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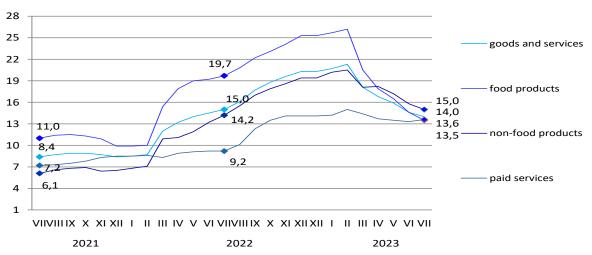
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1. Key points

Inflation in the Republic of Kazakhstan in July 2023 slowed down over the year and amounted to 14% (in June 2023 - 14.6%), over the month - 0.6% (previous month - 0.5%).

Prices for food products over the year increased by 13.5% (in June 2023 - 14.6%), for non-food products - by 15% (in June 2023 - 15.8%), for paid services - by 13.6% (in June 2023 - 13.3%).





2. Dynamics of inflation

Compared to July of last year, an increase in prices was noted for rice by 44.3%, cabbage - by 27.5%, mineral water - by 25.9%, sour cream - by 22.4%, kefir 2.5% fat - by 21.9%, bakery and flour products - by 21.4%, pasta - by 21.1%, pasteurized milk - by 20.8%, eggs - by 20.2%, rafinated sugar - by 18.8%, oatmeal - by 18.5%, semolina - by 17.7%, butter - by 16.1%, rye-wheat bread - by 12.7%. A decrease in prices was observed for sugar by 17.4%, buckwheat – by 10.5%, sunflower oil - by 4.7%, carrots - by 3.4%, potato - by 1.3%.

The price level for stationery increased by 64.4%, detergents and cleaning products - by 32.7%, personal goods - by 21.9%, furniture and household items - by 19.6%, dishes - by 17.2%, clothing and footwear - by 15.2%, construction materials - by 11.5%. Diesel fuel has risen in price by 36%.

The cost of renting housing increased by 25.2%. Prices for complex recreation services increased by 19%, sanatoriums - by 18.8%, recreation and sporting events services - 17.6%, healthcare - by 16.1%, hairdressing and personal care services - by 15.4%, public catering - by 15.3%,

education - by 13%, hotels - by 12.4%. Air passenger transport services have risen in price by 10.5%, railway - by 9.5%.

Tariffs for garbage collection increased by 36.9%, housing maintenance - by 20%, liquefied gas (in cylinders) - by 14.5%, electricity - by 10.5%, central heating - by 10.1%, drainage - by 9.7%, hot water - by 6.2%.

In the regional context, in July 2023 in annual terms, the highest inflation rate exceeding the national average was in the Astana city, Ulytau, Soltustik Kazakhstan region (15.4% each), Akmola (14.7%), Mangystau (14.6%), Zhetisu region (14.3%), Almaty city (14.2%).

	2023	2022	2021
Republic of Kazakhstan	14,0	15,0	8,4
Abay	13,4	15,5	
Akmola	14,7	16,0	8,7
Aktobe	13,2	15,4	8,9
Almaty	12,7	13,4	8,3
Atyrau	11,8	16,0	8,8
Batys Kazakhstan	13,7	15,0	8,2
Zhambyl	13,7	14,0	8,4
Zhetisu	14,3	14,9	
Karaganda	13,7	15,3	8,7
Kostanai	13,8	15,0	8,3
Kyzylorda	14,0	14,7	8,3
Mangystau	14,6	17,9	9,1
Pavlodar	13,4	14,7	9,2
Soltustik Kazakhstan	15,4	14,8	8,1
Turkistan	13,9	15,7	8,8
Ulytau	15,4	15,7	
Shygys Kazakhstan	14,0	15,6	8,5
Astana city	15,4	15,3	7,9
Almatycity	14,2	14,9	7,7
Shymkent city	13,6	14,4	8,4

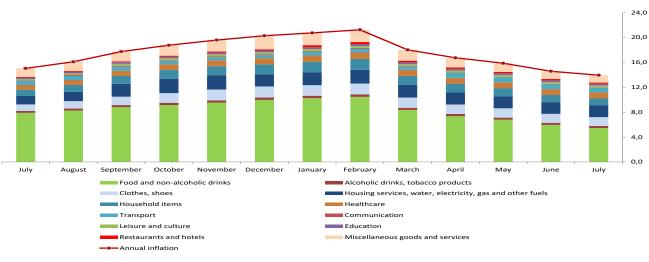
Table 1. Annual inflation in the regions for July, in %

Dynamic tables:

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 (5.4 percentage points), housing services (1.9 percentage points), clothing and footwear (1.4 percentage points), miscellaneous goods and services (1.2 percentage points),.



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

During the year, prices for bakery products and cereals increased by 18.3%, meat and meat products - by 11.2% and made the main contribution to inflation by 1.3 and 1.4 percentage points. The increase in the price of dairy products by 20.6% contributed to 0.8 p.p., fruits and vegetables (by 9.2%) - to 0.5 p.p., soft drinks (by 17.7%) - to 0.4 percentage points in annual inflation.

Housing and communal services increased in price by 14.9% over the year and their contribution to inflation amounted to 1.9 percentage points. In July 2023, housing rents increased by 25.2% compared to July last year and contributed to annual inflation by 0.6 percentage points, residential maintenance and repair services (by 11.7%) - in 0.3 percentage points.

Goodsandservices	Rate of increase	Contribution to price growth
Food products	13,5	5,778
Bakery products and cereals	18,3	1,321
Meat and meat products	11,2	1,363
Milk products	20,6	0,775
Eggs	20,2	0,230
Oils and fats	6,0	0,137
Fruits and vegetables	9,2	0,465
Sugar	-16,1	-0,138
Soft drinks	17,7	0,383
Non-food products	15,0	4,414
Cloth	14,5	0,913
Shoes	16,7	0,504
Detergents	32,7	0,506
Petrol	12,7	0,302
Goods for personal use	21,9	0,644
Paid services	13,6	3,754
Housing services, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	14,9	1,939
housing maintenance fee	20,0	0,184
rental of property	25,2	0,628
residential maintenance and repair	11,7	0,283
cold water	5,2	0,028
hot water	6,2	0,024
garbage removal	36,9	0,106
drainage	9,7	0,023
electricity	10,5	0,242
gas	6,5	0,081
gas, transported through distribution networks	4,6	0,047
liquefied	14,5	0,034
central heating	10,1	0,126
solid fuel	12,0	0,204
door phone	5,3	0,010

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

Over the month, the level of prices for food products increased by 0,1%, non-food products - by 0,7%, paid services - by 1%.

	July			
	goods and services	food products	non-food products	paid services
2018	0,1	-0,4	0,4	0,5
2019	0,2	0,1	0,3	0,1
2020	0,3	0,2	0,3	0,3
2021	0,7	0,7	0,5	0,8
2022	1,1	1,0	1,5	0,8
2023	0,6	0,1	0,7	1,0

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

<u>Consumer price index and derived indicators</u> <u>Retail prices for certain goods and services in the Republic of Kazakhstan</u> <u>Price index and average prices for socially significant food products in the Republic of Kazakhstan</u>

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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