



Dubai Statistics Center

Inflation in Consumer Price Index

Emirate of Dubai

First Quarter 2018



Inflation Rate in the Emirate of Dubai recorded 1.99% in the First Quarter of 2018 compared to the Fourth Quarter of 2017. This is due to an increase in the prices of: Transport division by 5.90%, which pushed inflation 0.61 points. Restaurants and Hotels division by 8.20%, which pushed inflation 0.33 points. Food and Beverages division by 2.16%, which pushed inflation 0.27 points. Communication division by 5.61%, which pushed inflation 0.27 points. Miscellaneous Goods and Services division by 3.99%, which pushed inflation 0.24 points. Education division by 1.01%, which pushed inflation 0.09 points. Clothing and Footwear division by 3.63%, which pushed inflation 0.08 points. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division by 2.20%, which pushed inflation 0.08 points. Recreation and Culture division by 3.64%, which pushed inflation 0.07 points. Tobacco division by 9.20%, which pushed inflation 0.05 points. Health division by 0.18%. While the prices of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels division decreased by 0.20%, which reduced inflation 0.09 points.

The Inflation rate increased by 2.27% in comparison of First Quarter of 2018 to the same period of 2017. This is due to an increase in the prices of: Transport division by 8.86%, which pushed inflation 0.89 points. Food and Beverages division by 5.48%, which pushed inflation 0.66 points. Restaurants and Hotels division by 12.21%, which pushed inflation 0.47 points. Education division by 3.95%, which pushed inflation 0.35 points. Communication division by 5.52%, which pushed inflation 0.27 points. Tobacco division by 74.16%, which pushed inflation 0.24 points. Clothing and Footwear division by 6.80%, which pushed inflation 0.14 points. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division by 2.11%, which pushed inflation 0.08 points. Health division by 0.58%.

While the prices of Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels division decreased by 1.07%, which reduced inflation 0.48 points. Recreation and Culture division decreased by 11.44%, which reduced inflation 0.25 points. Miscellaneous Goods and Services decreased by 1.44%, which reduced inflation 0.09 points. As shown in table (1).

Table 1 Inflation and Consumer Price Index in First Quarter 2018

2014 = 100

Expenditure divisions	Weight	CPI			Inflation Rate (%)	
		Q1 2017	Q4 2017	Q1 2018	Q1 2018 / Q4 2017	Q1 2018 / Q1 2017
General index number	100.0	108.89	109.19	111.36	1.99	2.27
Food and Beverages	13.09	100.46	103.72	105.96	2.16	5.48
Tobacco	0.35	98.98	157.87	172.38	9.20	74.16
Clothing and Footwear	2.05	108.20	111.51	115.56	3.63	6.80
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and other Fuels	43.62	112.18	111.21	110.98	-0.20	-1.07
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.76	109.24	109.14	111.54	2.20	2.11
Health	0.85	102.15	102.55	102.74	0.18	0.58
Transport	10.62	103.17	106.05	112.31	5.90	8.86
Communication	5.22	100.23	100.14	105.77	5.61	5.52
Recreation and Culture	2.33	104.00	88.87	92.11	3.64	-11.44
Education	8.48	113.67	116.98	118.16	1.01	3.95
Restaurants and Hotels	4.00	104.96	108.84	117.77	8.20	12.21
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	5.63	121.00	114.67	119.25	3.99	-1.44

Figure 1 Inflation in Consumer Price Index - First Quarter 2018

