



# Inflation trends in the regions

August 2022

Annual inflation in August 2022 amounted to 16.1% (in July - 15.0%). Prices for food products over the year increased by 20.8% (in July - 19.7%), for non-food products - by 15.5% (in July - 14.2%) and for paid services - by 10.1% (in July - 9.2%).

By regions annual inflation accelerated in 20 regions. The greatest acceleration was recorded in Ulytau region (from 15.7% in July to 18.6% in August). Annual inflation turned out to be higher than the national level in 10 regions, among which the highest value was recorded in the Mangystau region (19.3%).

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

|                  |     |      |                        |     |      |
|------------------|-----|------|------------------------|-----|------|
| Mangystau        | 9,7 | 19,3 | Aktobe                 | 9,2 | 16,1 |
| Ulytau           |     | 18,6 | Republic of Kazakhstan | 8,7 | 16,1 |
| Akmola           | 8,7 | 17,8 | West Kazakhstan        | 8,2 | 16,0 |
| Nur-Sultan city  | 8,5 | 17,3 | Turkistan              | 9,5 | 16,0 |
| Abai             |     | 16,9 | Almaty city            | 8,2 | 15,9 |
| East Kazakhstan  | 8,7 | 16,8 | Kostanay               | 8,6 | 15,9 |
| Karagandy        | 8,9 | 16,6 | Pavlodar               | 9,2 | 15,9 |
| Atyrau           | 9,1 | 16,5 | Shymkent city          | 8,6 | 15,5 |
| North Kazakhstan | 8,2 | 16,3 | Kyzylorda              | 8,2 | 15,5 |
| Zhetysu          |     | 16,2 | Zhambyl                | 8,7 | 14,8 |
|                  |     |      | Almaty                 | 8,7 | 13,6 |

Source: BNS of ASPR RK

**Food** products in Kazakhstan rose in price above the national level (20.8% YoY) in Mangystau (25.8%), Aktobe (23.5%), Akmola (22.7%), Atyrau (22.2%), North Kazakhstan and Zhetysu (21.6% each), Pavlodar (21.3%) regions, Almaty city and Abay (21.1% each), and Kostanay (20.9%) regions.

Prices for **non-food** products are higher than in the country (15.5% YoY) increased in Nur-Sultan city (21.6%), Ulytau (19.8%), Akmola (18.1%), Karaganda and East Kazakhstan (17.5% each), Abay (17.4%), Mangystau (17.3%), Atyrau (16.4%), as well as in North Kazakhstan and Zhetysu (15.7% each) regions.

Prices for **paid services** in the country increased by 10.1% YoY, while the growth was higher than the national level in Ulytau (15.8%), Mangystau (12.1%) regions, Almaty city (12.0%), East Kazakhstan (11.2%), West Kazakhstan (11.0%) regions, Karaganda region and Nur-Sultan city (10.7% each), Akmola and Turkistan (10.6% each) regions, Abay region (10.5%) and Shymkent city (10.3%).

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

| Region                        | Food inflation | Non food inflation | Paid services inflation |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Republic of Kazakhstan</b> | <b>20,8</b>    | <b>15,5</b>        | <b>10,1</b>             |
| Akmola                        | 22,7           | 18,1               | 10,6                    |
| Aktobe                        | 23,5           | 15,1               | 6,3                     |
| Almaty                        | 18,4           | 13,1               | 7,1                     |
| Atyrau                        | 22,2           | 16,4               | 8,6                     |
| West Kazakhstan               | 20,1           | 15,1               | 11,0                    |
| Zhambyl                       | 20,6           | 14,2               | 7,3                     |
| Karagandy                     | 20,0           | 17,5               | 10,7                    |
| Kostanay                      | 20,9           | 15,2               | 9,4                     |
| Kyzylorda                     | 19,7           | 14,9               | 10,0                    |
| Mangystau                     | 25,8           | 17,3               | 12,1                    |
| Pavlodar                      | 21,3           | 15,5               | 8,6                     |
| North Kazakhstan              | 21,6           | 15,7               | 9,6                     |
| Turkistan                     | 20,7           | 14,7               | 10,6                    |
| East Kazakhstan               | 20,3           | 17,5               | 11,2                    |
| Nur-Sultan city               | 18,6           | 21,6               | 10,7                    |
| Almaty city                   | 21,1           | 12,5               | 12,0                    |
| Shymkent city                 | 20,7           | 13,4               | 10,3                    |
| Abai                          | 21,1           | 17,4               | 10,5                    |
| Zhetysu                       | 21,6           | 15,7               | 9,0                     |
| Ulytau                        | 19,9           | 19,8               | 15,8                    |

Source: BNS of ASPR RK, NBRK's calculations

In August 2022 **monthly** inflation in the country amounted to **1.4%**, which is significantly higher than the average August inflation over the past 5 years (for 2017-2021). In all regions prices rose above the historical average in August 2022. The greatest value of monthly inflation was noted in Ulytau region (2.7%).

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

| Region                        | August mean for the last 5 years | August 2022 | Region          | August mean for the last 5 years | August 2022 |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Republic of Kazakhstan</b> | <b>0,2</b>                       | <b>1,4</b>  | Zhambyl         | 0,2                              | 1,3         |
| Ulytau                        | -                                | 2,7         | Kostanay        | 0,1                              | 1,3         |
| Nur-Sultan city               | -0,1                             | 1,9         | Turkistan       | 0,6                              | 1,3         |
| Akmola                        | 0,3                              | 1,8         | Aktobe          | 0,2                              | 1,2         |
| Mangystau                     | 0,3                              | 1,8         | Karagandy       | 0,0                              | 1,2         |
| Abai                          | -                                | 1,7         | Pavlodar        | 0,0                              | 1,2         |
| North Kazakhstan              | 0,2                              | 1,6         | West Kazakhstan | 0,2                              | 1,1         |
| Almaty city                   | 0,3                              | 1,6         | Kyzylorda       | 0,4                              | 1,1         |
| Zhetysu                       | -                                | 1,6         | Atyrau          | 0,4                              | 0,9         |
| East Kazakhstan               | 0,1                              | 1,5         | Almaty          | 0,1                              | 0,6         |
| Shymkent city <sup>1</sup>    | 0,3                              | 1,4         |                 |                                  |             |

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<sup>1</sup> In Shymkent city 3 years' mean (2019-2021)