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- The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for the indicated products

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