



Inflation trends in the regions

December 2021

Annual inflation in December 2021 was 8.4% (in November – 8.7%). Prices for food increased by 9.9% (in November – 10.9%), for non-food - by 8.5% (in November – 8.3%), for paid services - by 6.5% (in November – 6.4%).

By regions the slowdown of annual inflation was observed in 16 regions, the acceleration - in 1 region. The most noticeable slowdown of growth rate was noted in Turkistan region (from 9.0% in November to 8.3% in December) and Zhambyl (from 8.8% to 8.1%) region and acceleration was noted in Nur-Sultan city (from 8.6% to 8.8%). Annual inflation was higher than the national level in 7 regions, among which the highest value was noted in Mangystau and East Kazakhstan regions (9.2% and 9.1%, respectively).

Figure 1. Annual inflation in the regions (December 2020 – December 2021), %

Mangystau region	7,1 9,2	Atyrau region	6,8 8,3
East Kazakhstan	6,7 9,1	Kostanay region	6,6 8,3
Akmola region	6,6 8,9	Pavlodar region	7,0 8,3
Nur-Sultan city	7,7 8,8	Turkistan region	6,9 8,3
Aktobe region	6,4 8,7	Almaty region	6,8 8,2
West Kazakhstan	6,6 8,5	Almaty city	6,7 8,2
Karagandy region	6,7 8,5	Shymkent city	6,6 8,2
Republic of Kazakhstan	6,8 8,4	Kyzylorda region	6,6 8,2
North Kazakhstan	6,6 8,4	Zhambyl region	6,6 8,1

Source: BNS of ASPR RK

Food products in Kazakhstan rose above the national level (9.9%) in Mangystau (11.8%), Akmola (10.9%), Aktobe (10.7%) regions, Nur-Sultan city (10.2%) and North Kazakhstan region (10.0%).

Prices for non-food products are higher than in the country (8.5%) increased in Akmola (9.8%), Aktobe (9.6%), Karaganda (9.6%), East Kazakhstan (9.1%) and Atyrau (8.9%) regions.

Prices for paid services in the country increased by 6.5%, while the growth was significantly higher than the national level in East Kazakhstan (8.0%), West Kazakhstan (7.8%) regions, Nur-Sultan city (7.5%), Mangystau (7.4%) and Turkistan (6.9%) regions.

Table 1. The main components of the CPI by regions, in %

Region	Food inflation	Non food inflation	Paid services inflation
Republic of Kazakhstan	9,9	8,5	6,5
Akmola	10,9	9,8	5,4
Aktobe	10,7	9,6	5,3
Almaty	9,9	8,4	6,1
Atyrau	9,6	8,9	6,2
West Kazakhstan	9,4	8,0	7,8
Zhambyl	9,7	8,0	6,3
Karagandy	9,4	9,6	6,3
Kostanay	9,9	8,5	6,1
Kyzylorda	9,9	8,5	5,8
Mangystau	11,8	7,7	7,4
Pavlodar	9,9	8,5	6,1
North Kazakhstan	10,0	8,5	6,4
Turkistan	9,4	8,3	6,9
East Kazakhstan	9,9	9,1	8,0
Nur-Sutan city	10,2	8,3	7,5
Almaty city	9,8	8,0	6,3
Shymkent city	9,8	7,9	6,5

Source: BNS of ASPR RK

In December 2021 monthly inflation in the country was 0.6%, which is lower than the last 5 years' mean (2016-2020 years). Prices in December of this year rose above their historical norm only in Nur-Sultan city (0.9%) and Aktobe region (0.8%). Prices did not change in Akmola region. In other regions monthly price growth rates developed below their historical norm. The greatest slowdown in the growth rate of monthly inflation was noted in Kyzylorda region and Almaty city (to the level of 0.5%), as well as in Zhambyl region (0.4%).

Table 2. Monthly inflation in December 2021 compared to December mean for period from 2016-2020, in %

Region	December mean for the last 5 years	December 2021	Region	December mean for the last 5 years	December 2021
Republic of Kazakhstan	0,8	0,6	East Kazakhstan	0,8	0,6
Akmola	0,9	0,9	Kyzylorda	1,0	0,5
Almaty	1,0	0,9	Mangystau	0,7	0,5
Atyrau	1,1	0,9	Almaty city	0,9	0,5

Nur-Sutan city	0,5	0,9
Aktobe	0,7	0,8
Kostanay	0,9	0,7
West Kazakhstan	0,9	0,6
North Kazakhstan	0,9	0,6

Shymkent city¹	0,7	0,5
Zhambyl	0,9	0,4
Karagandy	0,6	0,4
Pavlodar	0,7	0,4
Turkistan	0,6	0,3

Source: BNS of ASPR RK, NBRK's calculations

¹ In Shymkent city 3 years' mean