

**TABLE 6.70 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI - Measure of Inflation)**  
 Estimates for Hernando County, FL

Annual	South Region	Tampa/St Pete
1994 vs. 1993	2.8%	2.0%
1995 vs. 1994	3.0%	2.5%
1996 vs. 1995	3.1%	1.5%
1997 vs. 1996	2.1%	1.8%
1998 vs. 1997	1.3%	2.6%
1999 vs. 1998	2.0%	2.2%
2000 vs. 1999	3.2%	3.6%
2001 vs. 2000	2.3%	2.1%
2002 vs. 2001	1.3%	3.4%
2003 vs. 2002	2.3%	2.7%
2004 vs. 2003	2.5%	2.5%
2005 vs. 2004	3.6%	4.0%
2006 vs. 2005	3.4%	4.0%
2007 vs. 2006	2.9%	5.2%
<b>Average</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>2.9%</b>

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics - <http://www.bls.gov/cpi/> (US Map - lower right)

Notes: For the first 6 months of 2008 vs. the first 6 months of 2007:

**South Region: 4.7%**      **Tampa/St Pete 3.8%**