## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

(*Base: January – December 2012 = 100*)

March 2014	February 2015	March 2015
107.7	110.7	110.1

The main contributors to the change in the index between February and March 2015 were:

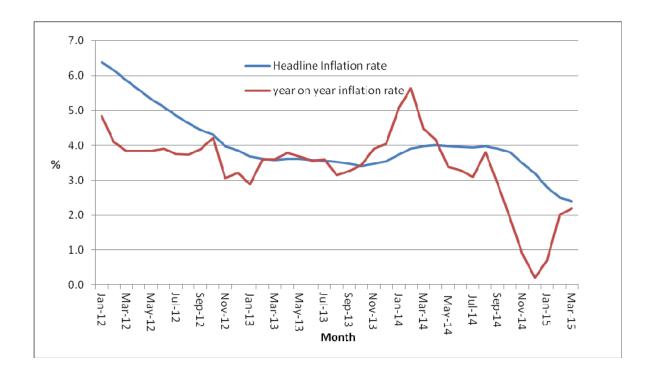
Commodity	Change in index point	
Vegetables	-0.5	
Trader's rice	-0.1	
Other food products	-0.1	
Motor vehicles	+0.1	
Total	-0.6	

Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of March 2015 compared to February 2015 are shown below:

Division	February 2015	March 2015	% change in index between February and March 2015
1. Food and non alcoholic beverages	122.1	119.5	-2.1
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	116.2	116.4	+0.2
3. Clothing and footwear	112.5	112.6	+0.1
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	101.6	101.7	+0.1
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	104.1	103.4	-0.7
6. Health	113.2	113.1	-0.1
7. Transport	102.0	103.0	+1.0
8. Communication	97.4	96.6	-0.8
9. Recreation and culture	107.7	107.4	-0.3
10. Education	104.6	105.6	+1.0
11. Restaurants and hotels	113.0	113.0	-
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	105.1	104.7	-0.4
All Divisions	<u>110.7</u>	<u>110.1</u>	-0.5
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>110.1</u>	<u>109.4</u>	-0.6

The **headline** inflation rate for the twelve months ending March 2015 works out to 2.4%, compared to 4.0% for the twelve months ending March 2014.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for March 2015, as measured by the change in the CPI for March 2015 relative to March 2014, works out to 2.2%.



Detailed CPI series available at <a href="http://statsmauritius.govmu.org/CPI">http://statsmauritius.govmu.org/CPI</a> and Inflation

Source: Statistics Mauritius
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