

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**  
(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** increased by 0.9 point or 0.7% from 120.1 in March 2022 to 121.0 in April 2022. The main contributors to the change in the index between March 2022 and April 2022 were:

| Commodity                | Change in index point |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Vegetables               | -0.3                  |
| Culinary herbs           | +0.1                  |
| Trader's rice            | +0.1                  |
| Other food products      | +0.2                  |
| Cooking gas              | +0.1                  |
| Gasolene                 | +0.2                  |
| Taxi fares               | +0.1                  |
| Motor Vehicles           | +0.1                  |
| Air tickets              | +0.1                  |
| Other goods and services | +0.2                  |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>+0.9</b>           |

2. **Year-on-year (Y-o-y)** inflation worked out to 11.0% in April 2022, compared to 0.2% in April 2021. **Headline** inflation for the 12-months ending April 2022 worked out to 7.0%, compared to 1.9% for the 12-months ending April 2021.
3. **Y-o-y CORE1 inflation** stood at 8.6% in April 2022, compared to 2.7% in April 2021 while, **y-o-y CORE2 inflation** worked out to 7.0% in April 2022, compared to 4.1% in April 2021.
4. **CORE1 inflation for the 12-months ending April 2022** stood at 5.3%, compared to 2.4% in April 2021. Similarly, **CORE2 inflation for the 12-months ending April 2022** worked out to 5.2%, compared to 3.6% in April 2021.

| Month      | Consumer Price Index | Inflation Rate (%) |       |       |              |       |       |
|------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------|-------|--------------|-------|-------|
|            |                      | Annual Average     |       |       | Year-on-Year |       |       |
|            |                      | Headline           | CORE1 | CORE2 | Headline     | CORE1 | CORE2 |
| April 2021 | 109.0                | 1.9                | 2.4   | 3.6   | 0.2          | 2.7   | 4.1   |
| March 2022 | 120.1                | 6.0                | 4.8   | 5.0   | 10.7         | 7.6   | 6.6   |
| April 2022 | 121.0                | 7.0                | 5.3   | 5.2   | 11.0         | 8.6   | 7.0   |

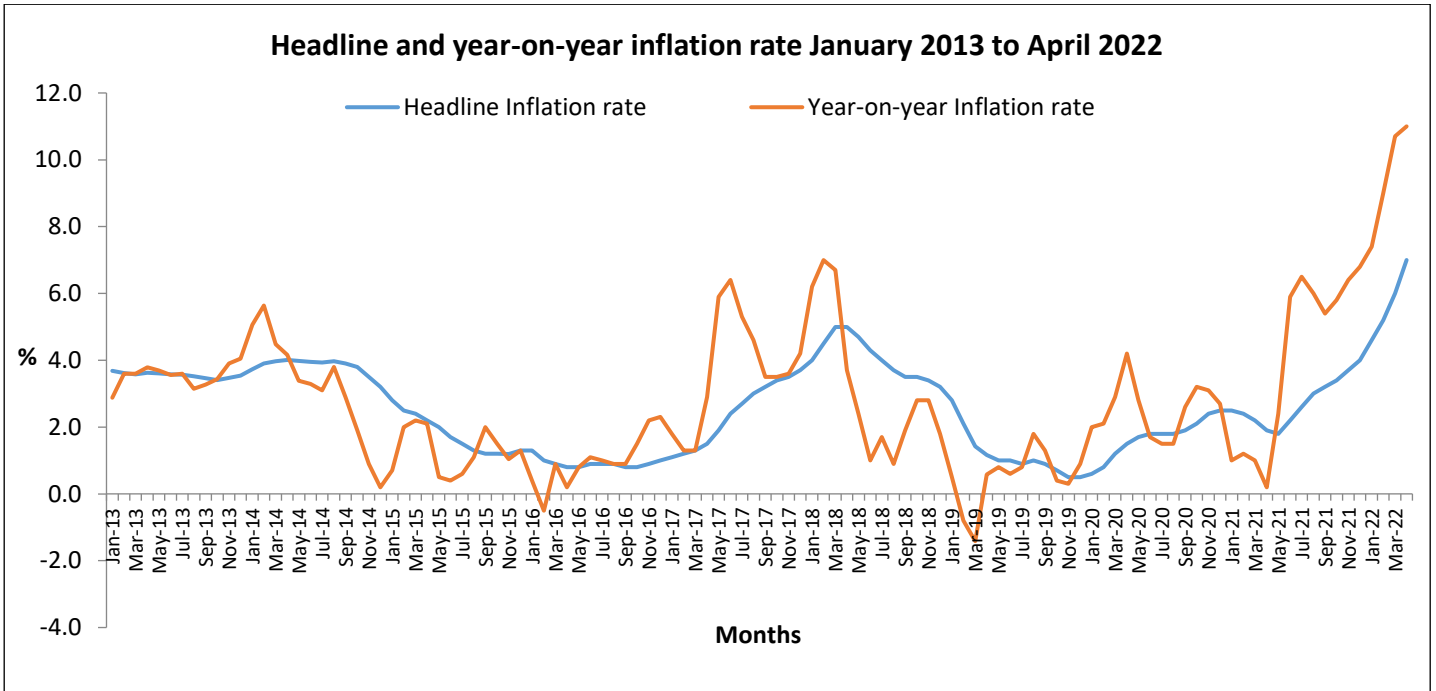
5. Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of April 2022 compared to March 2022 are shown below:

| <b>Division</b>   | <b>March<br/>2022</b> | <b>April<br/>2022</b> | <b>% change<sup>1</sup> in index<br/>between March<br/>2022 and April 2022</b> |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. Food and non-alcoholic beverages                                   | 138.2                 | 138.5                 | +0.2   |
| 2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco                                    | 118.4                 | 118.8                 | +0.3   |
| 3. Clothing and footwear  | 111.1                 | 111.1                 | +0.1   |
| 4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels                   | 93.4                  | 94.3                  | +1.0   |
| 5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance | 124.4                 | 125.0                 | +0.5   |
| 6. Health   | 122.7                 | 122.9                 | +0.2   |
| 7. Transport  | 125.0                 | 128.5                 | +2.8   |
| 8. Communication  | 98.8                  | 98.8                  | -  |
| 9. Recreation and culture   | 113.0                 | 113.3                 | +0.3   |
| 10. Education   | 111.9                 | 111.9                 | -  |
| 11. Restaurants and hotels  | 117.1                 | 117.5                 | +0.4   |
| 12. Miscellaneous goods and services                                  | 117.4                 | 118.1                 | +0.7   |
| <b>All Divisions</b>  | <b><u>120.1</u></b>   | <b><u>121.0</u></b>   | <b><u>+0.7</u></b>   |
| <i>All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"</i>     | <i><u>120.3</u></i>   | <i><u>121.3</u></i>   | <i><u>+0.8</u></i>   |

<sup>1/</sup> % change has been computed from unrounded indices and hence may vary slightly from the change in rounded indices.

**Notes:**

1. The headline inflation rate is calculated by using the annual average method, that is, by comparing the average level of prices during a twelve-months period with the average level during the corresponding previous twelve-months period.
2. The year-on-year inflation rate is calculated as the percentage change in the CPI for a given month with respect to the CPI for the corresponding month of the previous year.
3. CORE1 excludes food, beverages and tobacco components and mortgage interest on housing loan from headline inflation.
4. CORE2 excludes food, beverages and tobacco, mortgage interest on housing loan, electricity, gas, other fuels and items whose prices are controlled from headline inflation.



**Detailed CPI series are available at the website of Statistics Mauritius:**

Statistics > Statistics by Subject > Consumer Price Index

[https://statsmauritius.govmu.org/Pages/Statistics/By\\_Subject/CPI/SB\\_CPI.aspx](https://statsmauritius.govmu.org/Pages/Statistics/By_Subject/CPI/SB_CPI.aspx)

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