

ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES PRICE INDEX

Monthly Release Jul 2026 - MALE'

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Overall ECPI - Male'



-1.27% +6.07%

Food



-1.81% +5.89%

Beverages



+0.35% +5.75%

Gas & other fuel



+0.00% +14.54%

Personal care products



+0.07% +2.87%

● Month-on-Month change

● Year-on-Year change

OVERALL ESSENTIAL COMMODITY PRICE INDEX (ECPI) - MALE'

The Overall ECPI of Male' stood at 120.37. The month-on-month (from Jun 2026 to Jul 2026) inflation rate decline by -1.27%, while, the year-on-year inflation rate (comparing Jul 2025 to Jul 2026) also increased by +6.07%.

FOOD

The month-on-month from (Jun 2026 to Jul 2026) Food prices declined by -1.81%. The groups that experienced notable decline in the price of Vegetables (-10.89%) and Fruit (-1.42%). This was offset by the increases in Milk, other dairy products and eggs (+0.95%) and Oils and fats (+0.74%). On year-on-year basis, Food prices from Jul 2025 compared to Jul 2026 increased by +5.89%, with the most significant price increase in the prices of Meat (+21.43%), Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery (+10.73%), Oils and fats (+9.26%) and Milk, other dairy products and eggs (+9.48%).

BEVERAGES

Beverages prices rise (from Jun 2026 to Jul 2026) by +0.35%. Notable increase were observed in prices of Fruit and vegetable juices (+2.39%) and Coffee and coffee substitutes (+0.30%).

On year-on-year basis, prices of beverages increased in Jul 2026 compared to Jul 2025 by +5.75%, with significant price increases in Coffee and coffee substitutes (+20.20%) and Fruit and vegetable juices (+5.89%).

GAS AND OTHER FUEL

The Gas and Other Fuels group prices stayed unchanged throughout Jul 2026 compared to Jun 2026. However, there was an increase in the year-on-year prices by +14.54% in Jul 2026 to Jul 2025.

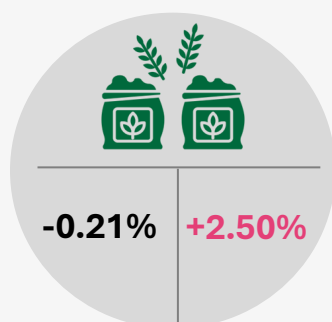
PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS

The Personal Care group prices increased by +0.07% in Jul 2026 compared to Jun 2026. When compared to Jul 2025, the Jul 2026 prices of this group increased by +2.87%.

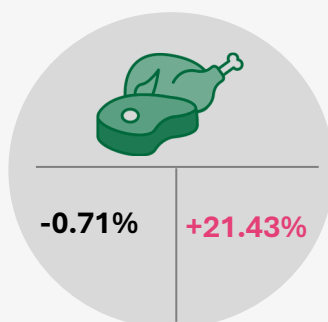
INFLATION RATES BY MAJOR GROUPS, MALE' - Jul 2026

● Month-on-Month change

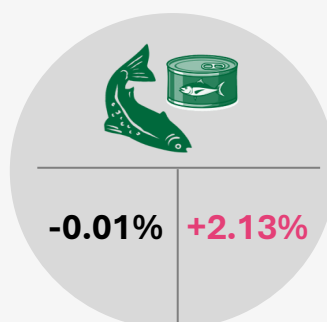
● Year-on-Year change



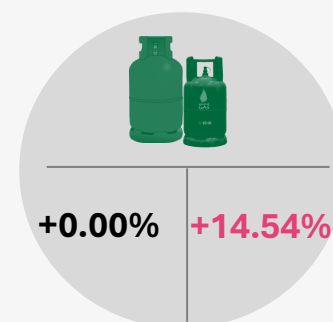
Cereals and cereal products



Meat



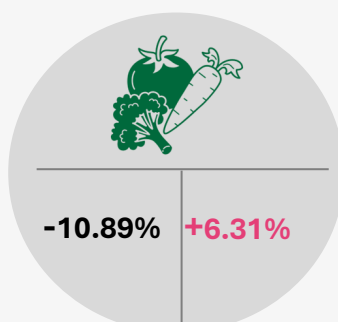
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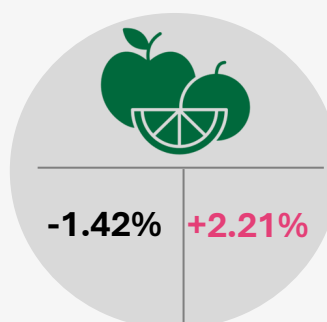
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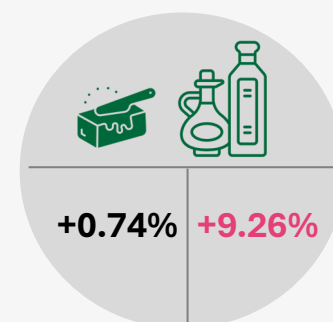
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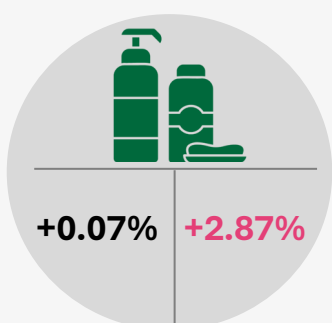
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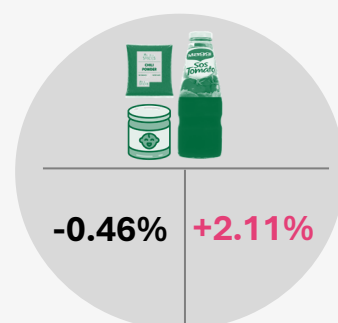
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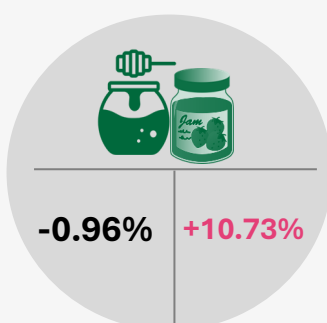
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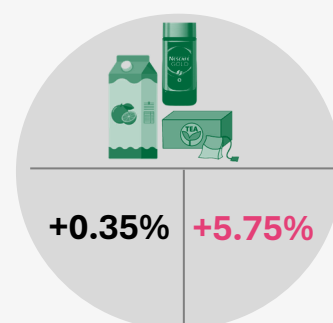
Personal Care Products



Other Food Products n.e.c



Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery



Beverages

NOTES

FORTHCOMING ISSUES

Issue (monthly)	Release date
August 2026	09 September 2026
September 2026	08 October 2026
October 2026	05 November 2026

WHAT IS ECPI?

- ECPI is a weighted average price index of a basket of essential commodities, such as food, beverages, fuel and personal care products. The ECPI basket includes 96 products with 2,549 price quotations collected on monthly basis.
- The weightage given to Food is 70.94%, Beverages 14.20%, personal care products 8.43% and gas and Other fuel 6.43%.
- It is a sub-index of Consumer Price Index

HOW ECPI WILL BE USED?

- To impose price regulations.
- Acts as an early warning system of inflation of essential commodities

MEASUREMENT OF CHANGE IN THE PRICE INDEX

Change over previous month (month-on-month) compares the index of the month with that of the preceding month. Such comparisons measure the change in the average prices between two consecutive months. They serve as useful short-term indicators of the price movements in the non-seasonal industries.

Change over same month of previous year (year-on-year) compares the index of the month with same month of previous year. The measure gives how an industry is growing over 12 months. It reduces the seasonality effects in the indices.

ABBREVIATIONS

MBS	Maldives Bureau of Statistics
CPI	Consumer Price Index
ECPI	Essential Commodity Price Index
n.e.c	Not Elsewhere Classified

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