

Government of Pakistan
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Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2015 WITH BASE 2007-08=100

1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES

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Change**

Inflation Rate September, 2015 over August, 2015 (Previous month)	-0.10%
Inflation Rate September, 2015 over September, 2014 (Corresponding month)	1.32%
Average Inflation Rate July-September (2015-16) over July-September(2014-15)	1.66%

2. Detail Description:

Pakistan Bureau of Statistics collects the retail and the wholesale prices and computes the Consumer Price Index (CPI), Wholesale Price Index (WPI) on monthly basis and Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) on weekly basis. In September, 2015 the CPI decreased by 0.10% while WPI decreased by 0.39% and SPI increased by 0.45% respectively.

Consumer Price Index by Group of Commodities and Services (Base 2007-08)

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	Indices			% Change in September, 2015 over	
		September, 2015	August, 2015	September, 2014	August, 2015	September, 2014
General	100.00	202.04	202.25	199.40	-0.10	1.32
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages.	34.83	219.41	220.51	221.77	-0.50	-1.06
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.84	216.68	217.89	215.91	-0.56	0.36
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	235.70	236.16	256.83	-0.19	-8.23
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	309.97	309.90	266.59	0.02	16.27
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	220.68	220.27	210.97	0.19	4.60
Housing Water, Elec, Gas & Other Fuels	29.41	181.10	180.31	171.70	0.44	5.47
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	214.88	214.22	207.21	0.31	3.70
Health	2.19	179.51	179.01	174.47	0.28	2.89
Transport	7.20	175.60	178.02	205.10	-1.36	-14.38
Communication	3.22	130.36	130.36	129.80	0.00	0.43
Recreation & Culture	2.02	193.43	193.05	189.34	0.20	2.16
Education	3.94	209.22	209.23	191.93	0.00	9.01
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	251.29	250.26	242.00	0.41	3.84
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	224.64	223.88	219.39	0.34	2.39

Main contributors to month-on-month and year-on-year are given below:

i) **Month-on-month** Top few commodities which varied from previous month i.e .August, 2015 are given below:-

Food Items Increased: Onions(25.18%), Pulse Mash (4.21%), Tea (4.08%), Potatoes (3.56%), Fresh Vegetables (1.95%), Betel Leaves & Nuts (1.92%), Gur (1.62%) and Pulse Gram (1.47%), Besan (1.35%) and Gram Whole (1.04%).

Decreased:Chicken (17.00%),Tomatoes (11.65%), Fresh Fruits (8.44%), Eggs (3.44%), Cooking Oil (2.59%), Rice (1.99%), Sugar (1.54%) and Vegetable Ghee (1.53%).

Non-food Items Increased: Gas (9.92%), Blades (1.33%), Cleaning & Laundry (1.12%) and Construction Wage Rates (1.07%).

Decreased:Kerosene Oil (3.91%) and Motor Fuel (3.76%).

- ii) **Year-on-Year:** Top few commodities which varied from previous year i.e. September, 2014 are given below:-

Food Items Increased: Pulse Gram (48.98%), Besan (40.50%), Tea (25.01%), Onions (20.61%), Pulse Mash (19.66%), Cigarettes (16.18%) and Gram Whole (15.76%).

Decreased: Potatoes (60.03%), Tomatoes (22.99%), Cooking Oil (14.85%), Rice (12.94%), Chicken (12.07%), Vegetable Ghee (11.82%) and Eggs (11.63%).

Non-food Items Increased: Woolen Readymade Garments (10.18%) and Sewing Needle & Dry Cell (10.05%).

Decreased: Kerosene Oil (25.48%), Motor Fuel (22.27%) and Transport Services (14.23%).

Average Inflation Rate

The Consumer Price Index of July-September, 2015-16 has increased by 1.66% over July-September, 2014-15 as per details given below:-

Groups	Group Weight	Indices		%Change
		Jul-Sep 2015-16	Jul-Sep 2014-15	
General	100.00	202.02	198.72	1.66
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	219.89	221.34	-0.66
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	<i>29.84</i>	<i>217.66</i>	<i>215.14</i>	<i>1.17</i>
<i>Perishable food items</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>233.22</i>	<i>258.44</i>	<i>-9.76</i>
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	309.90	266.33	16.36
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	220.20	210.22	4.75
Housing, Water, Elec, Gas Fuels	29.41	180.39	171.66	5.09
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance.	4.21	214.21	205.7	4.14
Health	2.19	179.14	173.76	3.10
Transport	7.20	177.42	200.73	-11.61
Communication	3.22	130.35	129.84	0.39
Recreation & Culture	2.03	193.17	189.04	2.18
Education	3.94	209.21	191.57	9.21
Restaurant & Hotels	1.23	250.42	240.36	4.18
Miscellaneous	2.76	223.88	218.33	2.54

Top few commodities which varied from previous year average i.e. July-September, 2014-15 are given below:-

Increased: Pulse Gram (44.62%), Besan (37.44%), Tea (20.13%), Pulse Mash (19.43%), and Cigarettes (16.49%).

Decreased: Potatoes (61.62%), Kerosene Oil (22.57%), Motor Fuel (20.26%) and Cooking Oil (13.20%).

3. Core inflation of CPI

i. Trimmed Core Inflation

During the month of September, 2015 over September, 2014, the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 2.8% while it was 7.1 during September, 2014 over September, 2013.

ii. Non-Food & Non-Energy Core Inflation

During the month of September, 2015 over September, 2014, the Non-food & Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 3.4% while it was 8.1% during September, 2014 over September, 2013.