

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

March 2017	February 2018	March 2018
112.5	119.3	120.0

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

Commodity	Change in index point
Vegetables	+0.9
Other food products	-0.1
Other goods and services	-0.1
Total	+0.7

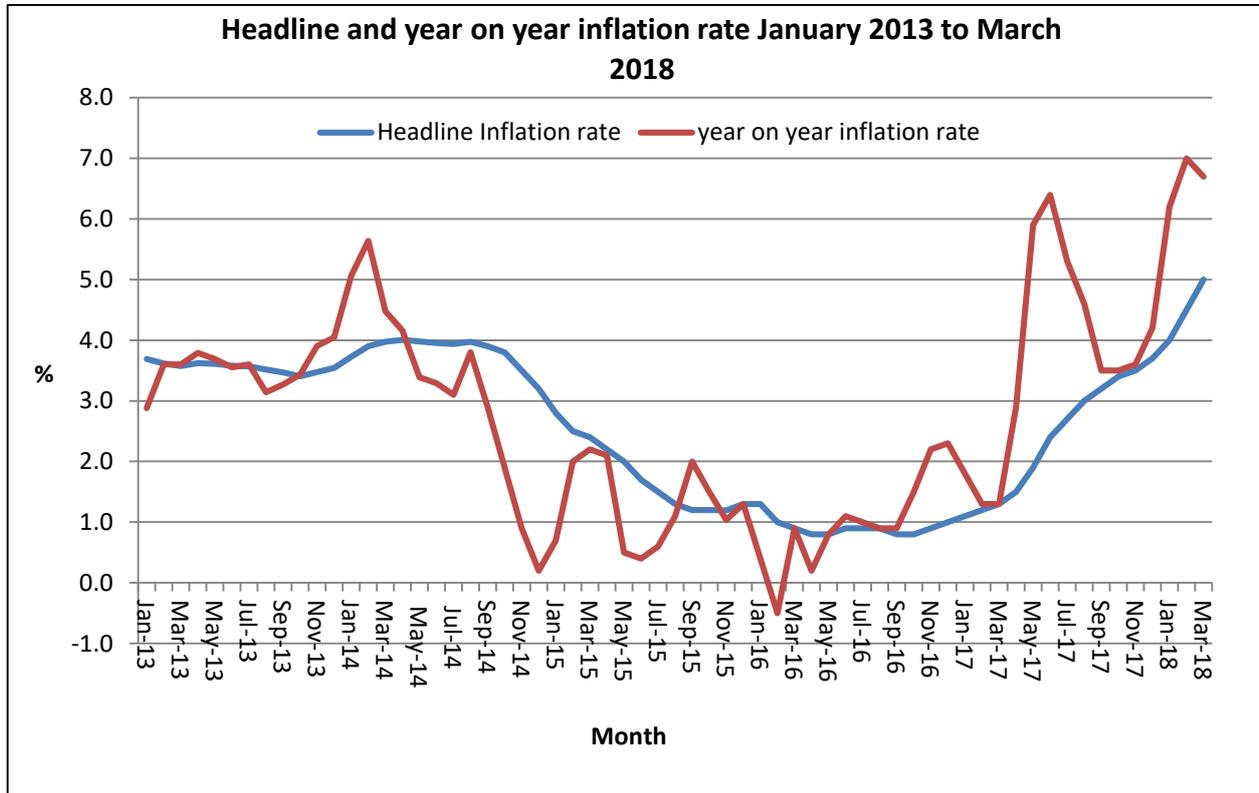
Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of March 2018 compared to February 2018 are shown below:

Division	February 2018	March 2018	% change¹ in index between February and March 2018
1. Food and non alcoholic beverages	133.3	136.1	+2.1
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	148.9	149.0	+0.1
3. Clothing and footwear	125.0	125.0	-
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	95.1	94.9	-0.2
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	111.8	111.1	-0.7
6. Health	126.9	126.9	-
7. Transport	104.7	104.7	-
8. Communication	94.4	94.4	-
9. Recreation and culture	112.0	112.1	-
10. Education	118.9	118.9	-
11. Restaurants and hotels	121.4	121.9	+0.4
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	108.9	108.2	-0.7
All Divisions	<u>119.3</u>	<u>120.0</u>	+0.6
<i>All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"</i>	<u>116.2</u>	<u>116.9</u>	+0.6

^{1/} % change has been computed from unrounded indices and hence may vary slightly from the change in rounded indices.

The **headline** inflation rate for the twelve months ending March 2018 works out to 5.0%, compared to 1.3% for the twelve months ending March 2017.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for March 2018, as measured by the change in the CPI for March 2018 relative to March 2017 works out to 6.7%.



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Source: **Statistics Mauritius**
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