

## CCI in Saudi Arabia rises by 2.0% in March 2026

The Construction Cost Index (CCI) recorded a 2.0% increase in March 2026, compared to the corresponding month of the previous year (March 2025). This increase is mainly attributed to a 1.9% rise in construction costs for the residential sector and a 2.2% rise in construction costs for the non-residential sector (Figure 1).

### Annual increase in CCI for the residential sector in March 2026

CCI for the residential sector increased by 1.9% as a result of a 4.5% rise in the cost of renting equipment and machinery, driven by a 6.1% increase in the rental of equipment and machinery with operators, as well as an increase in labor costs by 2.7% compared to March 2025. In addition, energy prices recorded an increase of 3.0%. The prices of basic materials also increased by 0.3%, due to the increase in the prices of cement and concrete by 0.4% and timber and joinery by 1.3% (Figure 2).

### Annual increase in CCI for the non-residential sector in March 2026

CCI for non-residential sector increased by 2.2% compared to the corresponding month of 2025 as a result of an increase in the cost of renting equipment and machinery by 5.9% driven by a 7.8% increase in the rental of equipment and machinery with operators, and an increase in labor costs by 2.9% as well as an increase in energy costs by 3.0%. Basic materials costs also recorded an increase of 0.3% due to a rise in the prices of plastic and glass products by 1.8% and timber and joinery prices by 1.2% (Figure 3).

### Monthly changes in CCI for residential and non-residential sectors for March 2026

On a monthly basis, CCI for March 2026 increased by 0.6% compared to February 2026. This is mainly attributed to a 0.6% rise in costs for the residential sector and a 0.7% increase in costs for the non-residential sector.

Figure1: Annual change in the general CCI for March 2026 (%)



Figure2: Annual change in CCI for residential sector by section for March 2026

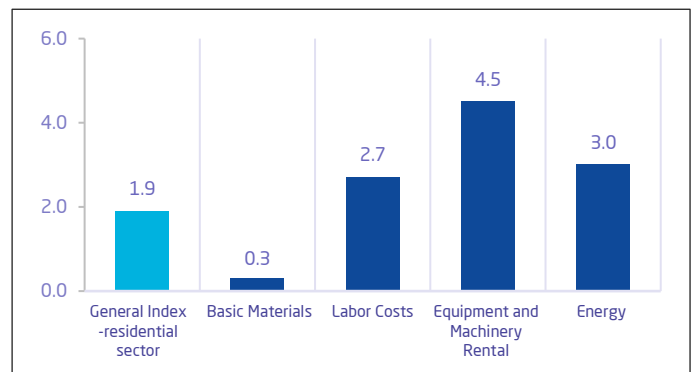
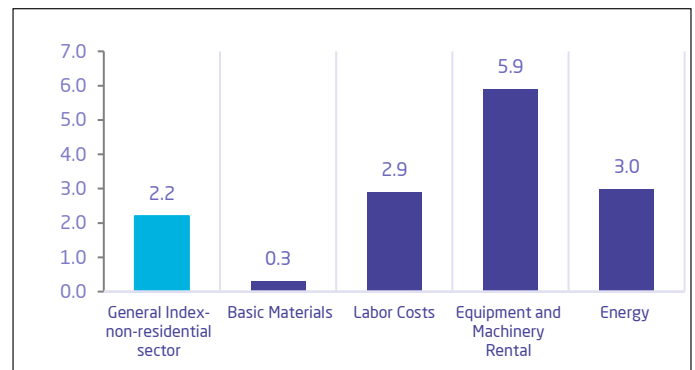


Figure3: Annual change in CCI for non-residential sector by section for March 2026



### Methodology and quality

The Construction Cost Index (CCI) reflects the movements of construction input costs, consisting of 51 items. The prices of which are collected monthly from thirteen regions through field visits to contractors' offices, engineering offices, and construction material sales establishments. The year 2023 has been set as the base year, and the construction cost index statistics are published monthly. For more details, please refer to: [Methodology and Quality table](#)