

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base: January – December 2012 = 100)

| February 2017 | January 2018 | February 2018 |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 111.5 | 117.0 | 119.3 |

The main contributors to the change in the index between January 2018 and February 2018 were:

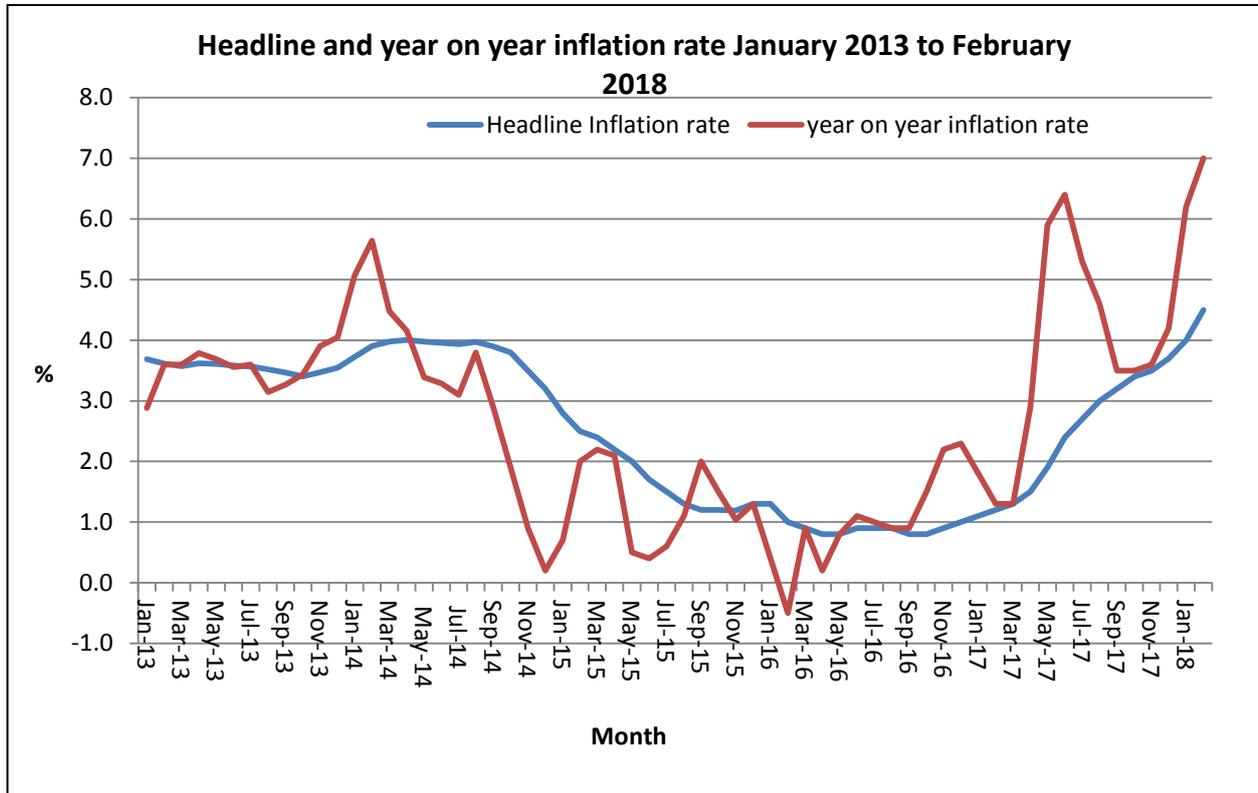
| Commodity | Change in index point |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Vegetables | +2.2 |
| Motor vehicles | -0.1 |
| Air tickets | +0.1 |
| Other goods and services | +0.1 |
| Total | +2.3 |

Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of February 2018 compared to January 2018 are shown below:

| Division | January 2018 | February 2018 | % change¹ in index between January and February 2018 |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 1. Food and non alcoholic beverages | 125.0 | 133.3 | +6.7 |
| 2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco | 149.0 | 148.9 | -0.1 |
| 3. Clothing and footwear | 124.6 | 125.0 | +0.3 |
| 4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels | 94.9 | 95.1 | +0.2 |
| 5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance | 111.1 | 111.8 | +0.6 |
| 6. Health | 127.0 | 126.9 | -0.1 |
| 7. Transport | 105.0 | 104.7 | -0.2 |
| 8. Communication | 94.4 | 94.4 | - |
| 9. Recreation and culture | 111.8 | 112.0 | +0.2 |
| 10. Education | 118.9 | 118.9 | - |
| 11. Restaurants and hotels | 121.4 | 121.4 | - |
| 12. Miscellaneous goods and services | 108.1 | 108.9 | +0.7 |
| All Divisions | <u>117.0</u> | <u>119.3</u> | +2.0 |
| <i>All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"</i> | <u>113.6</u> | <u>116.2</u> | +2.3 |

The **headline** inflation rate for the twelve months ending February 2018 works out to 4.5%, compared to 1.2% for the twelve months ending February 2017.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for February 2018, as measured by the change in the CPI for February 2018 relative to February 2017 works out to 7.0%.



Detailed CPI series available at <http://statsmauritius.govmu.org> **CPI and Inflation**

Source: **Statistics Mauritius**
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