

## Annual average of wholesale prices increases by 2.9% for 2024

The annual average of the wholesale price index for 2024 increased by 2.9% compared to the last year 2023, mainly influenced by the rise in other transportable goods prices by 7.2%, and the rise in food products, beverages, tobacco and textiles prices by 1.0%.

### Sections recorded increase in annual average for 2024

Other transportable goods prices increased by 7.2%, as a result of the increase in refined petroleum products prices by 12.0% and prices of basic chemicals by 6.5%. Food products, beverages, tobacco and textiles prices increased by 1.0%, due to the rise in leather, leather products and footwear prices by 5.6%, along with the increase in prices of grain mills, starch and other food products by 3.9%.

Agriculture and fishery products recorded an increase by 0.5%, as a result of the increase in the products of agriculture prices by 0.8% and prices of live animals by 3.5%.

### Sections recorded decrease in annual average for 2024

Metal products, machinery and equipment prices decreased by 0.3%, affected by the decrease in radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus prices by 6.4% and prices of general-purpose machinery by 2.9%.

Ores and minerals prices decreased by 2.8%, as a result of the decrease in stones and sand prices by 2.8%.

Table 1. Annual average of wholesale prices by main product category for 2024

General Index, Sections	Average index during 2024:		
	2024	2023	Percentage change %
<b>General Index</b>	<b>154.5</b>	<b>150.1</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Agriculture and Fishery Products	139.8	139.1	0.6
Ores and Minerals	112.7	116.0	-2.8
Food Products, Beverages, Tobacco and Textiles	136.6	135.2	1.0
Other Transportable Goods, Except Metal Products, Machinery and Equipment	190.2	177.5	7.2
Metal Products, Machinery and Equipment	135.7	136.1	-0.3

Figure 1: Annual average of wholesale prices (%) for 2024

