

Annual inflation rate in the Kingdom reaches 2.2% in October 2025 compared to October 2024

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in the Kingdom recorded an annual increase of 2.2% in October 2025 compared to the same month of the previous year, October 2024. This increase was mainly driven by a rise in housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuel prices by 4.5%, food and beverage prices by 1.5%, and restaurant and accommodation services prices by 1.1% (Figure 1).

Rental prices main driver of inflation in October 2025 compared to October 2024

Housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuels division increased by 4.5% in October 2025, driven by a 5.7% rise in actual rentals for the housing group. This was mainly due to a 5.7% increase in actual rents paid by tenants for primary residences.

Similarly, the food and beverages division rose by 1.5%, influenced by a 2.5% increase in the prices of fresh, chilled, or frozen meat. The restaurant and accommodation services division also recorded a 1.1% increase, primarily due to a 1.4% rise in food and beverage serving services prices. Prices in the personal care, social protection, and other goods and services division increased by 5.9%, driven by a 19.9% rise in the prices of other personal effects; affected by the increase in the prices of jewelry and watches by 22.0%. The transport division prices rose by 1.6%, influenced by a 7.1% increase in passenger transport prices. The prices of insurance and financial services division also increased by 8.2%, driven by a 13.2% rise in the prices of the insurance group.

On the other hand, the prices of furniture, household equipment, and routine household maintenance declined by 0.5%, due to a 4.3% decrease in the prices of furniture, furnishings, and carpets. Similarly, the information and communication division prices recorded a decrease of 0.2%, driven by a 6.3% decline in the prices of information and communication equipment (Figure 2).

Month-on-month prices increase in October 2025 compared to September 2025

On a monthly basis, CPI increased by 0.3% in October 2025 compared to September 2025. The prices of food and beverages division increased by 0.5%, driven by an increase in the prices of fresh, chilled, or frozen meat by 0.6%. Prices also increased in several divisions, including housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels by 0.3%, personal care, social protection and other goods and services by 1.7%, information and communications by 0.1%, health by 0.2%, clothing and footwear by 0.2%, and tobacco by 0.1% On the other hand, the prices of transportation, restaurants and accommodation services, entertainment, sports and culture, furniture and home appliances, periodic home maintenance, education services, and insurance and financial services divisions remained stable and did not record any significant change in October 2025.

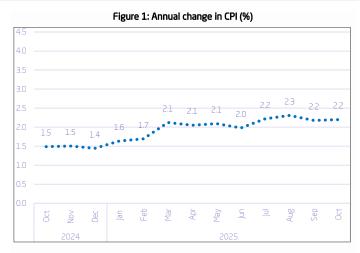


Figure 2: Annual change in CPI by division (October 2025) (%)



CPI Methodology and quality

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) reflects the changes in prices paid by consumers for a fixed basket of goods and services consisting of 582 items, and the items of this basket were selected based on the results of the Expenditure and Income Survey conducted in 2023, and their weights were determined in addition to other supplementary data sources such as the final consumer expenditure of households. and data transparency in accordance with international best practices, from expanding geographical coverage, points of sale, and basket items, and adopting new data sources, and the data has been published according to the updated methodology starting from August 2025.

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