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# Consumer Price Index

August 2016

(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 and the first eight 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:

## Key Points

- The inflation rate in consumer prices for the first eight months of 2016 was 2.4%, compared with the same period of 2015.
- The Abu Dhabi region contributed 76.1% of the total increase of 2.4% for the first eight months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015, while the Al-Ain region contributed 20.5% and the Al Gharbia region 3.3%.
- The CPI increased by 0.5% in August 2016, compared with August 2015.
- The CPI decreased by 0.7% in August 2016 compared with July 2016.
- The rise in consumer prices for the first eight months of 2016 compared with the same period in 2015, contributed to an increase of 2.6% in consumer prices for households of the bottom welfare level over the same period of comparison. Consumer prices rose by 2.5% and 2.2% for households of the middle and the top welfare levels respectively.
- Consumer prices for the first eight months of 2016 compared with the same period in 2015, increased by 2.0% for citizen households, followed by 2.7% for non-citizen households and 3.0% for share households.
- Table (1) shows the 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels' group accounted for the largest rise in the index during the first eight months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015, contributing 90.8% to the change. This contribution resulted from an increase of 6.6% in the prices of this group.
- The 'Miscellaneous goods and services' group contributed 8.7% to the overall increase in the CPI for first seven months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015. Prices of this group increased by 3.0% over the same period.

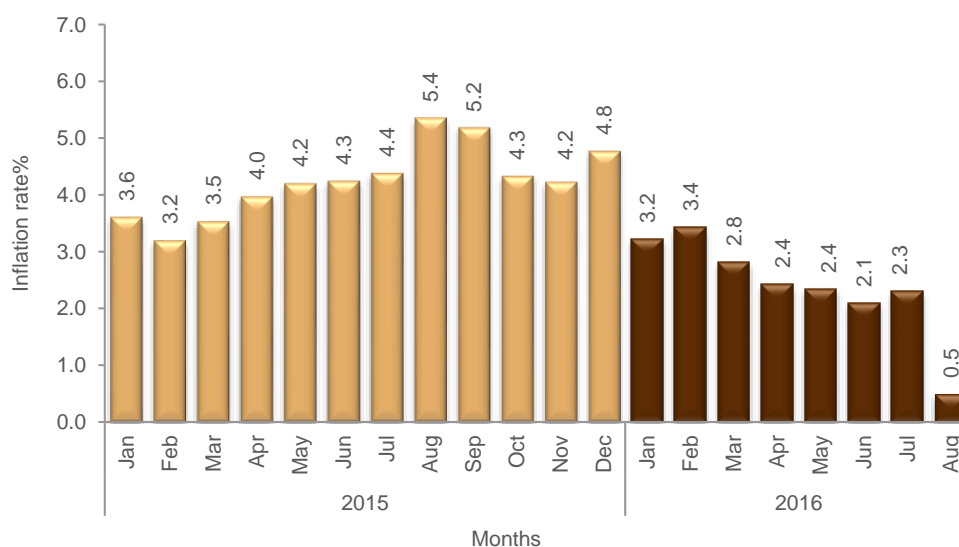
- While the prices of the 'Food and beverages' group decreased by 0.1% during the first eight months of 2016 compared with the same period of 2015, which contributed 0.3% of the overall increase in the CPI,

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

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change%	Contribution%
Food and beverages	12.3	-0.1	-0.3
Tobacco	0.2	1.7	0.1
Clothing and footwear	5.4	1.3	2.7
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	6.6	90.8
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	-1.0	-2.9
Health	1.6	1.8	1.2
Transport	14.7	-1.6	-9.5
Communication	5.0	-3.6	-7.2
Recreation and culture	4.8	-1.4	-2.7
Education	6.9	4.4	12.7
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	3.9	6.2
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	3.0	8.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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 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 Gharbia) 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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