

Government of Pakistan  
Statistics Division  
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

**PRESS RELEASE ON INFLATION RATE**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 2017 WITH BASE 2007-08=100**

**1. SUMMARY OF INFLATION RATES**

	<b>C P I Change</b>
Inflation Rate January, 2017 over December, 2016 (Previous month)	<b>0.18%</b>
Inflation Rate, January, 2017 over January, 2016 (Corresponding month)	<b>3.66%</b>
Average Inflation Rate July-January (2016-17) over July-January (2015-16)	<b>3.85%</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, 2017 the CPI increased by 0.18%, WPI increased by 0.51% while SPI decreased by 0.80% respectively.

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

Major Commodity Group	Group Weight (%)	Indices			% Change in January, 2017 over	
		Jan, 2017	Dec, 2016	Jan, 2016	Dec, 2016	Jan, 2016
<b>General</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>210.94</b>	<b>210.57</b>	<b>203.49</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>3.66</b>
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages.	34.83	220.96	223.58	216.71	-1.17	1.96
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.84	224.82	224.79	220.67	0.01	1.88
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	197.89	216.30	193.08	-8.51	2.49
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	377.97	373.34	337.14	1.24	12.11
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	234.02	233.48	224.36	0.23	4.31
Housing Water, Elec, Gas& Other Fuels	29.41	194.42	191.70	185.36	1.42	4.89
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance	4.21	223.92	223.65	217.23	0.12	3.08
Health	2.19	208.45	195.93	181.45	6.39	14.88
Transport	7.20	172.81	172.01	177.96	0.47	-2.89
Communication	3.22	131.54	131.53	130.61	0.01	0.71
Recreation & Culture	2.02	196.73	196.50	193.80	0.12	1.51
Education	3.94	233.41	233.40	209.36	0.00	11.49
Restaurant & hotel	1.23	268.90	268.22	257.11	0.25	4.59
Miscellaneous goods & services	2.76	238.58	237.77	227.33	0.34	4.95

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

**Month-on-month** Top ten items which varied from previous month i.e. December, 2016 are given below:-

**Increased:** Cucumber (10.44%), Pomegranate (9.02%), Kinnu (4.46%), Guava (4.39%), Malta/Mosambi (3.57%), Bananas (3.43%), Sugar Refined (3.10%), Toothpowder (2.46%), House Rent (2.0%), Petrol & Diesel (1.33%).

**Decreased:** Tomatoes (39.98%), Peas (34.42%), Potatoes (29.65%), Carrot (28.07%), Cabbage (15.51%), Turnip (13.81%), Radish (13.0%), Chillies Green (9.55%), Spinach (9.38%), and Ginger (8.94%).

**Year-on-Year:** Top ten items which varied from previous year i.e. January 2016 are given below:-

**Increased:** Gram Whole (48.92%), Lederplex Syrup (48.66%), Peas (37.50%), Entox Tablet (36.70%), Dettol Medium (34.98%), Garlic (34.74%), Pulse Gram (34.04%), Cabbage (32.37%), and Gram Whole Black (30.87%) and Besan (28.65%).

**Decreased:** Onion (39.07%), Tomatoes (20.62%), Chicken (16.97%), Pulse Moong (13.37%), Bus Fare Min (within City) (12.29%), Cucumber (11.45%), Pulse Mash (10.86%), Petrol Super (10.78%), Tyre Motor Cycle Without Tube (9.98%), and Tapal Danedar (8.51%).

### **Average Inflation Rate**

The Consumer Price Index of July-January, 2016-17 has increased by 3.85% over July-January, 2015-16 as per details given below:-

Groups	Group Weight	Indices		%Change
		2016-17	2015-16	
<b>General</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>210.64</b>	<b>202.84</b>	<b>3.85</b>
Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	34.83	226.02	219.75	2.86
<i>Non-perishable food items</i>	29.84	224.20	218.36	2.67
<i>Perishable food items</i>	4.99	236.92	228.06	3.89
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	1.41	367.91	317.68	15.81
Clothing & Footwear	7.57	231.60	221.89	4.37
Housing, Water, Elec, Gas Fuels	29.41	190.86	182.07	4.82
Furnishing & Household Equipment Maintenance.	4.21	222.82	215.42	3.44
Health	2.19	194.67	180.00	8.15
Transport	7.20	170.87	177.25	-3.60
Communication	3.22	131.21	130.42	0.60
Recreation & Culture	2.02	196.20	193.46	1.42
Education	3.94	230.31	209.26	10.06
Restaurant & Hotels	1.23	266.77	253.12	5.40
Miscellaneous	2.76	237.45	225.15	5.46

Top few commodities which varied from previous year average i.e. July-January, 2015-16 are given below:-

**Increased:** Gram Whole (44.63%), Pulse Gram (38.22%), Besan (33.78%), Potatoes (25.23%), Fresh Vegetables (18.92%), Pulse Mash (16.07%), Cigarettes (15.87%), Eggs (12.08%), Sugar (10.87%), Betel Leaves and Nuts (10.46%), Education (10.12%), and Drugs & Medicines (9.0%).

**Decreased:** Onion (41.52%), Motor Fuel (8.72%), Chicken (7.76%), Kerosene Oil (7.32%), Tomatoes (7.08%), Pulse Moong (6.31%), and Motor Vehicle Accessories (5.96%).

### **Core inflation of CPI**

#### **i. Trimmed Core Inflation**

During the month of January, 2017 over January, 2016 the trimmed core inflation has been observed as 3.8% while it was 3.0% during January, 2016 over January, 2015.

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

During the month of January, 2017 over January, 2016 the Non-food & Non-energy core inflation has been observed as 5.4% while it was 4.3% during January, 2016 over January, 2015.