

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base: January – December 2017 = 100)

1. **The Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased by 0.9 point or 0.8% from 106.1 in December 2020 to 107.0 in January 2021.** The main contributors to the change in the index between December 2020 and January 2021 were:

Commodity	Change in index point
Vegetables	+0.2
Other food products	+0.2
Doctors' fees	+0.1
Personal transport	+0.1
Other goods and services	+0.3
Total	+0.9

2. **Year-on-year (Y-o-y) inflation worked out to 1.0% in January 2021**, down from 2.0% in January 2020. **Headline inflation for the 12-months ending January 2021** worked out to 2.5%, compared to 0.6% for the 12-months ending January 2020.
3. **Y-o-y CORE1 inflation stood at 2.6% in January 2021**, compared to 0.3% in January 2020 while, **y-o-y CORE2 inflation for January 2021** was 3.8%, compared to 1.5% in January 2020.
4. **CORE1 inflation for the 12-months ending January 2021** stood at 2.0%, up from 0.3% for January 2020. Similarly, **CORE2 inflation for the 12-months ending January 2021**, was 3.2%, compared to 1.7% in January 2020.

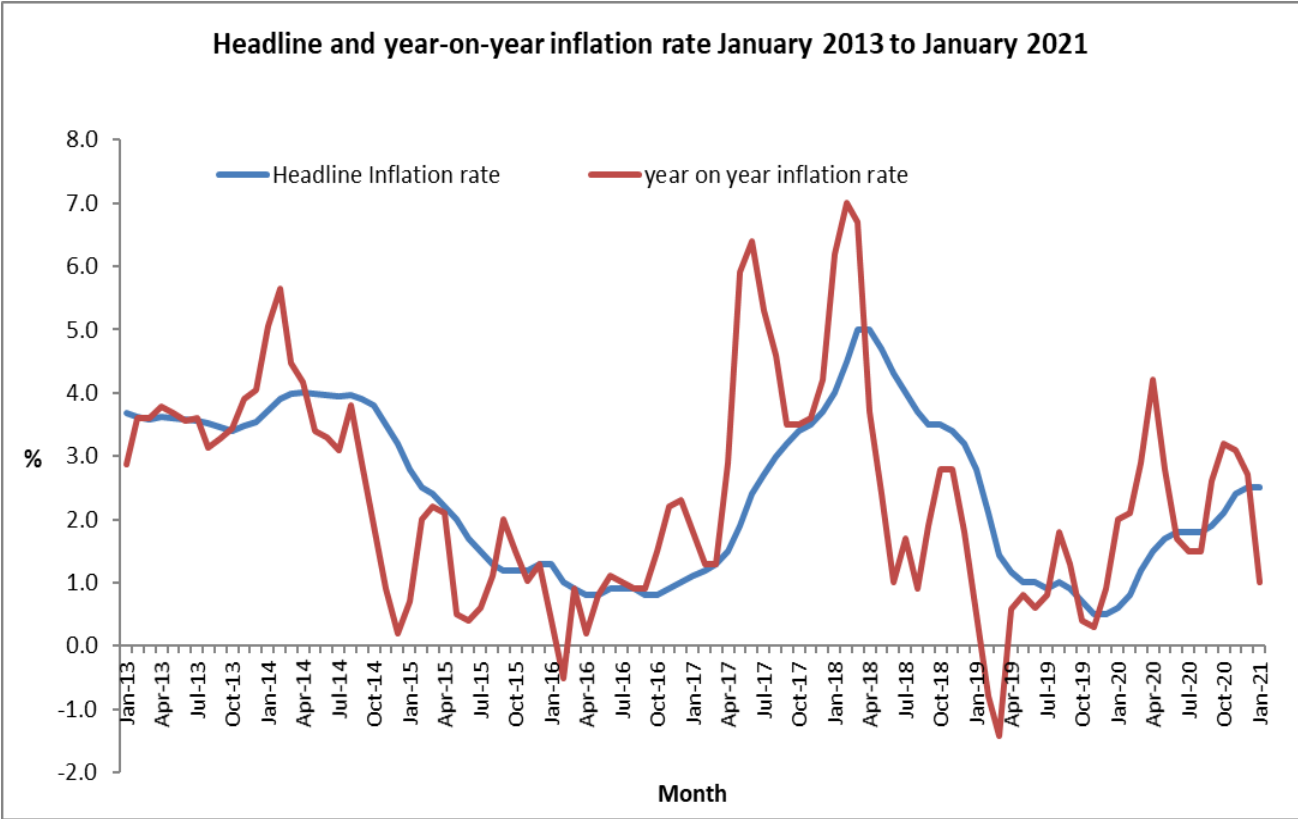
Month	Consumer Price Index	Inflation Rate (%)					
		Annual Average			Year-on-Year		
		Headline	CORE1	CORE2	Headline	CORE1	CORE2
January 2020	105.9	0.6	0.3	1.7	2.0	0.3	1.5
December 2020	106.1	2.5	1.8	3.0	2.7	2.6	3.7
January 2021	107.0	2.5	2.0	3.2	1.0	2.6	3.8

Notes :

- a) **CORE1** excludes "Food, beverages and tobacco" components and mortgage interest on housing loan from headline inflation.
 - b) **CORE2** excludes Food, beverages and tobacco, mortgage interest on housing loan, electricity, gas, other fuels and items whose prices are controlled from headline inflation.
 - c) 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.
 - d) 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.
5. The sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of January 2021 compared to December 2020 are shown below:

Division	December 2020	January 2021	% change¹ in index between December 2020 and January 2021
1. Food and non-alcoholic beverages	110.3	112.0	+1.5
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	107.1	107.5	+0.3
3. Clothing and footwear	107.4	108.2	+0.7
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	92.6	92.7	+0.1
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	108.1	109.5	+1.3
6. Health	110.2	112.7	+2.3
7. Transport	106.9	107.3	+0.4
8. Communication	98.6	98.5	-0.1
9. Recreation and culture	104.7	105.9	+1.1
10. Education	106.5	107.6	+1.0
11. Restaurants and hotels	110.1	110.1	-
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	107.8	108.6	+0.7
All Divisions	<u>106.1</u>	<u>107.0</u>	+0.8
<i>All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"</i>	<i><u>106.0</u></i>	<i><u>107.0</u></i>	<i>+0.9</i>

^{1/} % change has been computed from unrounded indices and hence may vary slightly from the change in rounded indices.



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

Statistics > Statistics by Subject > Consumer Price Index

Source : **Statistics Mauritius**
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