



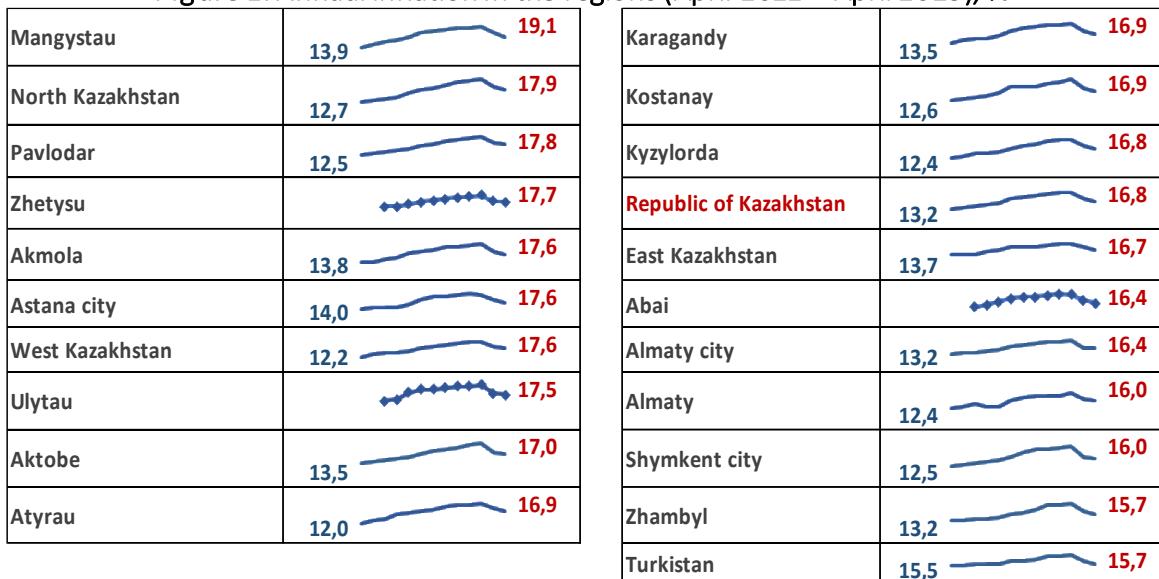
Inflation trends in the regions

April 2023

Annual inflation in April 2023 amounted to 16.8% (in March - 18.1%). Growth in prices for food products slowed over the year to 17.9% (in March - 20.5%), for non-food products accelerated to 18.2% (in March - 18.1%), for paid services slowed down to 13.7% (in March - 14.4%).

By regions annual inflation slowed down in all 20 regions. Annual inflation has developed in 12 regions above the national level. The highest values of annual inflation were recorded in Mangystau (19.1%), North Kazakhstan (17.9%) and Pavlodar (17.8%) regions.

Figure 1. Annual inflation in the regions (April 2022 – April 2023), %



Source: BNS of ASPR RK

Food prices rose in Kazakhstan above the national level (17.9% YoY) in Mangystau (22.6%), West Kazakhstan (19.8%), Kyzylorda (19.7%), Atyrau (19.3%), Zhetysu (19.1%), Pavlodar (18.9%), Almaty, North Kazakhstan regions and Shymkent city (18.5% each), Astana city and Abai region (18.3% each), Kostanay (18.2%) and Karaganda (18.1%) regions.

The increase in prices for **non-food** products higher than in the country (18.2% YoY) was noted in Astana city (26.4%), East Kazakhstan (20.0%), North Kazakhstan (19.6%), Zhetysu (19.1%), Abai and Ulytau (18.4% each) regions.

Prices for **paid services** slowed down to 13.7% YoY, while the values were higher than the national level in Akmola (17.6%), Ulytau (17.3%), Mangystau (16.5%), Pavlodar (16.2%) regions, Almaty city (16.0%), North Kazakhstan (15.3%), Aktobe (15.2%), West Kazakhstan (14.8%), Kostanay (14.6%), Karaganda (14.5%), Turkistan (14.4%) and Zhetysu (13.8%) 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	17,9	18,2	13,7
Akmola	17,9	17,4	17,6
Aktobe	17,7	17,3	15,2
Almaty	18,5	16,2	11,8
Atyrau	19,3	17,0	12,3
West Kazakhstan	19,8	16,9	14,8
Zhambyl	16,7	17,7	11,6
Karagandy	18,1	17,7	14,5
Kostanay	18,2	17,4	14,6
Kyzylorda	19,7	16,9	11,9
Mangystau	22,6	16,4	16,5
Pavlodar	18,9	17,7	16,2
North Kazakhstan	18,5	19,6	15,3
Turkistan	15,8	17,3	14,4
East Kazakhstan	17,0	20,0	12,8
Astana city	18,3	26,4	9,8
Almaty city	16,5	17,3	16,0
Shymkent city	18,5	17,9	10,5
Abai	18,3	18,4	11,2
Zhetysu	19,1	19,1	13,8
Ulytau	17,2	18,4	17,3

Source: BNS of ASPR RK, NBRK's calculations

In April 2023 **monthly inflation** in the country was **0.9%**, which is higher than the historical average (0.6% in April 2017-2021). In all regions, with the exception of the cities of Astana and Shymkent, as well as the Karaganda region, price increases in April 2023 were recorded above the historical average. In Kostanai, Kyzylorda and Mangystau regions, the price increase retained the value of the historical average. The highest value of monthly inflation was noted in Abai and Ulytau regions (1.4% each).

Table 2. Monthly inflation in April 2023 compared to monthly mean for period from 2017-2021, in %

Region	April mean for the last 5 years	April 2023	Region	April mean for the last 5 years	April 2023
Republic of Kazakhstan	0,6	0,9	Almaty	0,6	0,8
Abai	-	1,4	North Kazakhstan	0,6	0,8
Ulytau	-	1,4	Aktobe	0,4	0,7
West Kazakhstan	0,5	1,2	Zhambyl	0,6	0,7
Pavlodar	0,5	1,2	Karagandy	0,8	0,7
Turkistan	0,5	1,2	Kostanay	0,7	0,7
Zhetysu	-	1,1	Kyzylorda	0,7	0,7
Almaty city	0,7	1,0	Mangystau	0,7	0,7
Akmola	0,6	0,9	Shymkent city ¹	0,9	0,7
Atyrau	0,7	0,9	Astana city	0,7	0,5
East Kazakhstan	0,5	0,9			

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