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**Percent Change of Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household in Iran**

**1387 Compared with 1386**

Increase 

No change or virtually unchanged 

Decrease 

<u>Expenditure Groups</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	16.8 
<b>1- Food and Beverages</b>	18.7 
<b>2- Tobacco</b>	16.5 
<b>3- Clothing and Footwear</b>	7.4 
<b>4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and Other Fuels</b>	21.5 
<b>5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	9.0 
<b>6- Health</b>	20.9 
<b>7-Transport</b>	9.9 
<b>8- Communication</b>	15.3 
<b>9- Recreation and Culture</b>	10.9 
<b>10- Education</b>	20.9 
<b>11- Restaurants and Hotels</b>	13.2 
<b>12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	14.8 

## **Summary Results of the Household Budget Survey in Urban Areas in Iran 1387**

This report presents results of the data collected from about 6700 sample households living in urban areas of Iran in 1387. 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 3.86 persons which decreased compared with previous year.

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

Iranian urban households spent an average of 115445 thousand rials for current annual living expenses in 1387 (about 9620 thousand rials per month).

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

The total expenditure rose by 16.8% compared with 1386.

The share allocated by households to "food and beverages" was 23.8%, "tobacco" 0.4%, "clothing and footwear" 4.6%, "housing, water, electricity and gas and other fuels" 33.1%, "furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance" 5.0%, "health" 4.5%, " transport" 11.6%, "communication" 2.6%, "recreation and culture" 2.4%, "education" 2.3%, "restaurants and hotels" 2.2% and "miscellaneous goods and services" 7.5% (table 1).

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

In 1387, urban households had an annual average gross income <sup>3</sup> of 113182 thousand rials (about 9432 thousand rials per month ) out of which 70.4% was the share of money income and 29.6% was the share of non – money income .

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<sup>1</sup> 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 17.0% (table 2).

### **Age Groups**

In 1387, about 6.9% of households' members were 5 years old and younger, 6.9% were 6 to 10 years old, 8.2% were 11 to 15 years old, 11.9% were 16 to 20 years old, 22.1% were 21 to 30 years old , 27.3% were 31 to 50 years old and 16.7% 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, 11.6% were illiterate, 1.4% were capable to read and write, 22.0% had elementary education, 47.3% had junior high school and secondary education and 17.7% had university education (table 4).

### **Employment**

In reported year, 18.6% of households had no employed member, 56.7% had one, 19.5% had two and 5.2% had three and more employed members (table 5). Compared with the year 1386, the percentage of households with no employed member increased while the percentage of households with one employed member and households with three and more employed members decreased.

### **Tenure Status**

In 1387, the study of tenure status of households shows that 65.3% of households were living in their own dwellings, 24.7% in rental houses, 1.2% in rented in lieu of service houses and 8.8% in free of charge dwellings (table 6).

Compared with 1386, the percentage of households who were living in their own dwellings, rental houses and rented in lieu of service houses decreased while the percentage of households who were living in free of charge dwellings 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 1387, the percentage of households using the living facilities in their dwellings is obtained as follows:

98.7% piped-in water, 99.9% electricity, 89.2% piped-in gas, 29.1% urban sewage system, 91.8% telephone (fixed line), 96.1% kitchen, 97.6% bathroom, 69.9% fixed air-cooler, 9.7% central heating system, 1.0% package (heating system) and 40.7% storeroom (table 7).

### **Household Equipment and Appliances**

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

35.4% personal car, 19.6% motorcycle, 19.6% bicycle, 67.8% sewing machine, 65.7% radio cassette recorder, 99.1% television, 58.0% video and CD-player, 39.1% personal computer <sup>1</sup>, 14.6% camcorder (video camera), 69.2% refrigerator, 66.3% freezer and fridge-freezer, 98.9% gas cooker, 88.4% vacuum cleaner, 76.3% washing machine and 80.9% cell phone (table 8).

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

**Table 1 – Annual Average Gross Expenditure per Urban Household - 1387**

Type of Expenditure	Gross Expenditure (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1387 to 1386)
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>115445398</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16.8</b>
1- Food and Beverages	27475237	23.8	18.7
2- Tobacco	452582	0.4	16.5
3- Clothing and Footwear	5358821	4.6	7.4
4- Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas and other Fuels	38211158	33.1	21.5
5- Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine household maintenance	5811685	5.0	9.0
6- Health	5208836	4.5	20.9
7- Transport	13365166	11.6	9.9
8- Communication	2982967	2.6	15.3
9- Recreation and Culture	2823988	2.4	10.9
10- Education	2650530	2.3	20.9
11- Restaurants and Hotels	2481812	2.2	13.2
12- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	8622616	7.5	14.8

**Table 2 – Annual Average Gross Income per Urban Household - 1387**

Source of Income	Gross Income (Rial)	Share (Percent)	Percent change (1387 to 1386)
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>113182171</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>17.0</b>
<b>Money Income</b>	<b>79627525</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>15.6</b>
1- Wages and Salaries – Public Sector	16006398	14.1	8.0
2- Wages and Salaries – Private Sector	15620739	13.8	20.4
3- Self – employed in Agricultural Sector	1643473	1.5	— <sup>1</sup>
4- Self–employed in Non – agricultural Sector	24154156	21.3	9.6
5- Miscellaneous	17978341	15.9	33.3
6- Sale of Second – hand Goods	4224418	3.7	17.2
<b>Non – money Income</b>	<b>33554646</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>20.3</b>

<sup>1</sup> The number of sample households who have income in this sector are not optimum, so the result of this group is not sufficient and did not compare with previous year.

**Table 3 – Percentage Distribution of Households’ Members  
By Age Groups – 1387**

Age Groups	Percent
0-5 years	6.9
6-10 years	6.9
11-15 years	8.2
16-20 years	11.9
21-30 years	22.1
31-50 years	27.3
51 years old and over	16.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 4– Distribution of Six Year Old and over Members of  
Households by Education – 1387**

Level of Education	Percent
Illiterate	11.6
Capable to Read and Write	1.4
Elementary Education	22.0
Junior High School and Secondary Education	47.3
University Education	17.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>



**Table 5 – Percentage Distribution of Households  
By Number of Employed Members – 1387**

Number of Employed Members	Percent
0	18.6
1	56.7
2	19.5
3 and more	5.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 6 – Percentage Distribution of Households by  
Tenure Status – 1387**

Tenure Status	Percent
Owner Occupied	65.3
Rented	24.7
Rented in Lieu of Service	1.2
Rent Free	8.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 7 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Living  
Facilities of Dwellings – 1387**

Kind of Facilities	Percent
Piped-in Water	98.7
Electricity	99.9
Piped-in Gas	89.2
Urban Sewage System	29.1
Telephone (Fixed Line)	91.8
Kitchen	96.1
Bathroom	97.6
Fixed Air-cooler	69.9
Central Heating System	9.7
Package (Heating System)	1.0
Storeroom	40.7

**Table 8 – Percentage Distribution of Households by Using Equipment and Appliances – 1387**

Equipment and Appliances	Percent
Personal Car	35.4
Motorcycle	19.6
Bicycle	19.6
Sewing Machine	67.8
Radio Cassette Recorder	65.7
Television	99.1
Video and CD Player	58.0
Personal Computer	39.1
Camcorder (video camera)	14.6
Refrigerator	69.2
Freezer and Fridge-freezer	66.3
Gas Cooker	98.9
Vacuum Cleaner	88.4
Washing Machine	76.3
Cell Phone	80.9