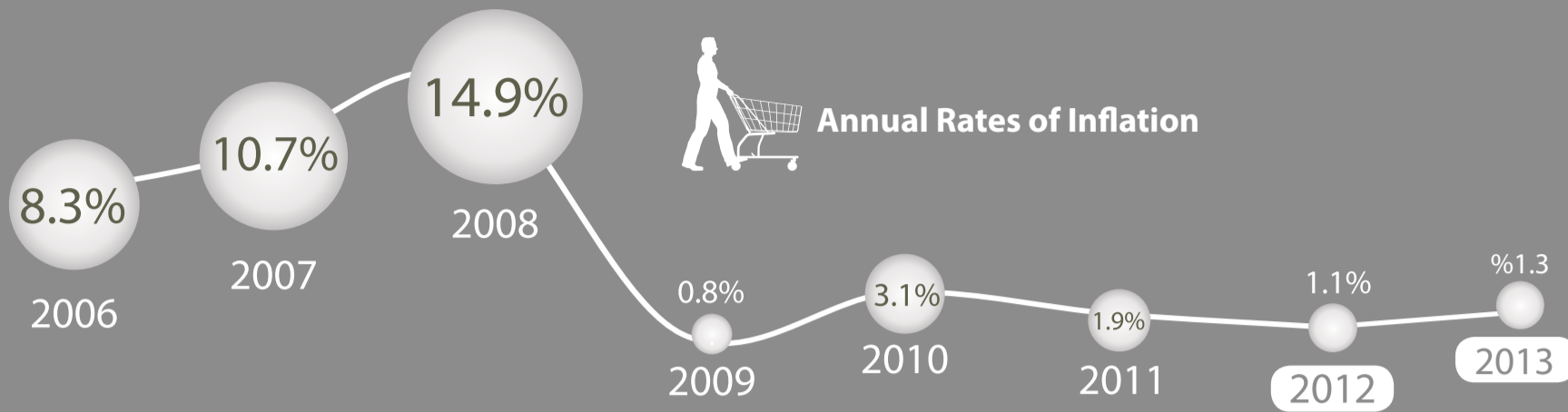


Inflation in Abu Dhabi

July 2014



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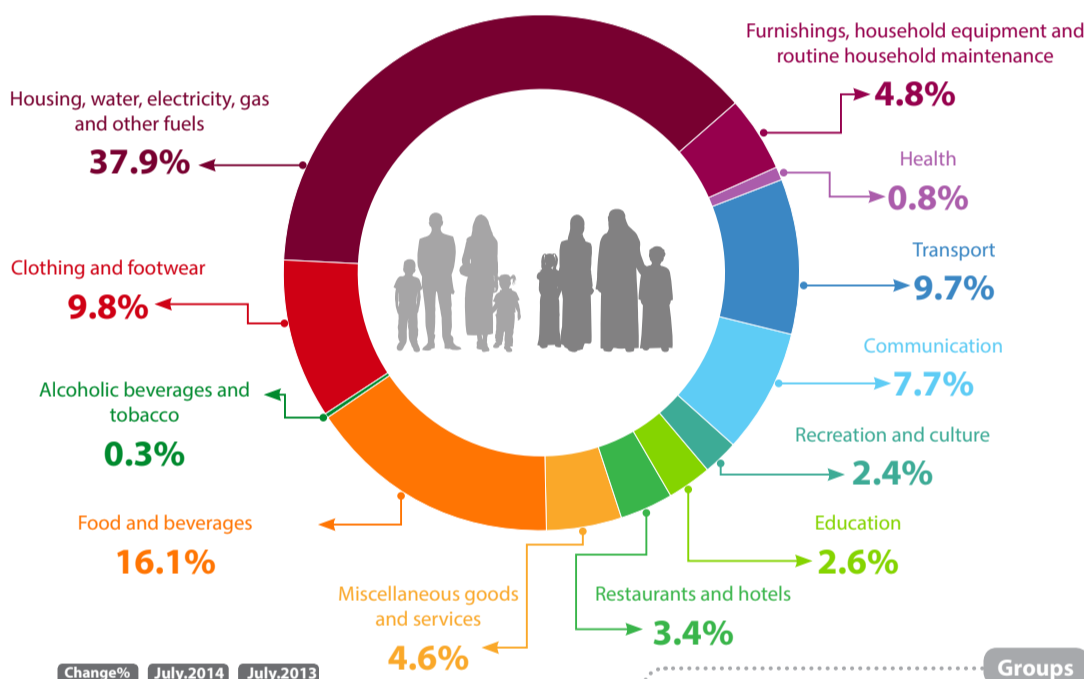
The inflation rate is a measure of how prices are changing over time. It is calculated as the percentage change in the level of prices (CPI) between two time periods.

CPI during 2013 & 2014

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Dec	Dec
2013	123.5	123.2	123.5	123.2	123.6	124.1	124.7	125.0	125.9	125.7	125.9	126.0
2014	126.0	126.3	126.4	126.8	127.0	128.8	128.7					
Change%	1.2%▲	2.6%▲	2.4%▲	2.9%▲	2.8%▲	3.8%▲	3.2%▲					

Each month, across Abu Dhabi, SCAD collects the prices of hundreds of goods and services (collectively called the 'basket'). The total cost of this basket for a given month is calculated as an index number (e.g. 123.5). This index number is called the Consumer Price Index or CPI.

Main Expenditure Groups



Weights

Households will spend more on some expenditure groups than other groups. To represent the average spending patterns of consumers, the calculation of the CPI uses weights. That is, the goods and services in the basket are weighted according to the share they constitute of the total consumer spending. In other words, if the household spending for a given month was AED 1,000, then, on average, "Food and beverages" might represent AED 161 (or 16.1 percent), while "Housing", would represent AED 379, or 37.9 percent of total expenditure.

Change% July.2014 July.2013

Change%	July.2014	July.2013
▲ 0.5	143.2	142.5
▲ 0.3	143.8	143.4
■ 0.0	131.9	131.9
▲ 0.8	142.7	141.6
▲ 7.8	187.2	173.7
■ 0.0	116.9	117.0
▲ 1.5	135.7	133.7
▲ 3.2	146.3	141.7
▼ -4.8	144.1	151.3
▼ -5.4	179.2	189.4
▲ 4.7	165.5	158.0
▲ 2.8	137.0	133.2
▲ 11.1	172.8	155.5
▼ -1.0	123.7	125.0
▲ 6.4	151.0	142.0

Groups

Group	July.2013	July.2014	Change%
01 Food and beverages	123.3	128.7	4.4 ▲
02 beverages and tobacco	126.6	132.7	4.9 ▲
03 Clothing and footwear	97.1	97.1	0.0 ■
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	100.0	100.0	0.0 ■
05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	100.0	100.3	0.3 ▲
06 Health	127.0	143.4	12.9 ▲
07 Transport	115.2	115.3	0.1 ▲
08 Communication	126.6	126.4	-0.1 ▼
09 Recreation and culture	99.4	99.4	-0.1 ▼
10 Education	108.4	110.6	2.0 ▲
11 Restaurants and hotels	167.9	174.4	3.9 ▲
12 Miscellaneous goods and services	159.1	165.8	4.2 ▲

July.2013 July.2014 Change%

Group	July.2013	July.2014	Change%
42.41 Actual rentals for housing, Imputed rentals for housing	126.6	132.7	4.9 ▲
43 Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	97.1	97.1	0.0 ■
44 Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	100.0	100.0	0.0 ■
45 Electricity, gas and other fuels	100.0	100.3	0.3 ▲

"Food and beverages" group accounted for 1.8% of the overall increase occurring during July 2014 compared with the same period of 2013, due to higher average prices of this group decreased by 0.5%.

▲ Increased rate % ▼ Decreased rate % ■ Stable rate %

Consumer Price Index
(2007=100)

"Clothing and footwear" group 4.3% . this contribution resulted mainly from an decrease of 1.7% in the prices of the group.

"Restaurants and hotels" The price increase by 5.6%, during July 2014 compared with the same period 2013.

"Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels" group which contributed 51.2% of the total increase during July 2014 compared with the same period of 2013. This contribution resulted from an increase of 4.4% in the prices of this group.

Key points: • The inflation rate of consumer prices was 3.2% in July 2014 compared with same month in 2013.
• The CPI decreased by -0.1% in July 2014 compared with June 2014.

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