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Monthly Inflation Update

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Consumer Price Index

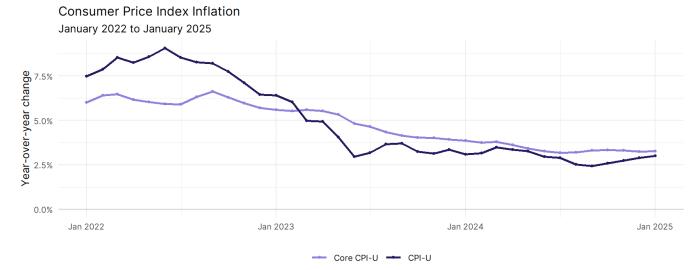
From December 2024 to January 2025:

- Headline CPI-U inflation was 0.47 percent.
 - Food price inflation was 0.36 percent.
 - Energy price inflation was **1.08 percent**.
- Core CPI-U inflation was 0.45 percent.

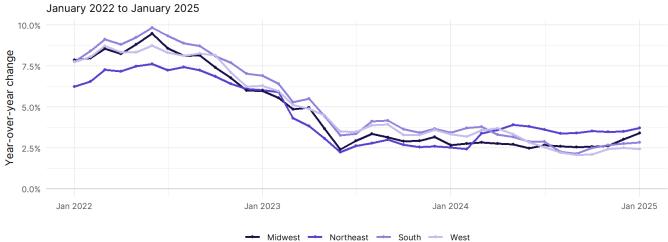
Note: Core CPI-U excludes food and energy.

From January 2024 to January 2025:

- Headline CPI-U inflation was 3.00 percent.
 Food price inflation was 2.50 percent.
 - Energy price inflation was **0.97 percent**.
- Core CPI-U inflation was 3.26 percent.



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted



Consumer Price Index Inflation by Region

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, data is seasonally adjusted

Table 1. Consumer Price Index

	Jan 2025	Dec 2024	M/M difference	Jan 2024	Y/Y difference
Month-over-month inflation					
Consumer Price Index	0.47%	0.36%	0.11pp	0.34%	0.13рр
Core Consumer Price Index	0.45%	0.21%	0.24pp	0.37%	0.08pp
Food Consumer Price Index	0.36%	0.29%	0.07pp	0.35%	0.01pp
Energy Consumer Price Index	1.08%	2.42%	-1.34pp	-0.03%	1.11pp
Year-over-year inflation					
Consumer Price Index	3.00%	2.89%	0.11pp	3.09%	-0.09pp
Core Consumer Price Index	3.26%	3.24%	0.02pp	3.86%	-0.60pp
Food Consumer Price Index	2.50%	2.51%	-0.01pp	2.57%	-0.07pp
Energy Consumer Price Index	0.97%	-0.52%	1.49pp	-4.56%	5.53pp

Table 2. Cleveland Federal Reserve Forecast

	Cleveland Fed forecast	Actual	Forecast error
Month-over-month inflation			
Consumer Price Index	0.24%	0.47%	-0.22pp
Core Consumer Price Index	0.27%	0.45%	-0.18pp
Year-over-year inflation			
Consumer Price Index	2.85%	3.00%	-0.15pp
Core Consumer Price Index	3.13%	3.26%	-0.13pp

Real earnings

From December 2024 to January 2025:

For all employees on private nonfarm payrolls:

- Real average weekly earnings decreased by 0.28 percent.
- Real average hourly earnings remained unchanged with a net change of 0.00 percent.

For production and nonsupervisory employees on private nonfarm payrolls:

- Real average weekly earnings decreased by 0.59 percent.
- Real average hourly earnings remained unchanged with a net change of 0.00 percent.

Note: "Real" measures are those adjusted for inflation.

Note: Weekly earnings are a better estimate of income than hourly earnings because they take into account the amount of hours worked.

Table 3. Real Earnings Indicators

			M/M		Y/Y
	Jan 2025	Dec 2024	difference	Jan 2024	difference
All employees					
Real hourly earnings					
Month-over-month	0.00%	-0.09%	0.09pp	0.18%	-0.18pp
Year-over-year	0.99%	1.17%	-0.18pp	1.18%	-0.19pp
Real weekly earnings					
Month-over-month	-0.28%	-0.40%	0.12pp	-0.46%	0.18pp
Year-over-year	0.74%	0.56%	0.18pp	-0.02%	0.76pp
Production and non-supervisory					
Real hourly earnings					
Month-over-month	0.00%	-0.10%	0.10pp	0.21%	-0.21pp
Year-over-year	1.13%	1.34%	-0.21pp	1.67%	-0.54pp
Real weekly earnings					
Month-over-month	-0.59%	0.23%	-0.82pp	-0.71%	0.12pp
Year-over-year	1.14%	1.02%	0.12pp	-0.18%	1.32pp

Upcoming releases

Date	Time	Release	Data source
Feb 13	10:00 AM	Monthly Fiscal Update, January 2025	U.S. Treasury
Feb 27	08:30 AM	Monthly GDP Update, Q4 2024 Second Estimate	Bureau of Economic Analysis
Feb 28	08:30 AM	Monthly Expenditures Update, January 2025	Bureau of Economic Analysis
Mar 07	08:30 AM	Monthly Employment Update, February 2025	Bureau of Labor Statistics
Mar 07	10:00 AM	Monthly Debt Update, March 2025	U.S. Treasury
Mar 12	08:30 AM	Monthly Inflation Update, February 2025	Bureau of Labor Statistics

Notes

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics; JEC Republicans calculations

"pp" = percentage points; "M/M" = month over month; "Y/Y" = year over year

Consistent with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, monthly figures are seasonally adjusted. Discrepancy in change figures is possible due to rounding.