

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SEPTEMBER 2013

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# Inflation rate for September 2013



- Monthly percentage change between August 2013 and September 2013
  - ▣ Monthly inflation: 0.88%
    - Monthly inflation excluding fish: 0.78%
  
- Change from the corresponding month of the previous year (i.e. September 2012 to September 2013)
  - ▣ Annual inflation (month on month): 3.40%

# Overview of the CPI movements

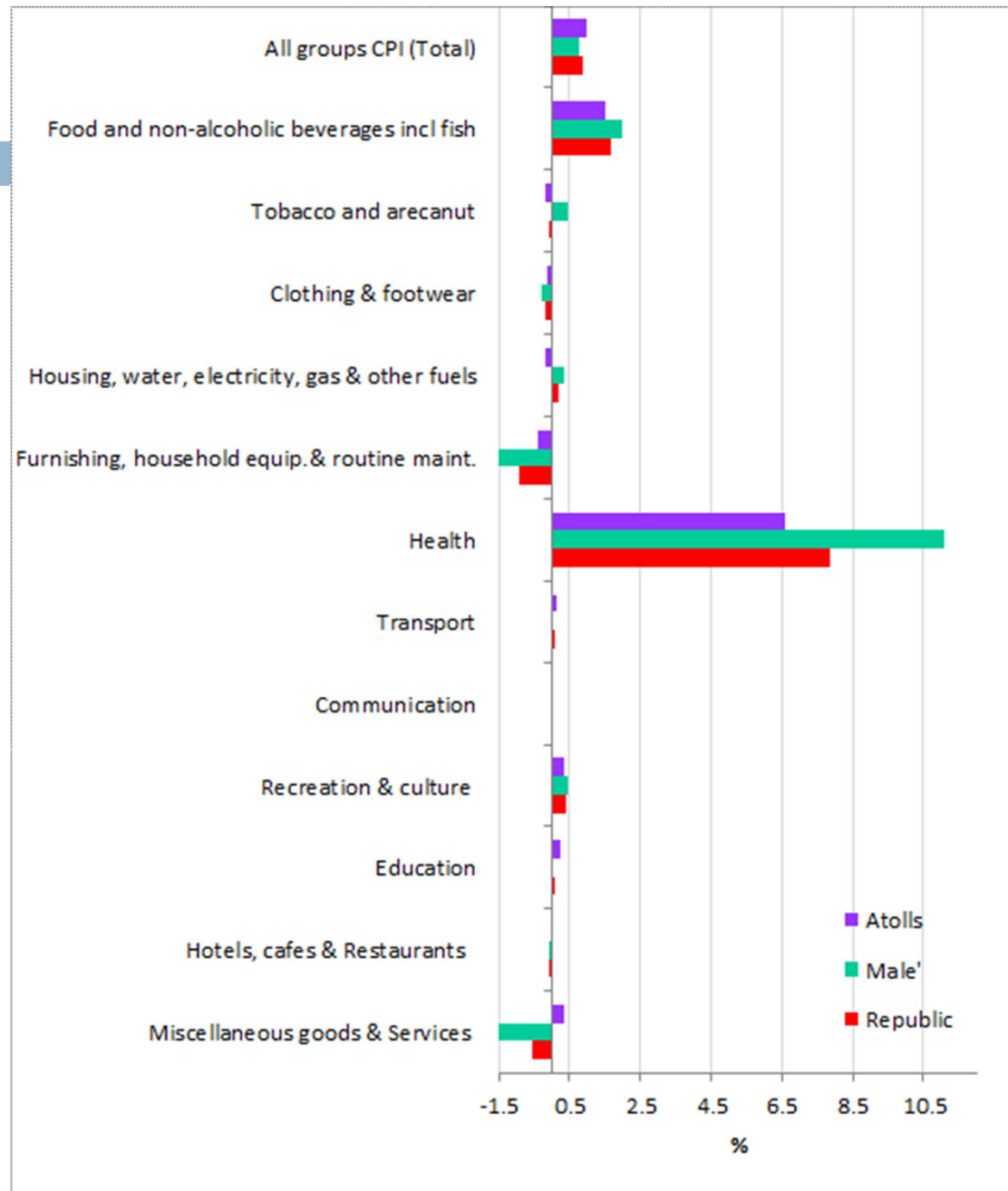
- CPI groups below are ordered in terms of their absolute significance to the change in All groups index points for the month
  
- The most significant price RISES this month were from;
  - medical services (+21.69%),
  - vegetables (+12.19%),
  - fish (+1.96%),
  - milk, cheese and eggs (+1.10%),
  - actual rentals paid by tenants (+0.44%) and
  - furniture and furnishings (+2.39%)

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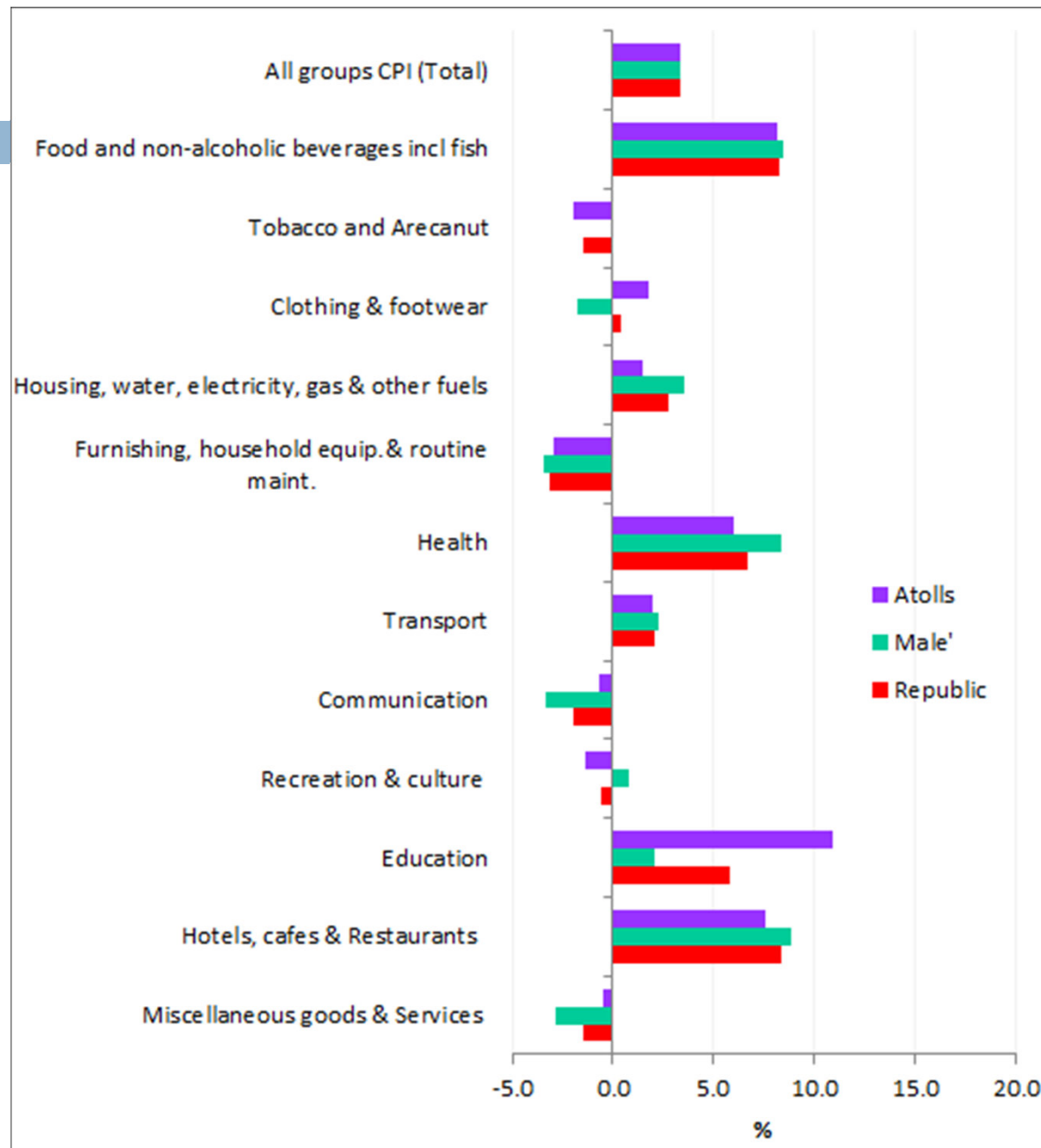


- The most significant price FALLS this month were for;
  - ▣ major household appliances whether or not electrical (-6.56%),
  - ▣ fruit (-2.42%) and
  - ▣ other personal effects (-8.93%).

# Monthly Inflation (August 2013 to September 2013)



# Annual Inflation (September 2012 to September 2013)



# 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 analysing sources of price change

# Contribution to monthly change (August 2013 to September 2013)

<b>CPI GROUPS</b>	<b>Republic</b>	<b>Male'</b>	<b>Atolls</b>
All groups CPI (Total)	0.88	0.77	0.99
Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish	0.51	0.51	0.52
Tobacco and aracanut	0.00	0.01	-0.01
Clothing & footwear	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels	0.04	0.12	-0.03
Furnishing, household equip.& routine maint.	-0.08	-0.13	-0.04
Health	0.46	0.39	0.51
Transport	0.01	0.00	0.01
Communication	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recreation & culture	0.02	0.02	0.02
Education	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hotels, cafes & Restaurants	0.00	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous goods & Services	-0.04	-0.11	0.02



# 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 : 25 November 2013

# Documents available



- A guide to the Consumer Price Index, Maldives 2012

GUIDE

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

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# FOR MORE INFORMATION



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