

**PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2014 WITH BASE 2007-08=100**

**1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES**

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Change**

Inflation Rate Jan, 2014 over Dec, 2013 (Previous month)	<b>0.49%</b>
Inflation Rate Jan, 2014 over Jan, 2013 (Corresponding month)	<b>7.91%</b>
Average Inflation Rate July-Jan (2013-14) over July-Jan (2012-13)	<b>8.75%</b>

**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 January, 2014 the CPI and WPI increased by 0.49% and 0.53%, while SPI decreased by 1.22% over December, 2013 respectively.

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

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	Indices			% Change in Jan, 2014 over	
		Jan, 2014	Dec, 2013	Jan, 2013	Dec, 2013	Jan, 2013
<b>General</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>189.60</b>	<b>188.68</b>	<b>175.70</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>7.91</b>
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages.	34.83	209.65	209.87	196.52	-0.10	6.68
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	<i>29.84</i>	<i>212.55</i>	<i>211.33</i>	<i>199.77</i>	<i>0.58</i>	<i>6.40</i>
<i>Perishable food items</i>	<i>4.99</i>	<i>192.27</i>	<i>201.17</i>	<i>177.08</i>	<i>-4.42</i>	<i>8.58</i>
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	221.80	220.96	191.18	0.38	16.02
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	198.27	196.57	177.05	0.86	11.99
Housing Water, Elec, Gas & Other Fuels	29.41	166.94	164.44	152.73	1.52	9.30
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	196.75	195.84	180.97	0.46	8.72
Health	2.19	166.85	166.84	157.50	0.01	5.94
Transport	7.20	197.19	197.03	186.76	0.08	5.58
Communication	3.22	129.79	129.79	128.61	0.00	0.92
Recreation & Culture	2.02	183.35	183.14	166.96	0.11	9.82
Education	3.94	168.48	168.34	155.07	0.08	8.65
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	231.12	228.16	204.49	1.30	13.02
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	211.23	210.34	201.75	0.42	4.70

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. Jan, 2014 over Dec, 2013 are given below:-

a. **Food Items Increased:** Chicken (20.25%), Fresh Vegetables (8.37%), Fresh Fruits (3.38%), Beans (2.83%), Milk Powder (2.07%), Pulse Masoor (1.99%), Honey (1.62%), Pulse Moong (1.57%), Dry Fruits (1.43%), Readymade Food (1.29%), Wheat Products (1.08%) and Meat (1.01%).

**Decreased:** Potatoes (26.32%), Onions (23.92%), Tomatoes (12.00%), Eggs (8.77%), Sugar (4.06%), Tea (3.58%), Gur (2.91%) and Pulse Gram (1.09%).

b. **Non-food Items Increased:** Woolen Readymade Garments (4.13%), House Rent (2.14%), Firewood (1.91%), Sewing Needle & Dry Cell (1.44%), Water Supply (1.39%), Woolen Cloth (1.26%).

**Decreased:** Motor Fuel (0.12%).

ii) **Year-on-year** Top few commodities which varied from corresponding month of previous year i.e. Jan, 2014 over Jan, 2013 are given below:-

a. **Food Items Increased:** Onions (46.80%), Potatoes (28.28%), Wheat Products (18.90%), Wheat (17.83%), Pulse Masoor (17.49%), Chicken (16.45%), Cigarettes (16.20%), Pulse Moong (16.14%), Wheat Flour (15.61%), Readymade Food (13.02%), Beans (12.25%) and Bakery & Confectionary (11.83%).

**Decreased:** Pulse Gram (30.66%), Besan (27.44%), Gram Whole (21.92%), Tomatoes (19.72%), Eggs (14.00%), Spices (12.74%) and Sugar (2.50%).

b. **Non-food Items Increased:** Postal Services (23.74%), Cosmetics (17.82%), Electricity (15.82%), Text Books (15.60%), Sewing Needle & Dry Cell (15.43%), Tailoring (14.58%), Cotton Cloth (13.39%), Woolen Readymade Garments (13.08%), Readymade Garments (12.12%), Cleaning & Laundry (12.05%), Doctor (MBBS) Clinic Fee (11.69%), Woolen Cloth (11.52%) and Construction Input Items (11.17%).

**Decreased:** Personal Equipments (1.72%).

iii) **Average Inflation Rate**

The Consumer Price Index of July- Jan, 2013-14 has increased by 8.75% over July-Jan, 2012-13 as per details given below:-

Groups	Group Weight	Indices		%Change
		Jul- Jan 2013-14	Jul- Jan 2012-13	
<b>General</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>187.54</b>	<b>172.45</b>	<b>8.75</b>
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	211.03	193.21	9.22
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.84	208.05	193.24	7.66
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	228.82	193.00	18.56
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	218.87	190.42	14.94
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	194.57	170.94	13.82
Housing, Water, Elec, Gas Fuels	29.41	161.82	149.52	8.23
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance.	4.21	192.34	177.14	8.58
Health	2.19	164.65	154.52	6.56
Transport	7.20	194.62	185.60	4.86
Communication	3.22	129.70	124.37	4.29
Recreation & Culture	2.03	181.85	165.83	9.66
Education	3.94	167.06	154.20	8.34
Restaurant & Hotels	1.23	222.96	199.86	11.56
Miscellaneous	2.76	207.34	197.29	5.09

Top few commodities which varied from previous year average i.e. July-Jan, 2012-13 are given below:-

**Increased:** Tomatoes (69.15%), Onions (53.54%), Potatoes (39.75%), Postal Services (25.07%), Wheat (24.87%), Wheat Flour (23.76%), Wheat Products (20.11%), Tea (19.71%), Gur (18.61%), Fresh Vegetables (16.19%), Footwear (15.82%), Woolen Readymade Garments (15.73%), Cosmetics (15.62%), Text Books (15.42%), Tailoring (15.25%) and Cigarettes (15.08%).

**Decreased:** Pulse Gram (29.48%), Besan (26.48%), Gram Whole (21.67%), Spices (17.37%), Vegetable Ghee (3.37%), Fresh Fruits (2.41%), Pulse Mash (2.38%), Eggs (1.94%), Cooking Oil (1.51%) and Mustard Oil (1.27%).

### 3. Core inflation of CPI

#### i. Trimmed Core Inflation

During the month of Jan, 2014 over Jan, 2013, the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 8.2%, while it was 9.9% during Jan, 2013 over Jan, 2012.

#### ii. Non-Food & Non-Energy Core Inflation

During the month of Jan, 2014 over Jan, 2013, the Non-food & Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 8.0%, while it was 9.9% during Jan, 2013 over Jan, 2012.