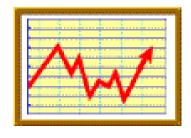
FACT SHEET

Consumer Price Index





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OCTOBER 2015 ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

The United States City Average Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) for **October 2015** was **237.838** representing a change of **0.2** percent over the index for **October 2014**.

The Northeast Area Consumer Price Index for **October 2015** was **252.504**—representing a change of **-0.1** percent over the index for **October 2014**.

The New York-Northern New Jersey Area Consumer Price Index for **October 2015** was **261.515**— representing a change of **0.4** percent over the index for **October 2014**.

The November CPI will be available December 15, 2015.

CPI increases are projected at 0.2 percent for 2015 and 1.8 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 | 233.877 | 1.2 | 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 | 249.520 | 1.0 | 257.377 | 1.1 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| December | 233.049 | 1.5 | 249.567 | 1.3 | 257.284 | 1.5 | |
| Average for 2013 Calendar Year | 232.957 | 1.5 | 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 | 1.1 | 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 | 236.736 | 1.6 | 252.463 | 1.4 | 260.215 | 1.3 | |
| Calendar Year | 250.750 | 1.0 | 232.403 | 1.4 | 200.213 | 1.5 | |
| 2015 | 222 - 2- | | | <u>.</u> | 050 051 | | |
| 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 | |
| August | 238.316 | 0.2 | 252.903 | -0.1 | 261.347 | 0.1 | |
| September | 237.945 | 0.0 | 252.922 | -0.1 | 261.887 | 0.3 | |
| October | 237.838 | 0.2 | 252.504 | -0.1 | 261.515 | 0.4 | |
| November | | | | | | | |
| December | | | | | | | |

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 | March 2015 | April 2015 | May 2015 | June 2015 | July 2015 | August 2015 | September 2015 | October 2015 | November 2015 |
|------|---------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2015 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 2016 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.2 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.8 |

Blue Chip also reports that 3 of the 53 forecasters contributing to its 2015 consensus CPI projection were revised upward from the prior month. Thirty forecasts were unchanged and 20 were revised downward. Twenty of the 52 forecasts for 2016 were unchanged, 5 were revised upward and 27 were revised downward.

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