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Malaysia's inflation increased 1.4 per cent in November 2025 with the index points stood at 135.1 as against 133.3 in the same month of the previous year. The increase was mainly driven by a higher increase in the group of Education, 2.6 per cent (October 2025: 2.4%); Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco, 2.4 per cent (October 2025: 0.3%) and Transport, 0.2 per cent (October 2025: -0.1%). Meanwhile, Personal Care, Social Protection & Miscellaneous Goods & Services, 5.6 per cent (October 2025: 6.0%); Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels, 0.7 per cent (October 2025: 1.1%) and Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance, 0.2 per cent (October 2025: 0.3%) recorded a slower increase as compared to the previous month.

In addition, Insurance & Financial Services (5.6%); Restaurant & Accommodation Services (3.4%); Food & Beverages (1.5%); Health (1.5%) and Recreation, Sport & Culture (1.2%) remained at the same rate as recorded in October 2025. However, Information & Communication dan Clothing & Footwear remained in negative territory at negative 1.3 per cent and negative 0.1 per cent respectively.

Four states recorded increases above the national inflation level (1.4%) namely Johor (1.9%), Negeri Sembilan (1.9%), Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur (1.7%) and Selangor (1.6%). However, the remainder 12 states increased below and equal to the national inflation rate with Kelantan recording the lowest inflation (0.2%) in November 2025.

The monthly headline inflation in November 2025 did not record any changes as compared to the previous month (October 2025: -0.1%). Although there were increases in the group of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco (2.1%); Education (0.2%), followed by Personal Care, Social Protection & Miscellaneous Goods & Services; Recreation, Sport & Culture and Clothing & Footwear increased at 0.1 per cent respectively. However, the monthly inflation was offset by the decrease in Information & Communication, negative 1.2 per cent (October 2025: 0.0%) and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels, negative 0.1 per cent (October 2025: -0.5%). Meanwhile, Transport; Health; Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance; Insurance & Financial Services and Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco did not record any increase in November 2025.

In comparison to inflation in other selected countries, inflation in Malaysia (1.4%) was lower than inflation in Viet Nam (3.6%), Indonesia (2.7%) and the Republic of Korea (2.4%). However, the rate was higher than China (0.7%) and Thailand (-0.5%).

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