



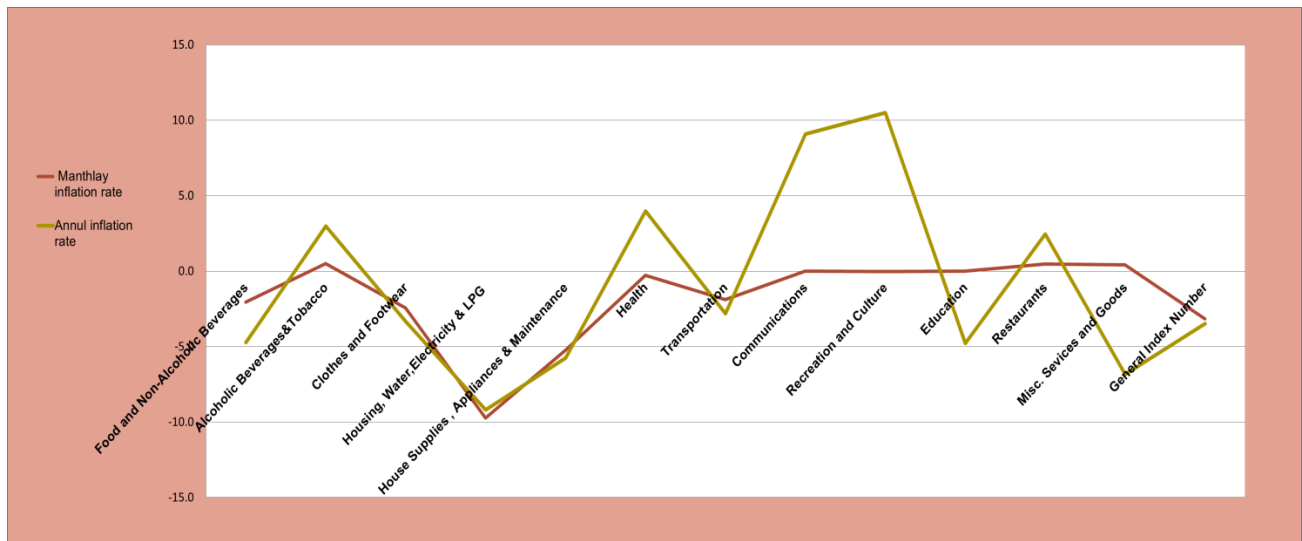
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Consumer price index (CPI) shows a decrease in Kurdistan Region

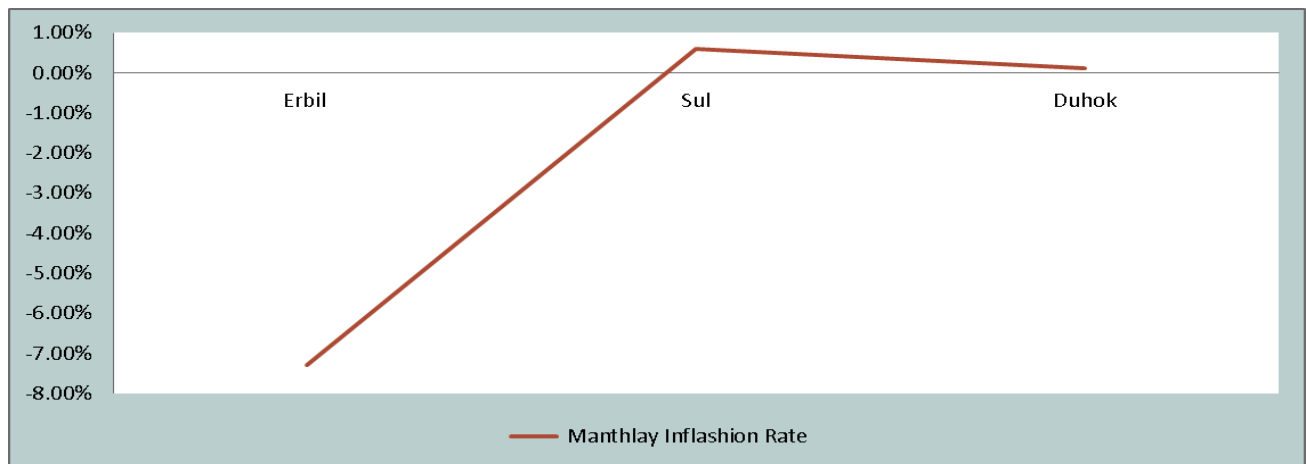
Consumer price index recorded %145.1 in Kurdistan region for Jan 2016 where it shows a decrease of %3.2 compared to the previous month of the same year and a decrease of 3.5% compared to Jan 2015.

This drop is due to a decrease in the price of several sections including: section of housing (housing, water, electricity & LPG) at the rate of 9.8% due to a drop happened in the price of electricity from commercial generators by 50.0%, section of house supplies, appliances & maintenance by 5.2%, section of clothes and footwear by 2.4%, section of food and non-alcoholic beverages by 2.1% due to falling down the price of food by 2.2%, bread and cereals by 1.2%, fish by 5.6% ,vegetables by 3.8% , and fruit by 1.6%.we can also see the drop happened in the price of sections of transportation and health by 1.9 % , and 0.3% respectively that had an effect on decreasing the CPI in January 2016.



CPI shows a significant decrease in Erbil governorate

Erbil recorded the highest drop in CPI for January 2016 comparing to Duhok and Sulaimani governorates. CPI registered 149.8% in Erbil for January with a decrease of 7.3% compared to December 2015. Also in Sulaimani (141.1%) we can see a minor decrease of 0.6% comparing to the last month. Contrary to Erbil and Sulaimani a minor increase of 0.1% can be seen in CPI in Duhok governorate



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