

Inflation and Consumer Price Index

First Half 2012 - Emirate of Dubai

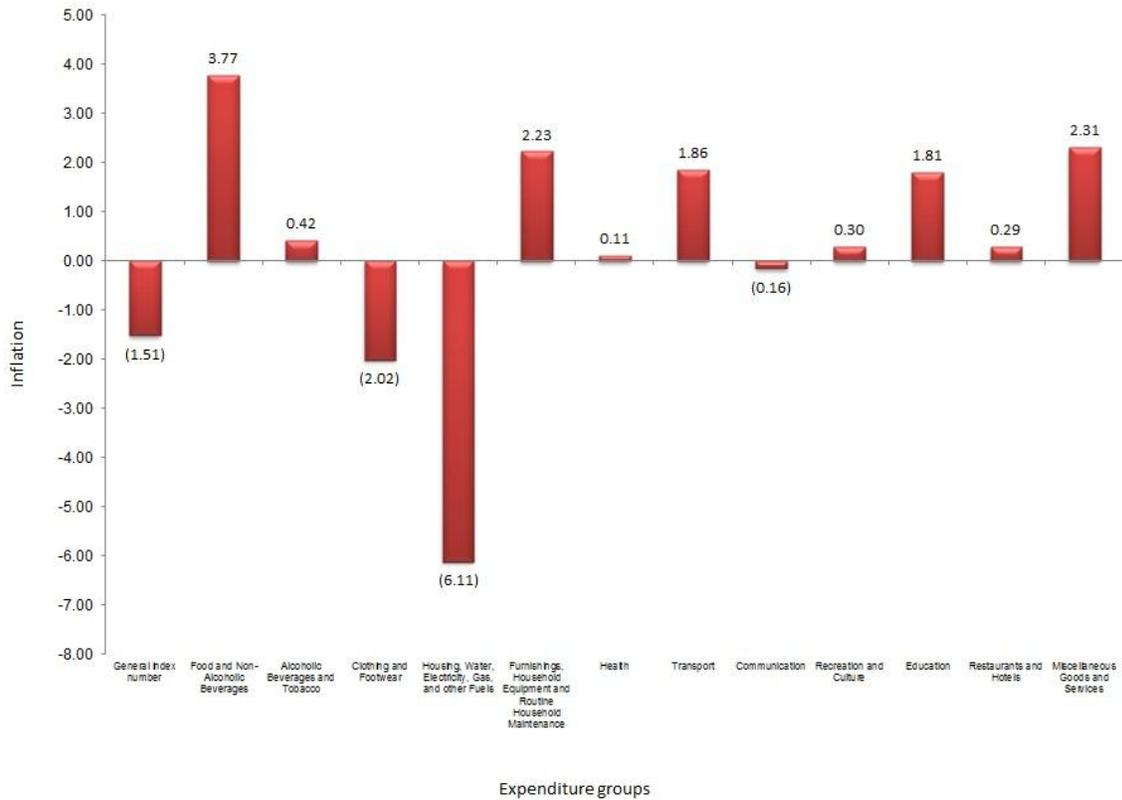
Prices of goods and services are deflating in the Emirates of Dubai to record a drop amounted 1.51% in First Half of 2012 compared to the same period of 2011. This is due to dropdown on prices of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels group by 6.11%, Clothing and Footwear group by 2.02%, Communication group by 0.16%. While other group prices increased as follows Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group by 3.77%, Miscellaneous Goods and Services group by 2.31%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group by 2.23%, Transport group by 1.86%, Education group by 1.81%, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group by 0.42%, Recreation and Culture group by 0.30%, Restaurants and Hotels group by 0.29%, Health group by 0.11%.

Inflation and Consumer Price Index in First Half 2011 - 2012

2007 = 100

Expenditure groups	Weight	CPI First Half 2011	CPI First Half 2012	Inflation Rate (%)
General index number	100.00	116.31	114.56	(1.51)
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	11.08	129.46	134.34	3.77
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	0.24	113.47	113.95	0.42
Clothing and Footwear	5.52	131.49	128.84	(2.02)
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels	43.70	104.03	97.67	(6.11)
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.34	121.45	124.15	2.23
Health	1.08	120.06	120.19	0.11
Transport	9.08	127.33	129.70	1.86
Communication	6.00	91.48	91.34	(0.16)
Recreation and Culture	4.24	106.15	106.47	0.30
Education	4.09	156.69	159.52	1.81
Restaurants and Hotels	5.48	141.97	142.38	0.29
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	6.15	128.23	131.19	2.31

Inflation in First Half 2011 – 2012



Inflation rate in major expenditure groups:

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

Inflation rate of Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages Group increased by 3.77%, as a result of increase in the prices of Fish and seafood group by 10.07%. Followed by, the prices of Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery by 7.51% and prices of Food products n.e.c. by 6.40%.

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

Inflation rate of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco group increased by 0.42%, due to increase in Alcoholic Beverages prices with 1.71%.

Clothing and Footwear

The prices of Clothing and Footwear group dropped to 2.02%. As a result of, a drop in the prices of Garments by 3.64%, followed by a drop in prices of Clothing Materials by 2.25% and prices of Other Articles of Clothing and Clothing Accessories by 0.30%.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels

Prices of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuel group dropped to 6.11%. As the prices of Rent declined by 7.49%, and the prices of Materials & Services for the Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling by 1.31%, while solid fuels prices increase by 11.05%

Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance

Inflation rate of Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance group amounted to 2.23%. Due to high increase in Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils prices by 4.93%. Followed by, an increase in the prices of Non-Durable Household Goods by 2.77% and 2.44% for Small Electric Household Appliances.

Health

Inflation rate of Health group reached 0.11%, due to the raise in Paramedical services prices with 0.85%. Further, prices of Hospital services by 0.14% and prices of Pharmaceutical products by 0.05%.

Transport

Inflation rate of Transport group reached 1.86%, with the highest increase in the prices of Motor cycle by 9.24%. In addition to that, prices of Spare parts and accessories for personal transport equipment increased by 8.50% and purchase of vehicles by 5.45%.

Communication

Communication group prices decline to 0.16%. Due to the decrease in prices of Wireless and Wired Equipment by 8.48%.

Recreation and Culture

Inflation rate of Recreation and Culture group amounted to 0.30%. Due to, the increase in the prices of Gardens, plants and flowers by 9.11%, Toys by 3.05%, and Cultural services by 2.60%.

Education

Inflation rate of Education group has increased by 1.81%, due to increase in prices of Education not definable by level by 16.67%, followed by Tertiary education by 2.58%, and Pre-primary and primary education by 1.32%.

Restaurants and Hotels

Inflation rate of Restaurants and Hotels group reached 0.29%, because of high increase in the prices of Hotels Accommodation Services by 9.66% and Restaurants, Cafés by 0.25%.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services

Inflation rate of Miscellaneous Goods and Services group reached 2.31%. As a result of Jewellery, Clocks and Watches prices increase by 9.58%, Other appliances, articles and products for personal care by 4.86%, and Other services n.e.c. by 3.44%.