## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

(Base: January – December 2023 = 100)

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** increased by 0.2 point or 0.2% from 103.2 in August 2024 to 103.4 in September 2024. The main contributors to the change in the index between August 2024 and September 2024 were:

Commodity	Change in index point			
Vegetables	-0.1			
Other food products	+0.1			
Other goods and services	+0.2			
Total	+0.2			

- 2. **Year-on-year (Y-o-y)** inflation worked out to 3.1% in September 2024, compared to 5.2% in September 2023. **Headline** inflation for the 12-months ending September 2024 worked out to 3.8%, compared to 9.0% for the 12-months ending September 2023.
- 3. **Y-o-y CORE1 inflation** stood at 1.9% for September 2024, compared to 3.3% in September 2023 while, **y-o-y CORE2 inflation** worked out to 3.3% in September 2024, compared to 4.5% in September 2023.
- 4. **CORE1 inflation for the 12-months ending September 2024** stood at 2.1%, compared to 6.8% in September 2023. Similarly, **CORE2 inflation for the 12-months ending September 2024** worked out to 3.5%, compared to 6.1% in September 2023.

Month	Consumer Price Index	Inflation Rate (%)						
		Annual Average			Year-on-Year			
		Headline	CORE1	CORE2	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	
September 2023	100.3	9.0	6.8	6.1	5.2	3.3	4.5	
August 2024	103.2	4.0	2.3	3.6	2.7	1.8	3.1	
September 2024	103.4	3.8	2.1	3.5	3.1	1.9	3.3	

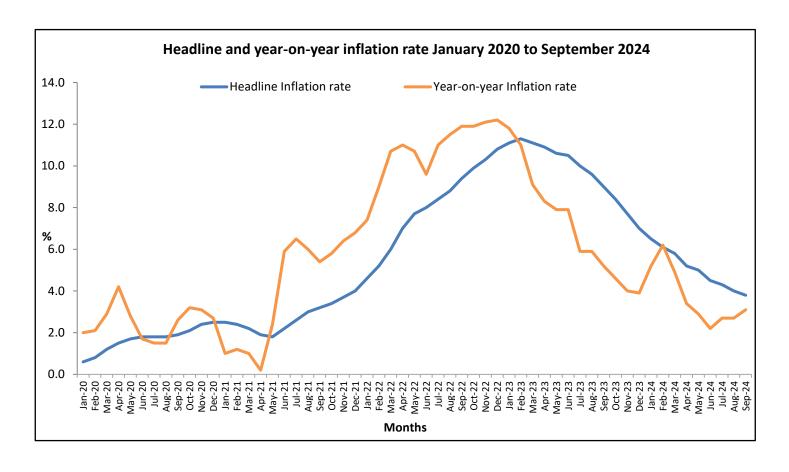
5. Sub-indices for the thirteen divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of September 2024 compared to August 2024 is shown below:

Division	August 2024	September 2024	% change <sup>1</sup> in index between August 2024 and September 2024
1. Food and non-alcoholic beverages	106.9	107.0	+0.1
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	103.2	103.6	+0.3
3. Clothing and footwear	103.0	103.3	+0.3
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	98.9	98.7	-0.2
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	105.1	105.0	-0.1
6. Health	105.7	106.1	+0.4
7. Transport	99.0	99.3	+0.3
8. Information and Communication	100.5	100.5	-
9. Recreation, sports and culture	104.1	104.5	+0.3
10. Education services	103.7	104.9	+1.2
11. Restaurants and accommodation services	104.6	105.5	+0.9
12. Insurance and financial services	101.5	101.5	-
13. Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services	105.6	106.1	+0.4
All Divisions	103.2	<u>103.4</u>	<u>+0.2</u>
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>103.2</u>	<u>103.4</u>	<u>+0.2</u>

<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

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