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A note to the reader

The following report presents the price statistics for September 2026.

At the end of September 2026, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased by 0.3% compared with August 2026. The sectors with the largest impact on the CPI were "Health" (4.4%) and "Household operation", each contributing 0.09 percentage points (ppts) to the CPI increase of 0.3% in September 2026.

- Compared with September 2025, the CPI increased by 3.0%. The sector with the largest impact on the CPI over this period was "Transport" (11.1%), which contributed 1.43 ppts to the annual CPI increase.

- The period-average inflation rate for the periods September 2024 to September 2025 and September 2025 to September 2026 was 1.3%, representing an increase of 0.2 percentage points (ppts) compared with the period-average inflation rate of 1.1% recorded for the periods September 2023 to September 2024 and September 2024 to September 2025. The sector with the largest impact on the CPI over this period was "Transport" (3.6%), which contributed 0.47 ppts.

- Over the last 12 months, the monthly subsistence level for a household consisting of two (2) adults and two (2) children (aged 0-14 years) increased by Afl. 148, from Afl. 5,521 in September 2025 to Afl. 5,669 in September 2026.

- Utilities ("Water" and "Electricity") did not register any price changes in September 2026. The price of gasoline increased by 0.3%, contributing 0.02 ppts to the CPI. The price of diesel increased by 8.3%, contributing an additional 0.03 ppts to the CPI.

This report is divided into seven (7) sections. Section 1 presents an overview of the monthly percentage changes in the CPI and the indices by sector. Section 2 provides the yearly percentage changes in the CPI and the indices by sector. Section 3 outlines the development of the indices for the main sectors and utilities. Section 4 presents the percentage changes in the CPI of Aruba's major trading partners and compares the CPI of Aruba with that of the United States. Section 5 provides an overview of the monthly and yearly percentage changes in core inflation. Section 6 examines the price movements in "Food & catering services". Section 7 presents the development of the subsistence level. The report concludes with the appendices.

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Consumer Price Index Aruba

Monthly change September 2026

1 Monthly change of the CPI

1.1 CPI and Inflation

The CPI for the total population of Aruba for September 2026 (June 2019 = 100) was 112.40, an increase of 0.3% compared with the CPI for August 2026 (112.12). An overview of the percentage change in the CPI (Δ CPI) for different periods during 2025 and 2026 is presented in Table 1. The terms percentage change in the CPI and inflation (deflation) are considered equivalent and are used interchangeably throughout this report. The end-of-period inflation rate was 3.0%, while the period-average inflation rate was 1.3%.

Table 1: Overview of Δ CPI

		% Changes		Index	
	Period	2025	2026	Last	Current
Monthly	Aug-26 vs Sep-26	0.0	0.3	112.12	112.40
Year-to-date	Dec-25 vs Sep-26	0.1	2.7	109.47	112.40
Last 12 months [1]	Sep-25 vs Sep-26	-0.4	3.0	109.17	112.40
Last 24 months [2]	Sep 24/25 vs Sep 25/26	0.2	1.3	109.26	110.68

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

[1] End of period inflation

[2] Period average inflation

Figure 1 illustrates the monthly Δ CPI over the one-year period from September 2025 to September 2026, whereas Figure 2 presents the Δ CPI for September for each year from 2017 to 2026.

1.2 Changes in sector

Figure 3 presents the percentage changes in the indices by sector for September 2026, hereafter denoted by Δ I. The "Health" sector recorded the largest increase, at 4.4%.

1.3 Changes in categories and subcategories

The largest positive and negative changes in the indices (Δ I) were recorded in the categories "Accommodation services" (14.1%) and "Newspapers, books and stationery" (-8.6%), respectively. In the "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" sector, prices in both the "Food" and "Non-alcoholic beverages" categories increased by 0.2%. In the "Housing" sector, the largest change was recorded in the category "Maintenance and repair of the dwelling" (-0.6%). In the "Transport" sector, the largest change was recorded in the category "Transport services" (4.2%). In the "Recreation and culture" sector, the largest change was recorded in the category "Newspapers, books and stationery" (-8.6%)[1].

The categories with the largest impact on the CPI were "Household appliances", "Operation of personal transport equipment", and "Medical products, appliances and equipment", contributing 0.16, 0.08, and 0.08 ppts to the monthly CPI change, respectively. Further details are provided in Tables 16 and 17 of Appendices 1 and 2, respectively. Table 16 presents the indices for September 2025, December 2025, August 2026, and September 2026, together with the corresponding sector weights and the monthly, year-to-date (YTD), end-of-period, and period-average percentage changes for September 2026. Table 17 presents the contributions of each sector and category to the monthly, year-to-date (YTD), end-of-period, and period-average CPI changes for September 2026. The development of the indices from 2013 through September 2026 is presented in Appendix 5.

Figure 1: Monthly Δ CPI, 2025 - 2026

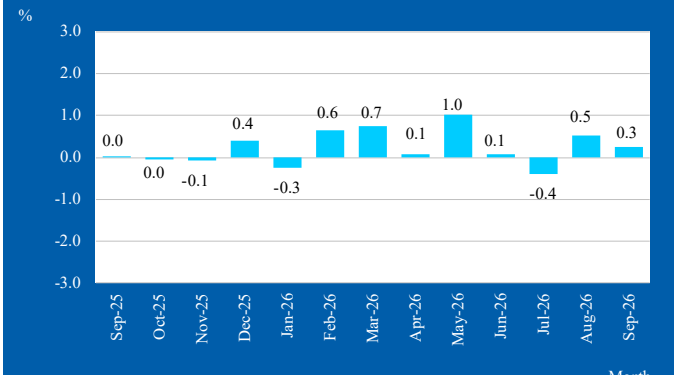


Figure 2: Monthly Δ CPI for September, 2017 - 2026

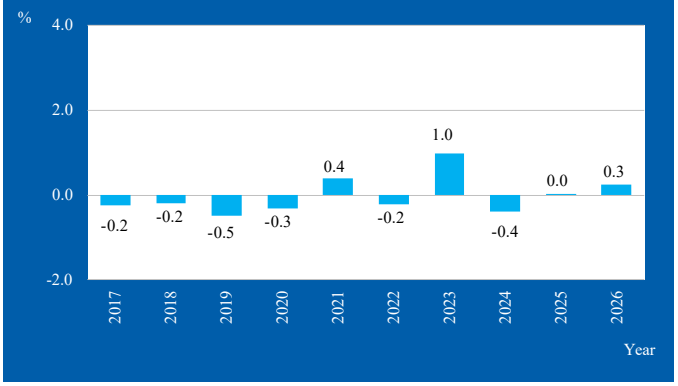
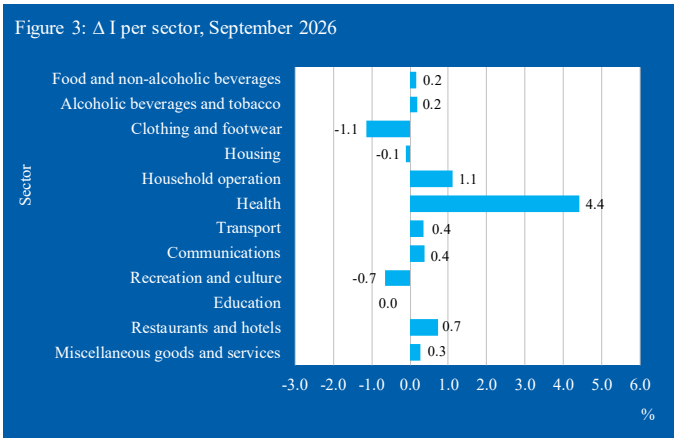


Figure 3: Δ I per sector, September 2026



[1] The analysis focuses on the four major sectors: "Housing", "Transport", "Food and non-alcoholic beverages", and "Recreation and culture". Together, these sectors account for 59% of the total weight of the basket of goods and services.

2 End of period change of the CPI

2.1 End of period change CPI for September 2026

The CPI increased by 3.0%, from 109.17 in September 2025 to 112.40 in September 2026. This was the second-highest September increase recorded over the past six years and was 3.4 ppts higher than the rate recorded in September 2025 (-0.4%) (see Table 2).

Table 2: End of period Δ CPI, 2021 - 2026, for the month:

September

Period	Δ CPI	Index
2020-2021	2.2	99.24
2021-2022	7.0	106.20
2022-2023	1.7	108.00
2023-2024	1.5	109.58
2024-2025	-0.4	109.17
2025-2026	3.0	112.40

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

2.2 Changes in sector

An overview of the percentage changes in the indices and their contributions to the CPI by sector over the period September 2025 to September 2026 is presented in Table 3. The largest increase was recorded in the "Transport" sector (11.1%). Other notable increases were recorded in the "Health" (6.0%), "Miscellaneous goods and services" (4.4%), and "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" (3.5%) sectors. A comparison of the changes in the indices (Δ I) for 2025 and 2026 is presented in Figure 4.

Table 3: Percentage change and effect for the month of:

September 2026

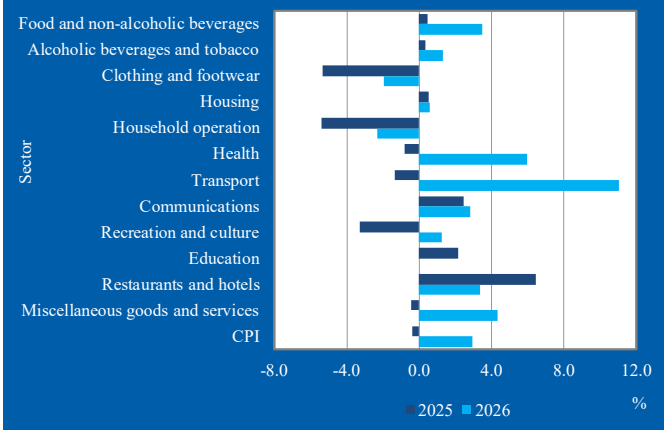
Sector	% Change	Effect
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.5	0.42
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	1.3	0.01
Clothing and footwear	-2.0	-0.04
Housing	0.6	0.16
Household operation	-2.3	-0.19
Health	6.0	0.13
Transport	11.1	1.43
Communications	2.9	0.25
Recreation and culture	1.3	0.11
Education	0.0	0.00
Restaurants and hotels	3.4	0.18
Miscellaneous goods and services	4.4	0.52
CPI	3.0	2.96

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

2.3 Changes in categories

The largest positive and negative changes in the category indices (Δ I) over the one-year period were recorded for "Telephone and telefax equipment" (45.6%) and "Glassware, tableware and household utensils" (-11.9%), respectively. For an overview of the end-of-period percentage changes by category, refer to Table 16 in Appendix 1.

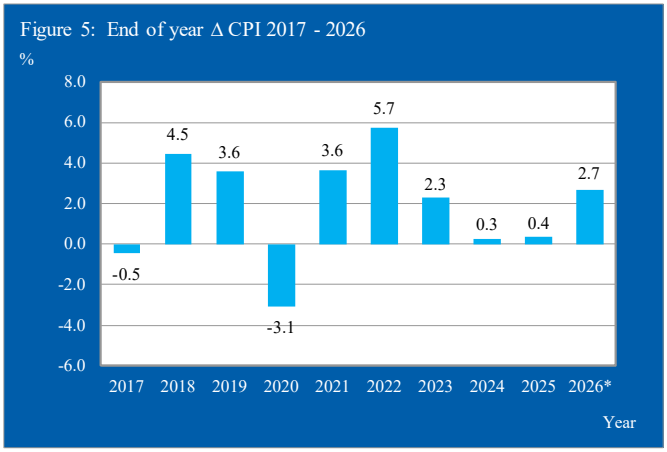
Figure 4: Δ I per sector for September, 2025 - 2026



2.4 End of year change CPI 2017 - 2026

The end-of-year percentage changes in the CPI for 2017 to 2025, together with the year-to-date (YTD) percentage change for 2026, are presented in Figure 5. For 2026, the YTD percentage change is calculated by comparing the CPI for September 2026 with the CPI for December 2025. The YTD percentage change in the CPI for September 2026 was 2.7%.

Figure 5: End of year Δ CPI 2017 - 2026



*ytd

2.5 Period average change CPI for September 2026

The period-average percentage change in the CPI (Δ ACPI) for September 2026 was 1.3%. Table 4 provides an overview of the Δ ACPI for September for the years 2022 to 2026. The Δ ACPI for 2026 was 1.1 ppts higher than the rate recorded in 2025 (0.2%).

Table 4: Overview of Δ ACPI, 2022 - 2026, for the month:

September

Period	Δ ACPI	Index
2021-2022	4.7	106.20
2022-2023	4.5	108.00
2023-2024	2.0	109.58
2024-2025	0.2	109.17
2025-2026	1.3	112.40

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

3 Development of indices of main sectors and utilities

3.1 Indices main sectors

The four major sectors, "Housing", "Transport", "Food and non-alcoholic beverages", and "Recreation and culture", account for 58% of the total weight of the basket of goods and services for which prices are collected monthly. An overview of the development of the sector indices and the CPI from 2013 through September 2026 is presented in Figures 9-1 to 9-12 in Appendix 5.

Changes in the indices for the "Housing" and "Transport" sectors are mainly driven by changes in international crude oil prices and utility prices during the respective months. Developments in crude oil prices, the fuel surcharge, and the prices of electricity, water, gasoline, and diesel are presented in Table 5 and the accompanying Figures 6-1 and 6-2.

Table 5: Prices of utilities, gasoline and diesel for the period:

September 2025 - September 2026

Month	Crude oil per barrel[1]	Total energy charge[2] ≤ 500 kWh	Total energy charge[2] 501-1000 kWh	Electricity[3]	Water[4]	Gasoline[5]	Diesel[5]
Sep-25	63.99	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	228.90	196.40
Oct-25	61.04	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	228.70	200.00
Nov-25	60.00	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	219.20	195.60
Dec-25	58.02	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	221.20	204.10
Jan-26	59.66	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	210.70	188.50
Feb-26	64.55	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	213.60	192.90
Mar-26	90.15	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	223.40	201.40
Apr-26	99.87	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	248.00	246.50
May-26	102.34	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	265.20	257.00
Jun-26	86.00	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	276.50	257.00
Jul-26	79.32	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	265.80	256.60
Aug-26	83.74	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	290.90	286.30
Sep-26	96.84	34.31	35.31	263.67	168.73	291.80	310.00

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

[1] *Average West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil price per barrel in US$ (Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration)*

[2] *Total energy charge in Afl. cents per kWh*

[3] *Electricty price in Afl.*

[4] *Water price in Afl.*

[5] *Gasoline and diesel prices in Afl. cents per liter*

3.2 Electricity

The price of electricity is calculated in Aruban florins (Afl.) based on an average household consumption of 725.5 kWh per month. In September 2026, the electricity price for an average consumption of 725.5 kWh remained unchanged at Afl. 263.67. Figure 6-1 provides an overview of the development of electricity prices from 2017 to September 2026.

In September 2026, the total energy charge for electricity consumption of up to 500 kWh remained unchanged at 34.31 cents per kWh. For consumption ranging from 501 to 1,000 kWh, the charge remained unchanged at 35.31 cents per kWh.

3.3 Water

The price of water is expressed in Aruban florins (Afl.) based on average household consumption. In September 2026, the water price for this level of consumption remained unchanged at Afl. 168.73. Figure 6-1 presents the development of water prices from 2017 to September 2026.

3.4 Gasoline and Diesel

The retail price of gasoline increased by 0.3%, from 290.9 cents per liter in August 2026 to 291.8 cents per liter in September 2026. The retail price of diesel increased by 8.3%, from 286.3 cents per liter in August 2026 to 310.0 cents per liter in September 2026.

Figure 6-1 Electricity price, water price and energy charge in Afl., 2017 - 2026

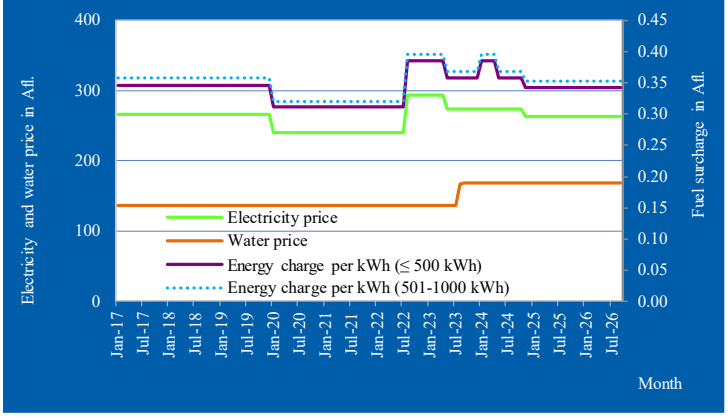
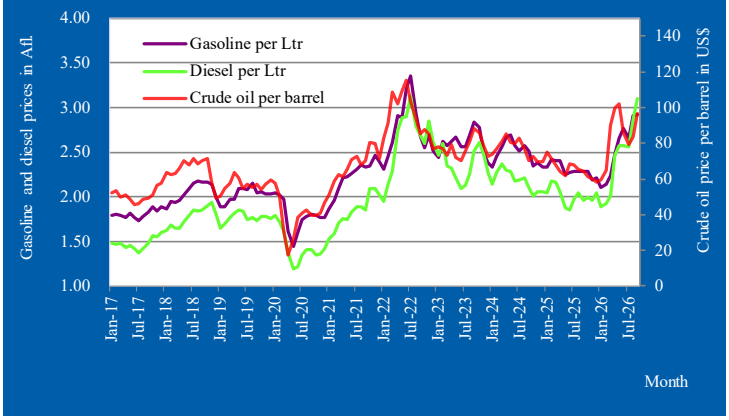


Figure 6-2 Gasoline, diesel and crude oil prices, 2017 - 2026



4 Percentage change CPI of Aruba's major trading partners

4.1 Comparison of the CPI of Aruba and the USA

Table 6 provides an overview of the percentage changes in the CPI (Δ CPI) of Aruba's major trading partners from September 2025 onward. In September 2026, the percentage changes in the CPI of the USA and the Netherlands were 0.6% and 0.1%, respectively. The percentage change in the CPI of Curaçao for September 2026 was not yet available at the time of publication.

Table 6: Monthly Δ CPI per Country for the period:

September 2025 - September 2026

Period	Aruba	USA	Curaçao	Netherlands
Sep-25	0.0	0.3	-0.4	-0.1
Oct-25	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4
Nov-25	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	-0.8
Dec-25	0.4	0.0	-0.4	0.2
Jan-26	-0.3	0.4	0.0	-0.7
Feb-26	0.6	0.5	0.0	1.0
Mar-26	0.7	1.0	0.4	0.7
Apr-26	0.1	0.9	0.6	1.1
May-26	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.1
Jun-26	0.1	-0.3	0.8	-0.6
Jul-26	-0.4	0.0	-0.1	1.6
Aug-26	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.3
Sep-26	0.3	0.6	n.a.	0.1

Source: CBS Aruba, Bureau of Labor Statistics (USA), CBS Curaçao and CBS Netherlands

The USA is considered Aruba's largest trading partner[2]. Table 7 provides an overview of the Δ CPI for Aruba and the USA in September 2026. Aruba's monthly Δ CPI for September 2026 was 0.3 ppts lower than the Δ CPI of the USA.

Table 7: Overview of Δ CPI

September 2026

Period		Aruba	USA
Monthly	Aug-26 vs Sep-26	0.3	0.6
Year-to-date	Dec-25 vs Sep-26	2.7	4.0
Last 12 months [1]	Sep-25 vs Sep-26	3.0	3.7
Last 24 months [2]	Sep 24/25 vs Sep 25/26	1.3	3.2

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

[1] End of period inflation

Aruba's 12-month Δ CPI was 0.7 ppts lower than that of the USA. Aruba's period-average Δ CPI was 2.1 ppts lower than that of the USA. Figure 7 illustrates the monthly Δ CPI for Aruba and the USA from September 2025 to September 2026. Table 8 and Figure 8 present the end-of-year Δ CPI for Aruba and the USA from 2016 to 2025, together with the year-to-date Δ CPI through September 2026.

Table 8: End of year Δ CPI

2016 - 2026*

Period	Aruba	USA
2016	-0.9	2.1
2017	-0.5	2.1
2018	4.5	1.9
2019	3.6	2.3
2020	-3.1	1.4
2021	3.6	7.0
2022	5.7	6.5
2023	2.3	3.4
2024	0.3	2.9
2025	0.4	2.7
2026*	2.7	4.0

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

* ytd

Figure 7: Monthly Δ CPI for Aruba and the USA, 2024 - 2025

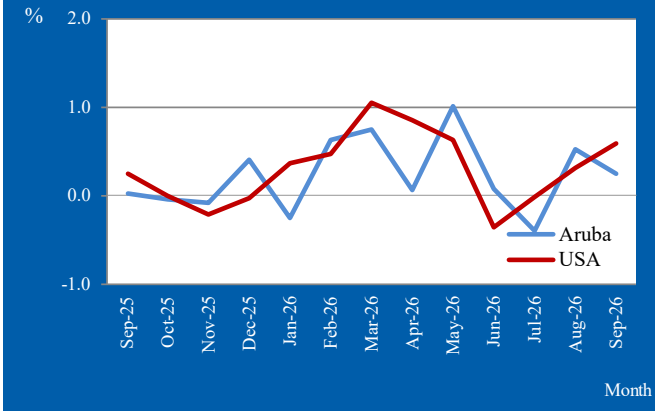
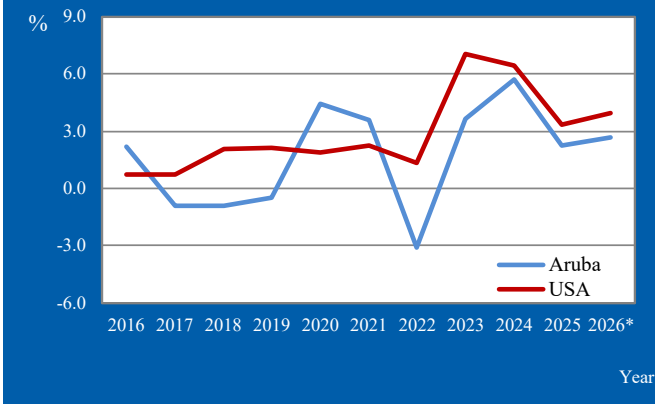


Figure 8: End of year Δ CPI, 2015 - 2025



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[1] In 2024, up to and including December, 49% of Aruba's total imports by sea and air originated from the USA (Source: Foreign Trade Statistics, Month in Review Report, December 2024).

5 Core inflation

5.1 Core inflation

Core inflation is a measure of inflation that excludes items subject to volatile price movements, such as food and energy. By excluding these components from the calculation, core inflation provides a clearer indication of the underlying inflation trend. Core inflation indices are used to assess medium- and long-term movements in the general price level. Central banks, economists, and policymakers closely monitor core inflation because it supports a more detailed assessment of underlying inflationary pressures in the economy.

5.2 Monthly change of the core inflation

In September 2026, the period-average core inflation rate was 1.1%. Over the same period, the food and energy indices increased by 2.3% and 1.6%, respectively.

Table 9: Monthly inflation[1] and core inflation

September 2025 - September 2026

Period	Inflation	Food	Energy[2]	Core Inflation
Sep-25	0.2	0.8	-4.2	1.2
Oct-25	0.2	0.7	-4.0	1.0
Nov-25	0.1	0.5	-3.9	0.9
Dec-25	0.1	0.3	-3.8	1.0
Jan-26	0.1	0.4	-3.9	1.0
Feb-26	0.1	0.5	-4.0	1.0
Mar-26	0.2	0.7	-3.9	1.1
Apr-26	0.2	0.9	-3.4	0.9
May-26	0.4	1.2	-2.3	0.9
Jun-26	0.5	1.5	-1.4	0.8
Jul-26	0.7	1.7	-0.6	0.9
Aug-26	1.0	2.0	0.5	1.0
Sep-26	1.3	2.3	1.6	1.1

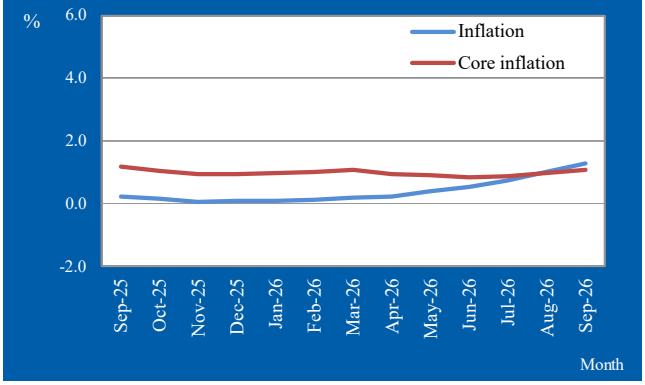
Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

[1] Period average inflation

[2] Energy : Electricity, water, gasoline and diesel

Figure 9 presents the monthly inflation and core inflation rates for Aruba from September 2025 to September 2026.

Figure 9: Monthly inflation and core inflation, 2025 - 2026



5.3 End of year change of the core inflation, 2021 - 2026

As of September 2026, the core inflation rate for the total population of Aruba was 1.1%, 0.1 percentage points (ppts) higher than the rate recorded in December 2025 (1.0%). Table 10 presents the inflation and core inflation rates recorded in December for the years 2021 to 2025, together with the corresponding rates recorded in September 2026.

The end of year inflation and core inflation is presented in figure 10 over the period 2021 - 2026.

Table 10: End of year core inflation

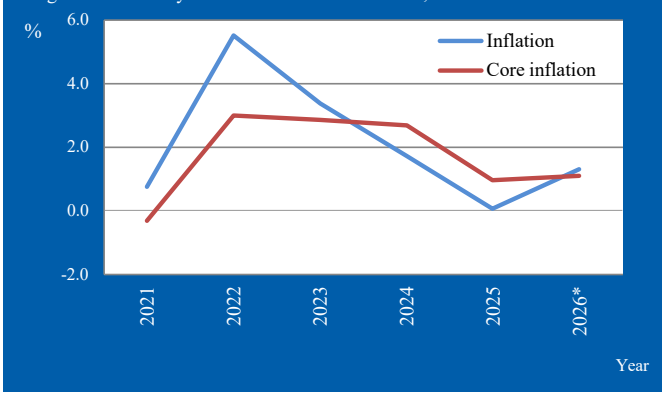
2021 - 2026

Period	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026*
Inflation	0.7	5.5	3.4	1.7	0.1	1.3
Food	-0.3	10.5	6.3	2.3	0.3	2.3
Electricity	0.0	9.5	7.0	-3.0	-3.3	-0.3
Water	0.0	9.6	12.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Gasoline and diesel	25.6	24.8	-6.0	-4.3	-7.7	6.1
Core inflation	-0.3	3.0	2.9	2.7	1.0	1.1

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

*2026 (up to August)

Figure 10: End of year inflation and core inflation, 2021 - 2026



6 Development of Food & catering services

6.1 Monthly change of Food & catering services for September 2026

The "Food & catering services" index increased by 0.2% in September 2026, following a 0.3% increase in August 2026. The "Food at home" index also rose by 0.2% in September, with eight (8) of its eleven (11) sub-indices recording increases. The largest increase was recorded in the "Fish and other seafood" index (2.0%). Other notable increases were recorded in the indices for "Meat" (0.9%), "Oils and fats" (0.9%), and "Fruit" (0.8%).
The "Potatoes and other tubers" index recorded the largest decrease, declining by 15.2% in September 2026.

The "Food away from home" index increased by 0.2% in September 2026.

Table 11 provides an overview of the corresponding weights by food group, together with the percentage changes and contributions to the "Food at home" index for September 2026.

Table 11: Percentage change of Food for the month of:

September 2026

		Monthly		Yearly	
Food	**Weight**	**% Change**	**Effect**	**% Change**	**Effect**
Food & catering services	**1,492.8**	**0.2**	**0.030**	**3.3**	**0.555**
Food at home	**1,125.3**	**0.2**	**0.019**	**3.5**	**0.416**
Bread and cereals	205.2	0.2	0.004	1.9	0.038
Meat	229.8	0.9	0.025	5.4	0.144
Fish and other seafood	56.4	2.0	0.009	-0.6	-0.003
Milk, cheese and eggs	140.0	-0.6	-0.010	-1.6	-0.026
Oils and fats	31.6	0.9	0.003	3.3	0.012
Fruit	72.0	0.8	0.008	8.5	0.081
Potatoes and other tubers	18.5	-15.2	-0.025	1.8	0.003
Vegetables	75.7	0.3	0.002	4.3	0.032
Sugar, jam, honey and other confectior	49.6	0.3	0.001	7.0	0.036
Food products n.e.c.	82.7	-0.3	-0.002	3.9	0.035
Non-alcoholic beverages	163.9	0.2	0.003	4.4	0.064
Food away from home	**367.5**	**0.2**	**0.011**	**2.8**	**0.139**
Other goods and services	**8,507.2**	**0.3**	**0.222**	**2.9**	**2.408**
Other goods	5,147.2	0.3	0.136	4.3	1.979
Other services	3,360.0	0.2	0.087	1.2	0.429
CPI	**10,000.0**	**0.3**	**0.252**	**3.0**	**2.963**

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

In September 2026, the combined indices of "Food at home" and "Food away from home" increased by 0.2% compared with August 2026 and contributed 0.03 ppts to the CPI. Meanwhile, the remaining goods and services increased by 0.3% and contributed 0.22 ppts to the CPI.

An overview of the percentage changes and contributions to the CPI for "Food at home" and "Food away from home" in September 2026 is presented in Table 12.

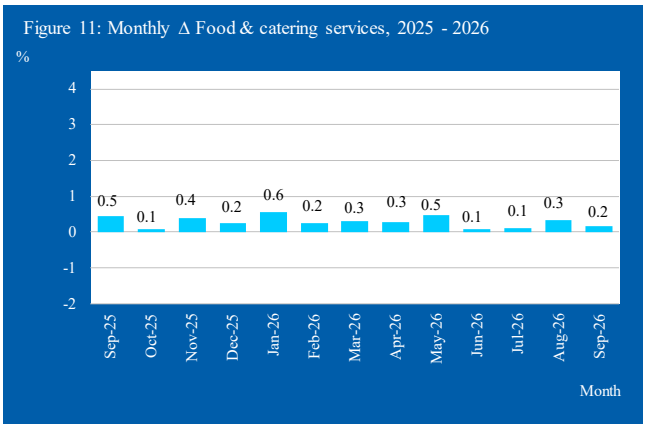
Table 12: Effect of "Food at home" and "Food away from home" on the CPI of:

September 2026

		Monthly		Yearly	
Category	**Weight**	**% Change**	**Effect**	**% Change**	**Effect**
Food at home	1,087.7	0.2	0.02	3.5	0.42
Food away from home	429.8	0.2	0.01	2.8	0.14
Total group	1,517.5	0.2	0.03	3.3	0.56
Remaining goods and services	8,482.5	0.3	0.22	2.9	2.41
CPI	10,000.0	0.3	0.25	3.0	2.96

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Figure 11 presents the monthly percentage changes in the "Food & catering services" index over the one-year period from September 2025 to September 2026.



6.2 End of Period change of Food & catering services for September 2026

Over the last 12 months, the "Food & catering services" index increased by 3.3%. The "Food at home" index increased by 3.5%, with nine (9) of its eleven (11) food groups recording price increases during this period.

The "Fruit" index increased by 8.5%, representing the largest increase among the "Food at home" food groups. Other notable increases were recorded in the indices for "Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery" (7.0%), "Meat" (5.4%), "Non-alcoholic beverages" (4.4%), "Vegetables" (4.3%), and "Food products n.e.c." (3.9%). The "Milk, cheese and eggs" index recorded the largest decrease during this period, declining by 1.6%.

Over the last 12 months, the "Food away from home" index increased by 2.8%.

Over the last 12 months, the combined indices of "Food at home" and "Food away from home" increased by 3.3% and contributed 0.56 ppts to the CPI. The remaining goods and services increased by 2.9% and contributed 2.41 ppts to the CPI.

Table 18 provides an overview of the monthly and end-of-period percentage changes by food group, together with their contributions to the CPI in September 2026.

7 Subsistence level

7.1 Subsistence level

The subsistence level is the minimum level of income which is perceived necessary to achieve an adequate standard of living in a given country. The subsistence level is usually determined by estimating the cost of all the essential resources that an average adult consumes in one month or year. This is commonly called a basic needs index, and varies according to the price of food, clothing, housing, transport and other items in the "basket". Equivalence scales are used to adjust for the assumed standard of living, of households of different sizes and composition. The scale assigns a weight of 1.0 for the first adult and 0.5 for each additional adult in the household (aged 15+) and a weight of 0.3 for each child (aged 0-14 years). The subsistence level is based on figures of the report "Bestaansminimum 2010" published by the CBS in December 2010 and is monthly updated for inflation using the monthly CPI. Unlike the CPI, which covers 12 consumption sectors, the subsistence level excludes expenditure on "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco" and "Restaurants and hotels", as these are not considered essential components of the basic needs basket. The reference unit used in this report is one of a household consisting of two adults and two children (aged 0-14 years).

7.2 Monthly change of the subsistence level for September 2026

Table 13 provides an overview, by sector, of the subsistence level for a household consisting of two adults and two children (aged 0–14 years) in September of each year from 2022 to 2026. Over the last 12 months, the subsistence level increased by Afl. 148, from Afl. 5,521 in September 2025 to Afl. 5,669 in September 2026. The largest increase was recorded in the "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" sector (Afl. 81). The largest decrease was recorded in the "Clothing and footwear" sector (Afl. 5).

Table 13: Monthly subsistence level in Aruba (in Afl.) by sector for a family of 2 adults and 2 children (aged 0-14 years), 2022 - 2026, for the month:

September

Sector	Sep-22	Sep-23	Sep-24	Sep-25	Sep-26	Change in Afl. Sep-25 - Sep-26
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2,159	2,255	2,311	2,323	2,404	81
Clothing and footwear	264	234	248	235	230	-5
Housing	1,623	1,645	1,656	1,665	1,675	10
Household operation	112	116	117	111	108	-3
Health	82	83	85	84	89	5
Transport	347	340	332	327	363	36
Communications	150	160	171	175	180	5
Recreation and culture	163	154	155	150	152	2
Education	78	97	97	99	99	0
Miscellaneous goods and services	332	343	354	352	368	16
Total	**5,309**	**5,428**	**5,526**	**5,521**	**5,669**	**148**

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

An overview of the subsistence levels for the most common household types from September 2025 to September 2026 is presented in Table 14.

Table 14: Subsistence level in Aruba (in Afl.) by family size and composition, (Base period October 2010) for the period:

September 2025 - September 2026

	Equivalence scales				
	1	1.3	1.5	1.8	2.1
Period	1 adult	1 adult + 1 child	2 adults	2 adults + 1 child	2 adults + 2 children
Sep-25	2,629	3,418	3,944	4,732	5,521
Oct-25	2,630	3,419	3,945	4,734	5,523
Nov-25	2,628	3,417	3,942	4,731	5,519
Dec-25	2,636	3,427	3,955	4,746	5,537
Jan-26	2,633	3,423	3,949	4,739	5,529
Feb-26	2,643	3,436	3,965	4,758	5,551
Mar-26	2,668	3,468	4,002	4,802	5,602
Apr-26	2,661	3,459	3,991	4,790	5,588
May-26	2,686	3,492	4,029	4,835	5,641
Jun-26	2,685	3,491	4,028	4,834	5,639
Jul-26	2,683	3,488	4,024	4,829	5,634
Aug-26	2,697	3,505	4,045	4,854	5,663
Sep-26	2,700	3,509	4,049	4,859	5,669

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

7.3 Comparison of the subsistence level and minimum wage

In September 2026, the subsistence level for a single-adult household was Afl. 2,700, resulting in an income deficit of Afl. 693. This deficit was Afl. 50 higher than the deficit recorded in September 2025 (Afl. 643) and was the second-highest September deficit recorded over the past six years.
For clarification, two columns were added to Table 15: (1) the income supplement ("reparatietoeslag"), which provides additional support to eligible workers; and (2) the estimated income deficit, which is reduced by this supplement, thereby improving the financial position of minimum-wage earners. The current approach will be maintained to ensure consistency and comparability.

Tabel 15: Monthly income surplus/deficit (in Afl.) for a single adult household, 2021 - 2026, for the month:

September

Period	1 adult	Minimum wage	Surplus/ deficit	(1) Income supplement	(2) Surplus/ deficit
2021	2,304	1,815	-489	125	-364
2022	2,528	1,815	-713	125	-588
2023	2,585	1,893	-692	125	-567
2024	2,631	1,986	-645	175	-470
2025	2,629	1,986	-643	175	-468
2026	2,700	2,007	-693	175	-518

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 16: Monthly & Yearly Changes (%) in the Consumer Price Index, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

September 2026

DESCRIPTION	Weight coefficient	2025 Sep	2025 Dec	2026 Aug	2026 Sep	Sep-25 Average 12 months	Sep-26 Average 12 months	Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	Ytd Dec 25 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months	Period average Sep 24/25 - Sep 25/26 24 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	**1,087.7**	**118.95**	**119.88**	**122.92**	**123.12**	**118.30**	**121.32**	**0.2**	**2.7**	**3.5**	**2.6**
Food	964.1	117.81	118.70	121.60	121.79	117.34	120.03	0.2	2.6	3.4	2.3
Non-alcoholic beverages	123.6	127.80	129.08	133.24	133.48	125.77	131.36	0.2	3.4	4.4	4.4
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	**78.2**	**111.05**	**111.71**	**112.28**	**112.48**	**110.91**	**112.09**	**0.2**	**0.7**	**1.3**	**1.1**
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	62.2	108.08	108.87	108.96	109.15	108.28	108.93	0.2	0.3	1.0	0.6
Tobacco	16.0	122.57	122.70	125.17	125.43	121.13	124.36	0.2	2.2	2.3	2.7
Clothing and footwear	**276.8**	**86.10**	**84.24**	**85.39**	**84.41**	**88.27**	**84.03**	**-1.1**	**0.2**	**-2.0**	**-4.8**
Clothing	212.8	87.88	85.87	88.55	88.49	90.18	87.12	-0.1	3.1	0.7	-3.4
Footwear	64.0	80.19	78.82	74.88	70.85	81.93	73.75	-5.4	-10.1	-11.6	-10.0
Housing	**2,522.2**	**112.74**	**112.64**	**113.54**	**113.42**	**111.92**	**113.02**	**-0.1**	**0.7**	**0.6**	**1.0**
Actual rentals for housing	666.7	109.74	110.15	111.25	111.39	109.00	110.63	0.1	1.1	1.5	1.5
Imputed rentals for housing	34.4	94.59	94.59	95.53	95.65	94.59	94.97	0.1	1.1	1.1	0.4
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	517.0	126.30	125.29	128.21	127.46	123.82	126.51	-0.6	1.7	0.9	2.2
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	463.6	122.92	122.92	122.92	122.92	122.65	122.92	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Electricity, gas and other fuels	840.4	101.89	101.89	101.89	101.89	101.70	101.89	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Household operation	**929.2**	**99.27**	**98.89**	**95.91**	**96.98**	**102.77**	**98.32**	**1.1**	**-1.9**	**-2.3**	**-4.3**
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	128.8	69.60	76.51	68.12	64.38	80.32	69.86	-5.5	-15.9	-7.5	-13.0
Household textiles	58.6	48.66	47.38	45.73	45.94	55.86	46.25	0.5	-3.0	-5.6	-17.2
Household appliances	246.0	91.01	91.25	76.07	83.57	98.63	87.31	9.9	-8.4	-8.2	-11.5
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	17.2	52.77	51.59	46.67	46.48	57.32	51.57	-0.4	-9.9	-11.9	-10.0
Tools and equipment for house and garden	58.2	157.40	136.55	170.37	163.02	150.62	157.82	-4.3	19.4	3.6	4.8
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	420.5	114.10	114.11	114.74	114.86	113.84	114.43	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.5
Health	**223.1**	**102.47**	**100.06**	**104.02**	**108.63**	**104.47**	**103.50**	**4.4**	**8.6**	**6.0**	**-0.9**
Medical products, appliances and equipment	152.3	101.08	97.81	102.20	108.07	103.15	101.78	5.7	10.5	6.9	-1.3
Out-patient services	52.4	104.76	105.06	108.53	110.57	108.03	107.48	1.9	5.2	5.6	-0.5
Other treatments	7.8	97.21	97.08	98.48	100.77	99.96	98.53	2.3	3.8	3.7	-1.4
Health products and services n.e.c.	10.5	115.19	109.80	112.03	112.80	109.12	112.35	0.7	2.7	-2.1	3.0
Transport	**1,257.4**	**112.40**	**111.87**	**124.37**	**124.82**	**111.98**	**116.04**	**0.4**	**11.6**	**11.1**	**3.6**
Purchase of vehicles	442.6	110.55	110.53	113.19	111.89	110.21	111.12	-1.2	1.2	1.2	0.8
Operation of personal transport equipment	763.3	114.08	112.62	132.52	133.74	114.46	119.61	0.9	18.7	17.2	4.5
Transport services	51.5	103.45	112.26	99.69	103.87	90.26	105.33	4.2	-7.5	0.4	16.7
Communications	**849.6**	**114.65**	**114.41**	**117.48**	**117.91**	**113.48**	**116.88**	**0.4**	**3.1**	**2.9**	**3.0**
Telephone and telefax equipment	43.8	138.89	134.25	193.89	202.27	116.44	182.13	4.3	50.7	45.6	56.4
Telephone and telefax services	805.8	113.33	113.33	113.33	113.33	113.32	113.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Recreation and culture	**1,013.3**	**89.68**	**91.66**	**91.43**	**90.83**	**92.86**	**92.12**	**-0.7**	**-0.9**	**1.3**	**-0.8**
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	58.5	64.79	56.63	63.65	60.09	69.07	62.13	-5.6	6.1	-7.3	-10.1
Other major durables for recreation and culture	20.0	95.23	99.95	110.84	107.87	109.19	109.41	-2.7	7.9	13.3	0.2
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	266.6	105.31	110.36	108.90	108.48	107.84	108.45	-0.4	-1.7	3.0	0.6
Recreational and cultural services	309.1	106.40	106.21	106.36	106.38	104.85	106.39	0.0	0.2	0.0	1.5
Newspapers, books and stationery	43.7	81.29	83.94	101.14	92.49	79.13	81.13	-8.6	10.2	13.8	2.5
Holidays	315.4	65.52	68.66	64.63	65.06	73.72	70.32	0.7	-5.2	-0.7	-4.6
Education	**98.0**	**134.11**	**134.11**	**134.11**	**134.11**	**131.95**	**134.11**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**0.0**	**1.6**
Pre primary and primary education	24.0	154.62	154.62	154.62	154.62	145.80	154.62	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.1
Secondary education	43.4	145.73	145.73	145.73	145.73	145.73	145.73	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tertiary education	23.6	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education not definable by level	2.5	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	**442.0**	**129.05**	**130.65**	**132.40**	**133.38**	**124.93**	**131.81**	**0.7**	**2.1**	**3.4**	**5.5**
Catering services	429.8	127.71	128.43	130.97	131.25	125.19	129.72	0.2	2.2	2.8	3.6
Accommodation services	12.2	176.08	208.78	182.62	208.36	115.63	205.42	14.1	-0.2	18.3	77.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	**1,222.6**	**106.78**	**108.22**	**111.14**	**111.45**	**106.55**	**109.05**	**0.3**	**3.0**	**4.4**	**2.3**
Personal care	427.1	105.39	107.31	111.89	112.10	105.27	109.22	0.2	4.5	6.4	3.8
Personal effects n.e.c.	106.6	129.08	137.86	151.67	154.32	126.89	139.30	1.8	11.9	19.6	9.8
Social protection	78.2	133.33	133.33	133.33	133.33	133.33	133.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Insurance	610.7	100.46	100.46	100.70	100.70	100.46	100.54	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1
CPI	**10,000.0**	**109.17**	**109.47**	**112.12**	**112.40**	**109.26**	**110.68**	**0.3**	**2.7**	**3.0**	**1.3**

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 17: Monthly & Yearly Effect on the Consumer Price Index per sector and category (Jun 2019 = 100)

September 2026

DESCRIPTION	Weight coefficient	Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	Ytd Dec 25 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months	Period average Sep 24/25 - Sep 25/26 24 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	**1,087.7**	**0.02**	**0.32**	**0.42**	**0.30**
Food	964.1	0.02	0.27	0.35	0.24
Non-alcoholic beverages	123.6	0.00	0.05	0.06	0.06
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	**78.2**	**0.00**	**0.01**	**0.01**	**0.01**
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	62.2	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Tobacco	16.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clothing and footwear	**276.8**	**-0.02**	**0.00**	**-0.04**	**-0.11**
Clothing	212.8	0.00	0.05	0.01	-0.06
Footwear	64.0	-0.02	-0.05	-0.05	-0.05
Housing	**2,522.2**	**-0.03**	**0.18**	**0.16**	**0.25**
Actual rentals for housing	666.7	0.01	0.08	0.10	0.10
Imputed rentals for housing	34.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	517.0	-0.03	0.10	0.05	0.13
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	463.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Electricity, gas and other fuels	840.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Household operation	**929.2**	**0.09**	**-0.16**	**-0.19**	**-0.38**
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	128.8	-0.04	-0.14	-0.06	-0.12
Household textiles	58.6	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.05
Household appliances	246.0	0.16	-0.17	-0.17	-0.26
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	17.2	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Tools and equipment for house and garden	58.2	-0.04	0.14	0.03	0.04
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	420.5	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.02
Health	**223.1**	**0.09**	**0.17**	**0.13**	**-0.02**
Medical products, appliances and equipment	152.3	0.08	0.14	0.10	-0.02
Out-patient services	52.4	0.01	0.03	0.03	0.00
Other treatments	7.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Health products and services n.e.c.	10.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport	**1,257.4**	**0.05**	**1.49**	**1.43**	**0.47**
Purchase of vehicles	442.6	-0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04
Operation of personal transport equipment	763.3	0.08	1.47	1.37	0.36
Transport services	51.5	0.02	-0.04	0.00	0.07
Communications	**849.6**	**0.03**	**0.27**	**0.25**	**0.26**
Telephone and telefax equipment	43.8	0.03	0.27	0.25	0.26
Telephone and telefax services	805.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Recreation and culture	**1,013.3**	**-0.05**	**-0.08**	**0.11**	**-0.07**
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	58.5	-0.02	0.02	-0.03	-0.04
Other major durables for recreation and culture	20.0	-0.01	0.01	0.02	0.00
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	266.6	-0.01	-0.05	0.08	0.01
Recreational and cultural services	309.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Newspapers, books and stationery	43.7	-0.03	0.03	0.04	0.01
Holidays	315.4	0.01	-0.10	-0.01	-0.10
Education	**98.0**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.02**
Pre primary and primary education	24.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
Secondary education	43.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tertiary education	23.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education not definable by level	2.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restaurants and hotels	**442.0**	**0.04**	**0.11**	**0.18**	**0.28**
Catering services	429.8	0.01	0.11	0.14	0.18
Accommodation services	12.2	0.03	0.00	0.04	0.10
Miscellaneous goods and services	**1,222.6**	**0.03**	**0.36**	**0.52**	**0.28**
Personal care	427.1	0.01	0.19	0.26	0.15
Personal effects n.e.c.	106.6	0.03	0.16	0.25	0.12
Social protection	78.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance	610.7	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00
CPI	**10,000.0**	**0.25**	**2.68**	**2.96**	**1.30**

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 18: Monthly & Yearly Changes (%) and effect in the Food & catering services, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)
September 2026

DESCRIPTION	Weight coefficient	% Change		Effect	
		Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months	Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months
Food & catering services	**1,517.5**	**0.2**	**3.3**	**0.030**	**0.555**
Food at home	**1,087.7**	**0.2**	**3.5**	**0.019**	**0.416**
Bread and cereals	**178.1**	**0.2**	**1.9**	**0.004**	**0.038**
Rice	23.5	-1.3	0.2	-0.004	0.000
Bread	72.1	0.4	3.1	0.003	0.025
Pasta products	9.2	0.1	1.9	0.000	0.002
Other cereals and cereal products	73.3	0.7	1.4	0.005	0.011
Meat	**242.5**	**0.9**	**5.4**	**0.025**	**0.144**
Bovine	67.3	1.3	11.9	0.011	0.090
Swine	25.5	1.5	5.5	0.004	0.015
Poultry	75.7	2.0	0.7	0.016	0.006
Other meat and meat preparations	74.0	-0.7	4.0	-0.006	0.032
Fish and other seafood	**49.0**	**2.0**	**-0.6**	**0.009**	**-0.003**
Fish and seafood preparations	49.0	2.0	-0.6	0.009	-0.003
Milk, cheese and eggs	**135.3**	**-0.6**	**-1.6**	**-0.010**	**-0.026**
Cheese	55.4	-0.7	2.4	-0.005	0.015
Eggs	16.6	-0.8	-24.0	-0.001	-0.060
Milk	40.0	-0.5	2.0	-0.002	0.010
Other milk products	23.3	-0.5	3.8	-0.001	0.009
Oils and fats	**32.2**	**0.9**	**3.3**	**0.003**	**0.012**
Corn oil	2.8	0.4	-0.4	0.000	0.000
Butter and margarine	9.2	2.4	3.6	0.002	0.003
Other oils and fats	20.1	0.4	3.7	0.001	0.009
Fruit	**97.6**	**0.8**	**8.5**	**0.008**	**0.081**
Oranges	9.4	3.5	8.9	0.005	0.013
Bananas and plantains	19.9	2.3	5.8	0.004	0.009
Apples	9.3	6.8	21.6	0.007	0.020
Avocado	5.0	-1.3	1.1	-0.001	0.000
Grapes	9.2	-0.2	11.4	0.000	0.012
Nuts	11.9	-0.4	2.0	0.000	0.002
Lemons and mandarins	6.0	-4.4	10.5	-0.002	0.004
Cherries and strawberries	8.8	1.1	15.4	0.001	0.017
Melons and watermelons	7.7	-3.6	8.7	-0.002	0.005
Papayas and pineapples	6.9	0.5	-2.6	0.000	-0.001
Other fruits and fruit products	3.5	-7.9	-0.9	-0.003	0.000
Potatoes and other tubers	**18.2**	**-15.2**	**1.8**	**-0.025**	**0.003**
Potatoes	12.2	-25.7	3.7	-0.025	0.003
Other tubers	2.0	1.7	6.7	0.000	0.002
Sweet potatoes and yucca	4.0	-2.4	-4.2	-0.001	-0.002
Vegetables	**89.1**	**0.3**	**4.3**	**0.002**	**0.032**
Lettuce	6.8	13.7	-6.4	0.002	-0.001
Tomatoes	9.7	2.4	4.3	0.002	0.004
Onions and garlic	18.7	-2.8	7.1	-0.005	0.011
Celery and broccoli	15.3	-2.2	3.9	-0.003	0.005
Other vegetables	15.3	3.3	3.1	0.004	0.004
Other preserved or processed vegetables	8.4	0.1	5.1	0.000	0.005
Frozen vegetable mixtures	14.8	0.5	3.6	0.001	0.006
Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery	**42.0**	**0.3**	**7.0**	**0.001**	**0.036**
Sugar	12.1	0.0	5.3	0.000	0.009
Jams and jellies	2.5	-1.0	-0.9	0.000	0.000
Other confectionery products	27.5	0.5	8.4	0.002	0.027
Food products n.e.c.	**80.1**	**-0.3**	**3.9**	**-0.002**	**0.035**
Other food products	80.1	-0.3	3.9	-0.002	0.035
Non-alcoholic beverages	**123.6**	**0.2**	**4.4**	**0.003**	**0.064**
Coffee and tea	20.9	1.7	6.1	0.005	0.016
Other non-alcoholic beverages	14.6	-0.1	1.1	0.000	0.002
Soft and sports drinks	31.0	-0.3	4.1	-0.001	0.014
Fruit juices	57.1	-0.1	4.7	-0.001	0.033
Food away from home	**429.8**	**0.2**	**2.8**	**0.011**	**0.139**
Food and beverage consumption away from home	429.8	0.2	2.8	0.011	0.139
Other goods and services	**8,482.5**	**0.3**	**2.9**	**0.222**	**2.408**
Other goods	4,735.8	0.3	4.3	0.136	1.979
Other services	3,746.7	0.2	1.2	0.087	0.429
CPI	**10,000**	**0.3**	**3.0**	**0.252**	**2.963**

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Note: "Food at Home" refers to the sector "Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages", while "Food Away from Home" refers to the category "Catering Services". These terms are used to simplify the presentation of the results.

Table 19: CPI: Main indices, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

September 2026

DESCRIPTION	Weight coefficient	2025 Sep	2025 Dec	2026 Aug	2026 Sep	Sep-25 Average 12 months	Sep-26 Average 12 months	Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	Ytd Dec 25 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months	Period average Sep 24/25 - Sep 25/26 24 months
CPI for "All items"	**10,000.0**	**109.17**	**109.47**	**112.12**	**112.40**	**109.26**	**110.68**	**0.3**	**2.7**	**3.0**	**1.3**
CPI for "Goods"	5,823.4	108.39	108.06	112.58	112.88	108.81	109.97	0.3	4.5	4.1	1.1
CPI for "Durable goods"	1,294.8	109.59	109.38	112.13	113.22	110.88	111.62	1.0	3.5	3.3	0.7
CPI for "Semi-durable goods"	635.9	82.89	81.78	82.62	81.84	85.63	81.48	-0.9	0.1	-1.3	-4.8
CPI for "Non-durable goods"	3,892.8	112.16	111.91	117.63	117.84	111.91	114.08	0.2	5.3	5.1	1.9
CPI for "Services"	4,176.6	110.25	111.43	111.47	111.74	109.88	111.65	0.2	0.3	1.3	1.6
CPI for "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	460.6	109.11	105.95	139.97	141.21	111.34	118.15	0.9	33.3	29.4	6.1
CPI for "Energy"	1,638.1	107.38	106.49	116.05	116.40	108.17	109.92	0.3	9.3	8.4	1.6
CPI for "Food at home"	1,087.7	118.95	119.88	122.92	123.12	118.30	121.32	0.2	2.7	3.5	2.6
CPI excluding "Food and non-alcoholic beverages"	8,912.3	107.97	108.20	110.80	111.09	108.15	109.38	0.3	2.7	2.9	1.1
CPI excluding "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	9,539.4	109.17	109.64	110.77	111.01	109.16	110.32	0.2	1.3	1.7	1.1
CPI excluding "Food and non-alcoholic beverages", "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	8,451.7	107.91	108.32	109.21	109.45	107.98	108.90	0.2	1.0	1.4	0.9
CPI excluding "Rentals actually paid by tenants or subtenants"	9,333.3	109.13	109.42	112.18	112.47	109.28	110.68	0.3	2.8	3.1	1.3
CPI excluding "Housing"	7,477.8	107.96	108.40	111.64	112.06	108.36	109.89	0.4	3.4	3.8	1.4
CPI excluding "Gasoline", "Diesel", "Water" and "Electricity"	8,361.9	109.52	110.05	111.35	111.62	109.47	110.82	0.2	1.4	1.9	1.2

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 20: CPI: Effect on main indices, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

September 2026

DESCRIPTION	Weight coefficient	Monthly Aug 26 - Sep 26	Ytd Dec 25 - Sep 26	End of period Sep 25 - Sep 26 12 months	Period average Sep 24/25 - Sep 25/26 24 months
CPI for "All items"	**10,000.0**	**0.25**	**2.68**	**2.96**	**1.30**
CPI for "Goods"	5,823.4	0.16	2.57	2.40	0.62
CPI for "Durable goods"	1,294.8	0.13	0.45	0.43	0.09
CPI for "Semi-durable goods"	635.9	-0.04	0.00	-0.06	-0.24
CPI for "Non-durable goods"	3,892.8	0.07	2.11	2.03	0.78
CPI for "Services"	4,176.6	0.10	0.12	0.57	0.68
CPI for "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	460.6	0.05	1.48	1.36	0.29
CPI for "Energy"	1,638.1	0.05	1.48	1.36	0.26
CPI for "Food at home"	1,087.7	0.02	0.27	0.35	0.24
CPI excluding "Food and non-alcoholic beverages"	8,912.3	0.23	2.36	2.55	1.00
CPI excluding "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	9,539.4	0.20	1.20	1.61	1.01
CPI excluding "Food and non-alcoholic beverages", "Gasoline" and "Diesel"	8,451.7	0.18	0.87	1.19	0.71
CPI excluding "Rentals actually paid by tenants or subtenants"	9,333.3	0.24	2.60	2.86	1.20
CPI excluding "Housing"	7,477.8	0.28	2.50	2.80	1.05
CPI excluding "Gasoline", "Diesel", "Water" and "Electricity"	8,361.9	0.20	1.20	1.61	1.04

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

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Figure 9-1: Food and non-alcoholic beverages

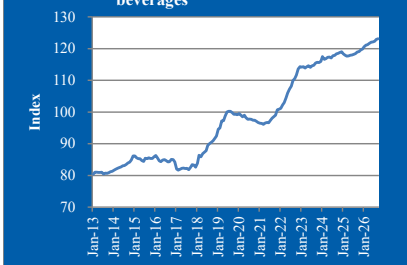


Figure 9-2: Alcoholic beverages and tobacco

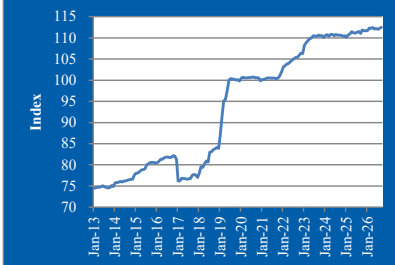


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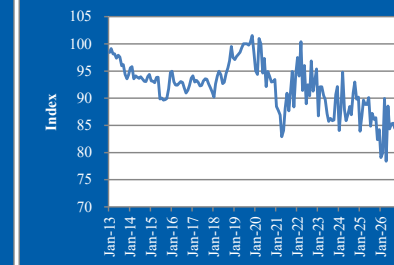


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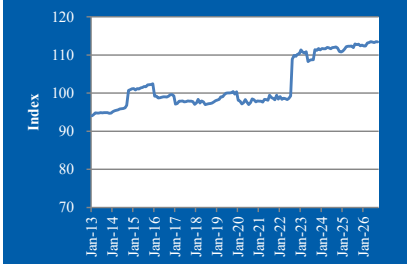


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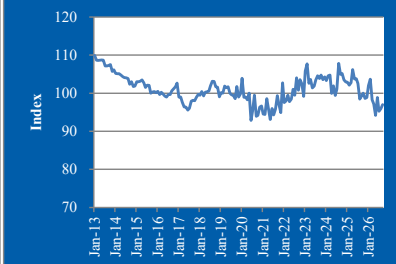


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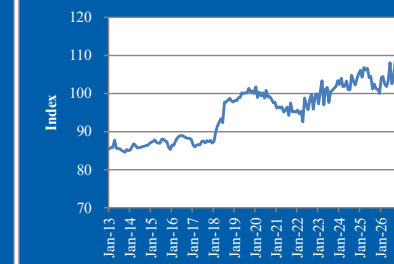


Figure 9.7 : Transport



Figure 9.8 : Communications

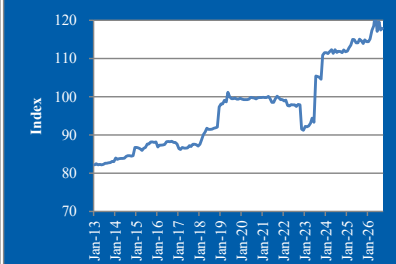


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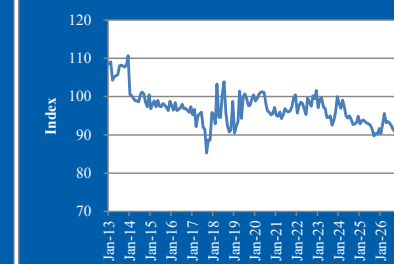


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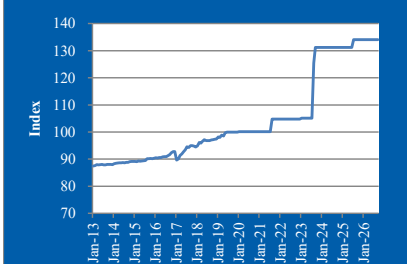
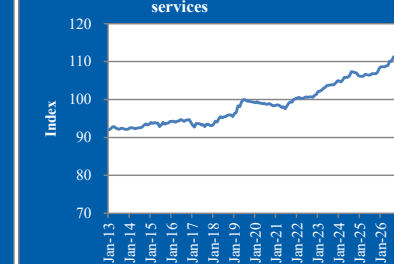


Figure 9.11 : Restaurants and hotels



Figure 9.12 : Miscellaneous goods and services



Glossary

The Consumer Price Index and Inflation
The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures changes in prices of consumer goods and services by households. Consumer price indices can be intended to measure either the rate of price inflation or deflation as perceived by households or changes in their cost of living. In case of inflation, the percentage change is positive, and it indicates a decrease in the purchasing power of the consumers.

Monthly percentage change
Percentage change in price indices of any aggregates of the CPI in relation to the respective price indices of the previous month.

Year-to-date (ytd)
Percentage change in price indices of any aggregates of the CPI in relation to the respective price indices of December prior to the year under review.

End of period inflation (last 12 months)
Percentage change in price indices of any aggregates of the CPI in relation to the respective price indices of the same month of the previous year.

Period average inflation (last 24 months)
Period average inflation is the percentage change between the annual average CPI for the reference period and the annual average CPI for the same period in the previous year. The annual average CPI is calculated as the arithmetic mean of the monthly CPI indices over the period.

Effect
Contribution of all percentage changes (of all respective aggregates) to the CPI.

Core inflation
Core inflation measures underlying inflation by excluding food and energy prices, which are often subject to temporary and volatile price changes. As a result, it provides a more stable and reliable indication of inflation trends and underlying supply and demand conditions in the economy.

Food & catering services
The “Food & catering services” index is composed of the indices for the “Food & Non-alcoholic beverages” sector (“Food at home”) and the “Catering services” (“Food away from home”) category.

Subsistence level
Subsistence level refers to the minimum income required to maintain an adequate standard of living in a given country. It is estimated based on the cost of a basket of essential goods and services, including food, clothing, housing, and transportation. The subsistence level is updated monthly using changes in the CPI to account for inflation. Unlike the CPI, which covers 12 consumption sectors, the subsistence level excludes expenditure on “Alcoholic beverages and tobacco” and “Restaurants and hotels”, as these are not considered essential components of the basic needs basket.

Reparatietoeslag
The “***reparatietoeslag”*** is a monthly government allowance provided to eligible low-income individuals in Aruba to help compensate for increases in the cost of living and to support their purchasing power. The amount received depends on the individual's income level and eligibility criteria.