.5	254.554	1.6	
October	231.317	2.0	247.564	1.7	254.277	1.0	
November	230.221	1.8	247.097	1.9	254.285	2.0	
December	229.601	1.8	247.097 246.456	1.8	253.555	2.0	
Average for 2012 Calendar Year	Average for 2012		245.698 2.0		253.555 252.588	2.1	
Calendar Tear		2.1					
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	1.2	250.231 1.1		258.504	1.6	
October	233.546	1.0	249.320 0.7		257.069	1.1	
November	233.069	1.2	249.503 1.0		257.377	1.2	
December	233.049	1.5	249.567	249.567 1.3		1.5	
Average for 2013 Calendar Year			249.038 1.4		256.833	1.7	
2014							
January	233.916	1.6	251.045	1.5	259.596	1.9	
February	234.781	1.0	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	2.0	253.598	2.0	261.225	1.0	
June	237.700	2.1	200.070	2.0	201.223	1.7	
July							
August							
September							
October							
November							
December							
Average for 2014 Calendar Year							

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 2014 and 2015 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	October 2013	November 2013	December 2013	January 2014	February 2014	March 2014	April 2014	May 2014	June 2014
2014	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8
2015				2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

<u>Blue Chip</u> also reports that 19 of the 53 forecasters contributing to its 2014 consensus CPI projection were revised upward from the prior month. Twenty-six forecasts were unchanged and 8 were revised downward. Thirty-eight of the 54 forecasts for 2015 were unchanged, 12 were revised upward and 4 were revised downward.

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