



**Table 2: Monthly CPIs for the years 2024, 2025, and 2026 (2018=100)**

Month Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
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	112.87	112.63	112.74	112.82	112.46	113.22
2026	113.42	113.67	114.53									

On the commodity groups level, the increase in the CPI of March 2026 compared to March 2025 is mainly attributed to the “*Personal Effects*” group by 34.76%, “*Dried and Canned Vegetables & Legumes*” by 15.87%, “*Oils & Fats*” group by 14.91%, “*Tea, coffee, and cocoa*” by 11.91%, and the “*Fruits and Nuts*” group by 4.67%. Meanwhile, there were decreases in the “*Meat and Poultry*” by (3.34%), “*Household Appliances*” by (2.68%), “*Fuel and Lights*” by (1.49%), and “*Fish and Seafood*” by (1.36%).

Comparing the cumulative Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the first three months of 2026 with the same period in 2025, there were increases in price index of the “*Personal Effects*” group by 37.85%, “*Oils & Fats*” by 14.10%, “*Tea, coffee, and cocoa*” by 11.96%, “*Fruits and Nuts*” by 4.70%, and “*Tobacco and Cigarettes*” by 3.99%. Meanwhile, the “*Meat and Poultry*”, “*Household Appliances*”, “*Fuel and Lights*”, and “*Houses Maintenance Services*” recorded a decrease by 6.86%, 3.07%, 1.49%, and 1.08%, respectively.

Tables 3 and 4 illustrate the monthly and cumulative relative changes for some of the main groups that constitute the CPI.

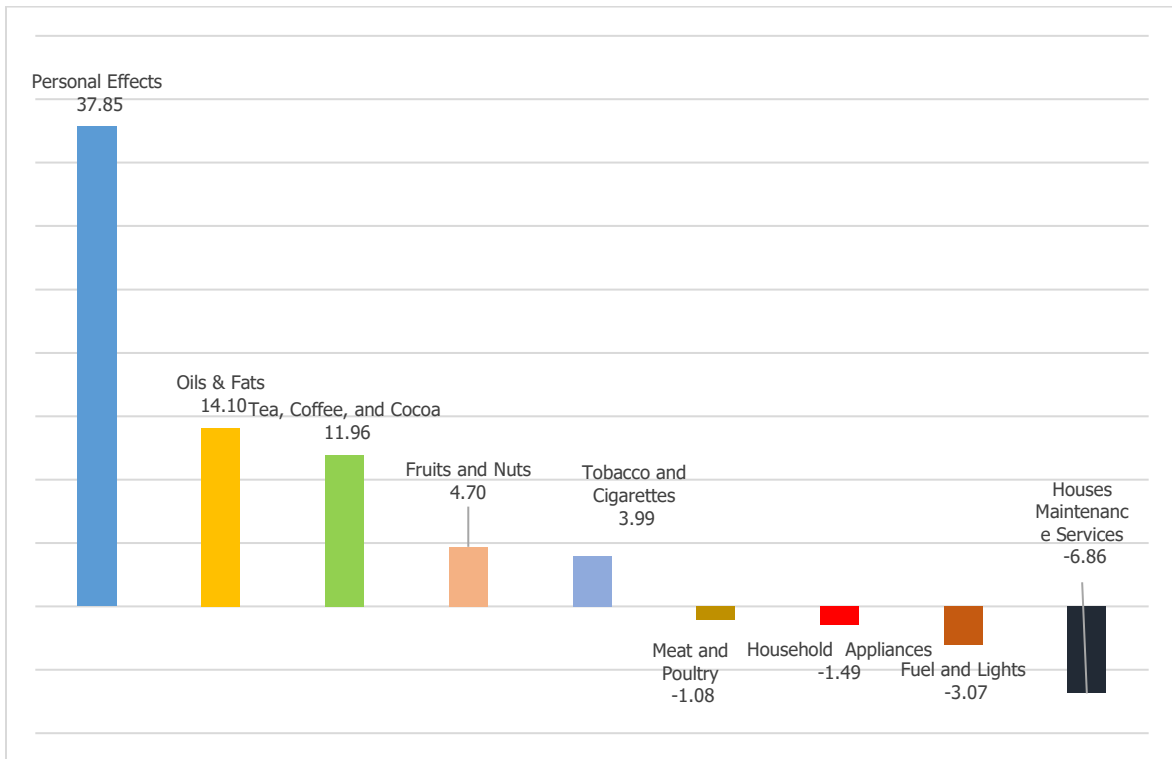
**Table 3: Relative Change for Main Commodities in March 2026 Compared to March 2025**

<b>Expenditure groups</b>	<b>Relative Change %</b>	<b>Relative Importance</b>
Personal Effects	34.76	0.48
Dried and Canned Vegetables and Legumes	15.87	2.96
Oils & Fats	14.91	1.70
Tea, Coffee, and Cocoa	11.91	1.21
Fruits and Nuts	4.67	2.57
Meat and Poultry	(3.34)	4.69
Household Appliances	(2.68)	0.86
Fuel and Lights	(1.49)	4.69
Fish and Seafood	(1.36)	0.41

**Table 4: Relative Change for the first three months of 2026 Compared to the same period of 2025**

<b>Expenditure groups</b>	<b>Relative Change %</b>	<b>Relative Importance</b>
Personal Effects	37.85	0.48
Oils & Fats	14.10	1.70
Tea, Coffee, and Cocoa	11.96	1.21
Fruits and Nuts	4.70	2.57
Tobacco and Cigarettes	3.99	4.37
Meat and Poultry	(6.86)	4.69
Household Appliances	(3.07)	0.86
Fuel and Lights	(1.49)	4.69
Houses Maintenance Services	(1.08)	0.66

**The following graph illustrates the main commodity groups whose prices changed during the first three months of 2026**



It is worth noting that computing the CPI (inflation) is based on a basket of consumables that includes (850) commodities, of which (325) are food commodities and (525) are non-food commodities.