## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

August 2017	July 2018	August 2018
100.9	102.6	101.9

The main contributors to the change in the index between July and August 2018 were:

Commodity	Change in index point	
Vegetables	-0.4	
Traders' rice	-0.1	
Air tickets	-0.2	
Total	-0.7	

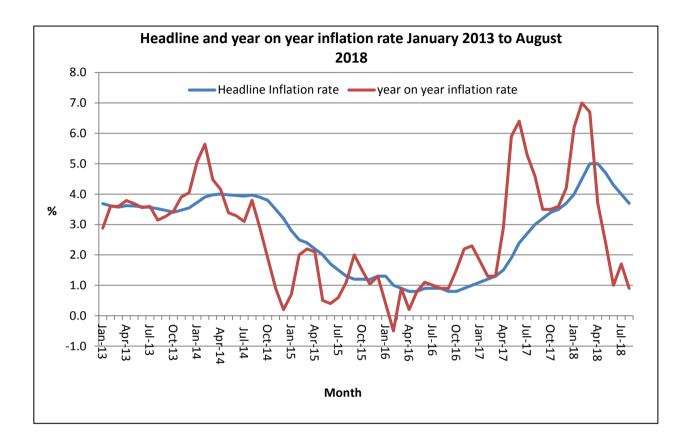
Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of August 2018 compared to July 2018 are shown below:

Division	July 2018	August 2018	% change <sup>1</sup> in index between July and August 2018
1. Food and non alcoholic beverages	102.7	100.8	-1.9
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	103.8	103.6	-0.2
3. Clothing and footwear	101.5	101.5	-
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	98.1	98.0	-0.1
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	102.4	101.8	-0.6
6. Health	103.2	103.4	+0.1
7. Transport	106.8	105.3	-1.4
8. Communication	99.1	99.1	-
9. Recreation and culture	100.6	100.9	+0.3
10. Education	104.2	104.2	-
11. Restaurants and hotels	101.3	102.4	+1.0
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	102.3	102.0	-0.3
All Divisions	102.6	<u>101.9</u>	-0.7
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>102.5</u>	<u>101.7</u>	-0.8

<sup>1/%</sup> 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 August 2018 works out to 3.7%, compared to 3.0% for the twelve months ending August 2017.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for August 2018, as measured by the change in the CPI for August 2018 relative to August 2017 works out to 0.9%.



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

Source: Statistics Mauritius
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