

# New Caledonia

## A: Identification

**Title of the CPI:** Consumer Price Index

**Organisation responsible:** Institut de la statistique et des études économiques

**Periodicity:** Monthly

**Index reference period:** December 2010 = 100

**Weights reference period:** 2008 Consumer Expenditure Survey and Household Budget Consumption (BCM)

**Main uses of CPI:** Indexation of wages, pensions and/or social security payment, indexation of rents, contracts and/or other payments, main inflation indicator used for monetary policy, computation of purchasing power of households, macroeconomic modelling and other analytic uses.

## B: CPI Coverage

### Geographical Coverage

*Weights:* Nation-wide

*Price collection:* Nation-wide

**Population coverage:** Resident households of nationals.

### Consumption expenditure excludes:

- Mortgage repayments;
- Gambling expenditure, gross of winnings

## C: Concepts, definitions, classifications and weights

**Definition of the CPI and its objectives:** The index of consumer prices is a measure of the evolution, over time, of general level prices of goods and services consumed by households resident in the territory. It is the economic indicator of inflation in a country.

**Classification:** COICOP (Classification of individual consumption by purpose) with 12 divisions.

**Sources of weights:** Household expenditure surveys.

**Frequency of weight updates:** Every 3-5 years

## **D: Sample design**

## **E: Data Collection**

**Approximate number of localities, outlets and price observations:** Price observations: 13,000

**Frequency with which prices are collected:** Prices of items are collected monthly and for fresh produce twice a month.

### **Methods of Price Collection**

- Personal data collection
- Official tariffs

### **Treatment of seasonal items and seasonality**

### **Treatment of housing**

## **F: Computation**

## **G: Editing and validation procedures**

## **H: Documentation and dissemination**

### **Level of detailed CPI published**

**Paper publication:** All items CPI, Division-level (12 Divisions)

**Online:** All items CPI, Division-level (12 Divisions)

### **Documentation**

**Publications and websites where indices can be found:** <http://www.isee.nc/ipc/ipc.html>

**Publications and websites where methodological information can be found:** A brief methodology can be found at <http://www.isee.nc/ipc/ipc.html>

## **I: Other Information**

Completed by ILO in 2013.