Inflation in Consumer Price Index

Emirate of Dubai

Up To Third Quarter 2018









Inflation Rate in the Emirate of Dubai record 1.95% Up To Third Quarter of 2018 compared to the same period of 2017. This is due to an increase in the prices of: Transport division by 11.01%, which pushed inflation 1.12 points. Food and Beverages division by 4.26%, which pushed inflation 0.52 points. Restaurants and Hotels division by 11.34%, which pushed inflation 0.44 points. Education division by 3.22%, which pushed inflation 0.29 points. Communication division by 5.50%, which pushed inflation 0.26 points. Tobacco division by 75.37%, which pushed inflation 0.24 points. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division by 2.88%, which pushed inflation 0.11 points. Clothing and Footwear division by 1.86%, which pushed inflation 0.04 points. Miscellaneous Goods and Services division by 0.37%, which pushed inflation 0.02 points. Health division by 0.35%.

While the prices of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels division decreased by 2.30%, which reduced inflation 1.03 points. Recreation and Culture division by 3.09%, which reduced inflation 0.06 points. As shown in table (1) and Figure (1).

Table 1 Inflation and Consumer Price Index – Up To Third Quarter 2018

2014 = 100

| Expenditure divisions | Weight | СРІ | СРІ | Inflation |
|--|--------|---------------|---------------|-----------|
| | | Up to Q3 2017 | Up to Q3 2018 | Rate (%) |
| General index number | 100.00 | 108.82 | 110.94 | 1.95 |
| Food and beverages | 13.09 | 101.64 | 105.97 | 4.26 |
| Tobacco | 0.35 | 99.22 | 174.00 | 75.37 |
| Clothing and footwear | 2.05 | 109.59 | 111.63 | 1.86 |
| Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels | 43.62 | 112.08 | 109.50 | -2.30 |
| Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance | 3.76 | 109.02 | 112.16 | 2.88 |
| Health | 0.85 | 102.24 | 102.60 | 0.35 |
| Transport | 10.62 | 103.85 | 115.28 | 11.01 |
| Communication | 5.22 | 100.11 | 105.62 | 5.50 |
| Recreation and culture | 2.33 | 95.72 | 92.76 | -3.09 |
| Education | 8.48 | 114.48 | 118.17 | 3.22 |
| Restaurants and hotels | 4.00 | 105.73 | 117.72 | 11.34 |
| Miscellaneous goods and services | 5.63 | 117.93 | 118.37 | 0.37 |



Miscellaneous Goods and Services

Restaurants and hotels
Education
Recreation and Culture
-3.09

Communication
Transport
Health
0.35

Eurnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels
Tobacco
Food and beverages
General index number

-10.00
0.00
10.00
20.00
30.00
40.00
50.00
60.00
70.00
80.00

Figure 1 Inflation in Consumer Price Index - Up To Third Quarter 2018

Inflation rate in major expenditure divisions:

Food and Beverages

Prices of Food and Beverages division increased by 4.26%. Because of an increase in the prices of Mineral waters, soft drinks, fruits and vegetables juices by 11.95%, Followed by an increase in the prices of Fruits by 8.51% and prices of Milk, cheese, and eggs increased by 6.74%.

Tobacco

Inflation rate of Tobacco division increased by 75.37%, due to an increase in the prices of Tobacco by 123.67% and prices of other beverages increased by 8.55%.

Clothing and Footwear

The prices of Clothing and Footwear division increased by 1.86%, due to an increase in the prices of Clothing Materials by 12.67%, in addition, prices of Cleaning, Repair and Hire of Clothing increased by 7.66% and the prices of Garments increased by 1.39%.





Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels

Inflation rate of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuel division decreased by 2.30%. As a result in the decrease of the prices of Rents by 3.46%.

Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance

Inflation rate of Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division increased to 2.88%. This due to an increase in the prices of Major Household Appliances by 12.30%. Followed by an increase in the prices of Repair of furniture, furnishings and floor covering by 9.46%. Furthermore, the prices of Small Electric Household Appliances increased by 8.02%.

Health

Inflation rate of Health division increased to 0.35%, Because of an increase in the prices of Other Medical products by 7.60%, followed by an increase in the prices of Dental services by 4.47% and the prices of Therapeutic appliances and equipment increased by 2.57%.

Transport

Inflation rate of Transport division increased by 11.01%, due to an increase in the prices of Fuels and lubricants for personal transport equipment by 25.92%. In addition to that, prices of Spare parts and accessories for personal transport equipment increased by 10.60% and prices of Maintenance and repair of personal transport equipment increased by 5.00%.





Communication

Communication division prices increased by 5.50%, Because of the increase in the prices of Telephone and Telefax Services by 5.62%, followed by the prices of Postal services by 2.79% and the prices of Telephone and Telefax Equipment increased by 1.67%.

Recreation and Culture

Inflation rate of Recreation and Culture division decreased by 3.09% due to a decrease in the prices of Holidays' Packages by 8.83%, followed by the prices of Equipment for the Reception, Recording and Reproduction of Sound and Pictures by 7.45% and a decrease by 5.13% in the prices of Pets and related products.

Education

Inflation rate of Education division has increased by 3.22%, because of an increase in the fees of Tertiary Education by 8.00%, followed by fees of Education not definable by level by 4.85% and Post-secondary non-tertiary Education fees by 3.32%.

It is worth to mention that the Consumer price index (CPI) - Education division inflation measures the changes in tuition fees of schools and Post-secondary non-tertiary level, and it is different from cost of education index (ECI). Where (ECI) measures the operating expenses for schools.

Restaurants and Hotels

Inflation rate of Restaurants and Hotels division reached 11.34%, due to an increase in the prices of Canteens by 39.39% and prices of Restaurants and Cafés by 5.96%.





Miscellaneous Goods and Services

Inflation rate of Miscellaneous Goods and Services division increased by 0.37%. As the prices of Health Insurance increased by 9.08%, followed by an increase in Other Personal Effects prices by 7.26%. Additionally, the prices of Jewellery, Clocks and Watches increased by 6.74%.