

Government of Pakistan
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Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

**PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2013 WITH BASE 2007-08=100**

1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES

Inflation Rate Sep, 2013 over Aug, 2013 (Previous month)	CPI Change -0.29%
Inflation Rate Sep, 2013 over Sep, 2012 (Corresponding month)	7.39%
Average Inflation Rate July- Sep (2013-14) over July- Sep (2012-13)	8.06%

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, 2013 the CPI decreased by 0.29% while SPI and WPI increased by 0.07% and 0.71% over September, 2013 respectively.

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

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	Indices			% Change in Sep, 2013 over	
		Sep, 2013	Aug, 2013	Sep, 2012	Aug, 2013	Sep, 2012
General	100.00	185.18	185.71	172.44	-0.29	7.39
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages.	34.83	208.29	211.91	193.80	-1.71	7.48
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	<i>29.84</i>	<i>206.08</i>	<i>206.90</i>	<i>191.46</i>	<i>-0.40</i>	<i>7.64</i>
<i>Perishable food items</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>221.51</i>	<i>241.86</i>	<i>207.77</i>	<i>-8.41</i>	<i>6.61</i>
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	217.85	217.51	190.34	0.16	14.45
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	193.59	192.38	168.51	0.63	14.88
Housing Water, Elec, Gas & Other Fuels	29.41	157.75	157.59	147.99	0.10	6.60
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	190.99	188.99	175.40	1.06	8.89
Health	2.19	164.23	162.32	153.94	1.18	6.68
Transport	7.20	194.54	190.63	194.25	2.05	0.15
Communication	3.22	129.66	129.65	123.56	0.01	4.94
Recreation & Culture	2.02	181.87	181.28	165.24	0.33	10.06
Education	3.94	166.49	166.03	153.87	0.28	8.20
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	221.68	216.32	197.85	2.48	12.04
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	206.86	204.07	195.65	1.37	5.73

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. Sep, 2013 over Aug, 2013 are given below:-

a. **Food Items Increased:** Eggs (13.20%), Fresh Vegetables (4.79%), Potatoes (4.53%), Bakery & Confectionary (2.98%), Wheat (2.93%), Wheat Flour (2.80%), Readymade Food (2.48%), Wheat Products (2.37%), Milk Powder (2.03%) and Gur (1.69%).

Decreased: Chicken (24.50%), Tomatoes (23.60%), Onions (15.63%), Fresh Fruits (15.48%), Pulse Gram (3.20%), Gram Whole (2.29%), Pulse Moong (1.22%), Besan (1.19%), Beverages (0.80%), Spices (0.72%), Sugar (0.33%) and Vegetable Ghee (0.12%).

b. **Non-food Items Increased:** Water Supply (3.02%), Motor Fuel (2.93%), Kerosene Oil (2.92%), Doctor (MBBS) Clinic Fee (2.52%), Personal Equipments (2.42%), Firewood Whole (1.90%), Transport Services (1.71%).

ii) **Year-on-year** Top few commodities which varied from corresponding month of previous year i.e. Sep, 2013 over Sep, 2012 are given below:-

a. **Food Items Increased:** Tomatoes (29.36%), Onions (26.13%), Tea (25.97%), Wheat (24.31%), Wheat Flour (23.56%), Gur (23.16%), Wheat Products (17.68%), Potatoes (14.95%), Cigarettes (14.58%), Cereals (12.79%), Chicken (12.56%), Beans (12.42%) and Rice (12.30%).

Decreased: Pulse Gram (31.06%), Besan (26.91%), Gram Whole (22.62%), Spices (19.19%), Fresh Fruits (7.08%), Vegetable Ghee (5.03%), Pulse Mash (3.44%), Cooking Oil (2.22%) and Mustard Oil (1.71%).

b. **Non-food Items Increased:** Postal Services (25.93%), Footwear (18.56%), Woolen Readymade Garments (18.05%), Text Books (15.92%), Cotton Cloth (15.72%), Tailoring (15.46%), Dopatta (14.28%), Cosmetics (14.16%) and Cleaning & Laundry (13.76%).

Decreased: Motor Fuel (5.43%).

iii) **Average Inflation Rate**

The Consumer Price Index of July- Sep, 2012-13 has increased by 8.06% over July-Sep, 2011-12 as per details given below:-

Groups	Group Weight	Indices		%Change
		Jul- Sep 2013-14	Jul- Sep 2012-13	
General	100.00	184.82	171.03	8.06
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	209.27	192.27	8.84
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	<i>29.84</i>	<i>205.41</i>	<i>190.64</i>	<i>7.75</i>
<i>Perishable food items</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>232.35</i>	<i>201.98</i>	<i>15.04</i>
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	217.61	189.87	14.61
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	192.13	167.14	14.95
Housing, Water, Elec, Gas Fuels	29.41	157.63	147.95	6.54
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance.	4.21	189.07	174.49	8.36
Health	2.19	162.67	152.06	6.98
Transport	7.20	191.33	186.48	2.60
Communication	3.22	129.64	123.56	4.92
Recreation & Culture	2.03	180.54	165.02	9.40
Education	3.94	165.59	153.39	7.95
Restaurant & Hotels	1.23	217.29	196.88	10.37
Miscellaneous	2.76	203.95	192.92	5.72

The items that witnessed significant rise in their prices include Tomatoes (80.26%), Onions (50.74%), Postal Services (25.96%), Tea (25.44%), Wheat Flour (24.67%), Wheat (24.52%), Gur (21.02%), Woolen Readymade Garments (18.72%), Footwear (18.62%), Wheat Products (18.32%), Fresh Vegetables (17.58%) and Tailoring (15.75%).

3. Core inflation of CPI

i. Trimmed Core Inflation

During the month of Sep, 2013 over Sep, 2012, the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 7.6%, while it was 10.4% during Sep, 2012 over Sep, 2011.

ii. Non-Food & Non-Energy Core Inflation

During the month of Sep, 2013 over Sep, 2012, the Non-food & Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 8.7%, while it was 10.4% during Sep, 2012 over Sep, 2011.