CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

March 2018	February 2019	March 2019
105.9	104.4	104.4

The main contributors to the change in the index between February and March 2019 were:

Commodity	Change in index point	
Vegetables	+0.3	
Other food products	-0.1	
Air tickets	-0.1	
Other goods and services	-0.1	
Total	-	

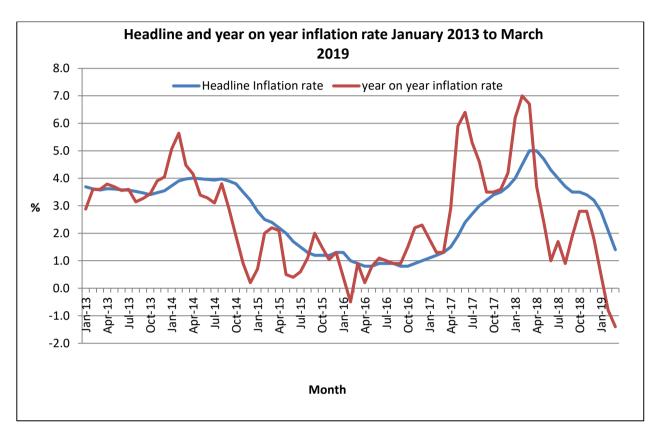
Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of March 2019 compared to February 2019 are shown below:

Division	February 2019	March 2019	% change ¹ in index between February and March 2019
1. Food and non-alcoholic beverages	109.2	110.0	+0.7
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	105.3	105.0	-0.3
3. Clothing and footwear	104.5	104.5	-
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	98.2	98.2	-
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	103.6	103.3	-0.3
6. Health	105.3	105.3	-
7. Transport	103.6	103.1	-0.5
8. Communication	99.5	99.5	-
9. Recreation and culture	101.8	101.3	-0.5
10. Education	100.5	100.5	-
11. Restaurants and hotels	105.1	105.1	-
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	103.6	103.0	-0.5
All Divisions	<u>104.4</u>	<u>104.4</u>	-
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>104.2</u>	<u>104.3</u>	+0.1

^{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 2019 works out to 1.4%, compared to 5.0% for the twelve months ending March 2018.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for March 2019, as measured by the change in the CPI for March 2019 relative to March 2018 works out to -1.4%.



Detailed CPI series available at http://statsmauritius.govmu.org CPI and Inflation

Source: Statistics Mauritius

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