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- Expenditure groups
- Household welfare levels
- Household type
- Regions



Key Points

This publication provides an analysis of the results of the CPI for the first four months of 2016 with the base year 2014. In addition, the publication provides the results of the CPI by household welfare levels, by household type and by region and percentage change in the main expenditure group. The main findings of this analysis are outlined below:

Main Points

- The inflation rate in consumer prices for the first four months of 2016 was 3.0%, compared with the same period of 2015.
- Abu Dhabi region contributed 77.0% of the total increase of 3.0% for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015, while the Al-Ain region contributed 19.6% and the Al Gharbia region 3.4%.
- The CPI increased by 2.4% in April 2016, compared with April 2015.
- The CPI decreased by 0.1% in April 2016 compared with March 2016.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period in 2015, contributed to an increase of 3.2% in consumer prices for households of the bottom welfare quintile over the same period of comparison. As for the other welfare levels, consumer prices rose by 3.0% and 2.9% for households of the middle and the top quintiles.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period in 2015, increased consumer prices for citizen households by 2.7%, followed by 3.2% for noncitizen households and 3.7% for share households.
- Table (1) shows the 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels' group accounted for the largest rise in the index during for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015, contributing 82.6% to the change. This contribution resulted from an increase of 7.5% in the prices of this group.
- The 'Miscellaneous goods and services' group contributed 7.7% to the overall increase in the CPI for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015. Prices of this group increased by 3.3% over the same period.



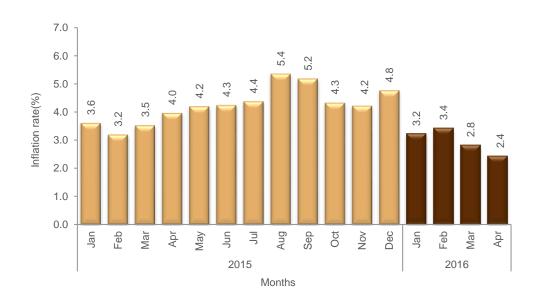
 Prices of the 'Food and beverages' group, which contributed 4.8% of the overall increase in the CPI, rose by 1.2% for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015

Table (1): Major expenditure groups by weights, relative change and contribution for the first four months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change (%)	Contribution (%)
Food and beverages	12.3	1.2	4.8
Tobacco	0.2	1.1	0.1
Clothing and footwear	5.4	0.7	1.3
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	7.5	82.6
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	-0.7	-1.6
Health	1.6	0.9	0.5
Transport	14.7	-2.3	-11.0
Communication	5.0	-3.9	-6.3
Recreation and culture	4.8	3.5	5.4
Education	6.9	4.4	10.3
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	5.0	6.3
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	3.3	7.7
Total	100	3.0	100.0

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Figure (1): Annual inflation rates for the months of 2015 and 2016



Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi



Notes

Technical notes

For better understanding of the statistical indicators mentioned in this summery, 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 the regions of the Emirate (Abu Dhabi, Al Ain and Al Gharbia). The data are processed and passed to Statistic Centre – Abu Dhabi for further editing and compilation.

More information and detailed release

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