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Consumer **Price Index**

December 2017

(Base year 2014)

Detailed by:

- Expenditure groupsHousehold welfare levels
- Household type
- Regions



Briefing

This publication provides an analysis of the results of the CPI for December 2017 with the base year 2014. In addition, this publication provides the results of the twelve months of 2017 CPI by household welfare levels, by household type, by Abu Dhabi region and provides the percentage change in the main expenditure groups and the Expected Inflation over the next two quarters of 2018.

Key Points

- The inflation rate in consumer prices for the twelve months of 2017 was 1.6% compared with the same period of 2016, as shown by the increase in the CPI to 108.1% during the twelve months of 2017, up from 106.4% during the same period of 2016.
- Abu Dhabi region contributed 47.6% of the total increase of 1.6% during the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, while Al-Ain region contributed 45.0% and Al Dhafra region 7.4%.
- The CPI increased by 2.0% in December 2017 compared with December 2016.
- The CPI increased by 0.9% in December 2017 compared with November 2017.
- The rise in consumer prices for the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, contributed to an increase of 1.8% in consumer prices for households of the bottom and middle welfare levels. Consumer prices rose by 1.2% for households of the top welfare levels.
- The rise in consumer prices for the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, contributed to an increase of 1.9% for citizen households, followed by 1.2% for non-citizen households and for shared households.
- The 'Transport' group contributed 37.2% to the overall increase in the CPI for the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016. Prices of this group increased by 4.3% over the same period.
- 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels' accounted for the largest rise in the index during the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, and contributed 34.4% to the overall increase in the CPI. Prices of this group increased by 1.6% over the same period.



- The prices of the 'Recreation and Culture' group decreased by 5.6% during the twelve months of 2017 compared with the same period of 2016, offset the overall increase in the CPI by 15.6%.
- The CPI estimates for the first and second quarters of 2018 expected an increase of 6.6% compared with the same period of 2017.

 Table (1): Major expenditure groups by weight, relative change and contribution for the twelve

 months of 2017 compared with the same period 2016

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change%	Contribution%
Food and beverages	12.3	1.2	9.1
Tobacco	0.2	25.7	3.1
Clothing and footwear	5.4	-1.1	-3.4
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	1.6	34.4
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	1.1	4.6
Health	1.6	6.9	6.9
Transport	14.7	4.3	37.2
Communication	5.0	-1.4	-3.9
Recreation and culture	4.8	-5.6	-15.6
Education	6.9	1.0	4.2
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	-1.6	-3.9
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	6.4	27.3
Total	100	1.6	100.0

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

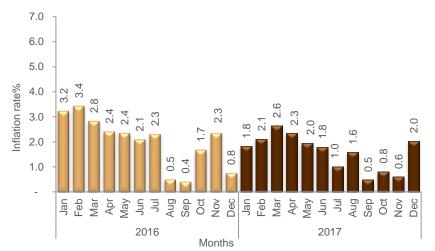


Figure (1): Annual inflation rates for the months of 2016 and 2017

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 <u>http://www.scad.ae</u>

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