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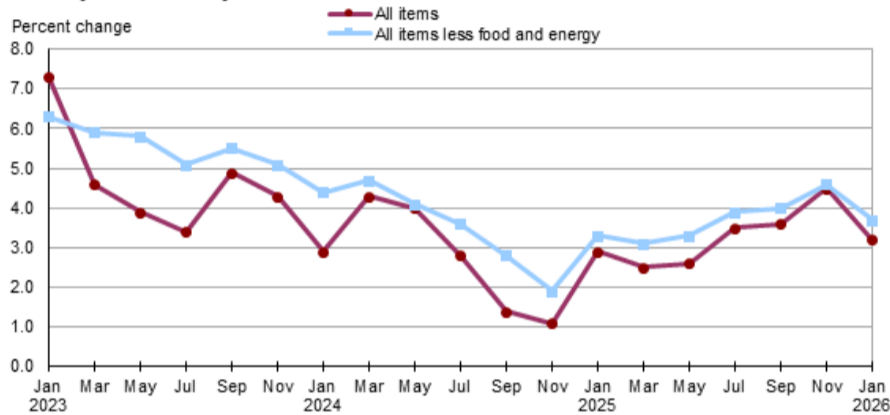
## Consumer Price Index, Riverside Area — January 2026

**Area prices were up 0.5 percent over the past two months, up 3.2 percent from a year ago**

The Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario advanced 0.5 percent for the two months ending in January 2026, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported today. Regional Commissioner Chris Rosenlund noted that prices for all items less food and energy increased 1.0 percent during the two-month period. The food index rose 0.8 percent, while the energy index decreased 5.3 percent. (Data in this report are not seasonally adjusted. Accordingly, bi-monthly changes may reflect seasonal influences.)

The Riverside area all items CPI-U advanced 3.2 percent for the 12 months ending in January. The index for all items less food and energy increased 3.7 percent over the year. Food prices increased 1.8 percent. Energy prices advanced 1.5 percent.

**Chart 1. Over-the-year percent change in CPI-U, Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA, January 2023–January 2026**



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

[View Chart Data](#)

### Food

Food prices advanced 0.8 percent for the two months ending in January. Prices for food at home (grocery store purchases) advanced 1.5 percent, and prices for food away from home (restaurant, cafeteria, and vending purchases) were unchanged for the same period.

Food prices increased 1.8 percent over the year. Prices for food at home increased 0.3 percent, and prices for food away from home increased 3.6 percent.

### Energy

The energy index declined 5.3 percent for the two months ending in January. Gasoline prices fell 10.3 percent.

Energy prices advanced 1.5 percent over the year. Gasoline prices declined 3.9 percent.

### All items less food and energy

The index for all items less food and energy increased 1.0 percent during the two-month period. Among the index's components, prices were higher for medical care (+1.9 percent) and shelter (+1.3 percent). In contrast, prices were lower for used cars and trucks (-4.4 percent).

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**Table A. Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA, CPI-U 2-month and 12-month percent changes, all items index, not seasonally adjusted**

Month	2022		2023		2024		2025		2026	
	2-month	12-month	2-month	12-month	2-month	12-month	2-month	12-month	2-month	12-month
January	1.5	8.6	1.3	7.3	0.0	2.9	1.8	2.9	0.5	3.2
March	2.7	10.0	0.0	4.6	1.4	4.3	1.0	2.5		
May	1.4	9.4	0.8	3.9	0.6	4.0	0.7	2.6		
July	1.1	9.2	0.6	3.4	-0.6	2.8	0.2	3.5		
September	0.0	8.4	1.4	4.9	0.0	1.4	0.2	3.6		
November	0.6	7.5	0.0	4.3	-0.2	1.1	0.6	4.5		

The March 2026 Consumer Price Index for the Riverside area is scheduled to be released on April 10, 2026.

### Technical Note

The [Consumer Price Index](#) (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. The Consumer Price Index for Riverside is published bi-monthly. The set of components and sub-aggregates published for regional and metropolitan indexes is more limited than at the U.S. city average level; these indexes are byproducts of the national CPI program. Each local index has a much smaller sample size than the national or regional indexes and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error. As a result, local-area indexes are more volatile than the national or regional indexes. In addition, local indexes are not adjusted for seasonal influences. **NOTE: Area indexes do not measure differences in the level of prices between cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.**

The Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Core Based Statistical Area includes Riverside and San Bernardino Counties in California.

Refer to the national [CPI news release technical note](#) or the [Handbook of Methods](#) for more information.

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





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**Table 1. Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA, CPI-U by expenditure category for January 2026, not seasonally adjusted (December 2017=100 unless otherwise noted)**

Expenditure category	Indexes				Percent change from -		
	Historical data	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Jan. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025
All Items		138.851	-	139.602	3.2	0.5	-
Food and beverages		140.782	-	141.845	1.8	0.8	-
Food		141.967	-	143.137	1.8	0.8	-
Food at home		133.512	133.614	135.477	0.3	1.5	1.4
Cereals and bakery products		155.914	158.021	-	-	-	-
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs		-	-	147.397	-1.9	-	-
Dairy and related products		112.753	113.618	114.605	-1.9	1.6	0.9
Fruits and vegetables		122.213	122.187	124.380	-5.1	1.8	1.8
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials		140.951	139.704	143.229	9.5	1.6	2.5
Other food at home		124.589	128.323	123.709	0.0	-0.7	-3.6
Food away from home		154.218	-	154.160	3.6	0.0	-
Alcoholic beverages		-	-	-	-	-	-
Housing		147.554	-	149.662	4.6	1.4	-
Shelter		146.967	148.413	148.925	3.7	1.3	0.3
Rent of primary residence		153.118	153.416	154.024	3.9	0.6	0.4
Owners' equiv. rent of residences		147.384	147.382	148.039	3.7	0.4	0.4
Owners' equiv. rent of primary residence		147.384	147.382	148.039	3.7	0.4	0.4
Household furnishings and operations		127.853	-	129.625	8.3	1.4	-
Apparel		120.204	-	124.823	15.8	3.8	-
Transportation		146.076	-	141.826	1.4	-2.9	-
Private transportation		149.578	-	144.565	1.2	-3.4	-
New and used motor vehicles		116.034	-	115.264	-2.3	-0.7	-
New vehicles		113.562	-	114.151	-1.1	0.5	-
Used cars and trucks		135.383	-	129.464	-2.4	-4.4	-
Motor fuel		153.708	142.480	138.035	-3.9	-10.2	-3.1
Gasoline (all types)		153.655	142.413	137.868	-3.9	-10.3	-3.2
Unleaded regular(1)		153.916	142.373	137.824	-3.9	-10.5	-3.2
Unleaded midgrade(1)		154.386	143.698	138.898	-3.9	-10.0	-3.3
Unleaded premium(1)		151.839	141.714	137.222	-3.6	-9.6	-3.2
Medical Care		135.943	-	138.488	5.2	1.9	-
Recreation		113.218	-	114.513	1.2	1.1	-
Education and communication		101.621	-	102.427	-4.2	0.8	-
Tuition, other school fees, and child care		122.290	-	123.819	-6.9	1.3	-
Other goods and services		-	-	128.755	2.7	-	-
<b>Footnotes</b>							
(1) Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.							
- Data not available.							
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date. Data not seasonally adjusted.							

**Table 2. Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA, CPI-U by special aggregate index for January 2026, not seasonally adjusted (December 2017=100 unless otherwise noted)**

Special aggregate index	Indexes				Percent change from -		
	Historical data	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Jan. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025
All items		138.851	-	139.602	3.2	0.5	-
Food		141.967	-	143.137	1.8	0.8	-
Energy		165.067	157.617	156.376	1.5	-5.3	-0.8
All items less food and energy		135.649	-	137.058	3.7	1.0	-
All items less energy		136.484	-	137.857	3.4	1.0	-
All items less medical care		139.076	-	139.695	3.1	0.4	-
All items less shelter		134.657	-	134.808	3.0	0.1	-
Commodities		128.157	-	127.853	1.6	-0.2	-
Commodities less food		121.038	-	119.980	1.6	-0.9	-
Commodities less food & beverages		121.164	-	120.056	1.5	-0.9	-
- Data not available.							
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.							

Special aggregate index	Indexes			Percent change from -			
	Historical data	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025	Jan. 2026	Jan. 2025	Nov. 2025	Dec. 2025
Durables		111.171	-	111.846	1.3	0.6	-
Nondurables		136.249	-	135.437	1.8	-0.6	-
Nondurables less food & beverages		131.344	-	128.178	1.7	-2.4	-
Nondurables less food		130.546	-	127.661	1.8	-2.2	-
Services		146.353	-	147.887	4.3	1.0	-
Services less rent of shelter		145.356	-	146.216	5.2	0.6	-
Services less medical care services		147.103	-	148.555	4.0	1.0	-

- Data not available.  
NOTE: Index applies to a month as a whole, not to any specific date.

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