		Prices
Basket	Quantity	Base Year
Food	10	10
Doctor Visit	2	50
Rent	1	700
Gasoline	50	2
Basket Cost		1,000

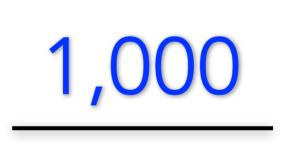
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Calculating the CPI

CFIbase

Cost of the Basket Base

x 100 Cost of the Basket Base



x 100

1,000

CPI_{base} = 100

The CPI in the base year is always 100

The ONE number that represents base year's prices of all goods and services in the market basket is 100

Calculating the CPI

$$CPI_{base} = \frac{Cost of the Basket Base}{Cost of the Basket Base} x 100$$

		Prices	Prices
Basket	Quantity	Base Year	Today
Food	10	10	30
Doctor Visit	2	50	75
Rent	1	700	1500
Gasoline	50	2	1
Basket Cost	1,000	2,000	

$$CPI_{base} = \frac{1,000}{1,000} \times 100$$

$$CPI_{base} = 100$$

The CPI in the base year is always 100

The ONE number that represents base year's prices of all goods and services in the market basket is 100

Inflation = % Change in Price Index