

PRESS RELEASE OF CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ON BASE 2024=100 FOR AUGUST, 2026

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Highlights

Retail inflation based on Consumer Price Index in August, 2026 is 4.82%

Year on year food inflation, based on Consumer Food Price Index, in August, 2026 is 5.95%

I. Key Statistics

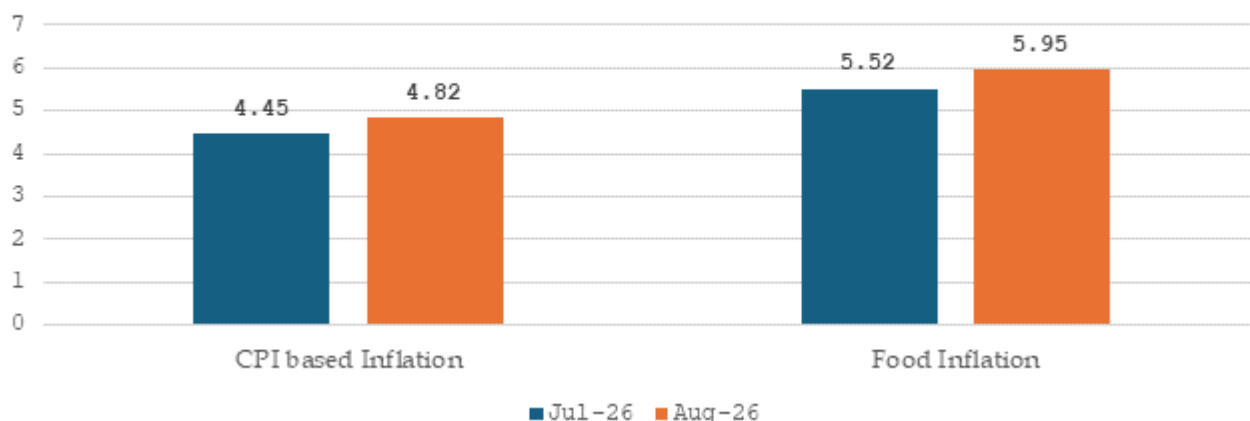
A. National Level Indices

- Year-on-year inflation rate based on All India Consumer Price Index (CPI) with base year 2024 for the month of August, 2026 over August, 2025 is 4.82%(Provisional). Corresponding inflation rates for rural and urban are 5.23% and 4.31%, respectively.

		July, 2026 (Final)			August, 2026 (Provisional)		
		Rural	Urban	Combined	Rural	Urban	Combined
Inflation (%)	CPI (General)	4.84	3.96	4.45	5.23	4.31	4.82
	CFPI	5.79	5.05	5.52	6.13	5.64	5.95
Index	CPI (General)	108.34	107.45	107.95	109.27	108.07	108.74
	CFPI	109.21	109.70	109.39	110.70	110.72	110.71

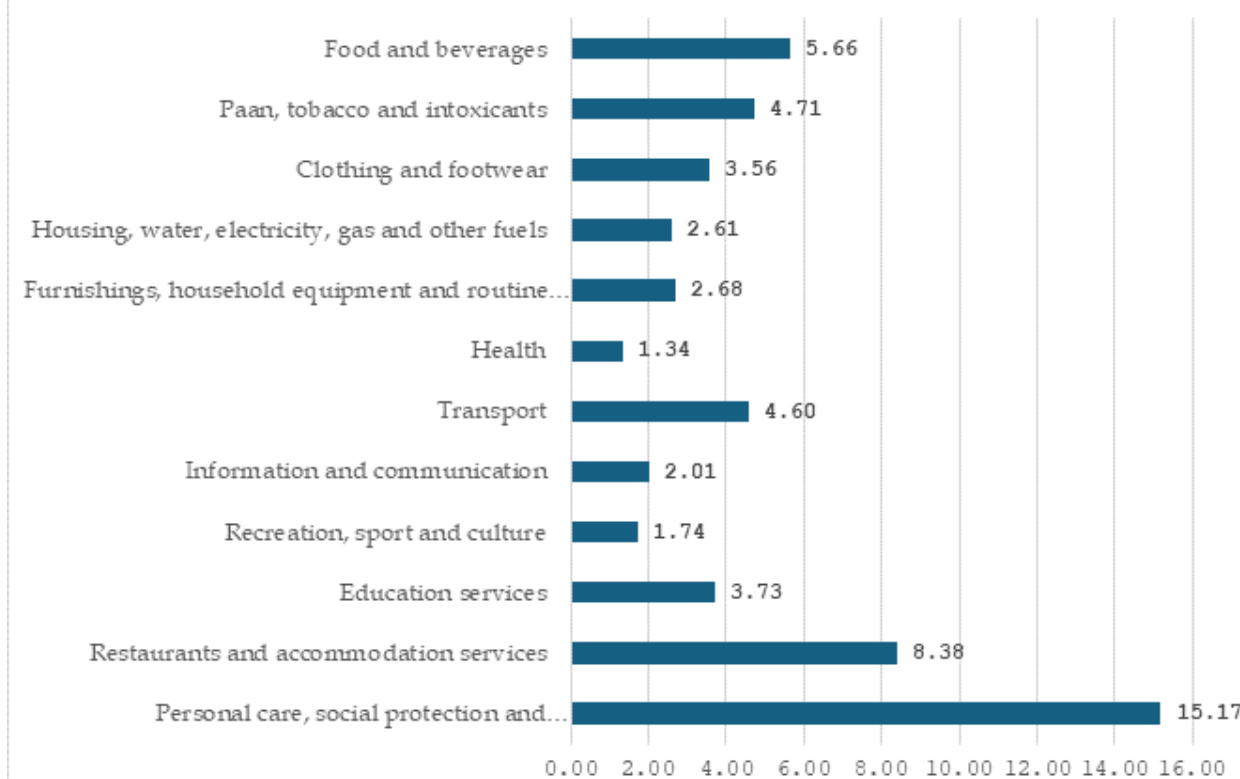
- Food Inflation:** - Year-on-year inflation rate based on All India Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI) for the month of August, 2026 over August, 2025 is 5.95% (Provisional). Corresponding inflation rates for rural and urban are 6.13% and 5.64%, respectively.

CPI based inflation and Food inflation



- At National level, division wise inflation for the month of August, 2026 in the Combined sector may be seen from the graph below-

National Level Division wise Inflation Rate (0%)



- Top 5 key items with low inflation at All India combined level in August, 2026 are given in table below:

S.No.	Item		Weight	Inflation (%) July, 2026	Inflation (%) August, 2026
1	Tomato		0.4961	-4.60	-31.09

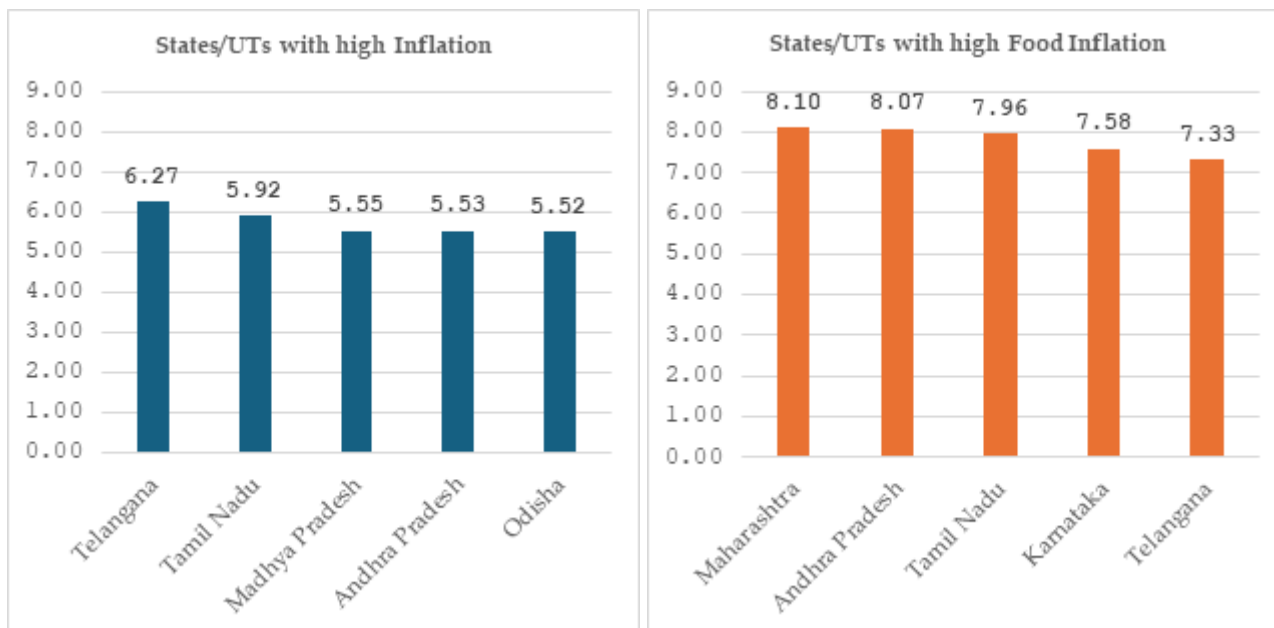
S.No.	Item		Weight	Inflation (%) July, 2026	Inflation (%) August, 2026
2	Potato		0.7549	-16.56	-13.14
3	Motor car and jeep		0.4665	-6.72	-6.72
4	Lady's finger		0.2488	-5.50	-5.41
5	Parwal/patal and Kundru		0.1235	-0.78	-3.60

- Top 5 key items with high inflation at All India combined level in August, 2026 are given in table below:

S.No.	Item		Weight	Inflation (%) July, 2026	Inflation (%) August, 2026
1	Silver Jewellery		0.3127	109.89	107.11
2	Ginger		0.2556	83.57	73.82
3	Onion		0.7006	22.54	48.27
4	Garlic		0.3738	35.36	43.60
5	Gold/Diamond/Platinum Jewellery		0.6230	32.98	35.53

B. State level Indices

Top five States (having more than 50 lakh population as per Census 2011) with high headline and food inflation in August, 2026 are given below-



II.

Response Rate- Real time price data are collected from selected 1407 urban Markets (including online markets) and 1465 villages covering all States/UTs through personal visits by field staff of Field Operations Division of NSO, MoSPI on a weekly roster. During August 2026, the response rate was 100% in both rural and urban markets.

CPI for September 2026 will be released on **12th October, 2026 (Monday)** or the next working day in case of 12th being a holiday.

State and Item wise indices for August 2026 may be downloaded from eSankhyiki portal of MoSPI- <https://esankhyiki.mospi.gov.in/>

State-level item indices available on the portal should be interpreted and used with caution, as the indices for some items may have been compiled using thin samples of price quotations.

Indices at all levels and inflation rates are compiled using the actual index values without rounding off. However, the indices published are rounded off to two decimal places. Therefore, higher-level indices, if calculated from the published figures may observe minute differences.

The reference period for price reporting for petrol, diesel and LPG prices are 15th of the corresponding month.

III. Annexures

Annexure	Title
I	All India General (Rural, Urban and Combined) division wise indices and inflation for August, 2026 (Provisional)

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IV	All India Combined (General) level index and inflation

Annexure- I

All India General (Rural, Urban and Combined) division wise indices and inflation for August, 2026 (Provisional)

Division code	Division name	Index			Inflation		
		Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)
01	Food and beverages	110.41	110.30	110.37	5.86	5.30	5.66
02	Paan, tobacco and intoxicants	108.33	108.68	108.44	4.50	5.18	4.71
03	Clothing and footwear	110.03	107.18	108.94	4.17	2.57	3.56
04	Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	104.96	103.69	104.16	3.27	2.22	2.61
05	Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	106.10	105.04	105.65	3.06	2.16	2.68
06	Health	104.73	105.42	104.99	1.34	1.33	1.34
07	Transport	106.05	105.73	105.90	4.70	4.49	4.60
08	Information and communication	106.09	105.21	105.71	2.22	1.74	2.01
09	Recreation, sport and culture	105.38	104.69	105.03	2.12	1.37	1.74
10	Education services	107.49	109.84	108.91	2.88	4.29	3.73

11	Restaurants and accommodation services	113.15	114.02	113.61	8.55	8.23	8.38
13	Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services	125.67	123.93	124.92	15.99	14.12	15.17
	All India	109.27	108.07	108.74	5.23	4.31	4.82

Note: Comb.: Combined

Annexure- II

All India General (Rural, Urban and Combined) group wise indices and inflation for August, 2026 (provisional)

S.No.	Group code	Group name	Index			Inflation		
			Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	(ix)
1.	01.1	Food	110.70	110.72	110.71	6.13	5.64	5.95
2.	01.2	Beverages	104.05	103.59	103.85	0.21	-0.04	0.10
3.	01.3	Services for processing primary goods for food	108.74	109.53	108.97	3.50	3.54	3.51
4.	02.1	Alcoholic beverages	107.43	106.15	107.01	2.13	1.63	1.97
5.	02.3	Paan and tobacco	109.14	111.32	109.78	6.67	8.96	7.34
6.	03.1	Clothing	110.48	107.85	109.48	4.45	3.07	3.93
7.	03.2	Footwear	106.99	102.92	105.40	2.26	-0.65	1.12
8.	04.1	Actual rental payments made for housing	104.41	103.78	103.92	2.76	2.13	2.27
9.	04.3	Maintenance, repair and security of the dwelling	107.81	107.86	107.83	3.78	3.73	3.77

S.No.	Group code	Group name	Index			Inflation		
			Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
10.	04.4	Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	102.12	103.58	103.13	1.09	1.78	1.57
11.	04.5	Electricity, gas and other fuels	104.78	102.50	103.88	3.59	2.31	3.09
12.	05.1	Furniture, furnishings, and loose carpets	108.53	107.09	107.98	4.27	3.45	3.96
13.	05.2	Household textiles	108.48	105.91	107.51	3.99	1.88	3.20
14.	05.3	Household appliances	106.18	103.63	104.99	3.45	1.45	2.52
15.	05.4	Glassware, tableware and household utensils	111.35	108.49	110.26	6.24	4.05	5.40
16.	05.5	Tools and equipment for house and garden	98.99	99.64	99.20	-1.30	0.85	-0.59
17.	05.6	Goods and services for routine household maintenance	104.49	104.75	104.61	2.10	1.91	2.01
18.	06.1	Medicines and health products	105.59	105.42	105.52	1.44	0.78	1.19
19.	06.2	Outpatient care services	102.87	105.55	103.96	1.25	2.48	1.75
20.	06.3	Inpatient care services	103.84	106.48	104.94	0.86	2.45	1.53
21.	06.4	Other health services	103.11	104.20	103.52	1.18	1.71	1.38
22.	07.1	Purchase of vehicles	99.48	98.28	98.87	-4.19	-4.56	-4.38
23.	07.2	Operation of personal transport equipment	107.43	107.49	107.46	7.38	7.43	7.40
24.	07.3	Passenger transport services	106.05	106.10	106.07	3.38	3.41	3.39

S.No.	Group code	Group name	Index			Inflation		
			Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
25.	07.4	Transport services for goods	114.76	115.04	114.93	14.45	14.77	14.64
26.	08.1	Information and communication equipment	102.71	101.60	102.20	3.53	2.27	2.95
27.	08.3	Information and communication services	107.00	106.28	106.69	1.89	1.59	1.76
28.	09.1	Recreational durables	98.78	101.00	100.34	-0.81	-1.43	-1.25
29.	09.2	Other recreational goods	107.73	107.41	107.60	3.74	2.90	3.39
30.	09.3	Garden products and pets	113.65	112.96	113.28	1.91	2.32	2.12
31.	09.4	Recreational services	106.94	103.12	104.65	5.05	1.64	3.01
32.	09.5	Cultural goods	104.53	105.87	105.20	2.83	2.05	2.44
33.	09.6	Cultural services	105.14	105.84	105.57	2.69	2.10	2.33
34.	09.7	Newspapers, books and stationery	103.15	102.71	102.95	0.96	0.53	0.77
35.	10.1	Early childhood and primary education	110.03	111.29	110.81	3.86	4.70	4.39
36.	10.2	Secondary education	109.29	111.66	110.80	3.81	4.58	4.30
37.	10.4	Higher education	103.42	108.44	106.67	1.24	4.91	3.63
38.	10.5	Education not defined by level	103.84	104.52	104.17	1.27	1.91	1.58
39.	11.1	Food and beverage serving services	113.20	114.06	113.66	8.59	8.25	8.41
40.	11.2	Accommodation services	103.97	106.22	104.98	1.79	2.14	1.95
41.	13.1	Personal care	106.06	106.57	106.28	2.23	2.10	2.17

S.No.	Group code	Group name	Index			Inflation		
			Rural	Urban	Comb.	Rural	Urban	Comb.
42.	13.2	Other personal effects	178.41	168.42	173.99	47.52	40.80	44.56
43.	13.9	Other services	104.19	102.88	103.67	2.28	1.16	1.84

Note: Comb.: Combined

Annexure-III

State/UT wise general index and inflation in August, 2026 (Provisional)

S.No.	State/UT	CPI			Inflation			
		Rural	Urban	Combined	Rural	Urban	Combined	
(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)	(viii)	
1.	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	110.57	107.71	109.17	4.09	3.58	3.84	
2.	Andhra Pradesh	108.10	107.83	108.00	5.88	4.98	5.53	
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	106.34	106.20	106.30	3.00	3.44	3.11	
4.	Assam	107.76	105.41	107.27	5.26	3.19	4.84	
5.	Bihar	108.23	106.66	108.00	4.28	3.86	4.22	
6.	Chandigarh*	-	108.14	108.14	-	4.02	4.02	
7.	Chhattisgarh	107.08	105.81	106.64	4.12	3.14	3.78	
8.	Goa	106.78	106.70	106.73	3.20	3.76	3.56	
9.	Gujarat	108.22	107.81	107.98	5.32	4.68	4.94	
10.	Haryana	109.56	108.14	108.85	4.46	3.38	3.92	
11.	Himachal Pradesh	108.79	109.37	108.88	3.72	4.56	3.85	
12.	Jammu And Kashmir	108.76	107.89	108.51	3.97	4.39	4.09	

13.	Jharkhand	108.37	105.81	107.50	3.37	2.67	3.14	
14.	Karnataka	109.62	108.46	109.04	5.73	4.74	5.23	
15.	Kerala	111.12	108.81	109.85	5.32	4.13	4.67	
16.	Ladakh	109.41	107.51	108.94	5.59	4.24	5.26	
17.	Lakshadweep	107.51	108.98	108.58	3.66	2.95	3.14	
18.	Madhya Pradesh	109.95	108.67	109.45	5.93	4.96	5.55	
19.	Maharashtra	109.70	107.62	108.44	5.67	4.21	4.78	
20.	Manipur	105.81	106.70	106.10	4.92	3.51	4.47	
21.	Meghalaya	106.79	105.53	106.46	2.78	2.65	2.74	
22.	Mizoram	105.65	104.03	104.72	2.85	1.98	2.35	
23.	Nagaland	107.16	105.03	106.35	2.86	2.90	2.88	
24.	NCT of Delhi	106.05	106.03	106.03	4.17	2.57	2.61	
25.	Odisha	108.75	107.34	108.37	5.90	4.47	5.52	
26.	Puducherry	110.33	109.53	109.78	6.13	5.72	5.85	
27.	Punjab	110.53	108.67	109.67	5.08	3.72	4.45	
28.	Rajasthan	110.13	108.58	109.58	5.70	4.40	5.24	
29.	Sikkim	108.82	108.14	108.59	4.93	3.97	4.60	
30.	Tamil Nadu	109.51	109.45	109.48	6.10	5.78	5.92	
31.	Telangana	110.75	109.96	110.30	6.79	5.88	6.27	
32.	The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	109.02	109.39	109.30	5.45	6.48	6.22	
33.	Tripura	105.24	105.61	105.32	3.32	4.28	3.54	

34.	Uttar Pradesh	110.06	108.43	109.55	5.58	4.04	5.09	
35.	Uttarakhand	110.50	107.46	109.38	5.09	3.88	4.65	
36.	West Bengal	108.25	106.99	107.69	3.62	2.85	3.28	

*: No rural market in Chandigarh

Annexure-IV

All India Combined (General) level index and inflation

Month	Index			Inflation (%)		
	Rural	Urban	Combined	Rural	Urban	Combined
<i>(i)</i>	<i>(ii)</i>	<i>(iii)</i>	<i>(iv)</i>	<i>(v)</i>	<i>(vi)</i>	<i>(vii)</i>
Jan-25	101.81	101.49	101.67			
Feb-25	101.33	101.30	101.32			
Mar-25	101.34	101.47	101.39			
Apr-25	101.49	101.71	101.58			
May-25	101.78	102.06	101.90			
Jun-25	102.39	102.66	102.51			
Jul-25	103.34	103.36	103.35			
Aug-25	103.84	103.60	103.74			
Sep-25	103.80	103.66	103.74			
Oct-25	103.85	103.61	103.74			
Nov-25	104.16	103.83	104.01			
Dec-25	104.19	103.98	104.10			
Jan-26	104.59	104.28	104.45	2.73	2.75	2.74
Feb-26	104.74	104.36	104.57	3.37	3.02	3.21

Mar-26	105.02	104.62	104.84	3.63	3.11	3.40
Apr-26	105.28	104.92	105.12	3.74	3.16	3.48
May-26	106.11	105.66	105.91	4.25	3.53	3.93
June-26	107.24	106.69	107.00	4.74	3.93	4.38
Jul-26	108.34	107.45	107.95	4.84	3.96	4.45
Aug-26*	109.27	108.07	108.74	5.23	4.31	4.82

*Index and Inflation for the month of August 2026 are provisional.

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