## **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX**

(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** increased by 0.3 point or 0.3% from 111.4 in June 2021 to 111.7 in July 2021. The main contributors to the change in the index between June 2021 and July 2021 were:

Commodity	Change in index point
Vegetables	-0.5
Culinary herbs	-0.1
Cigarettes	+0.2
Beer and stout	+0.1
Rum and other cane spirits	+0.1
Gasolene	+0.2
Motor vehicles	+0.1
Prepared foods	+0.1
Other goods and services	+0.1
Total	+0.3

- 2. **Year-on-year (Y-o-y)** inflation worked out to 6.5% in July 2021, compared to 1.5% in July 2020. **Headline** inflation for the 12-months ending July 2021 worked out to 2.6%, compared to 1.8% for the 12-months ending July 2020.
- 3. **Y-o-y CORE1 inflation** stood at 4.9% in July 2021, compared to 1.7% in July 2020 while, **y-o-y CORE2 inflation** worked out to 5.0% in July 2021, compared to 2.5% in July 2020.
- 4. **CORE1 inflation for the 12-months ending July 2021** stood at 3.0%, compared to 0.8% in July 2020. Similarly, **CORE2 inflation for the 12-months ending July 2021**, worked out to 4.0%, compared to 2.3% in July 2020.

Month	Consumer Price Index	Inflation Rate (%)						
		Annual Average			Year-on-Year			
		Headline	CORE1	CORE2	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	
July 2020	104.9	1.8	0.8	2.3	1.5	1.7	2.5	
June 2021	111.4	2.2	2.7	3.8	5.9	4.1	4.5	
July 2021	111.7	2.6	3.0	4.0	6.5	4.9	5.0	

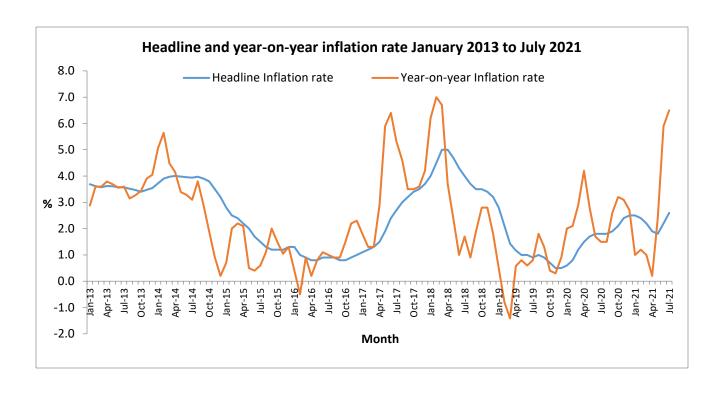
5. Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of July 2021 compared to June 2021 are shown below:

Division	June 2021	July 2021	% change <sup>1</sup> in index between June 2021 and July 2021
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	121.5	119.0	-2.1
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	115.0	117.7	+2.4
3. Clothing and footwear	108.8	109.3	+0.5
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	92.9	93.0	+0.1
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	113.4	114.0	+0.6
6. Health	114.3	114.4	+0.1
7. Transport	110.7	113.2	+2.3
8. Communication	98.8	98.8	-
9. Recreation and culture	108.4	108.9	+0.4
10. Education	107.7	108.4	+0.6
11. Restaurants and hotels	111.5	113.4	+1.7
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	111.9	112.3	+0.4
All Divisions	111.4	<u>111.7</u>	<u>+0.3</u>
All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"	<u>111.0</u>	<u>111.0</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-month period with the average level during the corresponding previous twelve-month 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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