

WPI records 3.5% increase in February 2026

The Wholesale Price Index (WPI) recorded a year-on-year increase of 3.5% in February 2026 compared with the same month in 2025. This rise is mainly attributed to price increases in other transportable goods, excluding metal products, machinery, and equipment, which rose by 6.5%, and metal products, machinery, and equipment, which increased by 1.4% (Figure 1).

Prices of other transportable goods increase in February 2026

The prices of other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery, and equipment increased by 6.5% compared to February 2025, driven by a 34.1% increase in the prices of basic chemicals and a 3.9% increase in the prices of refined petroleum products.

Similarly, the prices of metal products, machinery, and equipment rose by 1.4%, driven by a 5.5% rise in the prices of basic metals and a 2.9% increase in the prices of fabricated metal products. In the same context, the prices of agriculture and fishery products increased by 2.5% as a result of the increase in the prices of products of agriculture by 2.9% and the prices of Live animals and animal products by 2.3%

The prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles also rose by 0.4%, driven by a 0.8% rise in prices of meat, fish, fruit, vegetables, oils and fats, as well as a 0.7% rise in prices of grain mills, starch and other food products.

In contrast, the prices of ores and minerals decreased by 0.2% due to a 0.2% decline in the prices of stones and sand (Table 1).

Wholesale prices increase by 0.1% in February 2026 compared to January 2026

The WPI recorded a monthly increase of 0.1% in February 2026 compared to January 2026. This increase was largely driven by metal products, machinery, and equipment, which rose by 0.1%, mainly due to a 0.3% increase in basic metals and a 0.1% rise in transport equipment.

On the other hand, prices of agriculture and fishery products decreased by 0.1%, due to a 0.9% decrease in products of agriculture.

Prices of ores and minerals also recorded a decrease of 0.1%, as a result of a 0.1% decrease in the prices of stones and sand.

While the prices of other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery, and equipment, and the prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles remained stable, with no significant relative change during February 2026 (Table 1).

Table1. Annual and monthly change in WPI by section (February 2026) (%)

General Index, sections	Percentage change in Feb. 2026 compared to:	
	Feb 2025	Jan 2026
General Index	3.5	0.1
Agriculture and fishery products	2.5	-0.1
Ores and minerals	-0.2	-0.1
Food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles	0.4	0.0
Other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery, and equipment	6.5	0.0
Metal products, machinery, and equipment	1.4	0.1

Figure1. WPI change (Year-on-Year, %)



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 monthly 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 monthly. For more details, click [Methodology and Quality](#), [Publishing Tables](#).