

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

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** increased by 0.7 point or 0.6% from 121.0 in April 2022 to 121.6 in May 2022. The main contributors to the change in the index between April 2022 and May 2022 were:

Commodity	Change in index point
Vegetables	-1.1
Culinary herbs	-0.1
Trader’s rice	+0.1
Other food products	+0.1
Cooking gas	+0.1
Furniture	+0.1
Gasolene	+0.7
Motor vehicles	+0.3
Bus fares	+0.2
Diesel	+0.1
Servicing charges	+0.1
Other goods and services	+0.1
Total	+0.7

2. **Year-on-year (Y-o-y)** inflation worked out to 10.7% in May 2022, compared to 2.4% in May 2021. **Headline** inflation for the 12-months ending May 2022 worked out to 7.7%, compared to 1.8% for the 12-months ending May 2021.
3. **Y-o-y CORE1 inflation** stood at 11.0% in May 2022, compared to 2.7% in May 2021 while, **y-o-y CORE2 inflation** worked out to 7.9% in May 2022, compared to 4.1% in May 2021.
4. **CORE1 inflation for the 12-months ending May 2022** stood at 6.0%, compared to 2.5% in May 2021. Similarly, **CORE2 inflation for the 12-months ending May 2022** worked out to 5.5%, compared to 3.7% in May 2021.

Month	Consumer Price Index	Inflation Rate (%)					
		Annual Average			Year-on-Year		
		Headline	CORE1	CORE2	Headline	CORE1	CORE2
May 2021	109.8	1.8	2.5	3.7	2.4	2.7	4.1
April 2022	121.0	7.0	5.3	5.2	11.0	8.6	7.0
May 2022	121.6	7.7	6.0	5.5	10.7	11.0	7.9

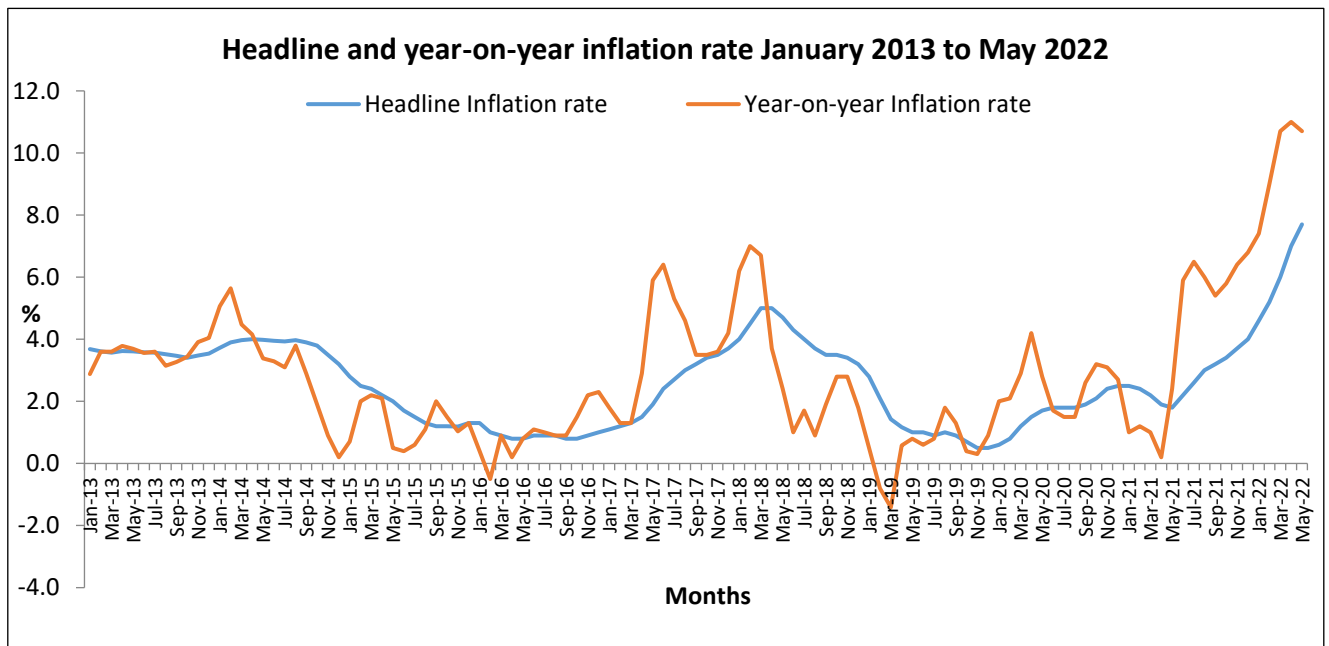
5. Sub-indices for the twelve divisions of consumption expenditure for the month of May 2022 compared to April 2022 are shown below:

Division	April 2022	May 2022	% change¹ in index between April 2022 and May 2022
1. Food and non-alcoholic beverages	138.5	134.6	-2.8
2. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	118.8	118.5	-0.2
3. Clothing and footwear	111.1	111.1	-
4. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	94.3	95.5	+1.3
5. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	125.0	126.2	+1.0
6. Health	122.9	122.9	-
7. Transport	128.5	137.7	+7.1
8. Communication	98.8	98.8	-
9. Recreation and culture	113.3	113.7	+0.4
10. Education	111.9	111.9	-
11. Restaurants and hotels	117.5	118.4	+0.8
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	118.1	118.9	+0.6
All Divisions	<u>121.0</u>	<u>121.6</u>	<u>+0.6</u>
<i>All Divisions, excluding "Alcoholic beverages and tobacco"</i>	<i><u>121.3</u></i>	<i><u>122.0</u></i>	<i><u>+0.6</u></i>

^{1/} % 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-months period with the average level during the corresponding previous twelve-months 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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