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## INFLATION RATE IN GEORGIA

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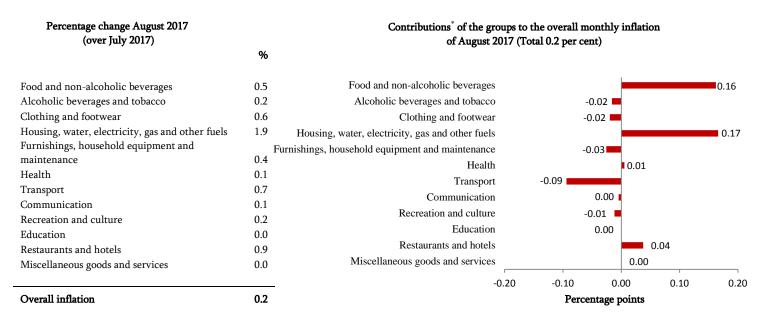


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## Inflation Rate in Georgia, August 2017

In August 2017 monthly inflation rate amounted to 0.2 percent. Compared to the same month of the previous year the Consumer Price Index change (annual inflation rate) posted a 5.7 percent increase.

The following table shows percentage changes in prices for the commodity groups of the consumer basket as well as the relevant contributions to the **overall monthly inflation rate**.



The monthly inflation rate was mainly influenced by price changes for the following groups:

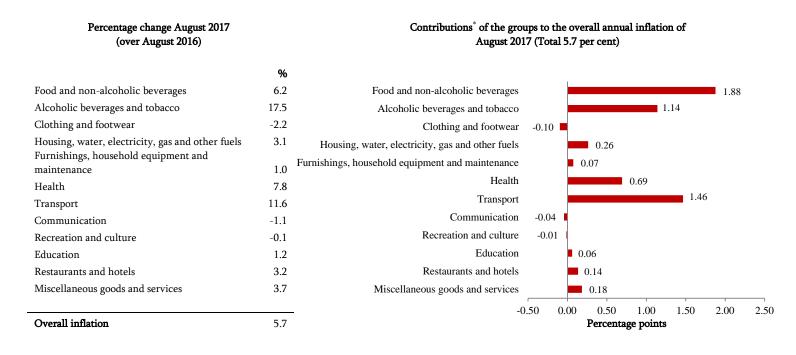
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels: prices increased 1.9 percent contributing 0.17 percentage points to the overall CPI change. Prices were up for electricity, gas and other fuels (2.9 percent);

In the reporting period prices for **food and non-alcoholic beverages** increased 0.5 percent and, correspondingly, contributed 0.16 percentage points to the overall CPI change. Prices were comparably higher for milk, cheese and eggs (5.4 percent) and fruit and grapes (1.7 percent), while prices decreased for vegetables (-3.8 percent);

**Transport:** prices in the group decreased 0.7 percent, contributing -0.09 percentage points to the monthly inflation.

<sup>&#</sup>x27; Individual contributions may not sum up to the total due to rounding.

The following table shows percentage changes in prices for the commodity groups of the consumer basket as well as the relevant contributions to the **overall annual inflation rate** in August 2017.



The annual inflation rate was mainly influenced by price changes for the following groups:

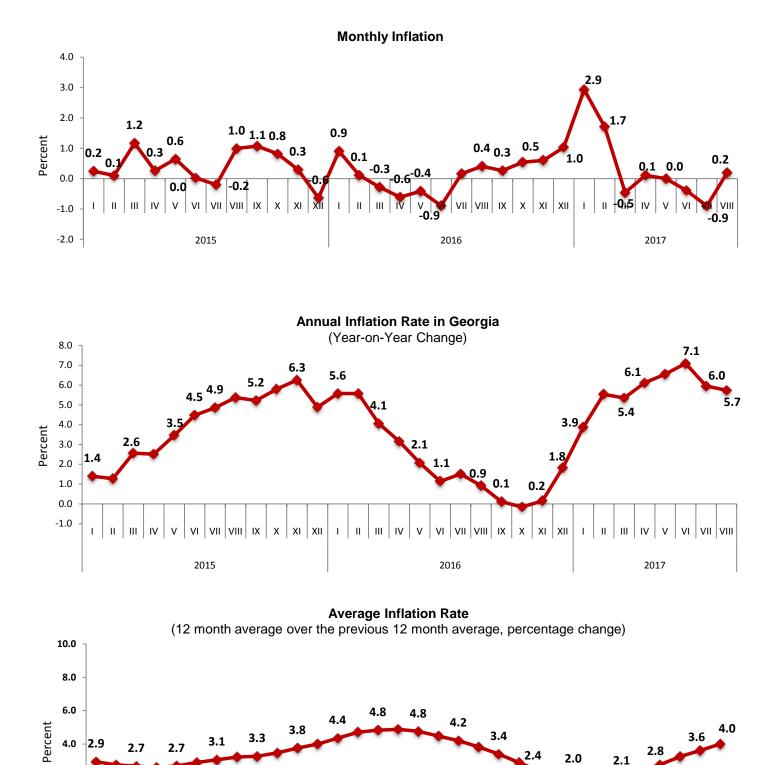
**Food and non-alcoholic beverages:** prices increased 6.2 percent contributing 1.88 percentage points to the annual inflation. Prices were up for: vegetables (18.4 percent), milk, cheese and eggs (11.9 percent), meat (7.4 percent), fish (6.8 percent), oils and fats (6.1 percent);

**Transport:** prices in the group increased 11.6 percent, contributing 1.46 percentage points to the annual inflation. The prices were up for the subgroups of operation of personal transport equipment (16.2 percent);

Alcoholic, beverages and tobacco: prices increased 17.5 percent, with a relevant contribution of 1.14 percentage points to the overall index growth. Prices within the group were higher for tobacco (37.3 percent);

**Health:** prices were up 7.8 percent, which resulted in a 0.69 percentage point contribution to the overall annual inflation. Prices increased for subgroup of medical products, appliances and equipment (20.9 percent).

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