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Overview

Annual consumer price inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) was 4.5 per cent in November 2025. This implies that the general price level was 4.5 per cent higher in November 2025 than it was in November 2024. The price increase was primarily driven by a rise in prices of items in the Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages (7.7 %); Transport (5.1 %), and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other fuels (1.9%) over the one-year period. These three divisions together account for over 57 per cent of the total weight across the 13 major expenditure categories.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) is defined as a measure of the weighted aggregate change over time in retail prices paid by consumers for a given basket of goods and services. The CPI measures the cost of purchasing this fixed basket of goods and services, comparing current prices to those of a base period, which for the current CPI is February 2019. Inflation rate is defined as a percentage change of the CPI between two periods. There are different inflation rates that can be computed, such as annual (year-on-year), quarterly (quarter-to-quarter) and monthly (month-on-month) inflation rates. Data used to derive the inflation rates is collected through a monthly survey of retail prices from a statistically representative sample of outlets in urban areas across 50 data collection zones nationwide. The survey is conducted during the second and third weeks of the month.

The Overall CPI and Inflation Trends, November 2024 - November 2025

As presented in Figure 1, the overall index increased from 146.84 in October 2025 to 147.08 in November 2025, resulting in a monthly inflation rate of 0.2 per cent. The year-on-year inflation rate stood at 4.5 per cent in November 2025 a slight decline from an inflation of 4.6 per cent in October 2025 as shown in Figure 2.

Figure 1: Overall CPI

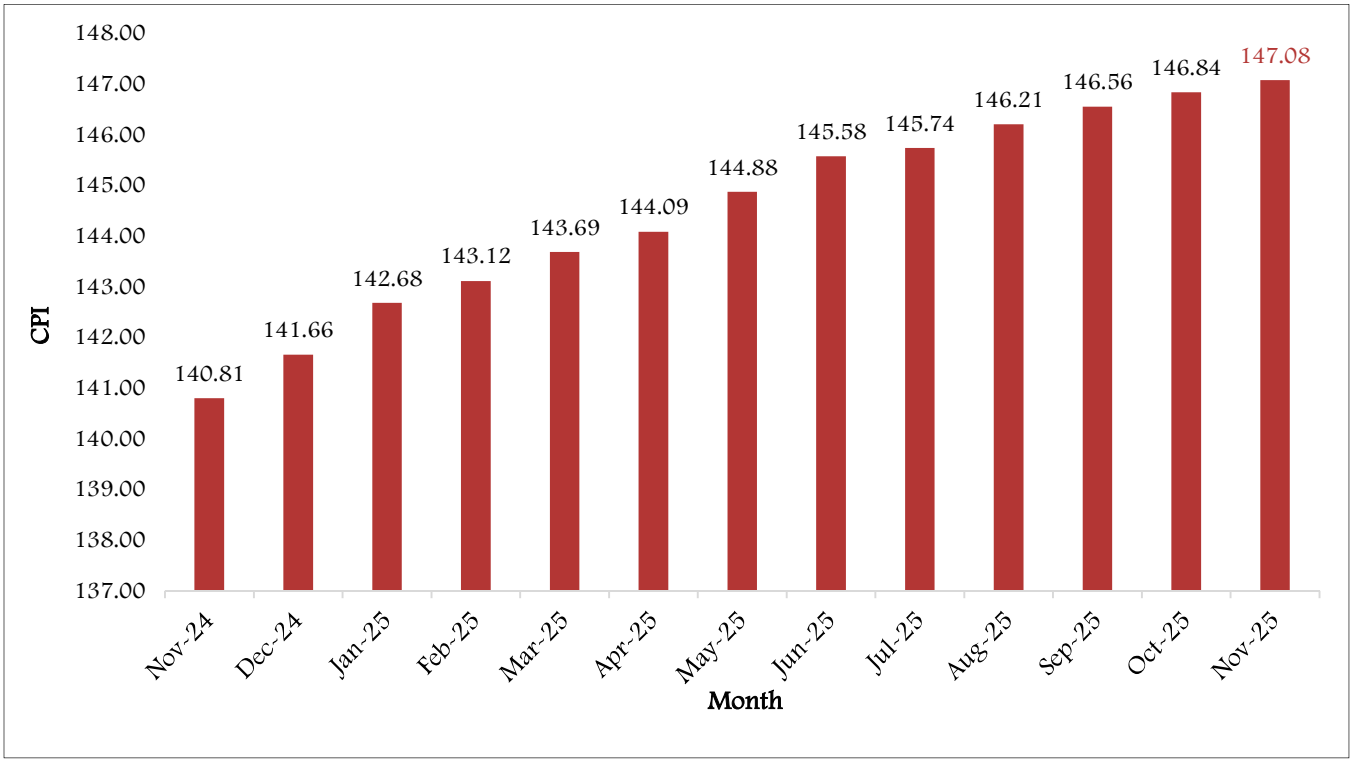


Figure 2: Inflation Trends, November 2024 – November 2025

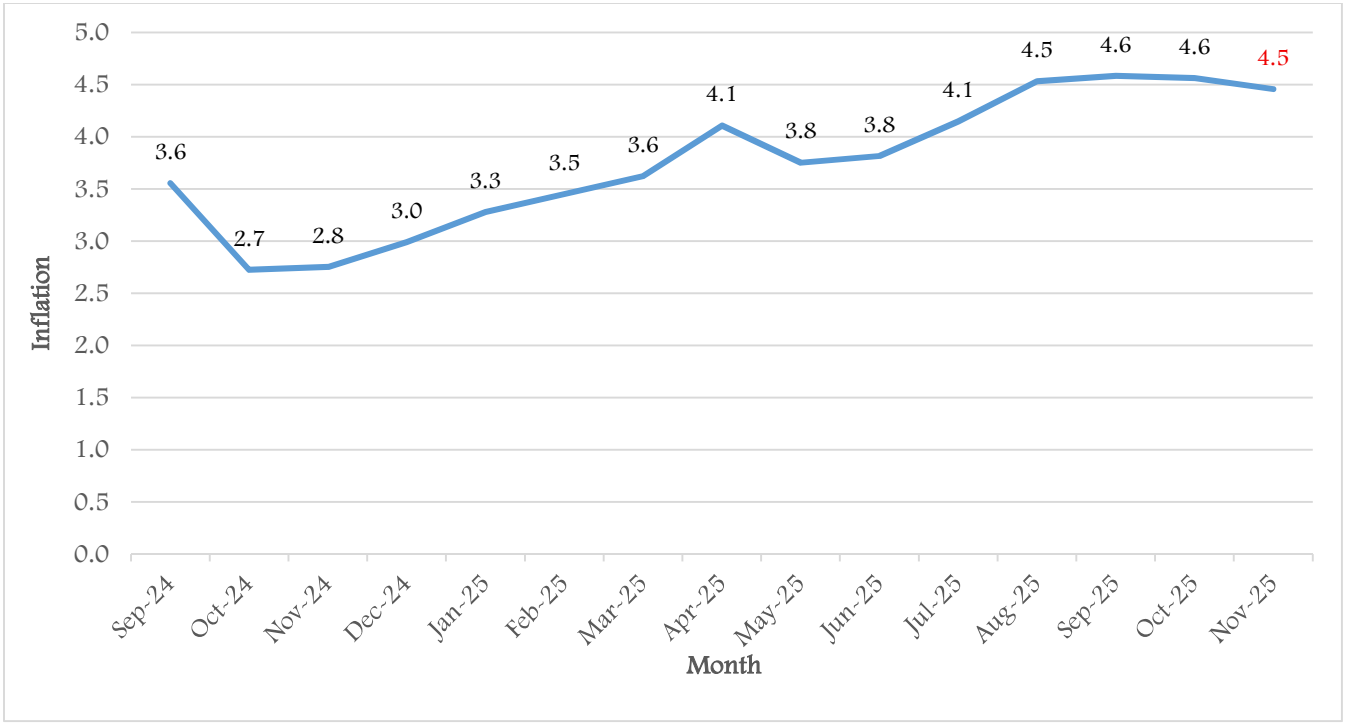


Table 1: One and Twelve-Month Percentage Changes in the Consumer Price Indices

13 COICOP Divisions	Weight %	% Change on last month (November 2025 / October 2025)	% Change on same month of the previous year (November 2025 / November 2024)
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	32.9094	0.3	7.7
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	3.3289	0.1	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	2.9914	0.2	3.0
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	14.6124	-0.1	1.9
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.7372	0.2	1.6
Health	2.9116	0.2	2.9
Transport	9.6468	0.4	5.1
Information and Communication	7.7840	0.0	0.7
Recreation, Sport and Culture	1.7219	0.2	2.7
Education Services	5.5620	0.0	2.2
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	8.0991	0.1	2.3
Insurance and Financial Services	2.2423	0.0	0.2
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.4532	0.1	2.7
Total	**100.0000**	**0.2**	**4.5**

Figure 3: Percentage Changes in CPI Across the 13 Divisions, October 2025 -November 2025

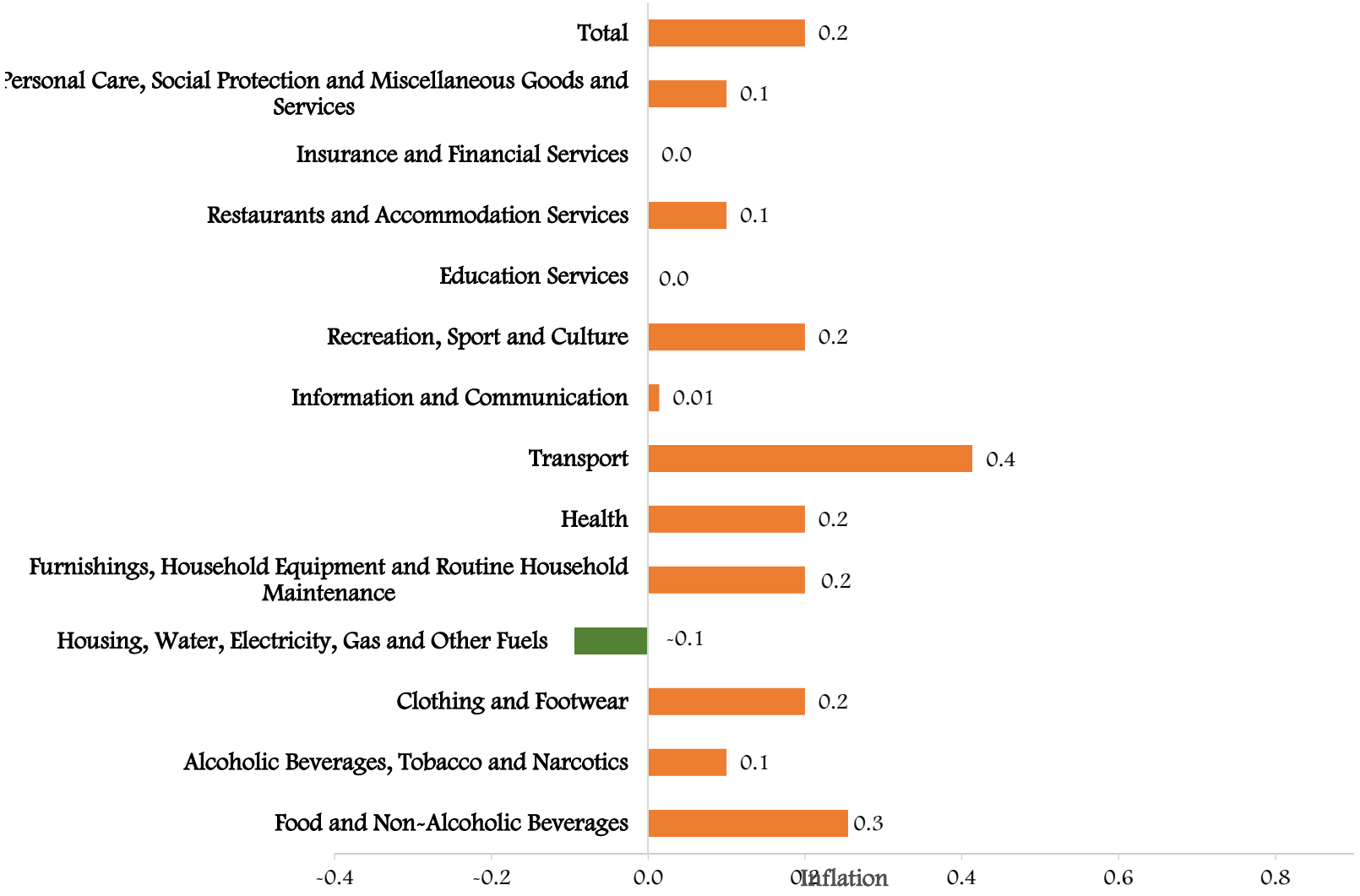


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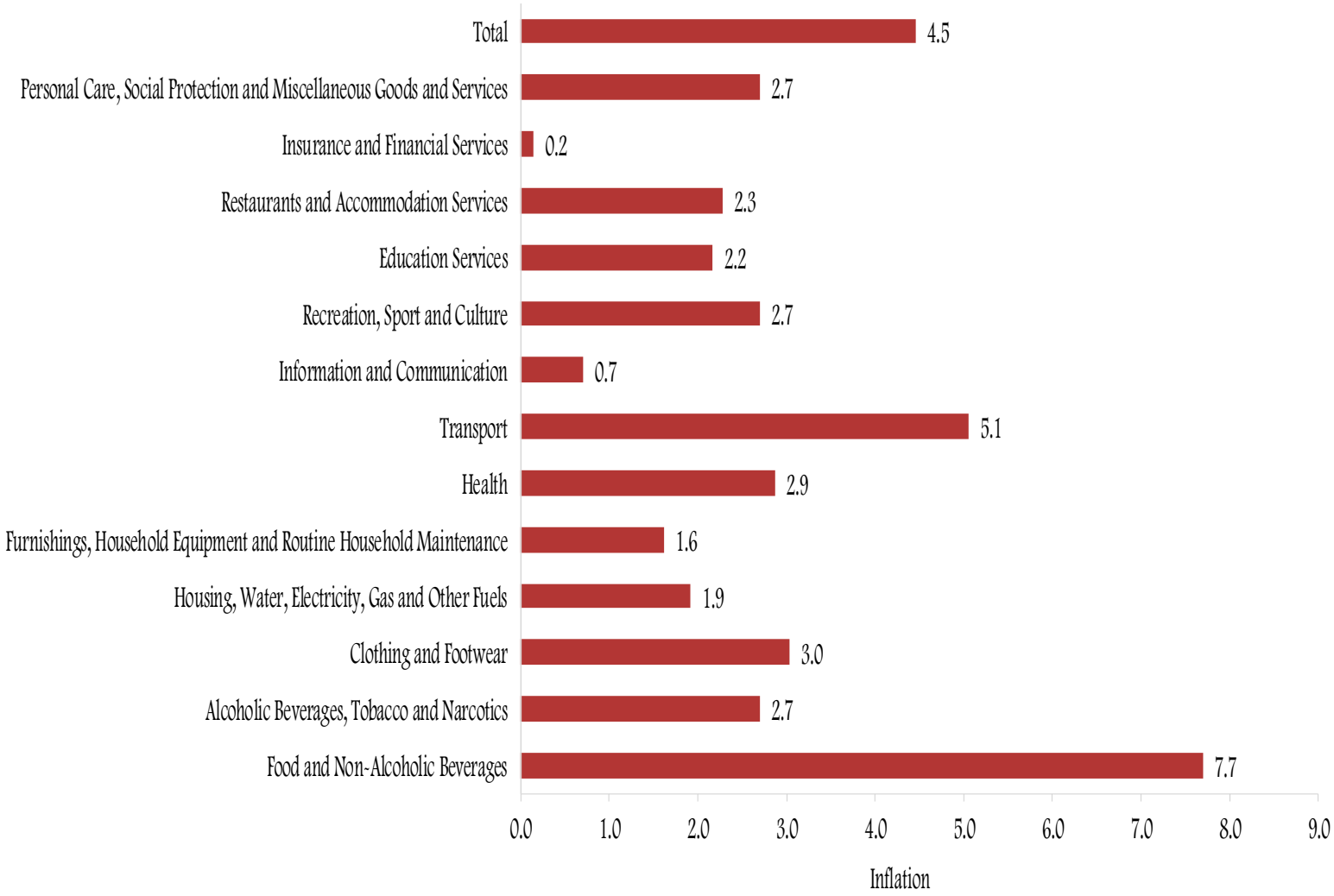


Table 2: Key Drivers of Inflation for each of the 13 Divisions

	Monthly	Yearly
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages		
 0.3%	Fortified maize flour registered the highest reduction in price among the cereals and cereal products at 3.8 per cent, while price of sifted maize flour also decreased by 3.2 per cent. Tomatoes prices decreased by 2.1 per cent while prices of kale (sukuma wiki) rose by 2.7 per cent. Prices of onions (leeks and bulbs) rose by 4.9 per cent, marking the highest increase among the fresh produce items. Sugar prices recorded a drop of 1.1 per cent, whereas beef with bones prices recorded a 1.5 per cent increase.	7.7% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the general price level of Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages division increased by 7.7%.
Transport		
 0.4%	During the period between October and November 2025, prices of transport-related items showed mixed trends. Country bus and matatu fares for travel between towns increased by 1.4 per cent.	5.1% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the Transport division index inflation rose to 5.1 per cent.
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels		
 0.1%	Electricity charges declined for both consumption levels, with the cost of 50 kWh falling by 1.7 per cent and that of 200 kWh decreasing by 1.5 per cent, indicating a general easing in electricity tariffs. In contrast, the price of firewood increased by 1.2 per cent, reflecting a rise in the cost of traditional cooking fuel. Water charges from Water Service Providers (WSPs) recorded a modest uptick of 0.6 per cent.	1.9% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the index for the division rose by 1.9 per cent.
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics		
 0.1%	Between October and November 2025, cigarette prices increased slightly by 0.1 per cent while miraa (khat) registered a more notable increase of 0.6 per cent. Spirits recorded a modest price rise of 0.2 per cent.	2.7% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics index rose by 2.7%.
Clothing and Footwear		
 0.2%	Between October and November 2025, prices women's trousers declined slightly by 0.1 per cent, indicating a modest price reduction. In contrast, the price of women's dresses rose by 0.2 per cent.	3.0% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the prices under Clothing and Footwear division increased by 3.0%.
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance		
 0.2%	Between October and November 2025, the cost of electric bulbs and fluorescent tubes declined marginally by 0.2 per cent. In contrast, laundry soap and bar soap registered a modest price increase of 0.2 per cent, while detergents rose by 0.4 per cent.	1.6% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the prices under Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance division rose by 1.6%.
Health		
 0.2%	Between October and November 2025, medicines for managing cholesterol and blood pressure recorded a slight decline of 0.1 per cent. In contrast, the price of common fever and pain relief medications, such as paracetamol, rose by 0.3 per cent.	2.9% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the Health division index recorded an increase of 2.9%.

Monthly	Yearly
Information and Communication	
 0.01% The price of information and communication goods and services remained constant between October and November 2025.	0.7% The information and communication division recorded a yearly inflation of 0.7%.
Recreation, Sport and Culture	
 0.2% Between October and November 2025, the cost of religious books declined marginally by 0.2 per cent. Exercise books experienced a modest increase of 0.1 per cent. Similarly, the price of tour or honeymoon packages rose by 0.1 per cent.	2.7% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the Recreation, Sport and Culture division index recorded an increase of 2.7%.
Education Services	
 0.0% The price of education services remained constant between October and November 2025.	2.2% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the index for the Education division rose by 2.2%.
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	
 0.1% Food purchased from canteens and kiosks recorded a slight decline of 0.2 per cent. In contrast, lodging and guest accommodation expenses rose by 0.1 per cent. Similarly, the prices of hotel and restaurant prepared foods increased by 0.1 per cent.	2.3% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the index for the Restaurants and Accommodation Services division rose by 2.3%.
Insurance and Financial Services	
 0.0% Between October and November 2025, the price of insurance and financial services remained constant.	0.2% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the Insurance and Financial Services division index rose by 0.2%
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	
 0.1% Between October and November 2025, prices of personal care products recorded varying increases over the period. Toilet soap rose by 0.2 per cent, while body lotion experienced a slightly higher increase of 0.3 per cent. Toothpaste and mouthwash showed a more notable rise of 0.4 per cent.	2.7% Over the twelve months until November 2025, the index for the Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods and Services division rose by 2.7%

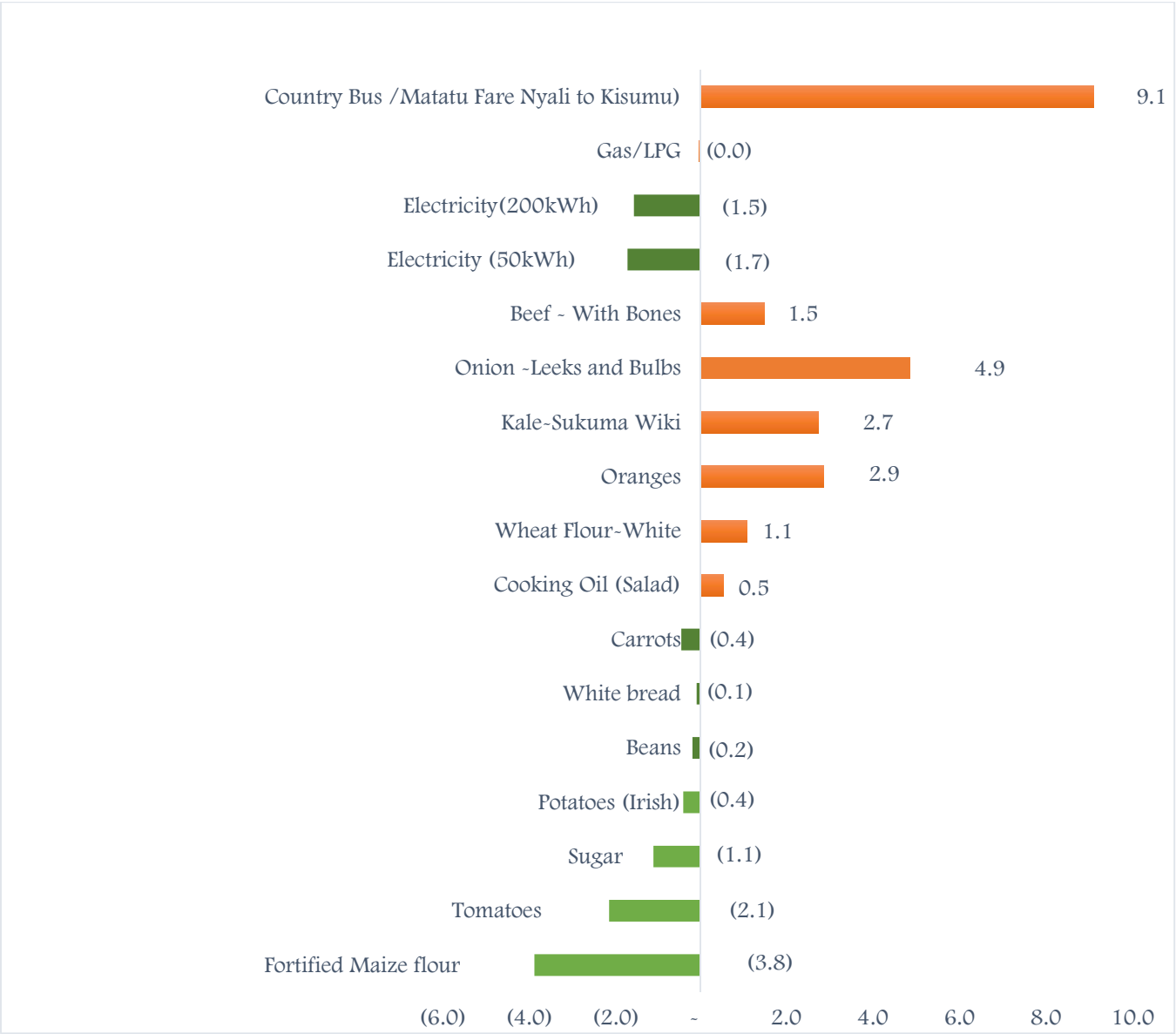
Movement of National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Between October and November 2025, prices for most food and non-alcoholic beverages items showed mixed movements. The price of fortified maize flour 2 kilogrammes packet decreased from KSh 168.56 to KSh 162.11. In contrast, the cost of onions rose from KSh 106.21 to KSh 111.37 per kilogramme. The cost of electricity for 200 kWh consumption declined from KSh 5,764.15 in October 2025 to KSh 5,676.22 in November 2025, while that of 50 kWh decreased from KSh 1,315.80 to KSh 1,293.82. The price of petrol remained unchanged at KSh 185.59 per litre.

Table 3: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Average Price November 2024	Average Price October 2025	Average Price November 2025	% Change over last month November 2025/ October 2025	% Change over last year November 2025/ November 2024
Fortified Maize flour	2	Kg	151.77	168.56	162.11	-3.8	6.8
Tomatoes	1	Kg	65.70	87.88	86.04	-2.1	30.9
Maize Flour - Sifted	2	Kg	134.37	148.79	143.96	-3.2	7.1
Sugar	1	Kg	158.23	184.35	182.37	-1.1	15.3
Maize Flour - Loose	1	Kg	67.58	74.64	74.14	-0.7	9.7
Potatoes (Irish)	1	Kg	92.26	92.69	92.34	-0.4	0.1
Beans	1	Kg	183.24	180.99	180.69	-0.2	-1.4
White bread	400	Gram	66.13	66.44	66.39	-0.1	0.4
Carrots	1	Kg	108.37	132.88	132.32	-0.4	22.1
Cooking Oil (Salad)	1	Litre	342.71	343.44	345.27	0.5	0.7
Wheat Flour-White	2	Kg	169.75	169.46	171.30	1.1	0.9
Oranges	1	Kg	105.45	115.54	118.86	2.9	12.7
Kale-Sukuma Wiki	1	Kg	79.33	91.56	94.07	2.7	18.6
Onion -Leeks and Bulbs	1	Kg	95.95	106.21	111.37	4.9	16.1
Beef - With Bones	1	Kg	654.71	701.67	712.11	1.5	8.8
Electricity	50	kWh	1,274.62	1,315.80	1,293.82	-1.7	1.5
Electricity	200	kWh	5,713.16	5,764.15	5,676.22	-1.5	-0.6
Gas/LPG	13	Kg	3,147.66	3,133.49	3,132.93	0.0	-0.5
House rent - single room	1	Month	4,116.09	4,192.66	4,192.66	0.0	1.9
Kerosene/Paraffin	1	Litre	152.18	155.96	155.96	0.0	2.5
Petrol	1	Litre	181.33	185.59	185.59	0.0	2.3
Diesel	1	Litre	168.82	172.64	172.64	0.0	2.3
Country Bus /Matatu Fare Nyali to Kisumu)	1	Ticket	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,400.00	9.1	9.1

Figure 5: Percentage Change Over Last Month, October 2025 – November 2025



Core and Non-Core Index and Inflation

Core inflation is a measure of inflation that is compiled from non-volatile commodities such as manufactured food items, health services, education services, and information and communication. Core inflation eased to 2.3 per cent in November 2025, as presented in Table 4. The core index increased from 129.56 in October 2025 to 129.66 in November 2025. Non-core inflation was 10.1 per cent during the same period.

Table 4: Core and Non-Core Index and Inflation

Period	Core Index	Core Inflation	Non-Core Index	Non-Core Inflation
Nov-24	126.76	2.1	197.51	4.6
Dec-24	127.50	2.2	198.51	4.9
Jan-25	127.77	2.0	202.87	6.8
Feb-25	128.01	1.9	204.01	7.7
Mar-25	128.35	2.2	205.55	7.4
Apr-25	128.48	2.5	206.86	8.4
May-25	128.97	2.8	209.35	6.0
Jun-25	129.47	3.0	211.24	6.2
Jul-25	129.59	3.1	211.69	7.2
Aug-25	129.57	3.0	213.85	9.2
Sep-25	129.52	2.9	215.78	9.6
Oct-25	129.56	2.7	216.87	9.9
Nov-25	129.66	2.3	217.54	10.1

Contribution of Core and Non-Core to the Overall Inflation

Contribution of core and non-core inflation to the overall inflation is presented in Table 5. Core inflation contributed 2.6 points, while non-core inflation contributed 1.8 points to the overall inflation in November 2025. Food and non-alcoholic beverages contributed to 2.4 points to the overall inflation during the same period.

Table 5: Core and Non-Core Contributions, November 2025

Broad Categories	Core	Non-Core	Total
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	0.9	1.4	**2.4**
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	0.1	0.0	**0.1**
Clothing and Footwear	0.2	0.0	**0.2**
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.1	0.1	**0.3**
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household	0.2	0.0	**0.2**
Health	0.2	0.0	**0.2**
Transport	0.2	0.2	**0.4**
Information and Communication	0.1	0.0	**0.1**
Recreation, Sport and Culture	0.1	0.0	**0.1**
Education Services	0.1	0.0	**0.1**
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	0.2	0.0	**0.2**
Insurance and Financial Services	0.0	0.0	**0.0**
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods	0.2	0.0	**0.2**
Total	**2.6**	**1.8**	**4.5**



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