Consumer Price Index

Emirate of Dubai

Fourth Quarter 2019











Inflation Rate in the Emirate of Dubai decreased to 0.72% in the Fourth Quarter of 2019 compared to the Third Quarter of 2019. This is due to a decrease in the prices of: Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels division by 1.18%, which reduced inflation 0.49 points. Transport division by 3.67%, which reduced inflation 0.41 points. Recreation and Culture division by 3.48%, which reduced inflation 0.07 points. Miscellaneous Goods and Services division by 0.68%, which reduced inflation 0.04 points.

On the other hand, Clothing and Footwear division increased by 5.97%, which pushed inflation 0.12 points. Education division by 0.97%, which pushed inflation 0.09 points. Tobacco division by 5.54%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division by 0.66%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Food and Beverages division increased by 0.04%, which pushed inflation 0.01 points. Communication division by 0.14%, which pushed inflation 0.01 points. Restaurants and Hotels division by 0.33%, which pushed inflation 0.01 points.

While Health division did not show any change during the period of comparison.

Inflation rate dropped to 2.53% in the Fourth Quarter of 2019 compared to the same period of 2018. This is due to a decrease in the prices of: Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels division by 5.54%, which reduced inflation 2.34 points. Transport division by 5.06%, which reduced inflation 0.57 points.

While prices of Education division increased by 1.46%, which pushed inflation 0.13 points. Food and Beverages division increased by 0.40%, which pushed inflation 0.05 points. Restaurants and Hotels division by 1.22%, which pushed inflation 0.05 points. Tobacco division by 4.80%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Clothing and Footwear division by 1.30%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Recreation and Culture division increased by 1.59%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Miscellaneous Goods and Services division by 0.49%, which pushed inflation 0.03 points. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division by 0.58%, which pushed inflation 0.02 points. Communication division by 0.11%, which pushed inflation 0.01 points. Health division increased by 0.13%. As shown in table (1) and figure (1).



Table 1 Inflation and Consumer Price Index in Fourth Quarter 2019

2014 = 100

| Expenditure divisions | Weight | CPI Q4 2018 | CPI Q3 2019 | CPI Q4 2019 | Inflation Rate (%) Q4 2019 / Q3 2019 | Inflation Rate (%) Q4 2019 / Q4 2018 |
|--|--------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---|---|
| General index number | 100.0 | 109.38 | 107.40 | 106.62 | -0.72 | -2.53 |
| Food and Beverages | 13.09 | 107.11 | 107.50 | 107.54 | 0.04 | 0.40 |
| Tobacco | 0.35 | 177.33 | 176.08 | 185.84 | 5.54 | 4.80 |
| Clothing and Footwear | 2.05 | 106.59 | 101.90 | 107.98 | 5.97 | 1.30 |
| Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels | 43.62 | 105.97 | 101.30 | 100.10 | -1.18 | -5.54 |
| Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance | 3.76 | 113.45 | 113.36 | 114.10 | 0.66 | 0.58 |
| Health | 0.85 | 102.34 | 102.48 | 102.48 | = | 0.13 |
| Transport | 10.62 | 115.72 | 114.06 | 109.87 | -3.67 | -5.06 |
| Communication | 5.22 | 105.45 | 105.42 | 105.57 | 0.14 | 0.11 |
| Recreation and Culture | 2.33 | 93.29 | 98.19 | 94.77 | -3.48 | 1.59 |
| Education | 8.48 | 118.19 | 118.76 | 119.92 | 0.97 | 1.46 |
| Restaurants and Hotels | 4.00 | 119.16 | 120.21 | 120.61 | 0.33 | 1.22 |
| Miscellaneous Goods and Services | 5.63 | 114.34 | 115.68 | 114.90 | -0.68 | 0.49 |

Figure 1 Inflation in Consumer Price Index - Fourth Quarter 2019

