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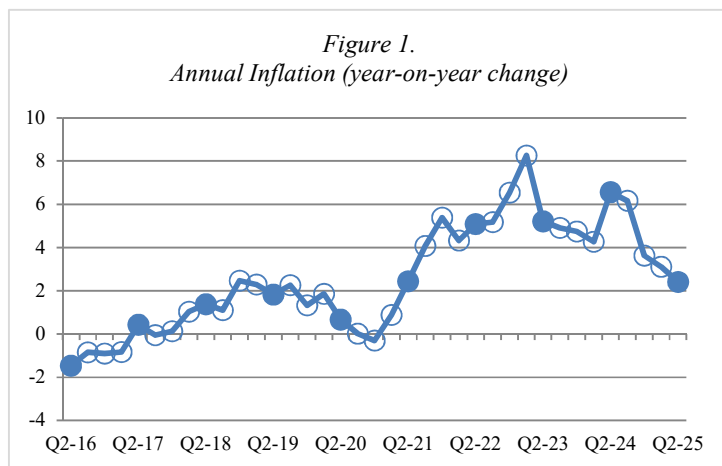
Consumer Price Index Statistics

This release gives information on changes in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and the four states - Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap. Appendix 1 contains tables with detailed data for FSM and the four states.

Annual Inflation

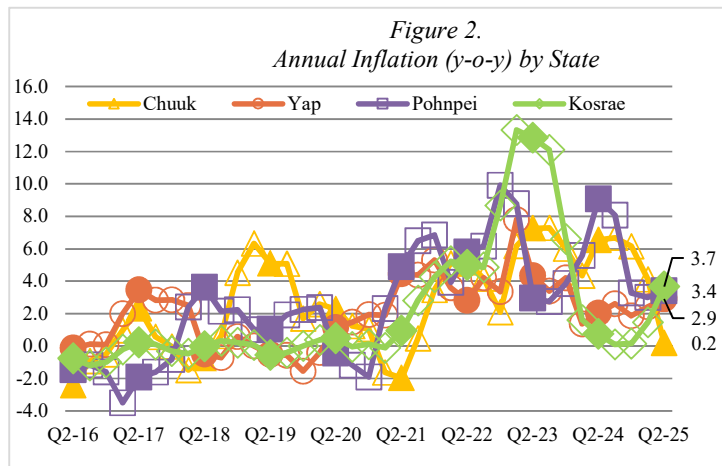
In the 2th quarter of 2025, the annual inflation for *All Groups* increased to 2.4%. In the same quarter of the previous year the rate was 6.6%, indicating a decrease of 3.8 percentage points (Figure 1).

The *Housing, water, electricity, and gas* group was the largest contributor to the annual inflation for 2nd quarter of 2025 (Figure 3). The inflation rate for this group is 6.1%. (See Table 3).



Annual inflation rates increased for all the four states in 2nd quarter of 2025 (Figure 2). The highest inflation rate was recorded in Kosrae at 3.7%, followed by Pohnpei at 3.4%, Yap at 2.9% and Chuuk at 0.2%.

The high inflation rate in Kosrae was driven by the increasing prices in the *Food and non alcoholic beverages* group which was recorded at 7.6%. The low inflation rate in Chuuk is due in part to the change of product suppliers.



Contributions to inflation

The details of the price changes are presented here, comparing the changes between 2024 and 2025 (Figure 3) and the items/products driving these changes (Figure 4).

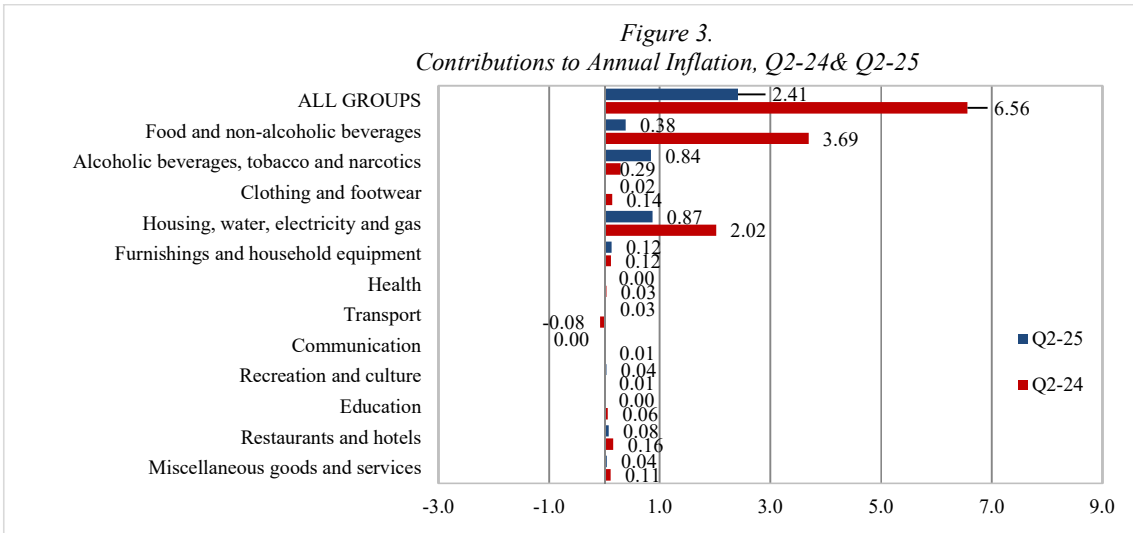


Figure 4.
Contribution to Annual Inflation, Q2-25

Division	Annual Change	Comments: Items contributing to change
All Groups	3.63%	Sum=All Groups % Change
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	3.85%	Higher prices were recorded for taro, cucumbers, eggs, doughnuts, ice creams, pork, salt, beef and breadfruit.
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics	-0.17%	Lower prices were recorded for beer and cigarette.
Clothing and footwear	2.81%	Higher prices were recorded for local skirts, shirts, zorries, local dresses, and shorts.
Housing, water, electricity and gas	9.89%	Higher prices were recorded for minimum wage, fuel mix and lumber.
Furnishings and household equipment	4.27%	Higher prices were recorded for bleaches and detergents.
Health	0.00%	No prices changes were recorded for this division.
Transport	0.42%	Higher prices were recorded for motor oil, gasoline and cars.
Communication	0.21%	Higher prices of were recorded for cell phones.
Recreation and culture	3.60%	Higher prices were recorded for TV sets and notebooks.
Education	3.53%	Higher prices were recorded for tuition fees for primary and secondary schools.
Restaurants and hotels	11.48%	Higher prices were recorded for school lunches.
Miscellaneous goods and services	2.48%	Higher prices were recorded for soap, shampoo, toilet paper and deodorants.

Appendix 1: Detailed tables

Table 1	Indexes by COICOP category and State
Table 2	Quarterly changes by COICOP category and State
Table 3	Annual changes by COICOP category and State
Table 4	Quarterly contributions by COICOP category and State
Table 5	Annual contributions by COICOP category and State

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