



Inflation trends in the regions

May 2022

Annual inflation in May 2022 amounted to 14.0% (in April - 13.2%). Prices for food products over the year increased by 19.0% (in April - 17.9%), for non-food products - by 11.9% (in April - 11.1%), for paid services - by 9.1% (in April - 8.9%).

By regions annual inflation accelerated in 15 regions and slowed down in 2 regions. The largest accelerations were recorded in Mangystau (from 13.9% in April to 15.2% in May), Karaganda (from 13.5% to 14.8%) and West Kazakhstan (from 12.2% to 13.5%) regions. Slowdowns in annual inflation were noted in Turkistan (from 15.5% to 15.4%) and Zhambyl (from 13.2% to 13.1%) regions. Annual inflation turned out to be higher than the national level in 5 regions, among which the highest value was recorded in the Turkistan region (15.4%).

Figure 1. Annual inflation in the regions (May 2021 – May 2022), %

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

Source: BNS of ASPR RK

Food products in Kazakhstan rose in price above the national level (19.0% YoY) in Mangystau (21.0%), Aktobe and Turkistan (20.7% each), Zhambyl (19.9%) regions, Shymkent (19.8%) and Almaty (19.6%) cities, as well as Akmola region (19.1%).

Prices for **non-food** products are higher than in the country (11.9% YoY) increased in Nur-Sultan city (14.3%), East Kazakhstan (13.5%), Karaganda (13.3%), Mangystau (13.1%), Atyrau (12.6%), Akmola (12.5%) and Turkistan (12.1%) regions.

Prices for **paid services** in the country increased by 9.1% YoY, while the growth was higher than the national level in East Kazakhstan (11.4%), Turkistan (11.1%), Karaganda (10.5%), West Kazakhstan (9.5%) and Mangystau (9.3%) regions.

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

Region	Food inflation	Non food inflation	Paid services inflation
Republic of Kazakhstan	19,0	11,9	9,1
Akmola	19,1	12,5	8,3
Aktobe	20,7	11,5	6,9
Almaty	18,0	11,5	8,7
Atyrau	18,1	12,6	6,6
West Kazakhstan	17,8	11,5	9,5
Zhambyl	19,9	10,8	6,3
Karagandy	19,0	13,3	10,5
Kostanay	18,6	11,3	8,5
Kyzylorda	17,6	11,7	8,1
Mangystau	21,0	13,1	9,3
Pavlodar	18,6	11,2	8,8
North Kazakhstan	19,0	10,6	8,2
Turkistan	20,7	12,1	11,1
East Kazakhstan	17,3	13,5	11,4
Nur-Sutan city	18,1	14,3	8,9
Almaty city	19,6	10,6	9,1
Shymkent city	19,8	10,2	8,3

Source: BNS of ASPR RK, NBRK's calculations

In May 2022 **monthly** inflation in the country amounted to **1.4%**, which is significantly higher than the average May inflation over the past 5 years (for 2017-2021). In all **17** regions, prices rose above their historical average in May 2022. The greatest acceleration of monthly inflation was noted in the Mangystau region (2.2%).

Table 2. Monthly inflation in May 2022 compared to monthly mean for period from 2017-2021, in %

Region	May mean for the last 5 years	May 2022	Region	May mean for the last 5 years	May 2022
Republic of Kazakhstan	0,5	1,4	Almaty city	0,4	1,4
Mangystau	0,6	2,2	Shymkent city ¹	0,6	1,4
West Kazakhstan	0,5	1,9	North Kazakhstan	0,5	1,2
Atyrau	0,5	1,7	East Kazakhstan	0,4	1,2
Karagandy	0,4	1,7	Nur-Sutan city	0,6	1,2
Almaty	0,6	1,6	Aktobe	0,4	1,1
Kostanay	0,5	1,5	Zhambyl	0,6	1,0
Pavlodar	0,6	1,5	Turkistan	0,6	0,9
Kyzylorda	0,3	1,4	Akmola	0,4	0,8

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¹ In Shymkent city 3 years' mean (2019-2021)