

**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
PAKISTAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SENSITIVE PRICE INDICATOR (SPI) FOR THE WEEK ENDED ON 11.03.2021.

(To gauge inflation on weekly / short term basis)

Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) is computed on weekly basis to assess the price movements of essential commodities at shorter interval of time so as to review the price situation in the country. SPI comprises of 51 essential items and the prices are being collected from 50 markets in 17 cities of the country.

Consumption Quintiles	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Combined
Week on Week change	-0.95	-1.54	-0.41	0.02	-0.15	-0.57
Year on Year change	18.03	14.91	13.64	13.27	11.93	13.48

I. ANALYSIS OF WEEKLY SPI

- ❖ **The SPI for the current week ended on 11th March, 2021 recorded, a decrease of 1% or more** was observed in the prices of Garlic (6.64%), Chicken (2.96%), Onions (0.91%), Gur (0.69%) and Pulse Masoor (0.49%) and among **non-food** items Electricity for Q1 (9.01%) and LPG (2.13%) with joint impact of (-1.58) into the overall SPI for combined group of (-0.57%).
- ❖ On the other hand **an increase** was observed in the prices of Eggs (10.78%), Tomatoes (7.01%), Bananas (3.83%), Lawn Printed (2.33%), Potatoes (2.31%), Sugar (1.74%), Milk Fresh (1.37%), Shirting (1.36%), Long Cloth (1.27%), Georgette (1.24%), Curd (1.12%) and Wheat flour Bag (1.03%).
- ❖ During the week, out of 51 items, prices of **07 (13.73%)** items decreased, **26 (50.98%)** items increased and **18 (35.29%)** items remained constant.
- ❖ The year on year trend depicts **an increase of 13.48%** with most of the items increased mainly Chilies Powder (143.07%), Electricity for Q1 (69.19%), Eggs (65.38%), Chicken (46.41%), Gents Sandal (33.37%), Match Box (30.47%), Mustard Oil (26.99%), Gents Sponge Chaapel (25.13%), Sugar (22.86%), Washing Soap (20.78%) and Long Cloth (19.58%) While a major **decrease** was observed in the price of Onions (50.82%), Garlic (40.42%), Potatoes (12.81%), LPG (11.69%), Tomatoes (6.59%) and Diesel (4.98%).

II. Current week over previous week (WoW) (11.03.2021 over 04.03.2021) showing -0.57% change.

i. DECREASING Items (percentage)

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Garlic (Lehsun)	-6.64	Gur	-0.69	Electricity Charges for Q1*	-9.01
Chicken	-2.96	Pulse Masoor	-0.49	LPG	-2.13
Onions	-0.91				

ii. INCREASING Items (percentage)

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Eggs	10.78	Sugar	1.74	Lawn Printed	2.33
Tomatoes	7.01	Milk fresh	1.37	Shirting	1.36
Bananas	3.83	Curd	1.12	Long Cloth 57"	1.27
Potatoes	2.31	Wheat Flour	1.03	Georgette	1.24

III. Current week over corresponding week (YoY) (11.03.2021 over 12.03.2020) showing 13.48% change.

i. INCREASING Items (percentage)

Food Items	%	Non-Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Chilies Powder 200 gm	143.07	Electricity Charges for Q1*	69.19	Long Cloth 57"	19.58
Eggs	65.38	Gents Sandal	33.37		
Chicken	46.41	Match Box	30.47		
Mustard Oil	26.99	Gents Sponge Chappal	25.13		
Sugar	22.86	Washing Soap 250 gm	20.78		

ii. DECREASING Items (percentage)

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non-Food Items	%
Onions	-50.82	Potatoes	-12.81	LPG	-11.69
Garlic (Lehsun)	-40.42	Tomatoes	-6.59	Hi-Speed Diesel	-4.98

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Subject: Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) for the week ended on 11-03-2021.

The weekly SPI with base 2015-16=100 covering 17 urban centres and 51 essential items for all expenditure groups/quintiles and combined has been computed.

2. For the week ended on March 11, 2021, the SPI and percentage changes by Consumption groups/quintiles and combined are given below:

SPI (51 items) 2015-16=100

Expenditure Group (Quintile)	SPI for week ended on			% change over	
	11-03-2021	04-03-21	12-03-20	04-03-21	12-03-20
Q1 (Upto Rs. 17,732)	157.69	159.21	133.60	-0.95	18.03
Q2 (Rs. 17,733 - 22,888)	147.75	150.06	128.58	-1.54	14.91
Q3 (Rs. 22,889 - 29,517)	148.93	149.55	131.05	-0.41	13.64
Q4 (Rs. 29,518 - 44,175)	145.45	145.42	128.41	0.02	13.27
Q5 (Above Rs. 44,175)	147.30	147.52	131.60	-0.15	11.93
Combined	147.14	147.99	129.66	-0.57	13.48

3. The trend of weekly SPI with base 2015-16=100 during the last 10 weeks as compared to the respective previous as well as corresponding weeks of last year is as under:

SPI (51 items) 2015-16=100

Week ended on	SPI for lowest expenditure group	% change over		Combined SPI	% change over	
		Pr. Week	Cor. Week		Pr. Week	Cor. Week
07-01-2021	144.92	0.17	6.70	140.01	0.06	5.81
14-01-2021	145.07	0.10	7.28	139.70	-0.22	5.77
21-01-2021	145.15	0.06	7.93	140.15	0.32	6.54
28-01-2021	145.78	0.43	8.74	140.88	0.52	7.48
04-02-2021	146.54	0.52	8.79	141.70	0.58	7.88
11-02-2021	147.67	0.77	10.14	142.85	0.81	9.17
18-02-2021	148.48	0.55	10.78	143.63	0.55	9.92
25-02-2021	158.36	6.65	19.76	147.09	2.41	13.89
04-03-2021	159.21	0.54	20.07	147.99	0.61	14.95
11-03-2021	157.69	-0.95	18.03	147.14	-0.57	13.48

4. A statement showing citywise prices of essential items pertaining to 17 urban centres is placed at Appendix-A.

5 The comparative changes in prices i.e. increase, decrease and unchanged for the week ended on 11-03-2021 over previous and corresponding weeks ended on 04-03-2021 and 12-03-2020 respectively are as follows:

Sr.	Items	Units	Prices in Rs.			%change col. 3 over		Weight of expenditure group in %		Impact of expenditure group in % points	
			11.03.21	04.03.21	12.03.20	04.03.21	12.03.20	Lowest	Combined	Lowest	Combined
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
i. Average prices of the following 26 items registered INCREASE.											
1	Eggs Hen (Farm)	1 Dozen	168.26	151.88	101.74	10.78	65.38	1.1780	1.4424	0.1156	0.1523
2	Tomatoes	1 Kg	31.45	29.39	33.67	7.01	-6.59	1.4395	0.9816	0.0434	0.0318
3	Bananas (Kela) Local	1 Dozen	93.69	90.23	87.20	3.83	7.44	0.7124	0.9413	0.0214	0.0303
4	Lawn Printed Gul Ahmed/Al Karam	1 mtr	403.46	394.26	358.55	2.33	12.53	2.3442	2.1473	0.0267	0.0263
5	Potatoes	1 Kg	39.49	38.60	45.29	2.31	-12.81	2.2955	1.2157	0.1018	0.0580
6	Sugar Refined	1 Kg	98.36	96.68	80.06	1.74	22.86	5.1148	3.1584	0.1178	0.0782
7	Milk fresh (Un-boiled)	1 Ltr	107.33	105.88	94.66	1.37	13.38	17.5449	18.3937	0.0889	0.1003
8	Shirting (Average Quality)	1 mtr	240.83	237.59	207.77	1.36	15.91	0.0317	0.1010	0.0002	0.0007
9	Long Cloth 57" Gul Ahmed/Al Karam	1 mtr	381.91	377.12	319.37	1.27	19.58	4.2221	3.9577	0.0281	0.0284
10	Georgette (Average Quality)	1 mtr	170.99	168.89	150.11	1.24	13.91	0.7584	0.9024	0.0043	0.0055
11	Curd (Dahi) Loose	1 Kg	123.82	122.45	109.72	1.12	12.85	0.7366	1.8181	0.0035	0.0092
12	Wheat Flour Bag	20 Kg	957.70	947.94	883.17	1.03	8.44	6.1372	3.9725	0.0274	0.0191
13	Pulse Mash (Washed)	1 Kg	263.41	261.31	223.42	0.80	17.90	0.2855	0.3269	0.0015	0.0018
14	Cooked Daal at Average Hotel	Per Plate	77.83	77.37	71.47	0.59	8.90	1.3118	1.3014	0.0018	0.0019
15	Rice Basmati Broken (Average Quality)	1 Kg	92.23	91.74	82.22	0.53	12.17	2.9610	1.2636	0.0327	0.0150
16	Cooked Beef at Average Hotel	Per Plate	153.56	152.82	136.90	0.48	12.17	0.5033	1.0497	0.0040	0.0090
17	Pulse Gram	1 Kg	153.44	153.14	148.04	0.20	3.65	0.7967	0.4711	0.0037	0.0023
18	Tea Prepared Ordinary	Per Cup	29.00	28.96	26.37	0.14	9.97	2.5003	2.3564	0.0033	0.0033
19	Rice IRR1-6/9 (Sindh/Punjab)	1 Kg	73.29	73.20	62.47	0.12	17.32	0.5922	0.1671	0.0004	0.0001
20	Cigarettes Capstan 20'S Packet	Each	83.47	83.38	81.77	0.11	2.08	1.6170	1.0931	0.0000	0.0000
21	Vegetable Ghee DALDA/HABIB 2.5 kg Tin	Each	756.33	755.69	653.09	0.08	15.81	3.2833	1.4648	0.0001	0.0001
22	Powdered Milk NIDO 390 gm Polybag	Each	481.92	481.67	462.04	0.05	4.30	0.0803	0.3817	0.0001	0.0008
23	Beef with Bone (Average Quality)	1 Kg	477.23	477.06	435.90	0.04	9.48	2.4988	3.3533	0.0023	0.0033
24	Pulse Moong (Washed)	1 Kg	237.06	237.02	234.26	0.02	1.20	0.8715	0.4816	0.0026	0.0015
25	Mutton (Average Quality)	1 Kg	1001.74	1001.57	904.40	0.02	10.76	0.5498	2.4387	0.0001	0.0004
26	Mustard Oil (Average Quality)	1 Kg	278.50	278.47	219.31	0.01	26.99	0.0216	0.0341	0.0000	0.0001
TOTAL								60.3884	55.2156	0.6316	0.5796
ii. Average prices of the following 7 items registered DECREASE.											
1	Electricity Charges for Q1	Per Unit	6.26	6.88	3.70	-9.01	69.19	8.3627	12.9291	-1.3918	-0.8945
2	Garlic (Lehsun)	1 Kg	212.47	227.59	356.62	-6.64	-40.42	0.6807	0.5795	-0.0688	-0.0630
3	Chicken Farm Broiler (Live)	1 Kg	255.77	263.58	174.69	-2.96	46.41	2.9269	3.8681	-0.1140	-0.1621
4	LPG 11.67 kg Cylinder	Each	1440.52	1471.81	1631.27	-2.13	-11.69	0.6145	1.4370	-0.0129	-0.0323
5	Onions	1 Kg	37.09	37.43	75.42	-0.91	-50.82	2.6815	1.6822	0.0035	0.0024
6	Gur (Average Quality)	1 Kg	126.96	127.84	117.57	-0.69	7.99	0.2341	0.1075	-0.0004	-0.0002
7	Pulse Masoor (Washed)	1 Kg	157.36	158.13	139.74	-0.49	12.61	0.6545	0.4608	0.0004	0.0003
TOTAL								16.1549	21.0642	-1.5840	-1.1495
iii. Average prices of the following 18 items remained UNCHANGED											
1	Bread plain (Small Size)	Each	55.54	55.54	49.07	0.00	13.19	0.1041	0.5698	0.0000	0.0000
2	Cooking Oil DALDA or Other Similar Brand (SN)	Each	1495.00	1495.00	1298.22	0.00	15.16	2.1480	3.1260	0.0000	0.0000
3	Vegetable Ghee DALDA/HABIB or Other super	Each	296.00	296.00	251.40	0.00	17.74	3.2833	1.4648	0.0000	0.0000
4	Salt Powdered (NATIONAL/SHAN) 800 gm Packet	Each	30.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.2844	0.2279	0.0000	0.0000
5	Chilies Powder NATIONAL 200 gm Packet	Each	373.23	373.23	153.55	0.00	143.07	1.3896	0.8454	0.0000	0.0000
6	Tea Lipton Yellow Label 190 gm Packet	Each	230.00	230.00	229.25	0.00	0.33	3.1478	2.3913	0.0000	0.0000
7	Gents Sandal Bata	Pair	1199.00	1199.00	899.00	0.00	33.37	0.6350	0.5122	0.0000	0.0000
8	Gents Sponge Chappal Bata	Pair	249.00	249.00	199.00	0.00	25.13	0.2110	0.1640	0.0000	0.0000
9	Ladies Sandal Bata	Pair	599.00	599.00	599.00	0.00	0.00	0.9919	1.0148	0.0000	0.0000
10	Gas Charges upto 3.3719 MMBTU	MMBTU	141.57	141.57	141.57	0.00	0.00	2.0674	3.0667	0.0000	0.0000
11	Firewood Whole	40 Kg	739.56	739.56	686.53	0.00	7.72	5.0813	1.1969	0.0000	0.0000
12	Energy Saver Philips 14 Watt	Each	202.04	202.04	188.84	0.00	6.99	0.2495	0.3374	0.0000	0.0000
13	Sufi Washing Soap 250 gm Cake	Each	57.83	57.83	47.88	0.00	20.78	1.1178	0.5917	0.0000	0.0000
14	Match Box	Each	3.34	3.34	2.56	0.00	30.47	0.3495	0.1969	0.0000	0.0000
15	Petrol Super	Per Litre	112.90	112.90	112.61	0.00	0.26	1.4673	6.7018	0.0000	0.0000
16	Hi-Speed Diesel	Per Litre	117.09	117.09	123.23	0.00	-4.98	0.0114	0.0874	0.0000	0.0000
17	Telephone Call Charges	Per Minu	1.55	1.55	1.55	0.00	0.00	0.0645	0.5468	0.0000	0.0000
18	Toilet Soap LIFEBOUY 115 gm	Each	48.34	48.34	45.55	0.00	6.13	0.8529	0.6784	0.0000	0.0000
TOTAL								23.4567	23.7202	0.0000	0.0000

6. Monthly Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI).

PERIOD	SPI - Q1 (lowest Consumption Quintile)	Percentage change over previous month	Percentage Change over corresponding month of previous year
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2019-20

July	122.81	1.03	8.90
August	126.15	2.72	12.09
September	128.51	1.87	14.67
October	131.93	2.66	15.11
November	136.83	3.71	20.22
December	134.13	-1.97	18.14
January	134.74	0.45	18.26
February	133.68	-0.79	14.52
March	133.26	-0.31	11.78
April	130.90	-1.77	9.27
May	133.72	2.15	10.99
June	135.55	1.37	11.51

2020-21

July	139.66	3.03	13.72
August	140.95	0.92	11.73
September	143.90	2.09	11.98
October	148.74	3.36	12.74
November	150.37	1.10	9.90
December	146.29	-2.71	9.07
January	145.09	-0.82	7.68
February	149.65	3.14	11.95

7. Quarterly Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI).

PERIOD	SPI - Q1 (lowest Consumption Quintile)	Percentage change over previous quarter	Percentage Change over corresponding quarter of previous year
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2019-20

1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	125.82	4.32	11.88
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	134.30	6.74	17.82
3rd quarter (Jan-Mar)	133.89	-0.30	14.80
4th quarter (Apr-Jun)	133.39	-0.38	10.60

2020-21

1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	141.50	6.08	12.46
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	148.47	4.92	10.55

8. Half yearly Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI).

PERIOD	SPI - Q1 (lowest Consumption Quintile)	Percentage change over previous Half year	Percentage Change over corresponding Half year of previous year
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2019-20

1st half (Jul-Dec)	130.06	9.64	14.87
2nd half (Jan-June)	133.64	2.75	12.66

2020-21

1st half (Jul-Dec)	144.99	8.49	11.48
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