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# Inflation rate for September 2017

- Monthly percentage change between August 2017 and September 2017
  - ▣ Monthly inflation: +0.52%
    - Monthly inflation excluding fish: +0.26%
- Change from the corresponding month of the previous year (i.e. September 2016 to September 2017)
  - ▣ Annual inflation (month on month): +2.89%

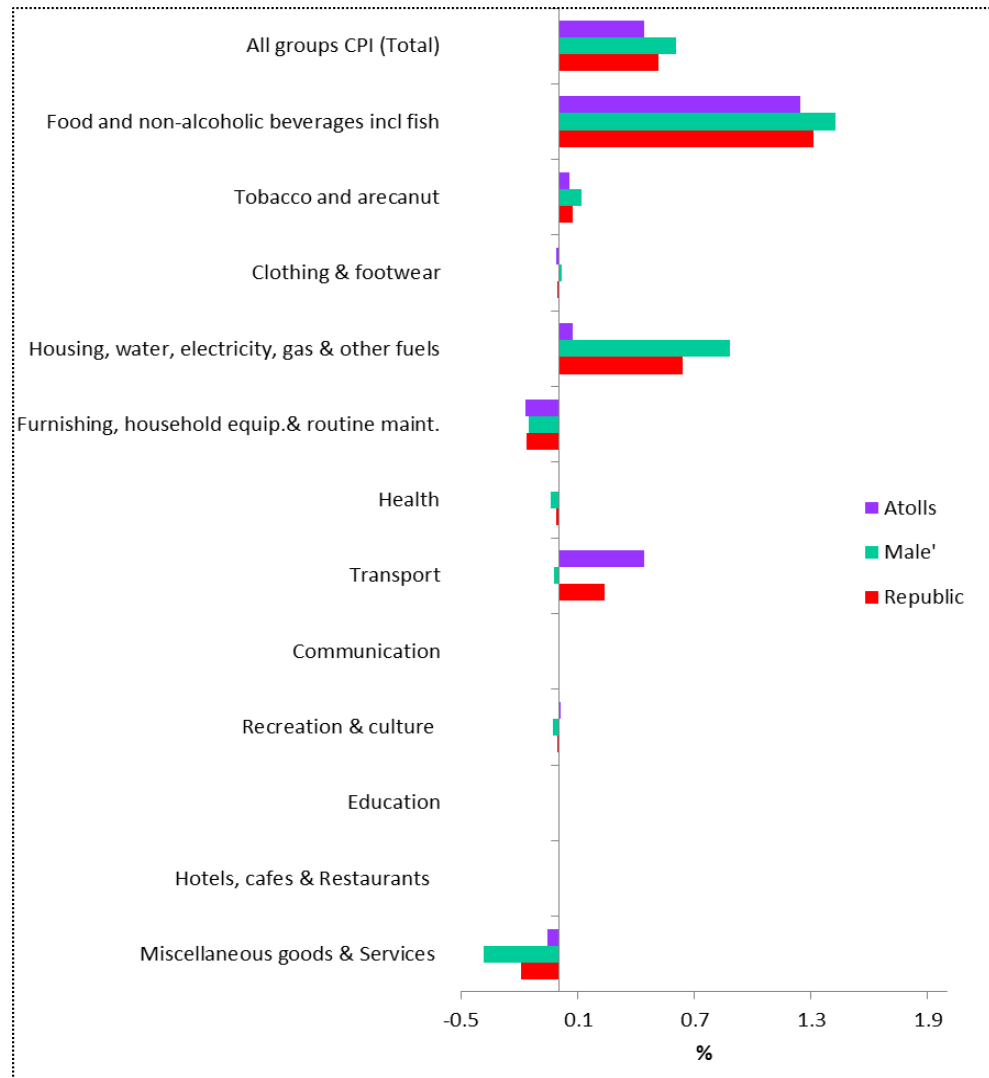
# Overview of the CPI movements

- CPI groups below are ordered in terms of their absolute significance to the change in All groups index points for the month
- The most significant price rise in this month were for;
  - Fish (+0%),
  - Actual rentals paid by tenants (+1.09%),
  - Vegetables (+5.10%),
  - Fuels and lubricants (+5.66%),
  - Glassware and household utensils (+1.16%),
  - Milk, cheese and eggs (+0.16%),
  - Electricity (+0.17%)

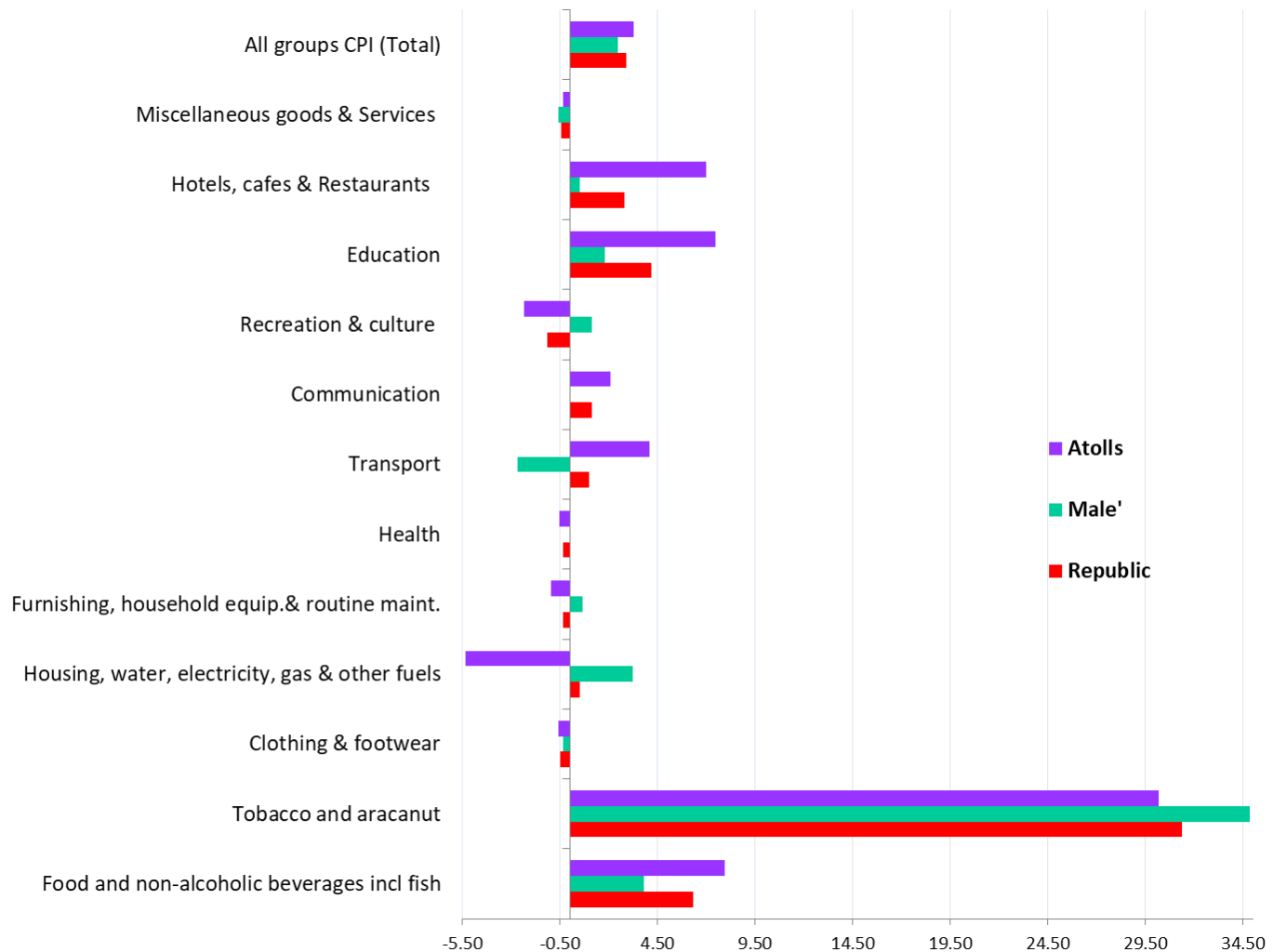
# Overview of the CPI movements

- The most significant price fall recorded in this month were from;
  - ▣ Tools and equipment (-2.84%),
  - ▣ Other appliances, articles and products for personal care (-0.27%),
  - ▣ Small electrical household appliances (-2.18%)

# Monthly Inflation (August 2017 to September 2017)



# Month on Month Inflation (September 2016 to September 2017)



# Percentage change and change in index points used

- ▣ Movements in CPI from one period to the other period are expressed in index points as well as percentage changes.
- ▣ Information on points contribution and points contribution change (or points change) is of immense value when analyzing sources of price change

# Contribution to monthly change (August 2017 to September 2017)

<b>CPI GROUPS</b>	<b>Republic</b>	<b>Male'</b>	<b>Atolls</b>
<b>All groups CPI (Total)</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>0.67</b>	<b>0.48</b>
<b>Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>0.46</b>
<b>Tobacco and aracanut</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Clothing &amp; footwear</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Housing, water, electricity, gas &amp; other fuels</b>	<b>0.16</b>	<b>0.34</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>Furnishing, household equip.&amp; routine maint.</b>	<b>-0.01</b>	<b>-0.01</b>	<b>-0.02</b>
<b>Health</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Transport</b>	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Communication</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Recreation &amp; culture</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Hotels, cafes &amp; Restaurants</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Miscellaneous goods &amp; Services</b>	<b>-0.01</b>	<b>-0.02</b>	<b>0.00</b>



# Up-coming CPI releases

- Monthly CPI is targeted to be released on the last Monday of the month at 10.00 am local time
- Next release
  - ▣ October CPI : 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017

# Documents available

- A guide to the Consumer Price Index, Maldives 2012

## GUIDE

- Review of the Consumer Price Index, 2012 (Base Period June 2012=100)

## REVIEW

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# FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Internet [www.statisticsmaldives.gov.mv](http://www.statisticsmaldives.gov.mv)
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