



# SINGAPORE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2019 as Base Year) **SEPTEMBER 2023**

KEY INDICATORS									
				% Change					
Indicator			Weight (%)	Sep 2023	Sep 2023		Jan – Sep 2023		
				Sep 2022	Aug 2023		Jan - Sep 2022		
				(Y-O-Y)	(M-O-M)		(Cumulative)		
ALL ITEMS			100.0	<b>▲</b> 4.1%	<b>▲</b> 0.5%		<b>▲</b> 5.1%		
All Items less Imputed Rentals on Owner-Occupied Accommodation^			82.5	▲4.1%	▲0.5%		<b>▲</b> 5.1%		
All Items less Accommodation^			78.0	<b>▲</b> 4.1%	▲0.6%		<b>▲</b> 5.2%		
MAS Core Inflation Measure^			65.8	▲3.0%	▲0.1%		<b>▲</b> 4.4%		
PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY EXPENDITURE DIVISION									
	Y-O-Y	M-O-M	Cumulative		Y-O-Y	M-O-M	Cumulative		
	Food				Transport				
	<b>▲</b> 4.3%	▲0.1%	<b>▲</b> 6.4%		▲6.3%	▲1.8%	<b>▲</b> 6.8%		
	Clothing & Footwear				Commi				
	▼1.7%	▼1.9%	▲3.5%	((())	▲3.6%	▲2.1%	▲2.6%		
	Housing & Utilities				Recreation & Culture				
	▲3.7%	▲0.3%	<b>▲</b> 4.5%		▲4.3%	▼0.3%	<b>▲</b> 6.2%		
Household Durables & Services				Education					
	▲1.5%	▲0.2%	<b>▲</b> 2.1%		▲2.4%	▲0.2%	▲2.7%		
	Health Care			Miscellaneous Goods & Services					
	<b>▲</b> 4.5%	▲0.4%	<b>▲</b> 4.3%	416	▲2.6%	▼0.7%	▲3.2%		

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<sup>^</sup> For more information on the coverage of these indicators, please refer to the Technical Note.

TABLE 1
PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AT EXPENDITURE DIVISION AND GROUP LEVEL (2019 as Base Year)

		% Change				
Expenditure Division and Group	Weights	Sep 2023 / Sep 2022	Sep 2023 / Aug 2023	Jan-Sep 2023 / Jan-Sep 2022		
ALL ITEMS	10,000	4.1	0.5	5.1		
FOOD	2,110	4.3	0.1	6.4		
Food excl Food Serving Services	682	3.5	0.0	5.8		
Bread & cereals	127	6.5	0.2	7.2		
Meat	107	2.1	0.3	8.6		
Fish & seafood	99	4.0	-1.1	5.7		
Milk, cheese & eggs	74	6.2	0.6	6.2		
Oils & fats	14	0.0	0.4	3.7		
Fruits	86	1.8	0.5	4.2		
Vegetables	86	-0.4	-0.5	2.4		
Sugar, preserves & confectionery	25	2.5	-0.6	5.6		
Non-alcoholic beverages	38	5.4	0.3	6.1		
Other food	26	5.3	0.6	6.1		
Food Serving Services	1,428	4.7	0.2	6.7		
Restaurant food	539	4.4	0.2	6.5		
Fast food	82	7.0	0.2	8.2		
Hawker food	791	4.6	0.2	6.7		
Catered food	16	4.9	0.0	6.6		
CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	212	-1.7	-1.9	3.5		
Clothing	153	-3.3	-2.1	1.6		
Other articles & related services	10	6.9	-1.2	9.8		
Footwear	49	1.2	-1.3	8.5		
IOUSING & UTILITIES	2,484	3.7	0.3	4.5		
Accommodation	2,197	4.3	0.3	4.7		
Utilities & other fuels	287	-0.6	0.1	3.2		
OUSEHOLD DURABLES & SERVICES	493	1.5	0.2	2.1		
Household durables	198	0.4	0.2	2.0		
Household services & supplies	295	2.3	0.1	2.1		
HEALTH CARE	655	4.5	0.4	4.3		
Medicines & health products	120	0.8	-0.3	1.7		
Outpatient services	302	5.0	0.7	5.9		
Hospital services	151	6.6	0.5	3.6		
Health insurance	82	4.0	0.0	3.7		
RANSPORT	1,707	6.3	1.8	6.8		
Private transport	1,221	8.5	2.4	8.6		
Public transport	310	1.6	0.4	3.9		
Other transport services	176	-3.4	-0.5	-2.4		
COMMUNICATION	411	3.6	2.1	2.6		
Postage & courier services	2	-3.0	0.0	-0.5		
Telecommunication equipment	26	-4.1	4.9	-1.7		
Telecommunication services	383	4.2	2.0	2.9		
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RECREATION & CULTURE	789	4.3	-0.3	6.2		
Recreational & cultural goods	121	1.9	0.5	2.3		
Recreational & cultural services	198	3.9	0.1	4.4		
Newspapers, books & stationery	34	1.3	0.0	1.6		
Holiday expenses	436	5.4	-0.7	8.5		
DUCATION	663	2.4	0.2	2.7		
Tuition & other fees	656	2.4	0.3	2.7		
Textbooks & study guides	7	2.4	0.0	2.5		
IISCELLANEOUS GOODS & SERVICES	476	2.6	-0.7	3.2		
Personal care	229	2.1	-0.8	3.5		
Alcoholic drinks & tobacco	73	10.7	-0.1	9.8		
Personal effects	80	-1.0	-1.6	0.5		
Social services	24	-1.1	0.0	-1.1		
Other miscellaneous services	70	0.9	0.0	-0.8		
ALL ITEMS LESS IMPUTED RENTALS ON	8,250	4.1	0.5	5.1		
OWNER-OCCUPIED ACCOMMODATION  ALL ITEMS LESS ACCOMMODATION	7,803	4.1	0.6	5.2		
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MAS CORE INFLATION MEASURE	6,582	3.0	0.1	4.4		

Please refer to the SingStat Table Builder at https://tablebuilder.singstat.gov.sg for further breakdown of the CPI data at expenditure class level.

## TABLE 2 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AT EXPENDITURE DIVISION AND GROUP LEVEL (2019 as Base Year)

(2013 as base rear)								
<b>Expenditure Division and Group</b>	Weights	Sep 2022 Aug 2023		Index Sep 2023	Jan-Sep 2022	Jan-Sep 2023		
ALL ITEMS	40.000		_	-	-	-		
ALL ITEMS	10,000	110.3	114.3	114.9	107.6	113.1		
FOOD	2,110	110.9	115.5	115.6	107.8	114.8		
Food excl Food Serving Services	682	112.2	116.1	116.1	109.1	115.5		
Bread & cereals Meat	127 107	107.7 121.1	114.5 123.2	114.8 123.6	105.7 113.7	113.3 123.5		
Fish & seafood	99	106.9	112.4	111.2	107.0	113.1		
Milk, cheese & eggs	74	110.7	116.8	117.5	107.0	115.4		
Oils & fats	14	114.3	113.9	114.3	109.3	113.4		
Fruits	86	111.1	112.6	113.1	106.9	111.4		
Vegetables	86	117.1	117.3	116.7	115.2	117.9		
Sugar, preserves & confectionery	25	113.1	116.7	115.9	108.0	114.0		
Non-alcoholic beverages	38	112.0	117.6	118.0	109.1	115.7		
Other food	26	107.5	112.4	113.2	105.3	111.7		
Food Serving Services	1,428	110.3	115.2	115.4	107.2	114.4		
Restaurant food	539	109.5	114.1	114.3	106.8	113.8		
Fast food	82	108.6	116.0	116.2	106.2	114.9		
Hawker food	791	111.0	115.8	116.1	107.6	114.8		
Catered food	16	109.1	114.4	114.4	106.3	113.3		
CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	212	95.8	95.9	94.1	93.1	96.4		
Clothing	153	95.8	94.7	92.6	93.1	95.4 95.1		
Other articles & related services	10	102.6	111.0	109.6	98.6	108.3		
Footwear	49	94.4	96.8	95.6	90.6	98.2		
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HOUSING & UTILITIES	2,484	108.5	112.2	112.5	105.7	110.5		
Accommodation	2,197 287	108.1 111.6	112.4 110.7	112.7 110.9	105.5 107.4	110.4 110.8		
Utilities & other fuels	201	111.0	110.7	110.9	107.4	110.6		
HOUSEHOLD DURABLES & SERVICES	493	104.5	106.0	106.1	103.6	105.7		
Household durables	198	106.0	106.2	106.5	104.3	106.5		
Household services & supplies	295	103.6	105.8	105.9	103.1	105.2		
HEALTH CARE	655	102.9	107.2	107.6	101.4	105.7		
Medicines & health products	120	101.2	102.3	102.0	99.4	101.1		
Outpatient services	302	101.4	105.8	106.5	99.0	104.8		
Hospital services	151	105.1	111.5	112.0	104.9	108.7		
Health insurance	82	107.0	111.3	111.3	106.6	110.6		
TRANSPORT	1,707	129.3	135.0	137.5	124.4	132.8		
Private transport	1,221	135.7	143.8	147.3	129.3	140.4		
Public transport	310	114.1	115.4	115.9	111.6	115.9		
Other transport services	176	111.6	108.4	107.8	112.8	110.1		
COMMUNICATION	444	00.0	400.7	400.0	00.0	101.4		
COMMUNICATION  Postage & courier services	<b>411</b> 2	<b>99.2</b> 99.7	<b>100.7</b> 96.7	<b>102.9</b> 96.7	<b>98.8</b> 97.1	96.7		
Telecommunication equipment	26	99.8	91.2	95.6	98.9	97.2		
Telecommunication services	383	99.2	101.4	103.4	98.8	101.7		
RECREATION & CULTURE	789	105.9	110.8	110.5	102.4	108.8		
Recreational & cultural goods	121	101.1	102.5	103.0	100.6	102.9		
Recreational & cultural services	198	106.4	110.4	110.6	104.9	109.5		
Newspapers, books & stationery	34 436	101.6 107.4	102.9 113.9	102.9 113.1	101.4 101.9	102.9 110.6		
Holiday expenses								
EDUCATION	663	103.3	105.5	105.7	102.5	105.3		
Tuition & other fees	656	103.3	105.5	105.7	102.5	105.3		
Textbooks & study guides	7	101.0	103.4	103.4	100.4	102.9		
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS & SERVICES	476	99.1	102.4	101.7	98.6	101.7		
Personal care	229	101.2	104.2	103.4	99.8	103.3		
Alcoholic drinks & tobacco	73	100.5	111.3	111.2	100.0	109.8		
Personal effects	80	97.5	98.1	96.5	97.0	97.4		
Social services	24	94.6	93.6	93.6	94.9	93.9		
Other miscellaneous services	70	93.9	94.8	94.8	96.1	95.3		
ALL ITEMS LESS IMPUTED RENTALS ON OWNER-OCCUPIED ACCOMMODATION	8,250	110.8	114.7	115.3	107.9	113.5		
ALL ITEMS LESS ACCOMMODATION	7,803	111.0	114.8	115.5	108.2	113.8		
MAS CORE INFLATION MEASURE	6,582	106.4	109.5	109.6	104.3	108.9		
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#### **TECHNICAL NOTE**

### **Concept and Definition**

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the average price changes in a fixed basket of consumption goods and services commonly purchased by the resident households over time. It is commonly used as a measure of consumer price inflation.

The weighting pattern for the 2019-based CPI was derived from the expenditure values obtained from the Household Expenditure Survey (HES) conducted between October 2017 and September 2018. These expenditure values were updated to 2019 values by taking into account price changes between 2017/18 and 2019.

#### **Scope and Coverage**

The CPI covers only consumption expenditure incurred by resident households, which refer to households headed by Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents. It excludes non-consumption expenditures such as loan repayments, income taxes, purchases of houses, shares, and other financial assets etc.

A total of 6,800 brands/varieties are included in the 2019-based CPI basket and they are classified into ten main expenditure divisions based largely on the Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP). The total number of outlets selected for pricing is about 4,200.

#### **Measurement of Changes in the Consumer Price Index**

The CPI is compiled on a monthly basis. For longer periods, the CPI is derived by averaging the monthly indices. For example, the yearly CPI is derived by taking a simple average of the 12 months' indices for the year.

To compute month-on-month change, the difference between the CPI for the specific month and that for the preceding month expressed in percentage term is used. This measures the change in average prices between the two months and serves as a useful short-term indicator of price movement.

To measure the year-on-year change, the CPI for the specific month is compared with that for the same month of preceding year. Likewise, the annual inflation rate for a specific year is computed by comparing the average for the 12 monthly indices with that for the preceding year.

#### **Consumer Price Index for All Items**

This contains all the expenditure divisions, groups and classes.

#### **Pricing Indicator for Rented and Owner-Occupied Accommodation Index**

For the computation of the rented accommodation index, actual rental data for the entire rental market obtained from administrative sources are used. These rental data refer to the actual rental paid for rented units, regardless of when the leases were signed, i.e., including new and renewed leases signed in the period and existing leases signed earlier. This reflects the actual consumption pattern of the population renting accommodation as households are paying rentals according to the contract signed, and not all are paying rental at the prevailing market rates of the period. For the computation of the owner-occupied accommodation index in the CPI, Department Of Statistics (DOS) adopts the rental equivalence method which measures the shelter cost in terms of the expected rental the owner would have to pay if he were a tenant of the premise. The pricing indicator for owner-occupied accommodation is the rental data for the entire rental market.

# Consumer Price Index for "All Items Less Accommodation" and "All Items Less Imputed Rentals on Owner-Occupied Accommodation"

Accommodation, one of the groups in the Housing & Utilities expenditure division, comprises "rented and owner-occupied accommodation", as well as "housing maintenance & repairs". A significant share of the Accommodation group is "owner-occupied accommodation" cost, which reflects the costs to homeowners of utilizing the flow of services provided by their homes over an extended period of time. As the cost of using housing services is not directly observed for homeowners, it is computed based on the imputed rental concept under the rental equivalence method, i.e., proxied by market rentals.

The Owner-Occupied Accommodation (OOA) cost in CPI comprises rentals that are imputed for owner-occupied homes. Imputed rentals on OOA have no impact on the cash expenditure of owner-occupied households. In addition, under "housing maintenance & repairs", the rebates for service & conservancy charges (S&CC) which are given to households living in HDB flats in different periods of the year result in some volatility in the monthly CPI. For "All Items less imputed rentals on owner-occupied accommodation", actual rentals paid on rented units are still included in the measure.

### Monetary Authority of Singapore's Core Inflation Measure

The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) monitors a core inflation measure that excludes the components of "Accommodation" and "Private Transport".