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# Consumer Price Index

August 2017

(Base year 2014)

Detailed by:

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

## Briefing

This publication provides an analysis of the results of the CPI for August 2017 with the base year 2014. In addition, the publication provides the results of August 2017 CPI by household welfare levels, by household type by Abu Dhabi region and by percentage change in the main expenditure group.

## Key Points

- The inflation rate in consumer prices for the first eight months of 2017 was 1.9%, compared with the same period of 2016, as shown by the increase in the CPI to 107.9% during the first eight months of 2017, up from 105.9% during the same period of 2016.
- Abu Dhabi region contributed 52.6% of the total increase of 1.9% for the period of the first eight months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, while Al-Ain region contributed 41.1% and Al Dhafra region 6.2%.
- The CPI increased by 1.6% in August 2017 compared with August 2016.
- The CPI decreased by 0.2% in August 2017 compared with July 2017.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first eight months of 2017 compared with same period of 2016, contributed to an increase of 2.2% in consumer prices for households of the bottom welfare level over the same period of comparison. Consumer prices rose by 2.2% and 1.7% for households of the middle and the top welfare levels respectively.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first eight months of 2017 compared with same period of 2016, contributed to an increase of 2.3% for citizen households, followed by 1.6% for non-citizen households and 1.5% for share households.
- 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels' group accounted for the largest rise in the index during the first eight months of 2017 compared with the same period 2016, which contributed 49.0% to the overall increase in the CPI. Prices of this group increased by 2.7% over the same period.
- The 'Transport' group contributed 30.1% to the overall increase in the CPI for the first eight months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016. Prices of this group increased by 4.2% over the same period.

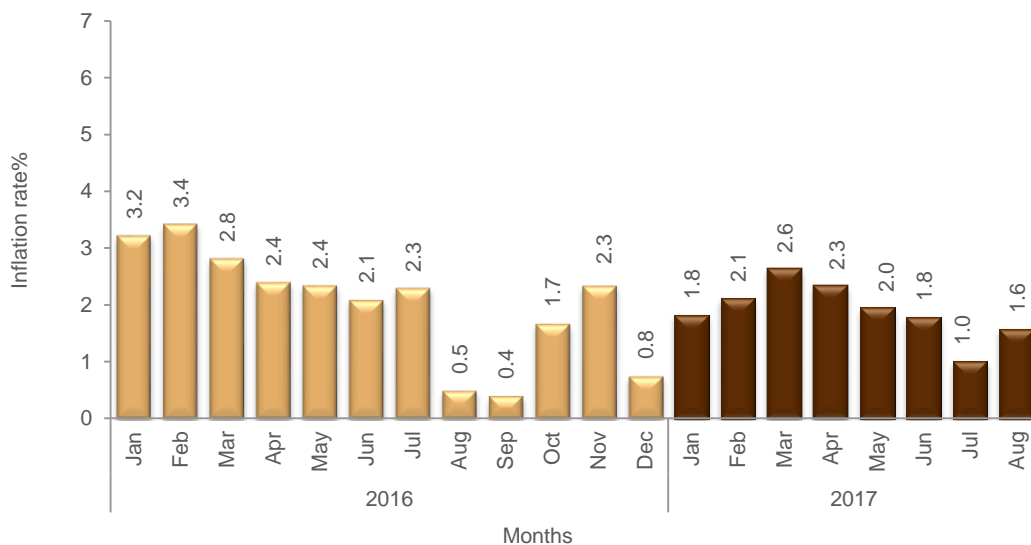
- While the prices of the 'Recreation and Culture' group decreased by 5.3% during the first eight months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, which contributed 12.6% in reducing the overall increase in the CPI.

**Table (1): Major expenditure groups by weights, relative change and contribution for the first eight months of 2017 compared with the same period 2016**

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change%	Contribution%
Food and beverages	12.3	1.3	8.2
Tobacco	0.2	3.6	0.4
Clothing and footwear	5.4	-1.1	-3.1
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	2.7	49.0
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	1.5	5.2
Health	1.6	9.4	7.7
Transport	14.7	4.2	30.1
Communication	5.0	-1.1	-2.5
Recreation and culture	4.8	-5.3	-12.6
Education	6.9	0.2	0.9
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	-1.4	-2.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	5.4	19.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

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



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

For more information about the consumer price index (**CPI**) and other official statistics, please visit the statistics link on the SCAD website at <http://www.scad.ae>

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