





Inflation in Consumer Price Index

First Quarter 2014 - Emirate of Dubai

Inflation Rate in the Emirate of Dubai rise to record 2.62% in the First Quarter of 2014 compared to the same period of 2013. This is due to an increase in the prices of goods and services as follows: Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels group by 4.38%, Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group by 4.04%, Education group by 3.99%, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group by 2.63%, Health group by 1.93%, Restaurants and Hotels group by 1.67%, Miscellaneous Goods and Services group by 1.66%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group by 1.16%, Transport group by 0.85% and Recreation and Culture group increased by 0.42%. While the prices of other groups deflates as follows: Clothing and Footwear group decreased by 2.83% and Communication group by 0.10%. As shown in table (1).

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Expenditure groups	Weight	CPI First Quarter 2013	CPI First Quarter 2014	Inflation Rate (%)
General index number	100.00	114.98	117.99	2.62
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	11.08	136.29	141.79	4.04
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	0.24	133.07	136.57	2.63
Clothing and Footwear	5.52	125.05	121.51	(2.83)
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels	43.70	97.21	101.47	4.38
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.34	128.52	130.01	1.16
Health	1.08	121.73	124.07	1.93
Transport	9.08	130.90	132.02	0.85
Communication	6.00	90.45	90.36	(0.10)
Recreation and Culture	4.24	108.16	108.61	0.42
Education	4.09	167.33	174.00	3.99
Restaurants and Hotels	5.48	144.08	146.49	1.67
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	6.15	129.05	131.19	1.66

Table (1) Inflation and Consumer Price Index in First Quarter 2013 - 2014







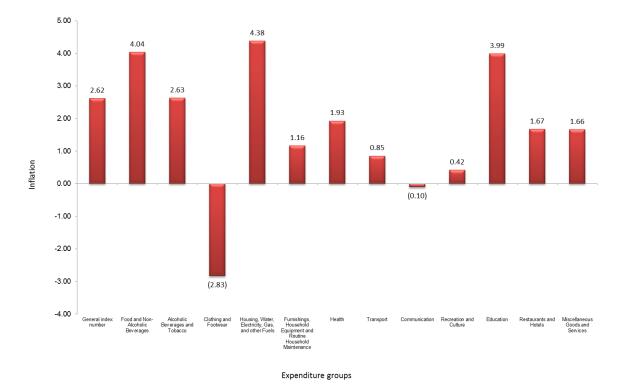


Figure (1) Inflation in First Quarter 2013 – 2014

Inflation rate in major expenditure groups:

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

Inflation rate of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages Group increased by 4.04%, As a result of an increase in the prices of Fish and seafood by 32.47%, followed by the prices of Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery by 2.05% and prices of Food products n.e.c. by 1.97%.

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

Inflation rate of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group increased by 2.63%, due to an increase in the prices of Alcoholic Beverages by 7.22% and prices of Tobacco by 1.27%.

Clothing and Footwear

The prices of Clothing and Footwear group dropped to 2.83%. As a result of a drop in the prices of Shoes and other Footwear by 4.65% and prices of Garments by 3.08%.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels

Inflation rate of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuel group increased by 4.38%. As the prices of Gas increased by 13.78%, followed by the prices of Rents by 4.77% and prices of Liquid Fuels by 3.45%.







Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance

Inflation rate of Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group increased by 1.16%. Due to an increase in the prices of Domestic Services and Household Services by 3.14%, followed by an increase in the prices of Small Tools and Miscellaneous Accessories by 1.75% and 0.65% for Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils.

Health

Inflation rate of Health group reached 1.93%, due to the rise in Dental services prices by 25.00%, followed by an increase in the prices of Hospital services by 9.27% and the prices of Therapeutic appliances and equipment increased by 5.45%.

Transport

Inflation rate of Transport group reached 0.85%, with the highest increase in the prices of Passenger transport by road by 7.54%. In addition to that, prices of Motor cycles and prices of Fuels and lubricants for personal transport equipment increased by 4.18% and 2.50% respectively.

Communication

Communication group prices declined to 0.10%. Due to the decrease in the prices of Wireless and Wired Equipment by 17.31%.

Recreation and Culture

Inflation rate of Recreation and Culture group amounted to 0.42%. Due to an increase in the prices of Books by 12.70%, followed by the prices of Toys by 10.38% then the prices of Stationery and Drawing Mate by 5.57%.

Education

Inflation rate of Education group has increased by 3.99%, due to an increase in Post-secondary non-tertiary education fees by 4.82%, followed by Secondary education fees by 3.90% and Pre-primary and primary education fees by 3.67%.

Restaurants and Hotels

Inflation rate of Restaurants and Hotels group reached to 1.67%, due to high increase in the prices of Hotels Accommodation Services by 9.12% and Restaurants, Cafés and the like by 1.64%.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services

Inflation rate of Miscellaneous Goods and Services group increased by 1.66%. As a result of an increase in the prices of Personal care Services by 7.64%, followed by Electric Appliances for Personal Care prices by 3.14% and the prices of Other Appliances, Articles and Products for Personal Care increased by 2.82%.