## WPI in Kingdom increases by 2.0% in April 2025

The Kingdom's Wholesale Price Index (WPI) rose by 2.0% on an annual basis in April 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. This increase is mainly attributed to a 4.5% rise in the prices of agriculture and fishery products, as well as a 4.1% increase in the prices of other transportable goods (Figure 1).

# Prices of agriculture and fishery products increase in April 2025

The prices of agriculture and fishery products increased by 4.5%, driven by a 6.9% rise in the prices of agricultural products.

In the same context, the prices of other transportable goods, excluding metal products, machinery, and equipment section recorded a 4.1% increase in April 2025 compared to April 2024. This increase was primarily driven by an 8.2% rise in the prices of refined petroleum products. Meanwhile, the prices of furniture and other transportable goods n.e.c. rose by 9.3%.

On the other hand, the prices of ores and minerals fell by 1.7%, mainly due to a 1.7% decrease in the prices of stone and sand.

The prices of metal products, machinery and equipment decreased by 0.1%, driven by a 5.6% decline in the prices of radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus, and a 3.4% decrease in the prices of general-purpose machinery.

Prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles remained unchanged, showing no significant variation in April 2025.

## Wholesale prices increase in April 2025 compared to March 2025

On a monthly basis, WPI increased by 0.1% in April 2025 compared to March 2025, due to a 0.7% rise in the prices of agriculture and fishery products, driven by a 1.3% increase in the prices of agricultural products, and a 2.5% rise in the prices of fish and other fishing products.

The prices of metal products, machinery and equipment increased by 0.2%, driven by an increase in the prices of basic metals by 1.1%, and an increase in the prices of transport equipment by 0.1%.

In the same context, the prices of ores and minerals increased by 0.1%, as a result of the increase in the prices of stones and sand by 0.1%.

While the prices of other transportable commodities except metal products, machinery and equipment, and the prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles remained stable, and did not record any significant relative change in April 2025. (Table1)

### Table1. Annual and monthly change in WPI by main product category (April 2025)(%)

General Index, Sections	Percentage change in April	
	2025 compared to	
	Apr	Mar
	2024	2025
General Index	2.0	0.1
Agriculture and Fishery Products	4.5	0.7
Ores and Minerals	-1.7	0.1
Food Products, Beverages, Tobacco, and	0.0	0.0
Textiles	0.0	0.0
Other Transportable Goods, Except Metal	4.1	0.0
Products, Machinery, and Equipment	7.1	0.0
Metal Products, Machinery, and Equipment	-0.1	0.2



#### WPI Methodology and Quality

The Wholesale Price Index (WPI) reflects the development of pre-retail prices of goods in a fixed basket including 343 items. Prices are collected on a monthly basis from points of sale in three main cities: (Riyadh, Jeddah, and Dammam). The year 2014 was determined as the base year. WPI statistics are published on a monthly basis. For more details, click <u>Methodology and Quality and Table</u>.