



(Base year 2014)

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## **Briefing**

This publication provides an analysis of the results of the CPI for January 2020 with the base year 2014. In addition, it provides the results of CPI by household welfare levels, by household type, by Abu Dhabi regions and provides the percentage contribution of the major expenditure groups in the annual price change.

# **Key Points**

- The CPI decreased by 1.8% in January 2020 compared with January 2019, where the index reached 109.7% during January 2020, while it was 111.8% in January 2019.
- The CPI increased by 0.1% in January 2020 compared with December 2019, where the index reached 109.7% during January 2020, while it was 109.6% in December 2019.
- The decline in consumer prices during January 2020 compared with January 2019, contributed to a decrease of 2.2% in consumer prices for households of the bottom welfare level, and 2.3% for the middle welfare level, and 1.3% for the top welfare level.
- The decline in consumer prices during January 2020 compared with January 2019, contributed to a decrease of 1.9% for citizen households, 1.8% for non-citizen households, and 2.4% for shared households.
- The 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuel' group contributed 95.2% to the overall decrease in the CPI during January 2020 compared with January 2019. Prices of this group decreased by 5.6% over the same period.
- Prices of the 'Clothing and footwear' group decreased by 8.6% during January 2020 compared with January 2019, and contributed 28.9% to the overall decrease.
- The 'Food and beverages' group contributed by 25.2% to the overall decrease in the CPI during January 2020 compared with January 2019. Prices of this group decreased by 3.8% over the same period.
- Prices of the 'Recreation and culture' group increased by 23.6% during January 2020 compared with January 2019, and contributed 62.5% in reducing the overall decrease in the CPI.



Table (1): Major expenditure groups by weight, relative change and contribution during January 2020 compared with January 2019

Main expenditure groups	Weight	Relative change%	Contribution%
Food and beverages	12.3	-3.8	-25.2
Tobacco	0.2	2.8	0.6
Clothing and footwear	5.4	-8.6	-28.9
Housing, water, electricity, gas and fuels	31.2	-5.6	-95.2
Furnishings, household equipment	7.2	-4.2	-16.7
Health	1.6	0.0	0.0
Transport	14.7	4.5	33.1
Communication	5.0	-2.6	-6.2
Recreation and culture	4.8	23.6	62.5
Education	6.9	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	3.8	-7.2	-15.9
Miscellaneous goods and services	7.0	-2.1	-8.2
Total	100.00	-1.8	-100.0

Source: Statistics Centre - Abu Dhabi

Figure (1): Annual inflation rates for the months of 2018 -2020

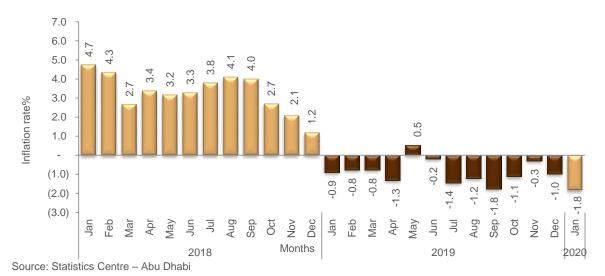
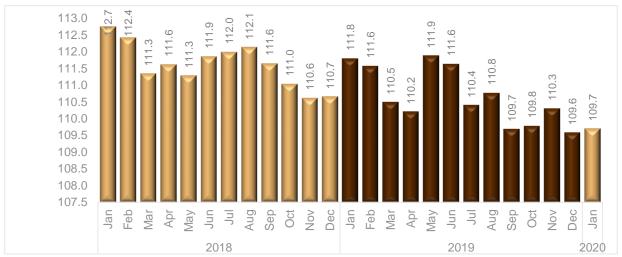




Figure (2): CPI for the months of 2018-2020



Source: Statistics Centre – Abu Dhabi



#### Notes

#### **Technical notes**

For better understanding of the statistical indicators mentioned in this summary, please refer to the accompanied technical notes on the SCAD website.

#### **Data sources**

Data are obtained through a field survey by collecting the prices from different outlets in Abu Dhabi Regions (Abu Dhabi, Al Ain and Al Dhafra) The data are processed and passed to the Prices and Income Section at Statistic Centre – Abu Dhabi for further editing and compilation.

#### More information and detailed release

For more information about the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and other official statistics, please visit the statistics link on the SCAD website at www.scad.gov.ae

#### **Revision Statement**

The CPI is compiled on a monthly basis, within 12 working days from the end of the reference month. The results of CPI calculations are considered final. Therefore, the CPI figures are not subjected to future revisions because of new data becoming available. When an error is discovered, there are transparent procedures taken with a request sent to the Project Management Office to correct the error. These procedures are in line with the policy of the Statistics Center - Abu Dhabi. The base year of the Consumer Price Index is updated as recent data from the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) become available, usually updated every five years.

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