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Inflation rate for December 2019

- Monthly percentage change between November 2019 and December 2019
 - ▣ Monthly inflation: +0.48%
 - Monthly inflation excluding fish: +0.55%
- Change from the corresponding month of the previous year (i.e. December 2018 to December 2019)
 - ▣ Annual inflation (month on month): +1.29%

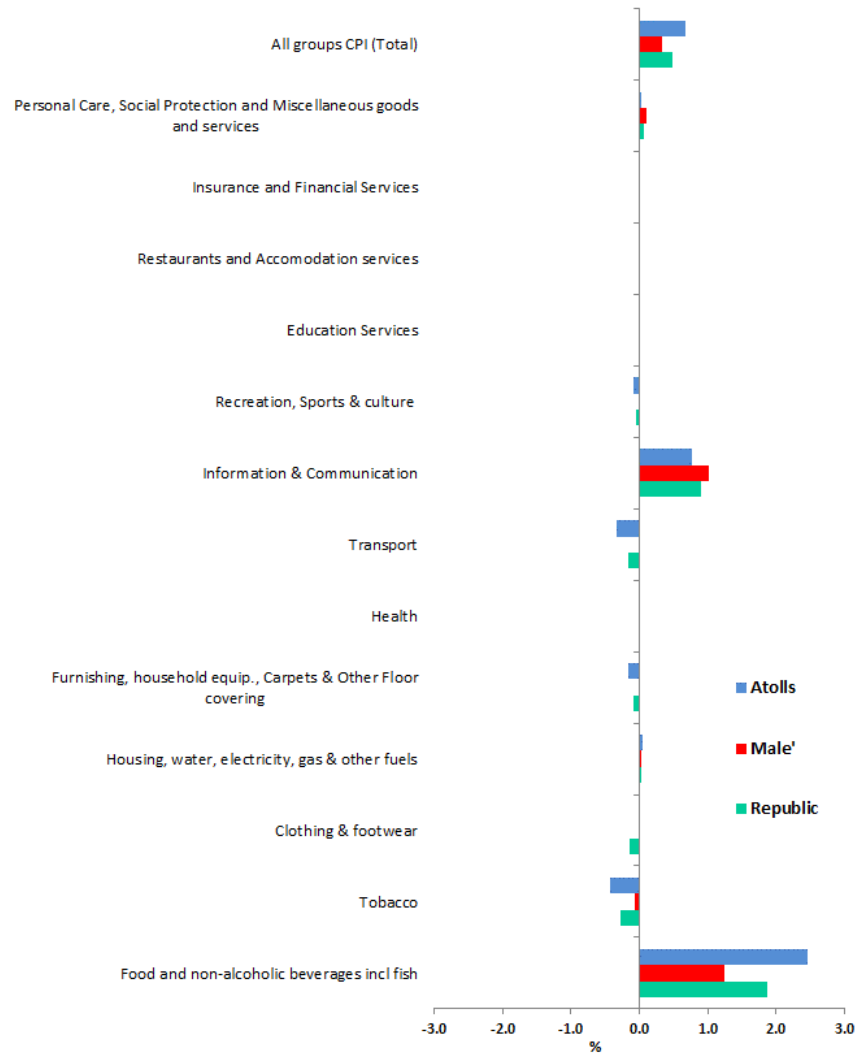
Overview of the CPI movements

- 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 increase in this month were for;
 - Vegetables (+21.17%),
 - Mobile communication services (+2.10%),
 - Meat (+1.56%)

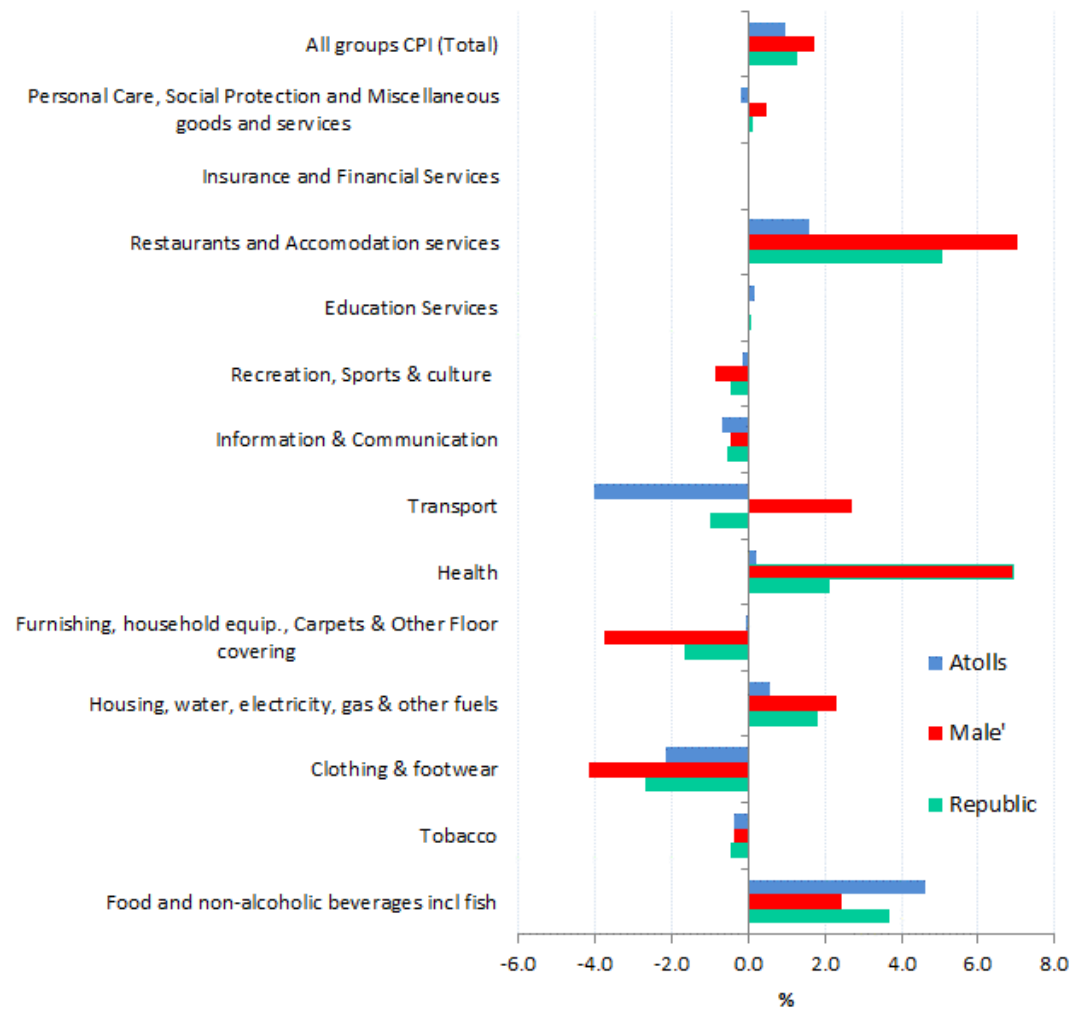
Overview of the CPI movements

- The most significant price decrease in this month were for;
 - ▣ Fish (-1.19%),
 - ▣ Fruit (-1.71%),
 - ▣ Equipment for the reception, recording and reproduction of sound and vision (-2.50%),
 - ▣ Motorcycles (-0.45%),
 - ▣ Other information and communication services (-0.69%),
 - ▣ Garments (-0.33%),
 - ▣ Mobile telephone equipment (-0.73%)

Monthly Inflation (November 2019 to December 2019)



Month on Month Inflation (December 2018 to December 2019)



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 (November 2019 to December 2019)

	Republic	Male'	Atolls
ALL GROUPS CPI (Total)	0.48	0.33	0.68
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INCL FISH	0.41	0.23	0.66
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	0.00	0.00	-0.01
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	-0.01	0.00	-0.01
HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	0.00	0.00	0.00
FURNISHING HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENTS. CARPETS, AND OTHER FLOOR COVERINGS	-0.01	0.00	-0.01
HEALTH	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRANSPORT	-0.01	0.00	-0.03
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	0.09	0.09	0.09
RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	0.00	0.00	0.00
EDUCATION SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00
PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICE	0.00	0.01	0.00

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
 - ▣ January CPI : 24th February 2020

Documents available

- A guide to the Consumer Price Index, Maldives 2012

GUIDE

- Index reference period is September 2019 = 100, weight reference period and Base period = August 2019

REVIEW

http://statisticsmaldives.gov.mv/nbs/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/GuideToCPI_Maldives2019-Publication.pdf

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Website: www.statisticsmaldives.gov.mv
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