Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)

The Wholesale Price[1] Index for the Third Quarter of 2026 increased sharply by 16.39%

The overall **Wholesale Price Index** in Palestine during the Third Quarter of 2026 **recorded a sharp increase by 16.39%** compared with the Second Quarter of 2026 (**20.17%** for imported products, and by **7.03%** for local consumed products**).**

The changes in WPI for the Third Quarter of 2026 were traced back to changes in prices of the following Division and Category compared with previous quarter:

Division and Category during Q3 2026	Percent Changes
Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	**+63.40%**
Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	+30.95%
Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles	**+10.34%**
Wholesale of grains and seeds	+48.19%
Wholesale of lubricating oils and fats	+25.44%
Wholesale of iron tools	+24.73%
Wholesale of home furnishings	+12.41%
Wholesale of fruits and vegetables	+5.14%
Wholesale of liquid fuels	+4.23%
Wholesale of pharmaceutical and pharmaceutical preparations	+1.52%
Wholesale of solid fuels	-22.12%
Wholesale of fish, meat and their products	-7.16%
Wholesale of live animals	-6.79%
Wholesale of gaseous fuels	-3.51%
Wholesale of metallic and non-metallic waste and other materials for recycling	-3.45%
Wholesale of agricultural residues and waste for use as animal feed	-2.71%

Notice for Users:

- The base year of Wholesale Price Index has been updated to be 2021.
- The methodology of Wholesale Price Index has been updated; weights structure, sampling frame and wholesale outlets, and modified Laspers equation in the index compilation.
- Reliance on the International Standard of Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities "Rev.4" issued by the United Nation Statistical Division (UN), to classify wholesale trade division and category within section G "45-47" wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, exclude division 47 for retail trade.

[1]The resale (sale without transformation) of new and used goods to retailers, industrial, commercial, institutional or professional users, to other wholesalers, or to those acting as agents or brokers in buying merchandise for, or selling merchandise to such persons or companies. The wholesale price includes VAT and any transport charges

- The number of price observations collected for the third quarter of 2026 in Gaza Strip totaled approximately 302, representing 32% of the aggregate 931 price observations for the Strip, while missing observations were estimated in accordance with international recommendations using the "Group Relative Method".
- Data was collected from 76 retail outlets in Gaza Strip out of a total of 153; the remaining 77 outlets were found to be either destroyed, non-operational due to a lack of goods, completely closed due to displacement, or had undergone a change in business activity, other reasons.