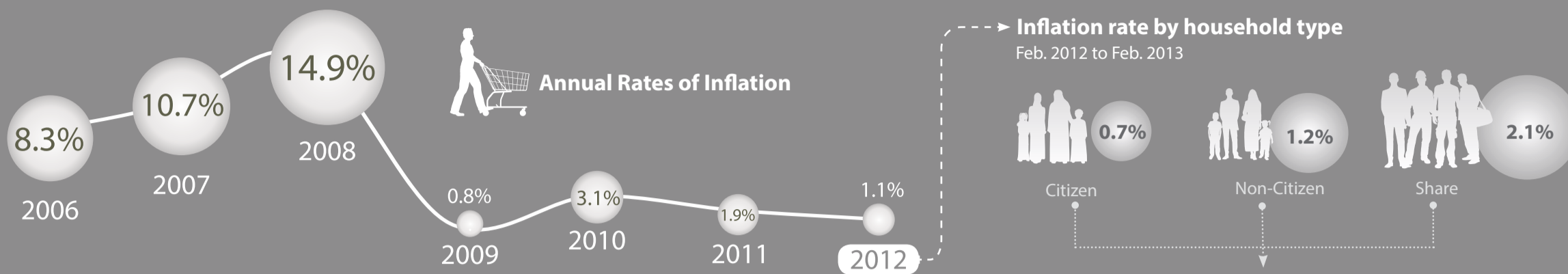


Inflation in Abu Dhabi

February 2013



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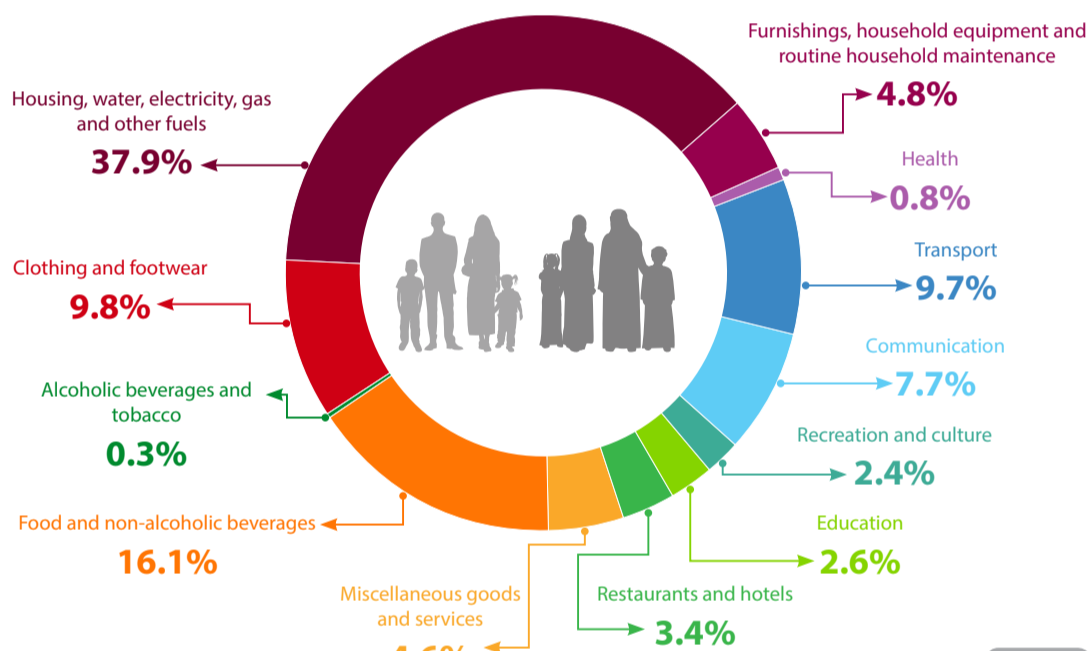
The inflation rate is a measure of how prices are changing over time. It is calculated as the percentage change in the level of prices (CPI) between two time periods.

CPI during 2012 & 2013

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2012	122.0	121.9	122.2	122.5	122.8	123.0	123.4	123.3	123.7	123.7	123.6	123.3
2013	123.5	123.2										
Change%	1.2% ▲	1.0% ▲										

Each month, across Abu Dhabi, SCAD collects the prices of hundreds of goods and services (collectively called the 'basket'). The total cost of this basket for a given month is calculated as an index number (e.g. 123.5). This index number is called the Consumer Price Index or CPI.

Main Expenditure Groups



Weights

Households will spend more on some expenditure groups than other groups. To represent the average spending patterns of consumers, the calculation of the CPI uses weights. That is, the goods and services in the basket are weighted according to the share they constitute of the total consumer spending. In other words, if the household spending for a given month was AED 1,000, then, on average, "Food and beverages" might represent AED 161 (or 16.1 percent), while "Housing", would represent AED 379, or 37.9 percent of total expenditure.

Change% Feb. 2013 Feb. 2012

Change%	Feb. 2013	Feb. 2012
▲ 1.2	137.2	135.5
▲ 1.1	137.9	136.4
▲ 1.1	129.8	128.4
▼ -3.3	141.8	146.6
▼ -10.6	143.5	160.6
▲ 1.5	116.1	114.4
▲ 2.3	132.1	129.1
▲ 5.3	138.9	131.8
▲ 18.7	133.6	112.5
▼ -1.1	185.8	187.9
▲ 5.1	157.8	150.1
▲ 2.4	129.0	126.0
▲ 5.0	150.1	142.9
▲ 1.2	121.1	119.7
▲ 11.7	142.0	127.0

Group	Code	Change%
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	01	1.2%
Food	011	1.1%
Bread and cereals	0111	1.1%
Meat	0112	-3.3%
Fish and seafood	0113	-10.6%
Milk, cheese and eggs	0114	1.5%
Oils and fats	0115	2.3%
Fruit	0116	5.3%
Vegetables	0117	18.7%
Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery	0118	-1.1%
Food products n.e.c.	0119	5.1%
Non-alcoholic beverages	012	2.4%
Coffee, tea and cocoa	0121	5.0%
Mineral waters, soft drinks, fruit and vegetable juices	0122	1.2%
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	02	11.7%

Groups

Group	Code	Change%
Clothing and footwear	03	3.0%
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	04	-1.1%
Actual rentals for housing, Imputed rentals for housing	42 41	-1.2%
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	43	0.0%
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	44	0.0%
Electricity, gas and other fuels	45	0.0%
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	05	1.7%
Health	06	1.9%
Transport	07	2.7%
Communication	08	0.0%
Recreation and culture	09	-0.2%
Education	10	3.0%
Restaurants and hotels	11	11.7%
Miscellaneous goods and services	12	1.6%

Feb. 2012 Feb. 2013 Change%

Feb. 2012	Feb. 2013	Change%
96.3	99.1	3.0
124.1	122.8	-1.1
127.5	126.0	-1.2
85.7	85.7	0.0
100.0	100.0	0.0
100.5	100.5	0.0
124.9	127.0	1.7
113.2	115.4	1.9
122.0	125.3	2.7
99.6	99.6	0.0
108.0	107.8	-0.2
162.9	167.9	3.0
139.2	155.4	11.7
117.2	119.1	1.6

The prices of "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" rose by 11.7% during February 2013 compared with the same period of 2012.

▲ Increased rate % ▼ Decreased rate % ■ Stable rate %

Consumer Price Index
(2007=100)

"Restaurants and hotels" group, accounting for 43.5% of the increase. This contribution resulted mainly from an increase of 11.7% in the prices of this group.

"Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance" group accounted for 8.0% of the overall increase occurring during February 2013 compared with the same period of 2012.

"Clothing and footwear" group which contributed 22.2% of the total increase during February 2013 compared with the same period of 2012. This contribution resulted from an increase of 3.0% in the prices of this group.

Key points: • The inflation rate of consumer prices was 1.0% in February 2013 compared with same month in 2012.
• The CPI decreased by 0.2% in February 2013 compared with January 2013.

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