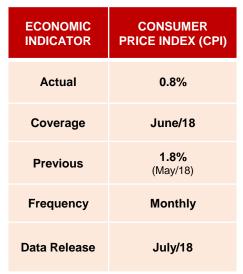


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#### **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI), JUNE 2018**

The announcement by the government on the abolishment of the GST to zero rated starting June 1, discounted price by retailers in conjunction with Aidilfitri, Hari Gawai and the Implementation of Price Control Scheme for 22 selected items in conjunction with Hari Raya Aidilfitri were significant events that have occurred throughout June 2018. These events had indirectly affected the prices of goods and services in the market.

For the first time within 40 months, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) recorded a value below 1.0% in June 2018. The CPI stood at 0.8% compared to 1.8% in May 2018. A total 168,000 quotations were obtained from 21,800 establishments all over Malaysia showed decreases in all main groups except Transport group (+5.5%). For more info, click HERE. Source: DOSM