



CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

APRIL 2022

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MALDIVES BUREAU OF STATISTICS, MALDIVES

INFLATION RATE FOR MARCH 2022

- Monthly percentage change between March 2022 and April 2022
 - Monthly inflation: +0.27%
 - Monthly inflation excluding fish: +0.20%
- Change from the corresponding month of the previous year (i.e. April 2021 to April 2022)
 - Annual inflation (month on month): +1.24%

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;

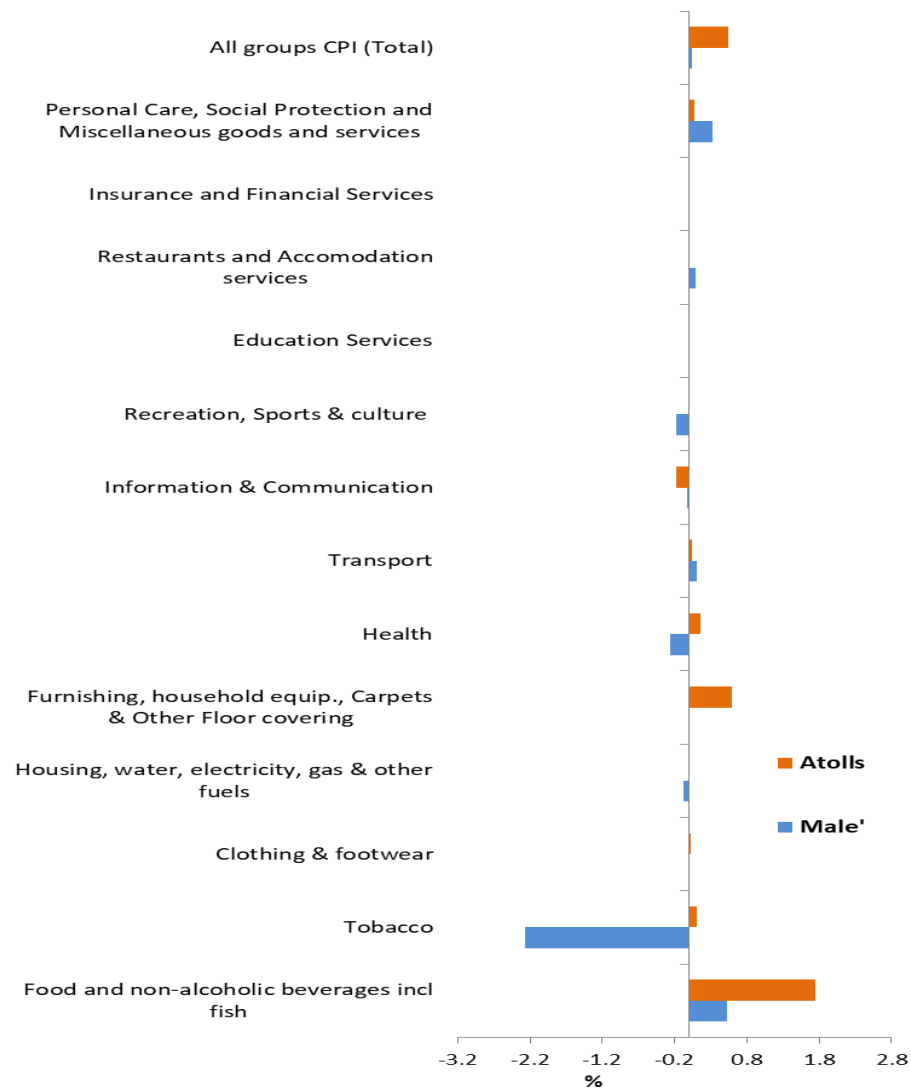
- Fruits (+6.92%),
- Fish (+1.86%),
- Meat (+4.23%),
- Motorcycles (+0.41%),
- Major household appliances, whether electric or not (+0.90%),
- Milk, other dairy products and eggs (+0.26%),
- Fixed communication services (+19.60%),
- Food products n.e.c (+0.87%),
- Oils and fats (+1.04%),
- Motorized tools and equipment (+5.80%)
- Hairdressing salons and personal grooming (+3.18%),

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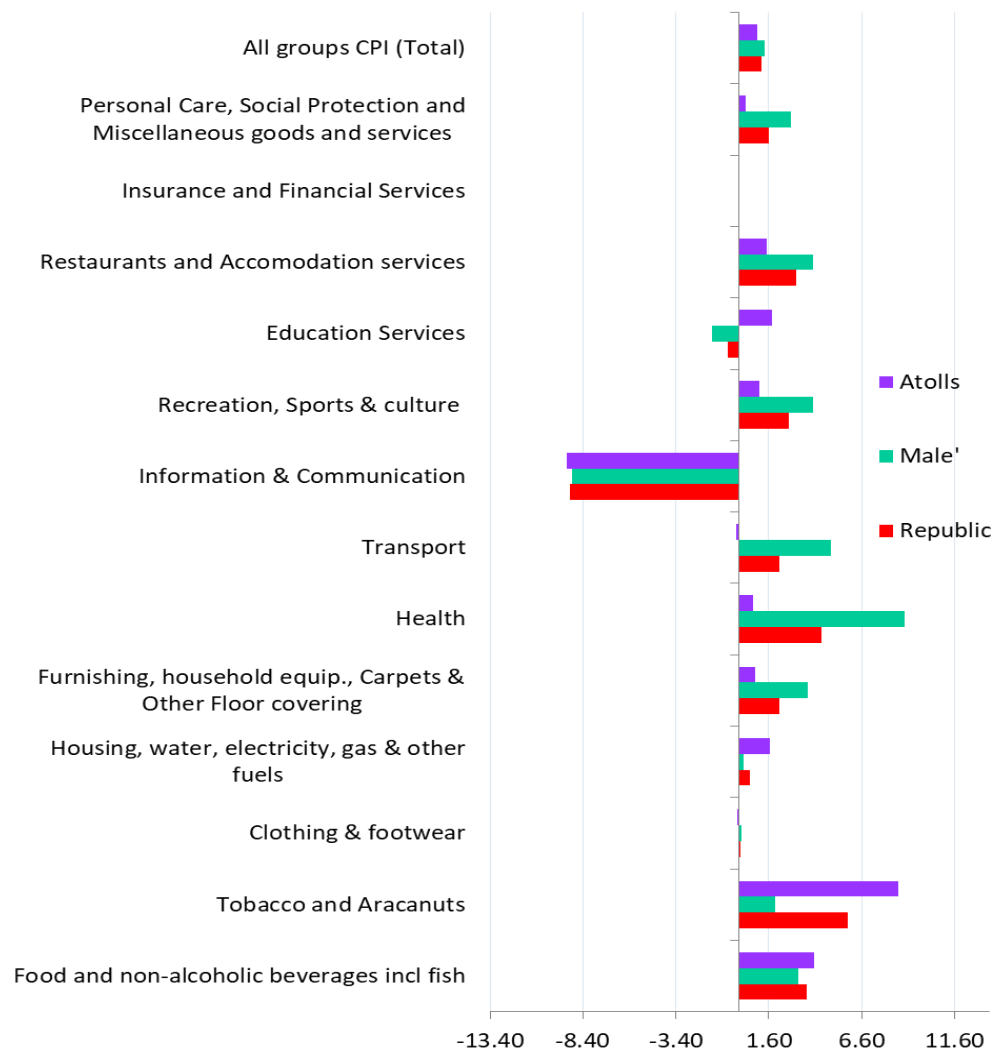
The most significant price decrease in this month were for;

- Garments (-0.94%),
- Vegetables (-1.67%),
- Tobacco (-0.71%),
- Actual rentals paid by tenants for main residence (-0.10%),
- Mobile communication services (-0.38%),
- Passenger transport by air (-0.41%),
- Assistive products (-1.15%),
- Aracanut (-1.25%) and
- Internet access provision services and net storage services (-0.54%).

MONTHLY INFLATION (MARCH 2022 TO APRIL 2022)



MONTH ON MONTH INFLATION (APRIL 2021 TO APRIL 2022)



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 (MARCH 2022 TO APRIL 2022)

| | Republic | Male' | Atolls |
|--|----------|-------|--------|
| All groups CPI (Total) | 0.27 | 0.05 | 0.55 |
| Food and non-alcoholic beverages incl fish | 0.27 | 0.10 | 0.49 |
| Tobacco & Aracanuts | -0.02 | -0.04 | 0.00 |
| Clothing & footwear | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Housing, water, electricity, gas & other fuels | -0.01 | -0.02 | 0.00 |
| Furnishing, household equip., Carpets & Other Floor covering | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.05 |
| Health | 0.00 | -0.02 | 0.01 |
| Transport | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Information & Communication | -0.01 | 0.00 | -0.01 |
| Recreation, Sports & culture | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Education Services | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Restaurants and Accomodation services | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Insurance and Financial Services | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous goods and services | 0.01 | 0.02 | 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
 - May CPI : 27th June 2022

DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE

- A guide to the Consumer Price Index, Maldives 2012

GUIDE

- Index reference period is November 2019 = 100, weight reference period and Base period = December 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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