

WPI in the Kingdom increases by 2.0% in May2025

The Kingdom's Wholesale Price Index (WPI) rose by 2.0% on an annual basis in May 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. This increase is mainly attributed to a 4.4% rise in the prices of agriculture and fishery products, as well as a 4.3% increase in the prices of other transportable goods (Figure 1).

Prices of agriculture and fishery products increase in May 2025

The prices of agriculture and fishery products increased by 4.4%, driven by a 6.2% rise in the prices of agricultural products, and prices of fish and other fishing products by 6.1%

In the same context, the prices of other transportable goods, excluding metal products, machinery, and equipment section recorded a 4.3% increase in May 2025 compared to May 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 9.0%

Prices of food products, beverages, tobacco, and textiles also increased by 0.3%, as a result of the increase in the prices of grain mills, starch and other food products by 1.6%, and the prices of leather and leather products and footwear by 1.6%

On the other hand, the prices of ores and minerals fell by 1.5%, mainly due to a 1.5% decrease in the prices of stone and sand.

The prices of metal products, machinery and equipment decreased by 0.3%, driven by a 5.1% decline in the prices of radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus, and a 3.3% decrease in the prices of general-purpose machinery.

Wholesale prices remain stable in May 2025 compared to April 2025

On a monthly basis, the WPI was stable in May 2025 compared to April 2025, this was due to a 0.1% rise in the prices of other transportable goods, except metal products, machinery and equipment due to a 0.9% increase in the prices of basic chemicals, and a 0.3% rise in the prices of glass and non-metallic products.

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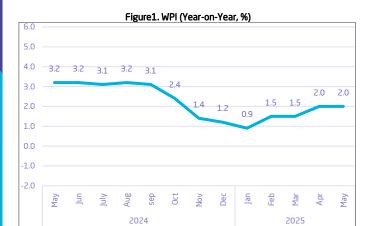
On the other hand, the prices of agriculture and fishery products decreased by 0.3%, driven by a 0.9% decrease in the prices of Live animals and animal products and the prices of products of agriculture by 0.3%

Prices of metal products and digital machines also decreased by 0.2%, driven by a 0.9% decrease in the prices of radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus, and a 0.6% decrease in prices of office, accounting and computing machinery.

Meanwhile, prices of food products, beverages and tobacco and textiles remained stable and did not record any significant relative change in May 2025. (Table1)

Table1. Annual and monthly change in WPI by main product category (May2025) (%)

General Index, Sections	Percentage change in May	
	2025 compared to	
	May	Apr
	2024	2025
General Index	2.0	0.0
Agriculture and Fishery Products	4.4	-0.3
Ores and Minerals	-1.5	0.1
Food Products, Beverages, Tobacco, and	0.3	0.0
Textiles	0.5	0.0
Other Transportable Goods, Except Metal	4.3	0.1
Products, Machinery, and Equipment	7.5	5.1
Metal Products, Machinery, and Equipment	-0.3	-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 Methodology and Quality, Publishing Tables.