



Inflation and Consumer Price Index First Quarter 2010 – Emirate of Dubai

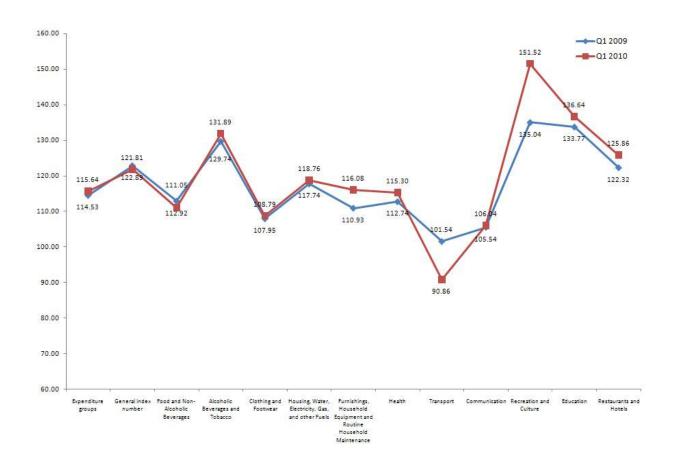
Inflation Rate in the Emirate of Dubai rise to record 0.97 % in the first Quarter of 2010 compared to the same period of 2009. This is due to the increase in the prices of Education group by 12.20%, Health group by 4.64%, Miscellaneous Goods and Services group by 2.90%, Transport group by 2.26%, Restaurants and hotels group by 2.15%, Clothing and Footwear group by 1.66%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group by 0.87%, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels group by 0.78% and Recreation and Culture group by 0.48%, While prices of Communication group decreased by 10.52%, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group by 1.65%, , and Food and non-alcoholic beverages group by 0.88%.

Inflation and Consumer Price Index (First Quarter 2009, 2010)

				2007 = 100
Expenditure groups	Weight	CPI First Quarter 2009	CPI First Quarter 2010	Inflation Rate (%)
General index number	100.00	114.53	115.64	0.97
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	11.08	122.89	121.81	-0.88
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	0.24	112.92	111.05	-1.65
Clothing and Footwear	5.52	129.74	131.89	1.66
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels	43.70	107.95	108.79	0.78
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.34	117.74	118.76	0.87
Health	1.08	110.93	116.08	4.64
Transport	9.08	112.74	115.30	2.26
Communication	6.00	101.54	90.86	-10.52
Recreation and Culture	4.24	105.54	106.04	0.48
Education	4.09	135.04	151.52	12.20
Restaurants and Hotels	5.48	133.77	136.64	2.15
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	6.15	122.32	125.86	2.90







Inflation rate in major expenditure groups:

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

Inflation rate of Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages Group decreased by 0.88 %, with highest drop in the prices of Oils and fats by 7.17%. Followed by, the prices of Fish and Seafood by 3.16% and Bread and Cereals by 2.92%.

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

Inflation rate for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group dropped to 1.65%, due to decrease in Tobacco prices with 2.24%. While Alcoholic Beverages prices stable at the previous levels.

Clothing and Footwear

Clothing and Footwear group inflation rate increased by 1.66%. As a result of, increase in the prices of Clothing Materials by 5.19% and Garments by 2.03%. Moreover, Cleaning, Repair and Hire of Clothing increased by 0.46%.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels





Inflation rate of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuel group reached 0.78%. Gas has the highest rate amounted to 11.83% and Rents increased by 0.75%.

Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance

Inflation rate for Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group amounted to 0.87%. Due to high increase in Carpets and other Floor Coverings prices by 6.20%. Followed by, an increase in the prices of Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils by 6.19% and 5.31% for Major Household Appliances whether electric or not.

Health

Health group inflation rate reached 4.64%, due to the raise in Hospital Services prices with 17.13%. Further, prices of Dental Services increase by 12.26% and Paramedical Services by 6.46%.

Transport

Inflation rate for Transport group reached 2.26%, with the highest increase in the prices of Passenger Transport by Road by 15.72%. In addition to that, prices of Spare Parts and Accessories for Personal Transport Equipment increased by 10.92% and Passenger Transport by Air by 8.11%.

Communication

The inflation rate for Communication group declined to 10.52%. As a result of, the decrease in Wireless and Wired Services prices by 10.89%. While Wireless and Wired Equipment prices increased by 8.20%.

Recreation and Culture

Recreation and Culture group inflation rate amounted to 0.48%. Due to, the increase in the prices of Cultural Services by 6.69%, Books by 3.98% and Stationery and Drawing Materials by 3.04%.

Education

Education inflation rate has increased by 12.20%, due to Tuition Fees.

Restaurants and Hotels

Inflation rate for Restaurants and Hotels group reached 2.15%, because of high increase in the prices of Restaurants, Cafés by 2.16%. Whereas, prices of Hotels Accommodation Services stable at the previous levels.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services

Miscellaneous Goods and Services group inflation rate reached 2.90%. As a result of prices increase for Personal care Services by 18.20%, Jewellery, Clocks and Watches by 14.77%, and Other Appliances, Articles and Products for Personal Care by 0.58%.