CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

August 2019	July 2020	August 2020
103.7	104.9	105.3

The main contributors to the change in the index between July and August 2020 were:

Commodity	Change in index point	
Food products	+0.2	
Interest rates on housing loan	-0.1	
Motor vehicles	+0.2	
Other goods and services	+0.1	
Total	+0.4	

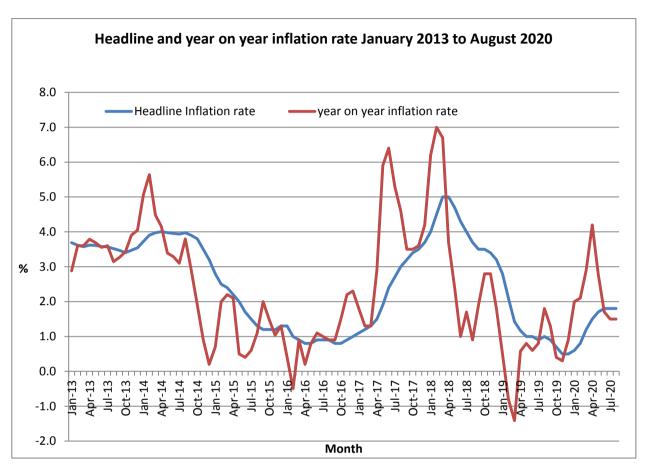
Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of August 2020 compared to July 2020 are shown below:

Division	July 2020	August 2020	% change ¹ in index between July and August 2020
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	108.7	109.3	+0.6
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	106.7	106.3	-0.4
3. Clothing and footwear	106.7	106.7	-
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	92.9	92.5	-0.5
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	108.3	108.0	-0.2
6. Health	108.1	108.7	+0.6
7. Transport	104.2	105.8	+1.6
8. Communication	98.7	98.7	-
9. Recreation and culture	104.0	104.5	+0.4
10. Education	103.2	103.2	-
11. Restaurants and hotels	108.2	109.0	+0.8
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	106.5	107.9	+1.3
All Divisions	<u>104.9</u>	105.3	+0.4
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>104.6</u>	<u>105.2</u>	+0.5

 $^{^{1/}}$ % 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 August 2020 works out to 1.8%, compared to 1.0% for the twelve months ending August 2019.

The **year-on-year** inflation rate for August 2020, as measured by the change in the CPI for August 2020 relative to August 2019 works out to 1.5%.



Detailed CPI series are available at the website of Statistics Mauritius@

Statistics > Statistics by Subject > Consumer Price Index

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