



May 2018

(Base year 2014)

- Expenditure groupsHousehold welfare levels
- Household type
- Regions

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Briefing

This publication provides an analysis of the results of the CPI for May 2018 with the base year 2014. In addition, this publication provides the results of the first five months of 2018 CPI by household welfare levels, by household type, by Abu Dhabi region and provides percentage of contribution of the major expenditure groups in the annual price change.

Key Points

- The inflation rate in consumer prices for the first five months of 2018 was 3.7% compared with the same period of 2017, as shown by the increase in the CPI to 111.9% during the first five months of 2018, up from 107.9% during the same period of 2017.
- Abu Dhabi region contributed 46.6% of the total increase of 3.7% during the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017, the prices increase by 2.8% in Abu Dhabi region, while Al-Ain region contributed 45.4% and Al Dhafra region 8.1%.
- The CPI increased by 3.2% in May 2018 compared with May 2017.
- The CPI decreased by 0.4% in May 2018 compared with April 2018.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017, contributed to an increase of 3.4% in consumer prices for households of the bottom and middle welfare level over the same period of comparison. Consumer prices rose by 3.9% for households of the top welfare level.
- Consumer prices for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017, increased by 4.0% for citizen households, followed by 3.3% for non-citizen households and 3.7% for share households.
- The "Transport" group contributed 37.9% to the overall increase in the CPI for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017. Prices of this group increased by 10.0% over the same period.
- The "Clothing and footwear" group contributed 16.7% to the overall increase in the CPI for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017. Prices of this group increased by 12.1% over the same period.
- The group of "Miscellaneous goods and services" contributed 15.5% to the overall increase in the CPI for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017. Prices of this group increased by 8.0% over the same period.



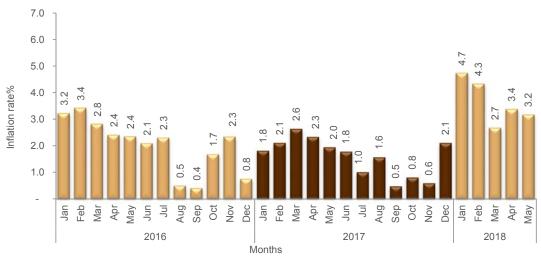
 Prices of the "Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuel" group decreased by 3.3% during the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period 2017, and contributed 30.8% in reducing the overall increase in the CPI.

Table (1): Major expenditure groups by weight, relative change and contribution for the first five months of 2018 compared with the same period of 2017

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change%	Contribution%
Food and beverages	12.3	3.9	12.4
Tobacco	0.2	100.1	5.3
Clothing and footwear	5.4	12.1	16.7
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	-3.3	-30.8
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	5.0	9.2
Health	1.6	-0.1	-0.1
Transport	14.7	10.0	37.9
Communication	5.0	1.6	1.9
Recreation and culture	4.8	13.0	14.8
Education	6.9	5.1	9.5
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	7.6	7.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	8.0	15.5
Total	100	3.7	100.0

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Figure (1): Annual inflation rates for the months of 2016, 2017 and 2018



Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi



Notes

Technical notes

For better understanding of the statistical indicators mentioned in this summary, please refer to the accompanied technical notes on the SCAD website.

Data sources

Data are obtained through a field survey by collecting the prices from different outlets in Abu Dhabi Regions (Abu Dhabi, Al Ain and Al Dhafra) The data are processed and passed to the Prices and Income Section at Statistic Centre – Abu Dhabi for further editing and compilation.

More information and detailed release

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