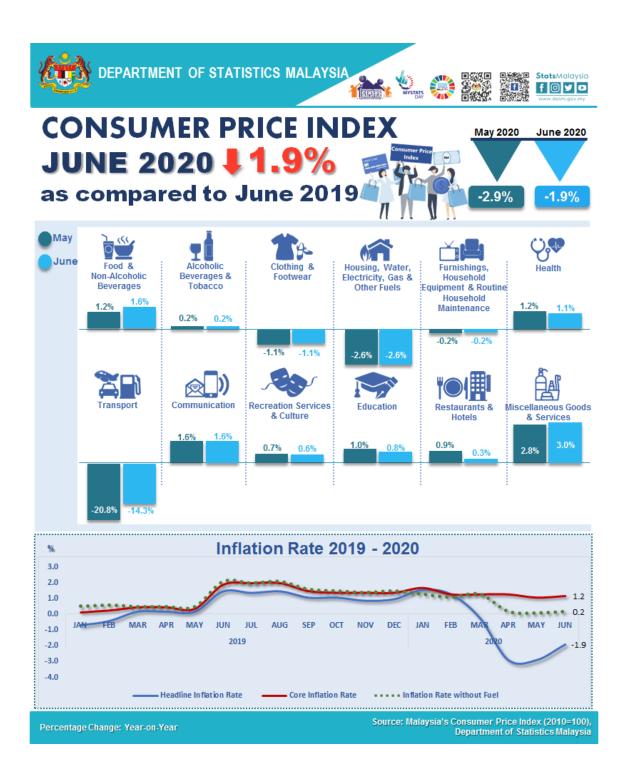


# DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS MALAYSIA

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MALAYSIA JUNE 2020



#### **Summary Findings**

Consumer Price Index (CPI) declined **1.9 per cent** in June 2020 to 119.1 as against 121.4 in the same month of the preceding year. The decrease in the overall index was driven by the decline in **Transport** (-14.3%), **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels** (-2.6%), **Clothing & Footwear** (-1.1%) and **Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance** (-0.2%) which contributed 45.7 per cent to overall weight.

Nevertheless, **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** continued to increase in June 2020 by **1.6 per cent** to 134.9 as compared to 132.8 in corresponding month of the preceding year. This group contributes 29.5 per cent of CPI weight. Similarly, **Miscellaneous Goods & Services** also inclined by **3.0 per cent**, followed by **Communication (1.6%), Health (1.1%)** and **Education (0.8%)**.

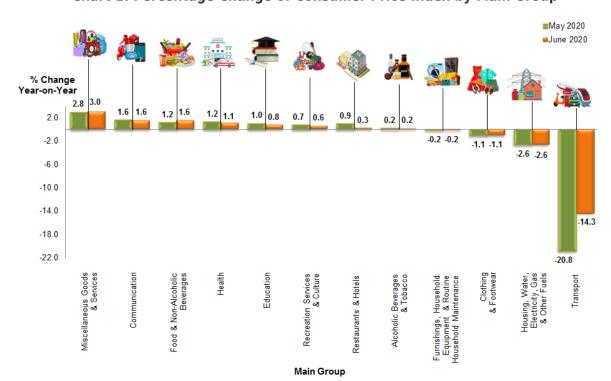


Chart 1: Percentage Change of Consumer Price Index by Main Group

Although year-on-year CPI decreased, CPI on a monthly basis increased by **1.0 per cent** as compared to May 2020. The increase was attributed by **Transport (7.8%), Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages (0.4%), Miscellaneous Goods & Services (0.4%), Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance (0.1%), Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco (0.1%) and Health (0.1%).** 

Meanwhile, CPI in the second quarter of 2020 decreased **2.6 per cent** to 118.2 as compared to 121.3 in the same quarter of the previous year. On a quarterly basis, the CPI decreased **3.0 per cent** as compared to the first quarter of 2020.

**Index for Group Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages** 

Table 1: Percentage Change for Subgroup Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages

		Index	Percentage Change		
Main Group	Weight	June 2020	June 2020 / May 2020	June 2020 / June 2019	
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	29.5	134.9	0.4	1.6	
Food	28.4	135.4	0.4	1.7	
Food at Home	16.9	132.0	0.7	1.6	
Rice bread & other cereals	3.5	111.7	0.2	0.9	
Meat	2.5	129.5	2.6	5.7	
Fish & seafood	4.0	153.4	0.5	0.7	
Milk, cheese & eggs	1.5	124.1	0.1	-0.9	
Oil & fats	0.6	119.2	0.3	1.4	
Fruits	1.2	134.5	0.5	1.1	
Vegetables	2.1	139.9	0.6	2.1	
Sugar, jem, honey, chocolate & confectionery	0.6	133.8	0.1	-0.9	
Food products n.e.c	1.0	135.7	0.4	2.8	
Food away from Home	11.5	142.2	0.1	1.8	
Coffee, tea, cocoa & non-alcoholic beverages	1.1	112.6	0.1	0.3	

The index for **Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages** increased **1.6 per cent** in June 2020 as compared to the same month of the previous year. The increase was attributed by the subgroup of **Meat (5.7%), Food Products not elsewhere classified (2.8%)** and **Vegetables (2.1%)**.

Among the index of goods which recorded price increases in most states were **Small Onion (29.6%)**, **Garlic (27.5%)** and **Big Onion (25.1%)**.

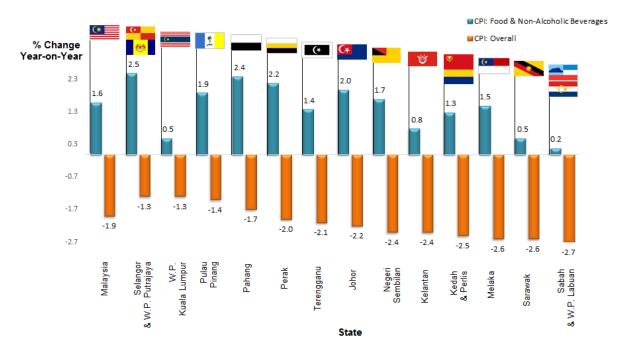
The index for **Food Away From Home** increased **1.8 per cent** in June 2020 as against June 2019. The increase in price of **Nasi Lemak, Cooked Beef** and **Fried Rice** contributed to the increase of the index of this subgroup.

#### **Consumer Price Index by State**

The index for all states decreased **between -1.3 to -2.7 per cent** in June 2020 as compared to June 2019. The highest decrease was recorded by **Sabah & Wilayah Persekutuan Labuan (-2.7%)** followed by **Sarawak (-2.6%)** and **Melaka (-2.6%)**.

However, all states registered an increase in the index of Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages. The highest increase was recorded by **Selangor & Wilayah Persekutuan Putrajaya (2.5%), Pahang (2.4%), Perak (2.2%), Johor (2.0%), Pulau Pinang (1.9%)** and **Negeri Sembilan (1.7%)** and it surpassed the national index of 1.6 per cent for Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages in June 2020.

Chart 2: Percentage Change of Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages Group by State



#### **CPI** without Fuel

CPI without fuel is at a positive rate of **0.2 per cent** in June 2020 as compared to 0.1 per cent in May 2020. CPI without fuel covers all goods and services except Unleaded Petrol RON95, Unleaded Petrol RON97 and Diesel.

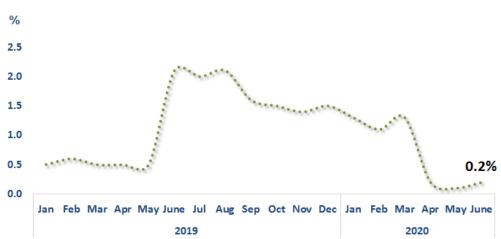


Chart 3: Percentage Change of CPI without Fuel, Jan 2019 - June 2020

#### **Core Index**

Core index rose 1.2 per cent in June 2020 as compared to the same month of the previous year. Among the major groups which influenced the increase were Miscellaneous Goods & Services (3.0%), Communication (1.6%) and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels (1.4%).

Core index excludes most volatile items of fresh food as well as administered prices of goods and services.

Table 2: Percentage Change of Headline CPI, Seasonally Adjusted Index and Core Index by Main Group

		HEADLINE CPI			SEASONALLY ADJUSTED INDEX		CORE INDEX		
Main Group	Weight	Index	Pe	rcentage Chan	ge	Index	Month-on- Month Percentage Change	Core Index Weight	Year-on- Year Percentage Change
		June 2020	June 2020/ May 2020	June 2020/ June 2019	Jan-June 2020/2019	June 2020	June 2020/ May 2020		June 2020/ June 2019
Total	100.0	119.1	1.0	-1.9	-0.8	119.1	1.0	100.0	1.2
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	29.5	134.9	0.4	1.6	1.2	135.0	0.5	26.5	1.3
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	2.4	168.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	168.1	0.1	-	-
Clothing and Footwear	3.2	93.5	-0.1	-1.1	-1.2	93.6	-0.1	4.5	-1.1
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels	23.8	117.9	0.0	-2.6	-0.4	118.0	0.2	26.5	1.4
Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance	4.1	116.4	0.1	-0.2	0.5	116.3	0.1	5.5	-0.2
Health	1.9	124.1	0.1	1.1	1.3	124.0	0.1	2.6	1.1
Transport	14.6	98.0	7.8	-14.3	-10.0	90.9	7.8	6.5	-0.2
Communication	4.8	97.5	0.0	1.6	1.5	97.5	0.0	6.5	1.6
Recreation Services & Culture	4.8	112.3	0.0	0.6	0.7	112.3	0.0	6.6	0.6
Education	1.3	120.5	-0.2	0.8	1.3	120.5	0.0	1.8	0.8
Restaurants and Hotels	2.9	132.1	-0.4	0.3	0.8	132.6	-0.4	3.9	0.3
Miscellaneous Goods & Services	6.7	116.0	0.4	3.0	2.6	115.5	0.4	9.1	3.0
Non-Food	70.5	112.5	1.3	-3.6	-1.8	-	-	-	-

Annex 1: Average Price for Selected Items in Malaysia, June 2020 (RM)

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