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**Household Budget Survey**

**In Urban Areas in Iran**

**1386**














**(March 20, 2007 – March 20, 2008)**

**Percent Change of Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household in Iran  
1386 Compared with 1385**

Increase 

No change or virtually unchanged 

Decrease 

<u>Expenditure Groups</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	27.1 
<b>1- Food and Beverages</b>	24.5 
<b>2- Tobacco</b>	24.6 
<b>3- Clothing and Footwear</b>	23.6 
<b>4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and Other Fuels</b>	38.7 
<b>5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	31.5 
<b>6- Health</b>	26.3 
<b>7-Transport</b>	7.4 
<b>8- Communication</b>	58.1 
<b>9- Recreation and Culture</b>	17.5 
<b>10- Education</b>	24.2 
<b>11- Restaurants and Hotels</b>	26.9 
<b>12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	25.2 

## Summary Results of the Household Budget Survey in Urban Areas in Iran

1386

This report presents results of the data collected from about 6700 sample households living in urban areas of Iran in 1386. Selection the sample household was based on a three stage-stage sampling scheme. The summary results of the survey are found as follows:

### **Household Size**

The average size of an urban household was 3.95 persons which decreased compared with previous year.

### **Gross Expenditure**<sup>1</sup>

Iranian urban households spent an average of 101298 thousand rials for current annual living expenses in 1386 (about 8442 thousand rials per month).

The above mentioned amount includes the rental equivalence of owner occupied houses.

The total expenditure rose by 27.1% compared with 1385.

The share allocated by households to "food and beverages" was 22.8%, "tobacco" 0.4%, "clothing and footwear" 4.9%, "housing, water, electricity and gas and other fuels" 31.1%, "furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance" 5.3 %, "health" 4.3%, "transport" 12.0%, "communication" 2.6%, "recreation and culture" 2.5%, "education" 2.2%,"restaurants and hotels" 2.2% and "miscellaneous goods and services" 9.9% (table 1).

### **Gross Income**<sup>2</sup>

In 1386, urban households had an annual average gross income<sup>3</sup> of 96764 thousand rials (about 8064 thousand rials per month ) out of which 71.2% was the share of money income and 28.8% was the share of non – money income .

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<sup>1</sup> Gross Expenditure: is calculated without household's payment for income taxes and retirement pensions.

<sup>2</sup> Gross Income: The amount of income subtract income taxes, retirement pensions (household's share) and earnings by selling second-hand goods.

<sup>3</sup> It is possible that households understate their income.

Comparing with previous year, the annual average of gross income rose by 24.8% (table 2).

### **Age Groups**

In 1386, about 7.0% of members of households were 5 years old and younger, 7.0% were 6 to 10 years old, 8.8% were 11 to 15 years old, 12.5% were 16 to 20 years old, 21.8% were 21 to 30 years old, 27.0% were 31 to 50 years old and 15.9% were 51 years old and over (table 3).

### **Education**<sup>1</sup>

Outcomes of this survey indicate that, out of six year old members and older ones in urban households, 12.0% were illiterate, 1.5% were capable to read and write, 22.3% had elementary education, 48.1% had junior high school and secondary education and 16.1% had university education (table 4).

### **Employment**

In reported year, 17.3% of households had no employed member, 57.5% had one, 19.5% had two and 5.7% had three and more employed members (table 5). Compared with the year 1385, the percentage of households with no employed member and households with one employed member increased, while the percentage of households with two employed members and households with three and more employed members decreased.

### **Tenure Status**

In 1386, the study of tenure status of households shows that 66.0% of households were living in their own dwellings, 25.0% in rental houses, 1.4% in rented in lieu of service houses and 7.6% in free of charge dwellings (table 6).

Comparing with 1385, the percentage of households who were living in their own dwellings decreased while the percentage of households who were living in rental houses, free of charge dwellings and rented in lieu of service houses increased.

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<sup>1</sup> Religious education has been assigned, as the case may be, to junior high school, secondary school and university education.

### **Living Facilities**

In 1386, the percentage of households using the living facilities in their dwellings is obtained as follows:

98.9% piped-in water, 99.8% electricity, 88.5% piped-in gas, 28.4% urban sewage system, 92.2% telephone (fixed line), 95.7% kitchen, 97.1% bathroom, 68.4% fixed air-cooler, 10.6% central heating system, 0.9% package (heating system) and 40.1% storeroom (table 7).

### **Household Equipment and Appliances**

In reported year, the percentage of households using equipment and appliances is obtained as follows:

33.0% personal car, 19.5% motorcycle, 20.4% bicycle, 70.1% sewing machine, 69.8% radio cassette recorder, 99.0% television, 57.4% video and CD-player, 34.9% personal computer <sup>1</sup>, 14.8% camcorder (video camera), 72.7% refrigerator, 62.0% freezer and fridge-freezer, 98.8% gas cooker, 85.9% vacuum cleaner, 73.6% washing machine and 63.8% cell phone (table 8).

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<sup>1</sup> Incl. laptop and notebook.

**Table 1 – Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household - 1386**

Type of Expenditure	Gross Expenditure (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1386 to 1385)
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>101298326</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>27.1</b>
1- Food and Beverages	23144319	22.8	24.5
2- Tobacco	388341	0.4	24.6
3- Clothing and Footwear	4988361	4.9	23.6
4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and other Fuels	31462305	31.1	38.7
5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	5329590	5.3	31.5
6- Health	4308737	4.3	26.3
7- Transport	12165523	12.0	7.4
8- Communication	2586804	2.6	58.1
9- Recreation and Culture	2546064	2.5	17.5
10- Education	2192480	2.2	24.2
11- Restaurants and Hotels	2192449	2.2	26.9
12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	9993353	9.9	25.2

**Table 2 – Annual Average Gross Income per Urban Household - 1386**

Source of Income	Gross Income (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1386 to 1385)
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>96764463</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>24.8</b>
<b>Money Income</b>	<b>68874365</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>19.2</b>
1- Wages and Salaries – Public Sector	14818948	15.3	11.1
2- Wages and Salaries – Private Sector	12973993	13.4	26.4
3- Self – employed in Agricultural Sector	1944475	2.0	20.2
4- Self–employed in Non – agricultural Sector	22039803	22.8	20.0
5- Miscellaneous	13493376	13.9	22.2
6- Sale of Second – hand Goods	3603770	3.7	13.9
<b>Non – money Income</b>	<b>27890098</b>	<b>28.8</b>	<b>41.1</b>

**Table 3 – Percentage Distribution of Households’ Members  
By Age Groups – 1386**

Age Groups	Percent
0-5 years	7.0
6-10 years	7.0
11-15 years	8.8
16-20 years	12.5
21-30 years	21.8
31-50 years	27.0
51 years old and over	15.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 4– Distribution of Six Year Old and over Members of  
Households by Education – 1386**

Level of Education	Percent
Illiterate	12.0
Capable to Read and Write	1.5
Elementary Education	22.3
Junior High School and Secondary Education	48.1
University Education	16.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Table 5 – Percentage Distribution of Households  
By Number of Employed Members – 1386**

Number of Employed Members	Percent
0	17.3
1	57.5
2	19.5
3 and more	5.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 6 – Percentage Distribution of Households by  
Tenure Status – 1386**

Tenure Status	Percent
Owner Occupied	66.0
Rented	25.0
Rented in Lieu of Service	1.4
Rent Free	7.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 7 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Living  
Facilities of Dwellings – 1386**

Kind of Facilities	Percent
Piped – in Water	98.9
Electricity	99.8
Piped – in Gas	88.5
Urban Sewage System	28.4
Telephone (Fixed Line)	92.2
Kitchen	95.7
Bathroom	97.1
Fixed Air – cooler	68.4
Central Heating System	10.6
Package (Heating System)	0.9
Storeroom	40.1

**Table 8 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Equipment and Appliances – 1386**

Equipment and Appliances	Percent
Personal Car	33.0
Motorcycle	19.5
Bicycle	20.4
Sewing Machine	70.1
Radio Cassette Recorder	69.8
Television	99.0
Video and CD Player	57.4
Personal Computer	34.9
Camcorder (video camera)	14.8
Refrigerator	72.7
Freezer and Fridge – freezer	62.0
Gas Cooker	98.8
Vacuum Cleaner	85.9
Washing Machine	73.6
Cell Phone	63.8