



Inflation trends in the regions

February 2023

Annual inflation in February 2023 amounted to 21.3% (in January - 20.7%). Prices for food products over the year increased by 26.2% (in January - 25.7%), for non-food products - by 20.5% (in January - 20.2%), for paid services - by 15.0% (in January - 14.2%).

By regions annual inflation accelerated in 17 regions, and slowed down in 3 regions. Annual inflation turned out to be higher than the national level in 9 regions. The highest values of annual inflation were recorded in Mangystau region (25.1%), Astana city (23.5%) and Akmola region (22.4%).

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

Mangystau	8,7 25,1	Republic of Kazakhstan	8,7 21,3
Astana city	8,9 23,5	Zhetysu	21,1
Akmola	9,3 22,4	East Kazakhstan	9,2 20,9
North Kazakhstan	8,5 22,1	West Kazakhstan	8,7 20,9
Kostanay	8,5 21,7	Shymkent city	8,5 20,8
Pavlodar	8,5 21,7	Zhambyl	8,1 20,8
Ulytau	21,6	Kyzylorda	8,3 20,8
Aktobe	9,0 21,5	Abai	20,7
Turkistan	9,2 21,5	Almaty city	8,5 20,7
Karagandy	9,2 21,3	Atyrau	8,5 20,3
		Almaty	8,4 19,3

Source: BNS of ASPR RK

Food products in Kazakhstan rose in price above the national level (26.2% YoY) in Mangystau region (32.1%), Shymkent city (28.6%), Turkistan (27.9%), Kyzylorda (27.0%), North Kazakhstan (26.9%), Astana city (26.5%), Zhambyl and Pavlodar (26.4% each), Aktobe and Kostanay (26.3% each) regions.

Prices for **non-food** products are higher than in the country (20.5% YoY) increased in Astana city (31.3%), East Kazakhstan (22.5%), North Kazakhstan (21.4%), Turkistan (21.0%), Zhetysu (20.7%) and Abai (20.6%) regions.

Prices for **paid services** increased by 15.0% YoY, while the growth was above the national level in Akmola (20.2%), Mangystau (19.9%), Ulytau (18.5%), Pavlodar (17.1%), Aktobe and Almaty city (16.9% each), Kostanay (16.6%), Karaganda (16.3%), North Kazakhstan (15.7%) and West Kazakhstan (15.3%) 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	26,2	20,5	15,0
Akmola	26,0	19,9	20,2
Aktobe	26,3	18,9	16,9
Almaty	25,2	16,1	13,7
Atyrau	26,2	20,2	11,3
West Kazakhstan	25,9	19,3	15,3
Zhambyl	26,4	19,7	13,8
Karagandy	26,1	19,8	16,3
Kostanay	26,3	20,2	16,6
Kyzylorda	27,0	19,7	12,7
Mangystau	32,1	20,2	19,9
Pavlodar	26,4	19,5	17,1
North Kazakhstan	26,9	21,4	15,7
Turkistan	27,9	21,0	12,5
East Kazakhstan	24,7	22,5	13,8
Astana city	26,5	31,3	12,6
Almaty city	24,6	19,4	16,9
Shymkent city	28,6	19,7	11,2
Abai	25,5	20,6	13,8
Zhetysu	25,5	20,7	14,9
Ulytau	25,0	19,9	18,5

Source: BNS of ASPR RK, NBRK's calculations

In February 2023 **monthly inflation** in the country amounted to **1.3%**, which is significantly higher than the average February inflation over the past 5 years (0.6% for 2018-2022). In all regions, with the exception of the Kyzylorda region, prices in February 2023 rose above the historical average. The highest value of monthly inflation was noted in Almaty region (1.8%).

Table 2. Monthly inflation in February 2023 compared to monthly mean for period from 2018-2022, in %

Region	February mean for the last 5 years	February 2023	Region	February mean for the last 5 years	February 2023
Republic of Kazakhstan	0,6	1,3	Zhetysu	-	1,2
Almaty	0,4	1,8	Atyrau	0,7	1,1
Karagandy	0,8	1,7	East Kazakhstan	0,7	1,1
Turkistan	0,7	1,6	Almaty city	0,6	1,1
Ulytau	-	1,6	North Kazakhstan	0,8	1,0
Kostanay	0,5	1,5	Astana city	0,7	1,0
Pavlodar	0,7	1,5	Shymkent city ¹	0,8	1,0
Mangystau	0,5	1,4	West Kazakhstan	0,5	0,8
Aktobe	0,6	1,3	Abai	-	0,8
Akmola	0,6	1,2	Kyzylorda	0,7	0,7
Zhambyl	0,4	1,2			

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¹ In Shymkent city 4 years' mean (2019-2022)