



Department of Statistics: Consumer Price Index (inflation) increased by 1.98% at the first half of 2025

The Department of Statistics issued its monthly report on the General Consumer Price Index (Inflation), which recorded an increase by 1.98% at the first half of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. On monthly level, the index number increased by 2.02% for June 2025 compared to the same month of 2024 and a slight increase of 0.19% (less than one percentage point) for June 2025 compared to May 2025.

Accordingly, the General CPI for the first half of 2025 reached 112.55 compared 110.36 for the same period in 2024. On the monthly level, the General CPI for June 2025 reached 112.98 against to 110.74 for the same month in 2024 and the index number for June 2025 reached 112.98 compared to 112.77 for the previous month of the same year.

Comparing the accumulative CPI for the first half of 2025 with the same period in 2024, the index for the "Personal Effects" group increased by 20.08%, "Tobacco and Cigarettes" by 12.61%, "Fruits and Nuts" by 8.50%, "Tea, Coffee and Cocoa" by 7.42% and "Spices, food additives, and other food" by 5.37%.

At the commodity groups level, the CPI for June 2025 increased compared to the same month in 2024 and the main groups contributed to this increase "Personal Effects", "Tobacco and cigarettes", "Fruits and Nuts", "Tea, coffee and cocoa" and "Spices, food additives, and other food", meanwhile the groups contributed to a slight decrease of the growth "Furniture, carpets and rugs," "Housewares," "Fish and seafood products " and "Household Appliances".

Table 1 shows the relative change.

Table No. 1: Relative change for June 2025 compared to the corresponding month in 2024

| Expenditure groups | Relative Imp. | Relative change |
|---|---------------|-----------------|
| Personal Effects | 0.48 | 23.19 |
| Tobacco and Cigarettes | 4.37 | 12.53 |
| Fruits and Nuts | 2.57 | 12.10 |
| Tea, Coffee and Cocoa | 1.21 | 10.89 |
| Spices, food additives, and other food | 1.27 | 5.13 |
| Furniture, Carpets and Rugs | 1.03 | (-2.79) |
| Housewares | 0.34 | (-2.77) |
| Fish and sea products | 0.41 | (-2.45) |
| Household Appliances | 0.86 | (-2.24) |

Among the most prominent commodity groups that contributed to the increase in the CPI for June 2025 compared to May of the same year were the "Communications" group by 2.10%, "Rents" by 1.24%, "Personal Effects" by 1.07%, "Meat and Poultry" by 0.98% and "Fish and sea products" by 0.29%.

Fig 1: Monthly Consumer Price Index for 2024&2025

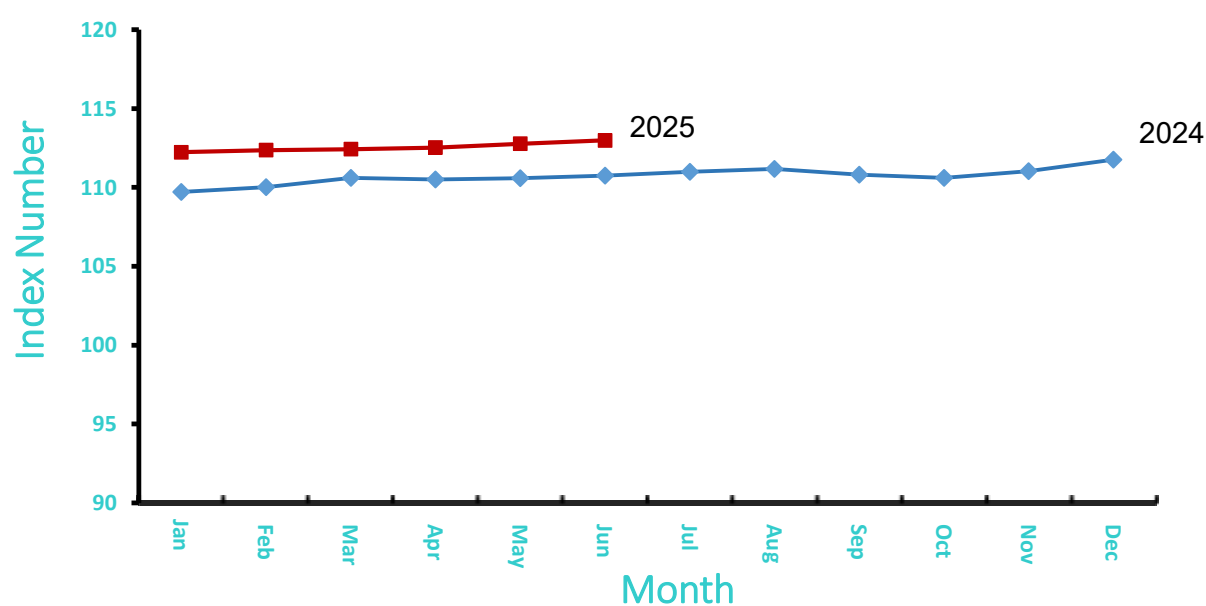


Table 2: Monthly Consumer Price Indices for 2023, 2024 and 2025(100=2018)

| Month Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | April | May | June | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 2023 | 107.62 | 108.32 | 108.83 | 109.09 | 108.62 | 108.83 | 108.91 | 109.13 | 109.70 | 109.78 | 109.56 | 109.82 |
| 2024 | 109.72 | 110.02 | 110.61 | 110.50 | 110.58 | 110.74 | 111.00 | 111.17 | 110.81 | 110.61 | 111.04 | 111.76 |
| 2025 | 112.23 | 112.36 | 112.43 | 112.53 | 112.77 | 112.98 | | | | | | |

The following table shows inflation rates since the beginning of the year and previous years, and notes that prices remained stable during the first half of 2025.

Table 3: Consumer Price Index average for 2024 and 2025 compared to the same period of the previous year(%)

| Month Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | April | May | June | July | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Monthly 2024 | 1.95 | 1.57 | 1.63 | 1.30 | 1.81 | 1.75 | 1.92 | 1.87 | 1.01 | 0.76 | 1.35 | 1.77 |
| Monthly 2025 | 2.29 | 2.12 | 1.64 | 1.83 | 1.98 | 2.02 | | | | | | |
| Accumulati ve 2025 | 2.29 | 2.21 | 2.02 | 1.97 | 1.97 | 1.98 | | | | | | |

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