

WPI in Kingdom increases by 1.5% in February 2025

The Kingdom's Wholesale Price Index (WPI) rose on an annual basis by 1.5% in February 2025 compared to its counterpart in 2024. This increase is mainly attributed to a 3.4% rise in the prices of other transportable goods, as well as an increase in the prices of agriculture and fishery products by 3.9% (Figure1)

Increase of other transportable goods in February 2025

On an annual basis, other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery, and equipment section recorded a 3.4% increase in prices in February 2025 compared to February 2024, due to an 8.2% increase in the refined petroleum products. Meanwhile, the prices of rubber and plastics products rose by 1.4%.

In the same context, the prices of agriculture and fishery products also increased by 3.9%, driven by a 5.3% increase in the prices of agriculture products and a 0.8% increase in the prices of live animals and animal products.

Additionally, the prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles rose by 0.1%, mainly due to a 1.9% increase in the prices of grain mills, starch, and other food products, as well as a 0.8% increase in the prices of beverages.

On the other hand, the prices of metal products, machinery, and equipment decreased by 0.5%, driven by a 0.1% decline in the prices of basic metals and a 3.2% decrease in prices of general-purpose machinery. Similarly, the prices of ores and minerals dropped by 1.9%, mainly due to a 1.9% decrease in the prices of stone and sand.

Decrease of wholesale prices in February 2025 compared to January 2025

On a monthly basis, WPI decreased by 0.5% in February 2025 compared to January 2025, due to a 1.4% decline in the prices of other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery, and equipment. This was driven by an 11.4% decrease in the prices of basic chemicals, and a 0.3% decrease in the prices of rubber and plastics products.

In the same context, the prices of metal products, machinery, and equipment decreased by 0.1%, driven by a 0.1% decline in transport equipment prices and a 0.9% decrease in medical equipment prices.

The prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles decreased by 0.1% as a result of a 0.4% decrease in the prices of meat, fish, fruits, vegetables, oils, and fats and a 0.1% decrease in the dairy prices.

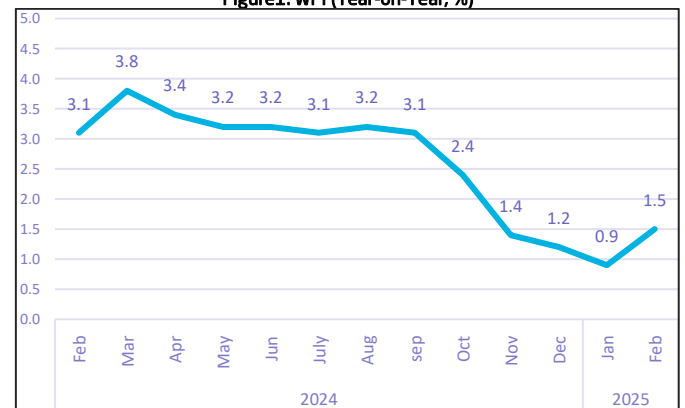
The prices of ores and minerals also decreased by 0.8% as a result of the decrease in the prices of stones and sand by 0.8%.

On the other hand, the prices of agriculture and fishery products increased by 1.6%, due to a 1.9% increase in the prices of agriculture products and a 0.9% increase in the prices of live animals and animal products. (Table1)

Table1. Annual and monthly change in WPI by main product category (February 2025)(%)

General Index, Sections	Percentage change in February 2025 compared to	
	Feb 2024	Jan 2025
General Index	1.5	-0.5
Agriculture and Fishery Products	3.9	1.6
Ores and Minerals	-1.9	-0.8
Food Products, Beverages, Tobacco, and Textiles	0.1	-0.1
Other Transportable Goods, Except Metal Products, Machinery, and Equipment	3.4	-1.4
Metal Products, Machinery, and Equipment	-0.5	-0.1

Figure1. WPI (Year-on-Year, %)



WPI Methodology and Quality

The Wholesale Price Index (WPI) reflects the development of pre-retail prices of goods in a fixed basket including 343 items. Prices are collected on a monthly basis from points of sale in three main cities: (Riyadh, Jeddah, and Dammam). The year 2014 was determined as the base year. WPI statistics are published on a monthly basis. For more details, click [Methodology and Quality and Table](#)