

Department of Statistics: Wholesale Price Index Increased by 1.55% During the First Half of 2026

The Department of Statistics issued its quarterly report on the Wholesale Price Index (WPI), which recorded an increase in the first half of 2026 by 1.55% compared to the same period of 2025. Also, the WPI for the second quarter of 2026 had increased by 1.98% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2025. On a quarterly basis, the WPI for the second quarter of 2026 increased by 1.10% compared to the first quarter 2026.

Figure 1 : WPI by Quarters for the Years 2025 & 2026

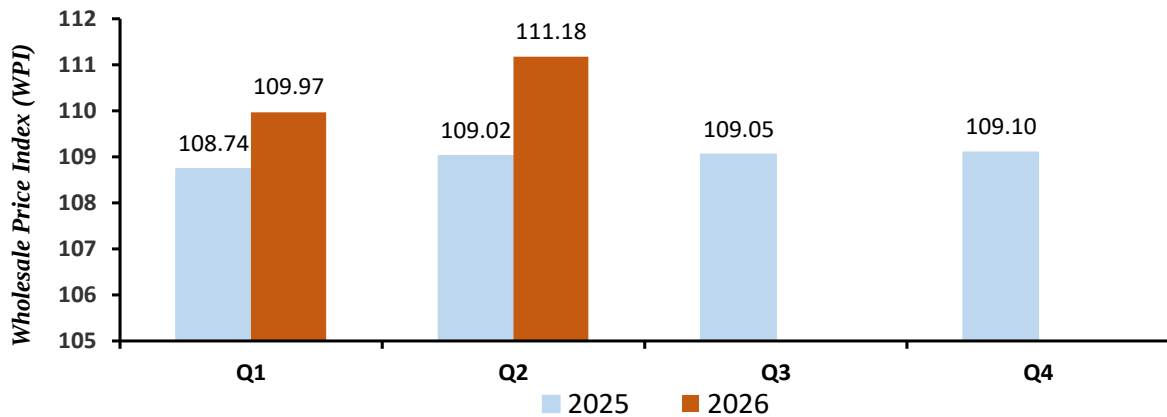


Table 1: Quarterly WPI for the years 2025 & 2026

Quarter \ Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2025	108.74	109.02	109.05	109.10
2026	109.97	111.18		

Accordingly, the WPI for the first half of 2026 reached 110.57 against 108.88 for the same period in 2025. Also, the WPI of Q2 2026 reached 111.18 against 109.02 in Q2 2025. The WPI of Q2 2026 recorded 111.18 against 109.97 in Q1 2026.

Comparing the cumulative WPI for the first half of 2026 with same period in 2025, there were increases in the prices of “**Selling Textiles, Clothing, and Personal & Household Goods**” group by 3.11%, with a relative importance of 16.50%, prices of “**Selling Fuels, Minerals, Construction Materials and their Supplies**” group by 1.84%, with a relative importance of 24.35%, prices of “**Trading Agricultural Raw Materials, Grains, Food, Beverages, and Tobacco**” group by 1.22%, with a relative importance of 26.95%, prices of “**Selling Motor Vehicles, Parts, and Motorcycles**” group by 1.02%, with a relative importance of 20.70%, and the prices of “**Selling Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies**” group by 0.56%, with a relative importance of 11.50%.

At the commodity group level, the increase in the WPI of Q2 2026 compared to Q2 2025 was driven by the price increase of “**Selling Textiles, Clothing, and Personal & Household Goods**” group by 3.29% (relative importance of 16.50%), “**Selling Fuel, Minerals, Construction Materials and Supplies**” by 2.64% (relative importance of 24.35%), “**Trading Agricultural Raw Materials, Grains, Food, Beverages, and Tobacco**” group by 1.60% (relative importance of 26.95%), “**Selling Motor Vehicles, Parts, and Motorcycles**” group by 1.59% (relative importance of 20.70%), and the prices of “**Selling Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies**” group by 0.35% (relative importance of 11.50%).

The main commodity groups contributed to increase the WPI of Q2 2026 compared to Q1 2026 include the prices of “**Selling Fuels, Minerals, Construction Materials and their Supplies**” group by 1.46%, with a relative importance of 24.35%, “**Trading Agricultural Raw Materials, Grains, Food, Beverages, and Tobacco**” group by 1.20%, with relative importance of 26.95%, “**Selling Motor Vehicles, Parts, and Motorcycles**” group by 0.99%, with a relative importance of 20.70%, “**Selling Textiles, Clothing, Personal and Household Goods**” by 0.91%, with a relative importance of 16.50%, and the prices of “**Selling Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies**” group by 0.46%, with a relative importance of 20.70%.

Table 2: Quarterly and Cumulative Change Rates of Wholesale Prices for 2025 and 2026

Quarter Year	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2025	1.10	1.08	1.00	0.84
2026	1.13	1.98		

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