

Inflation in the Republic of Kazakhstan

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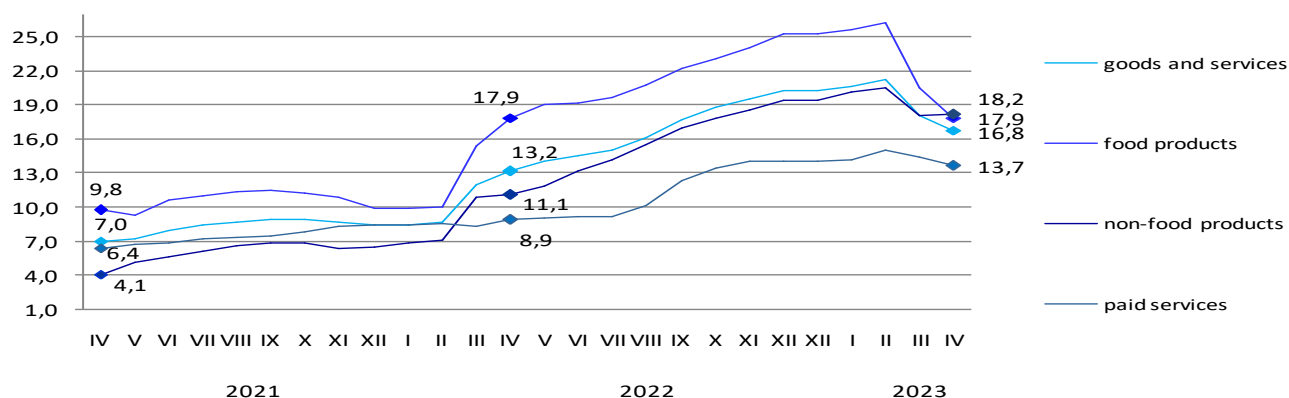
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1. Key points

Inflation in the Republic of Kazakhstan in April 2023 for the year amounted to 16.8% and slowed down by 1.3% (in March 2023 – 18.1%).

Prices for food products over the year increased by 17.9% (in March 2023 – 20.5%), for non-food products - by 18.2% (in March 2023 – 18.1%), for paid services - by 13.7% (in March 2023 – 14.4%).

Picture 1. Annual inflation in the Republic of Kazakhstan for 2021-2023



2. Dynamics of inflation

Compared to April of last year, an increase in prices was noted for refined sugar by 51.7%, cucumbers - by 50.9%, canned milk - by 44.5%, rice - by 43.9%, onion - by 35.3%, sour cream - by 33.5%, mineral water - by 31.4%, pasta - by 30.5%, bakery and flour products - by 30.4%, oatmeal - by 29.6%, semolina, pearl barley - by 28%, tomato – by 25.7%, pasteurized milk - by 24.5%. A decrease in prices was observed for cabbage by 53.4%.

The price level for stationery increased by 68.5%, detergents and cleaning products - by 44.7%, personal goods - by 31.7%, furniture and household items - by 24.5%, dishes - by 20.5%, construction materials - by 18.3%, clothing and footwear - by 16.6%. Diesel fuel has risen in price by 34.9%.

Rental housing increased by 27.1%. Prices for complex recreation services increased by 20%, hairdressing and personal care services - by 17.4%, public catering – by 17.2%, healthcare - by 15.7%, recreation and sporting events services – 15.1%, sanatoriums - by 15%, education - by 14.6%, hotels - by 14%. Railway passenger transport services have risen in price by 26.9%, air - by 24.2%.

Tariffs for garbage collection increased by 22.4%, housing maintenance - by 19.9%, central heating - by 10%, electricity, hot water - by 8.6%.

In the regional context, in April 2023 in annual terms, the highest inflation rate exceeding the national average was in the Mangystau region (19.1%), Soltustik Kazakhstan (17.9%), Pavlodar (17.8%), Zhetisu (17.7%), Astana city, Akmola, Batys Kazakhstan region (17.6% each), Ulytau (17.5%), Aktope (17%), Atyrau, Karaganda, Kostanai (16.9% each).

Table 1. Annual inflation in the regions for April, in %

	2023	2022	2021
Republic of Kazakhstan	16,8	13,2	7,0
Abay	16,4
Akmola	17,6	13,8	7,3
Aktobe	17,0	13,5	8,0
Almaty	16,0	12,4	7,0
Atyrau	16,9	12,0	7,5
Batys Kazakhstan	17,6	12,2	7,0
Zhambyl	15,7	13,2	6,9
Zhetisu	17,7
Karaganda	16,9	13,5	7,2
Kostanai	16,9	12,6	7,0
Kyzylorda	16,8	12,4	6,9
Mangystau	19,1	13,9	7,9
Pavlodar	17,8	12,5	6,9
Soltustik Kazakhstan	17,9	12,7	7,1
Turkistan	15,7	15,5	7,2
Ulytau	17,5
Shygys Kazakhstan	16,7	13,7	7,6
Astana city	17,6	14,0	6,1
Almaty city	16,4	13,2	6,4
Shymkent city	16,0	12,5	7,0

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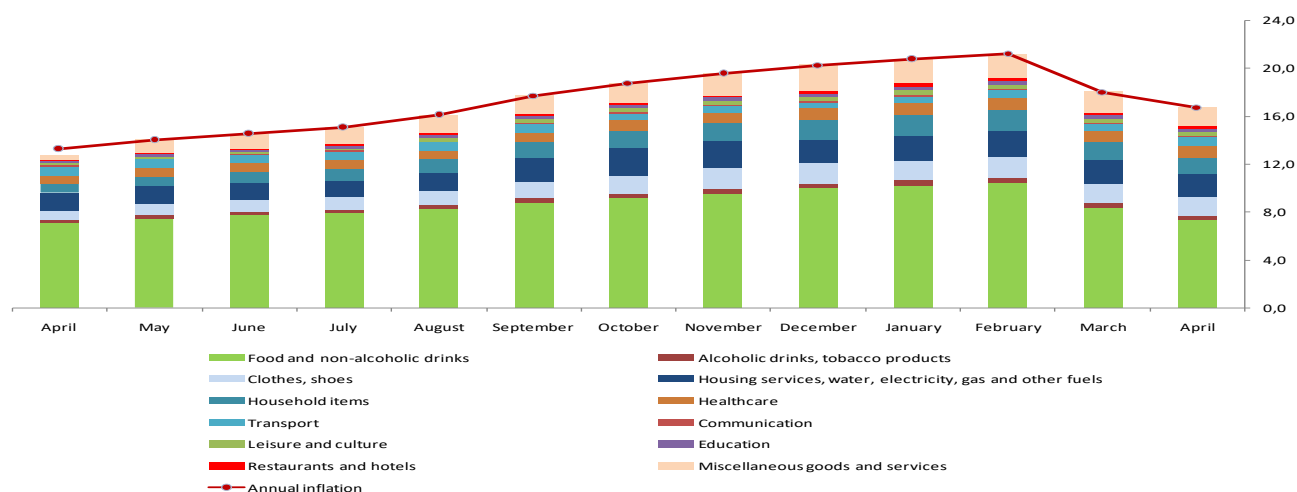
[1. Index of prices and tariffs for consumer goods and services in the Republic of Kazakhstan for 2000-2022](#)

[2. Index of prices and tariffs for consumer goods and services by regions for 1993-2022](#)

3. Contribution to the annual rate of inflation

The largest contribution to the annual inflation rate was made by food and non-alcoholic beverages (7.4 percentage points), housing services (1.9 percentage points), miscellaneous goods and services (1.6 percentage points), clothing and footwear (1.5 percentage points).

Picture 2. Contribution of the main groups of goods to the inflation of the Republic of Kazakhstan from April 2022 to April 2023



During the year, prices for bakery products and cereals increased by 26.3%, meat and meat products - by 13.1% and made the main contribution to inflation by 1.8 and 1.6 percentage points.

The increase in the price of dairy products by 26.9% contributed to 1 p.p., fruits and vegetables (by 7.8%) - to 0.6 p.p., soft drinks (by 22.7%) - to 0.5 percentage points in annual inflation.

Housing and communal services increased in price by 15.3% over the year and their contribution to inflation amounted to 1.9 percentage points. In April 2023, housing rents increased by 27.1% compared to April last year and contributed to annual inflation by 0.7 percentage points, residential maintenance and repair services (by 16.3%) - in 0.4 percentage points.

Table 2. Contribution of individual components to annual inflation in the Republic of Kazakhstan in April 2023

Goods and services	Rate of increase	Contribution to price growth
Food products	17,9	7,703
Bakery products and cereals	26,3	1,847
Meat and meat products	13,1	1,552
Milk products	26,9	0,992
Eggs	23,7	0,264
Oils and fats	14,9	0,334
Fruits and vegetables	7,8	0,637
Sugar	7,1	0,063
Soft drinks	22,7	0,483
Non-food products	18,2	5,305
Cloth	15,8	0,986
Shoes	18,4	0,539
Detergents	44,7	0,669
Petrol	9,9	0,231
Goods for personal use	31,7	0,919
Paid services	13,7	3,772
Housing services, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	15,3	1,944
housing maintenance fee	19,9	0,179
rental of property	27,1	0,665
residential maintenance and repair	16,3	0,387
cold water	3,8	0,020
hot water	8,6	0,033
garbage removal	22,4	0,063
drainage	7,1	0,016
electricity	8,7	0,197
gas	2,7	0,033
gas transported	2,4	0,024
through distribution networks	3,8	0,009
liquefied	10,0	0,123
central heating	12,9	0,215
solid fuel	7,3	0,013

Over the month, the level of prices for food products increased by 0,9%, non-food products - by 1.3%, paid services - by 0.4%.

Table 3. Inflation for the month, in %

	April			
	goods and services	food products	non-food products	paid services
2018	0,4	0,6	0,4	0,2
2019	0,5	0,9	0,4	0,1
2020	0,9	1,9	0,3	0,1
2021	0,9	1,0	1,0	0,5
2022	2,0	3,1	1,2	1,0
2023	0,9	0,9	1,3	0,4

Dynamic table:

[Index of prices and tariffs for consumer goods and services in the Republic of Kazakhstan on a monthly basis for 2000-2023.](#)

4. Glossary

Inflation - an indicator that characterizes the change in time of the average price level for a fixed list of goods and services purchased by the population for personal consumption.

Contribution - the amount of influence of the percentage change in the indicator on the overall value of inflation.

5. Methodological explanations

The consumer price index, which characterizes the level of inflation, reflects the change over time in the general level of prices for goods and services purchased by the population for personal consumption.

The calculation of the consumer price index is based on information obtained from two sources:

- data on price changes collected by their direct registration in specially selected for this purpose outlets and places of services;
- household survey materials regarding the structure of actual consumer spending of the population.

The collection of information on price changes is carried out in a selective circle of cities and regional centers, in all regional centers, in cities of republican significance and the capital. The choice of basic trade and service enterprises is carried out locally. Objects of all types of trade and paid services are selected so that the survey includes enterprises with different trading conditions and regularly selling goods (services) of mass demand.

The set of goods and services for monitoring consumer prices and calculating the CPI is a single sample for all regions of Kazakhstan. The list of goods and services contains 508 items, which representatively includes the most representative types that occupy the largest share in the consumption of the population.

The collection of information on prices is carried out directly at the places of sale of goods (services) by price registrars. Prices are fixed for goods paid on the day of the survey, including taxes, but excluding additional fees for their delivery.

6. Links to related publications

[Consumer price index and derived indicators](#)

[Retail prices for certain goods and services in the Republic of Kazakhstan](#)

[Price index and average prices for socially significant food products in the Republic of Kazakhstan](#)

7. Useful links

[Methodology for constructing the consumer price index \(CPI\)](#)

[Form C-101 "Notebook for registering prices for consumer goods and paid services"](#)

[Consumer price Index Quality Report 2021](#)

[Consumer price index, Information and analytical system "Taldau"](#)

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