

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

SENSITIVE PRICE INDICATOR (SPI) FOR THE WEEK ENDED ON 20.03.2025.

(To gauge inflation on weekly / short term basis)

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

Consumption Quintiles	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Combined
Week on Week change (%)	-0.39	-0.35	-0.39	-0.40	-0.36	-0.35
Year on Year change (%)	-1.84	-2.00	-1.70	-1.12	-0.49	-1.20

I. ANALYSIS OF WEEKLY SPI

- i.* The SPI for the current week ended on **March 20, 2025 decreased by 0.35%**. Major **decrease** is observed in the prices of Tomatoes (7.08%), Onions (6.07%), Garlic (5.59%), Eggs (4.64%), Potatoes (2.50%), Pulse Gram (1.60%), Tea Lipton (1.30%), Sugar (0.87%) and Firewood (0.60%).
- ii.* On the other hand, major **increase** is observed in the prices of Lawn Printed (2.90%), LPG (1.53%), Bananas (1.45%), Long Cloth (1.23%), Bread (0.55%), Cigarettes (0.27%), Beef (0.25%), Curd (0.24%) and Salt Powder (0.03%).
- iii.* During the week, out of **51** items, prices of **11** (21.57%) items increased, **18** (35.29%) items decreased and **22** (43.14%) items remained stable.
- iv.* The year on year trend depicts **decrease** of **1.20%**, Onions (67.67%), Wheat Flour (35.58%), Tomatoes (29.45%), Chilies Powder (20.00%), Electricity Charges for Q1 (18.92%), Tea Lipton (16.98%), Pulse Mash (13.96%), Pulse Masoor (11.69%), Rice Basmati Broken (9.81%), Diesel (9.37%), Petrol (8.55%) and LPG (5.30%), while major **increase** is observed in the prices of Ladies Sandal (75.09%), Pulse Moong (26.96%), Powdered Milk (25.75%), Beef (21.01%), Sugar (18.65%), Chicken (18.23%), Pulse Gram (17.83%), Vegetable Ghee 1 Kg (16.13%), Bananas (15.73%), Lawn Printed (12.28%), Shirting (12.20%) and Georgette (11.20%).

II. Current week over previous week (WoW) (20.03.2025 over 13.03.2025) showing -0.35% change.

i. **(Major) Decreased Items (percentage)**

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Tomatoes	-7.08	Potatoes	-2.50	Firewood	-0.60
Onions	-6.07	Pulse Gram	-1.60		
Garlic	-5.59	Tea Lipton	-1.30		
Eggs	-4.64	Sugar	-0.87		

ii. **(Major) Increased Items (percentage)**

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Bananas	1.45	Salt Powder	0.03	Lawn Printed	2.90
Bread	0.55			LPG	1.53
Beef	0.25			Long Cloth	1.23
Curd	0.24			Cigarettes	0.27

III. Current week over corresponding week (YoY) (20.03.2025 over 21.03.2024) showing -1.20% change.

i. **(Major) Decreased Items (percentage)**

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Onions	-67.67	Tea Lipton	-16.98	Electricity Charges for Q1	-18.92
Wheat Flour	-35.58	Pulse Mash	-13.96	Diesel	-9.37
Tomatoes	-29.45	Pulse Masoor	-11.69	Petrol	-8.55
Chilies Powder	-20.00	Rice Basmati Broken	-9.81	LPG	-5.30

ii. **(Major) Increased Items (percentage)**

Food Items	%	Food Items	%	Non Food Items	%
Pulse Moong	26.96	Chicken	18.23	Ladies Sandal	75.09
Powdered Milk	25.75	Pulse Gram	17.83	Lawn Printed	12.28
Beef	21.01	Vegetable Ghee 1 kg	16.13	Shirting	12.20
Sugar	18.65	Bananas	15.73	Georgette	11.20

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Subject: Sensitive Price Indicator (SPI) for the week ended on 20-03-2025.

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 20, 2025, 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	
	20-03-2025	13-03-25	21-03-24	13-03-25	21-03-24
Q1 (Upto Rs. 17,732)	308.43	309.65	314.20	-0.39	-1.84
Q2 (Rs. 17,733 - 22,888)	306.63	307.71	312.90	-0.35	-2.00
Q3 (Rs. 22,889 - 29,517)	329.43	330.71	335.12	-0.39	-1.70
Q4 (Rs. 29,518 - 44,175)	319.20	320.47	322.83	-0.40	-1.12
Q5 (Above Rs. 44,175)	321.12	322.28	322.71	-0.36	-0.49
Combined	319.62	320.75	323.50	-0.35	-1.20

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
16-01-2025	314.75	-0.62	0.20	322.71	-0.39	1.16
23-01-2025	311.47	-1.04	-0.52	320.21	-0.77	0.52
30-01-2025	309.85	-0.52	-0.18	319.06	-0.36	0.44
06-02-2025	308.96	-0.29	0.31	318.38	-0.21	1.02
13-02-2025	308.24	-0.23	0.08	318.26	-0.04	0.98
20-02-2025	308.82	0.19	0.35	319.12	0.27	1.21
27-02-2025	309.94	0.36	-0.63	320.32	0.38	0.32
06-03-2025	309.33	-0.20	-2.47	320.04	-0.09	-0.87
13-03-2025	309.65	0.10	-3.25	320.75	0.22	-1.97
20-03-2025	308.43	-0.39	-1.84	319.62	-0.35	-1.20

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 20-03-2025 over previous and corresponding weeks ended on 13-03-2025 and 21-03-2024 respectively are as follows:

Sr.	Items	Units	Prices in Rs. on			%change col. 3 over		Weight of expenditure group in %		Impact of expenditure group in % points	
			20.03.25	13.03.25	21.03.24	13.03.25	21.03.24	Lowest	Combined	Lowest	Combined
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
i. Average prices of the following 11 items registered INCREASE.											
1	Lawn Printed Gul Ahmed/AI Karam	1 mtr	633.05	615.21	563.83	2.90	12.28	2.3442	2.1473	0.0288	0.0255
2	LPG 11.67 kg Cylinder	Each	3312.58	3262.51	3498.02	1.53	-5.30	0.6145	1.4370	0.0161	0.0365
3	Bananas (Kela) Local	1 Dozen	216.64	213.54	187.20	1.45	15.73	0.7124	0.9413	-0.0194	-0.0247
4	Long Cloth 57" Gul Ahmed/AI Karam	1 mtr	627.79	620.18	579.46	1.23	8.34	4.2221	3.9577	0.0293	0.0266
5	Bread plain (Small Size)	Each	108.83	108.23	114.79	0.55	-5.19	0.1041	0.5698	0.0022	0.0115
6	Cigarettes Capstan 20'S Packet	Each	237.85	237.21	221.80	0.27	7.24	1.6170	1.0931	0.0034	0.0022
7	Beef with Bone (Average Quality)	1 Kg	1069.47	1066.76	883.75	0.25	21.01	2.4988	3.3533	0.0053	0.0069
8	Curd (Dahi) Loose	1 Kg	229.42	228.88	217.50	0.24	5.48	0.7366	1.8181	0.0002	0.0006
9	Shirting (Average Quality)	1 mtr	480.24	480.05	428.04	0.04	12.20	0.0317	0.1010	0.0001	0.0002
10	Georgette (Average Quality)	1 mtr	297.94	297.86	267.93	0.03	11.20	0.7584	0.9024	0.0009	0.0010
11	Salt Powdered (NATIONAL/SHAN) 800 gm Pack	Each	72.04	72.02	69.23	0.03	4.06	0.2844	0.2279	0.0003	0.0002
TOTAL								13.9242	16.5489	0.0673	0.0865
ii. Average prices of the following 18 items registered DECREASE.											
1	Tomatoes	1 Kg	74.36	80.03	105.40	-7.08	-29.45	1.4395	0.9816	-0.0327	-0.0215
2	Onions	1 Kg	65.40	69.63	202.31	-6.07	-67.67	2.6815	1.6822	-0.1347	-0.0816
3	Garlic (Lehsun)	1 Kg	602.57	638.27	599.44	-5.59	0.52	0.6807	0.5795	-0.0923	-0.0759
4	Eggs Hen (Farm)	1 Dozen	275.63	289.04	275.83	-4.64	-0.07	1.1780	1.4424	-0.0756	-0.0894
5	Potatoes	1 Kg	61.34	62.91	67.30	-2.50	-8.86	2.2955	1.2157	-0.0556	-0.0284
6	Pulse Gram	1 Kg	305.87	310.83	259.58	-1.60	17.83	0.7967	0.4711	-0.0124	-0.0071
7	Tea Lipton Yellow Label 190 gm Packet	Each	452.21	458.18	544.71	-1.30	-16.98	3.1478	2.3913	-0.0062	-0.0046
8	Sugar Refined	1 Kg	170.41	171.90	143.62	-0.87	18.65	5.1148	3.1584	-0.0325	-0.0194
9	Mustard Oil (Average Quality)	1 Kg	551.79	556.60	503.05	-0.86	9.69	0.0216	0.0341	-0.0003	-0.0004
10	Gur (Average Quality)	1 Kg	209.71	211.01	205.87	-0.62	1.87	0.2341	0.1075	-0.0002	-0.0001
11	Firewood Whole	40 Kg	1314.71	1322.70	1190.82	-0.60	10.40	5.0813	1.1969	-0.0222	-0.0050
12	Chicken Farm Broiler (Live)	1 Kg	506.20	509.11	428.16	-0.57	18.23	2.9269	3.8681	0.0105	0.0133
13	Pulse Moong (Washed)	1 Kg	395.96	396.72	311.89	-0.19	26.96	0.8715	0.4816	-0.0088	-0.0046
14	Pulse Masoor (Washed)	1 Kg	293.46	293.70	332.30	-0.08	-11.69	0.6545	0.4608	-0.0041	-0.0028
15	Rice IRRI-6/9 (Sindh/Punjab)	1 Kg	158.06	158.15	170.17	-0.06	-7.12	0.5922	0.1671	-0.0005	-0.0002
16	Cooking Oil DALDA or Other Similar Brand (SN)	Each	2922.45	2924.27	2643.89	-0.06	10.54	2.1480	3.1260	-0.0009	-0.0013
17	Pulse Mash (Washed)	1 Kg	461.76	462.04	536.65	-0.06	-13.96	0.2855	0.3269	-0.0021	-0.0023
18	Wheat Flour Bag	20 Kg	1760.43	1761.23	2732.54	-0.05	-35.58	6.1372	3.9725	0.0092	0.0058
TOTAL								36.2873	25.6637	-0.4615	-0.3255
iii. Average prices of the following 22 items remained UNCHANGED											
1	Rice Basmati Broken (Average Quality)	1 Kg	202.64	202.64	224.67	0.00	-9.81	2.9610	1.2636	0.0000	0.0000
2	Mutton (Average Quality)	1 Kg	1995.29	1995.29	1814.33	0.00	9.97	0.5498	2.4387	0.0000	0.0000
3	Milk fresh (Un-boiled)	1 Ltr	197.88	197.88	185.55	0.00	6.65	17.5449	18.3937	0.0000	0.0000
4	Powdered Milk NIDO 390 gm Polybag	Each	1037.01	1037.01	824.64	0.00	25.75	0.0803	0.3817	0.0000	0.0000
5	Vegetable Ghee DALDA/HABIB 2.5 kg Tin	Each	1484.54	1484.54	1285.17	0.00	15.51	3.2833	1.4648	0.0000	0.0000
6	Vegetable Ghee DALDA/HABIB or Other super	Each	578.32	578.32	497.99	0.00	16.13	3.2833	1.4648	0.0000	0.0000
7	Chilies Powder NATIONAL 200 gm Packet	Each	320.00	320.00	400.00	0.00	-20.00	1.3896	0.8454	0.0000	0.0000
8	Cooked Beef at Average Hotel	Per Plate	300.67	300.67	276.39	0.00	8.78	0.5033	1.0497	0.0000	0.0000
9	Cooked Daal at Average Hotel	Per Plate	163.53	163.53	145.01	0.00	12.77	1.3118	1.3014	0.0000	0.0000
10	Tea Prepared Ordinary	Per Cup	61.13	61.13	59.03	0.00	3.56	2.5003	2.3564	0.0000	0.0000
11	Gents Sandal Bata	Pair	2499.00	2499.00	2299.00	0.00	8.70	0.6350	0.5122	0.0000	0.0000
12	Gents Sponge Chappal Bata	Pair	599.00	599.00	599.00	0.00	0.00	0.2110	0.1640	0.0000	0.0000
13	Ladies Sandal Bata	Pair	1399.00	1399.00	799.00	0.00	75.09	0.9919	1.0148	0.0000	0.0000
14	Electricity Charges for Q1	Per Unit	6.00	6.00	7.40	0.00	-18.92	8.3627	12.9291	0.0000	-0.1138
15	Gas Charges for Q1	MMBTU	1976.50	1976.50	1976.50	0.00	0.00	2.0674	3.0667	0.0000	0.0000
16	Energy Saver Philips 14 Watt	Each	380.86	380.86	370.40	0.00	2.82	0.2495	0.3374	0.0000	0.0000
17	Sufi Washing Soap 250 gm Cake	Each	132.00	132.00	128.70	0.00	2.56	1.1178	0.5917	0.0000	0.0000
18	Match Box	Each	6.24	6.24	6.18	0.00	0.97	0.3495	0.1969	0.0000	0.0000
19	Petrol Super	Per Litre	256.77	256.77	280.79	0.00	-8.55	1.4673	6.7018	0.0000	0.0000
20	Hi-Speed Diesel	Per Litre	259.82	259.82	286.67	0.00	-9.37	0.0114	0.0874	0.0000	0.0000
21	Telephone Call Charges	Per Minu	1.79	1.79	1.79	0.00	0.00	0.0645	0.5468	0.0000	0.0000
22	Toilet Soap LIFEBOUY 115 gm	Each	108.60	108.60	110.39	0.00	-1.62	0.8529	0.6784	0.0000	0.0000
TOTAL								49.7885	57.7874	0.0000	-0.1138

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
2021-22			
July	162.25	1.80	16.17
August	163.39	0.70	15.92
September	167.83	2.72	16.63
October	171.43	2.15	15.25
November	177.57	3.58	18.09
December	176.81	-0.43	20.86
January	175.42	-0.79	20.90
February	177.64	1.27	18.70
March	178.78	0.64	13.02
April	181.42	1.48	14.22
May	182.59	0.64	14.05
June	193.89	6.19	21.65
2022-23			
July	207.98	7.27	28.18
August	218.89	5.25	33.97
September	215.79	-1.42	28.58
October	212.62	-1.47	24.03
November	225.61	6.11	27.05
December	225.95	0.15	27.79
January	229.00	1.35	30.54
February	237.38	3.66	33.63
March	251.08	5.77	40.44
April	257.86	2.70	42.13
May	261.09	1.25	42.99
June	261.60	0.20	34.92
2023-24			
July	268.96	2.81	29.32
August	280.03	4.12	27.93
September	284.84	1.72	32.00
October	285.28	0.15	34.17
November	294.70	3.30	30.62
December	305.76	3.75	35.32
January	311.93	2.02	36.21
February	309.48	-0.79	30.37
March	316.02	2.11	25.86
April	313.65	-0.75	21.64
May	301.10	-4.00	15.32
June	305.10	1.33	16.63
2024-25			
July	311.30	2.03	15.74
August	310.40	-0.29	10.85
September	311.08	0.22	9.21
October	312.95	0.60	9.70
November	316.22	1.04	7.30
December	318.64	0.77	4.21
January	314.02	-1.45	0.67
February	308.94	-1.62	-0.17

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
2021-22			
1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	164.49	3.17	16.24
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	175.27	6.55	18.05
3rd quarter (Jan-Mar)	177.28	1.15	17.43
4th quarter (Apr-June)	185.97	4.90	16.64
2022-23			
1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	214.22	15.19	30.23
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	221.39	3.35	26.31
3rd quarter (Jan-Mar)	239.15	8.02	34.90
4th quarter (Apr-June)	260.18	8.79	39.90
2023-24			
1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	277.94	6.83	29.75
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	295.25	6.23	33.36
3rd quarter (Jan-Mar)	312.48	5.84	30.66
4th quarter (Apr-Jun)	306.62	-1.88	17.85
2024-25			
1st quarter (Jul-Sep)	310.93	1.41	11.87
2nd quarter (Oct-Dec)	315.94	1.61	7.01

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
2022-23			
1st half (Jul-Dec)	217.81	19.93	28.21
2nd half (Jan-June)	249.67	14.63	37.47
2023-24			
1st half (Jul-Dec)	286.60	14.79	31.58
2nd half (Jan-June)	309.55	8.01	23.98
2024-25			
1st half (Jul-Dec)	313.43	1.26	9.36

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