

# Quarterly Inflation Outlook Western Asia Region

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Inflation Rate	<b>Q</b> <sub>1/13/</sub> <b>Q</b> <sub>4/12</sub>	Q2/13/ Q1/13	Q <sub>3/13</sub> /Q <sub>2/13</sub>	Q4/13/ Q3/13			
Bahrain	1.33%	0.68%	1.07%	0.67%	0.61%		
Egypt	3.64%	3.28%	2.57%	2.69%	1.90%		
Iraq	0.45%	0.45%	-0.23%	1.90%	0.90%		
Jordan	1.36%	0.00%	1.13%	1.13%	0.89%		
Kuwait	0.52%	0.57%	0.49%	0.82%	1.00%		
Lebanon	1.99%	-1.42%	-1.33%	1.44%	1.24%		
Oman	0.05%	-1.12%	1.16%	0.07%	-0.10%		
Palestine	0.45%	-0.40%	0.93%	1.01%	0.64%		
Qatar	1.02%	0.53%	0.41%	0.79%	0.81%		
KSA	0.78%	0.64%	0.74%	0.81%	0.55%		
Sudan	8.09%	4.28%	8.68%	15.60%	5.19%		
Syria	16.70%	20.75%	35.48%	6.80%	-1.28%*		
UAE	0.07%	0.28%	0.61%	0.41%	0.38%		
Yemen	2.77%	1.82%	1.69%	1.77%	1.77%		

\*Only for January and February 2014



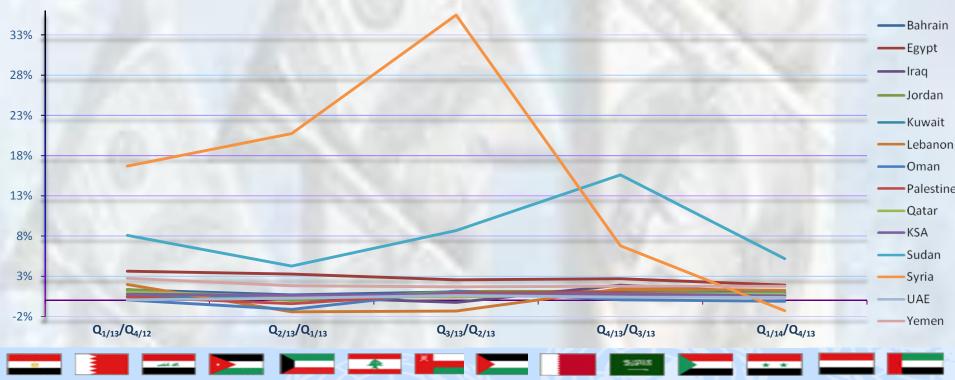
Sudan's quarterly inflation rate decreased almost three folds in the first quarter of 2014, reaching 5.2%, mostly attributed to a steep decrease in "Food and Beverages" which decreased from 8.1% in the last quarter of 2013 to 1.6% in the first quarter of 2014.



After experiencing high inflation rates, skyrocketing to 35% in the third quarter of 2013, Syria recorded an average deflation rate of 1.28% in the first 2 month of 2014.



Egypt's quarterly inflation rate has been steadily decreasing over the last year, smoothly falling from 3.6% in the first quarter of 2013 reaching a quarterly average of 1.9% in the first quarter of 2014.



# Quarterly Inflation Rate by Group - Q1 2014

Quarterly Inflation Rate by Group	Bahrain	Egypt	Iraq	Jordan	Kuwait	Lebanon	Oman	Palestine	Qatar	KSA	Sudan	Syria*	UAE	Yemen
1. Food & Beverages	2.95%	3.19%	1.63%	1.01%	1.16%	4.38%	0.03%	0.30%	-0.46%	0.17%	1.61%	-1.41%	-0.85%	1.12%
2. Clothing & Footwear	0.24%	-1.16%	1.72%	0.98%	0.57%	-8.83%	0.20%	-1.51%	1.50%	0.19%	14.65%	-1.18%	-0.19%	7.98%
3. Housing Utilities & Equipment	-0.42%	-1.36%	0.25%	1.20%	1.49%	1.27%	0.00%	0.34%	2.18%	1.22%	8.44%	-1.36%	1.12%	1.96%
4. Transport & Communication	0.73%	0.72%	1.38%	0.83%	0.47%	0.10%	-0.72%	-2.40%	-0.03%	-0.21%	8.16%	-0.98%	0.02%	1.74%
5. Recreation & Culture	-0.05%	-2.72%	0.26%	0.01%	0.08%	1.03%	0.27%	-1.61%	-0.10%	0.18%	12.20%	-0.73%	0.36%	2.87%
6. Health Care Services	0.24%	8.51%	-0.42%	1.89%	-0.24%	1.80%	1.27%	6.79%	0.09%	1.09%	10.90%	-4.41%	0.25%	2.72%
7. Education	0.00%	0.00%	2.11%	-0.13%	0.95%	0.05%	0.00%	-3.11%		0.00%	3.76%	-0.47%	0.00%	0.00%
8. Restaurants and Hotels	0.85%	0.67%	0.51%	0.95%		1.86%	0.29%	2.81%		0.62%	12.41%	-3.38%	0.47%	2.81%
9. Miscellaneous Goods & Services	0.23%	0.63%	0.38%	0.71%	-0.31%	1.12%	0.23%	10.84%	0.42%	0.65%	11.12%	0.22%	0.68%	3.25%

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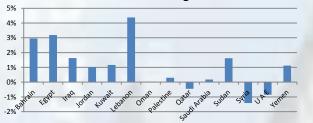
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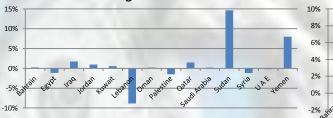
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#### Food & Beverages

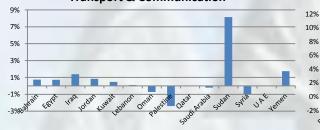


### **Clothing & Footwear**

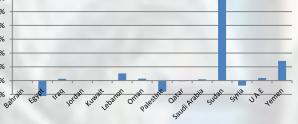
## **Housing Utilities & Equipment**



**Transport & Communication** 



Education

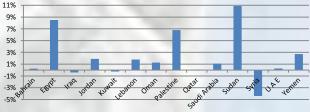


**Recreation & Culture** 

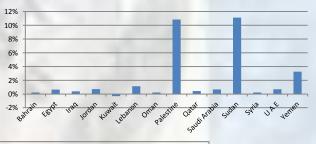
**Restaurants & Hotels** 



Health Care Services



**Miscellaneous Goods & Services** 



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