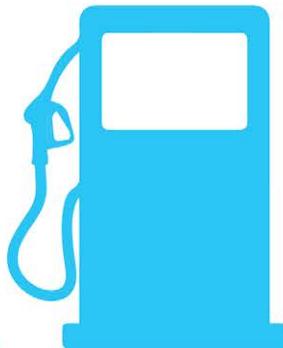


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Section 1: Headline Inflation

The annual inflation rate in January 2016 was 2.7 percent, a drop of 0.4 of a percentage point on the December 2015 rate of 3.1 percent. Annual inflation in January 2015 was lower than the 3.6 percent recorded during the same month in 2015. The slowing pace of the annual inflation rate between January 2015 and January 2016 was mainly due to the decline in prices of commodities in the main component of Transport.

The inflation rates for regions between December 2015 and January 2016 indicated that Rural Villages went down to 2.8 percent from 3.4 percent, Cities & Towns moved down to 2.7 percent from 3.2 percent and Urban Villages dropped to 2.6 percent from 2.8 percent.

The national Consumer Price index increased from 183.6 in December 2015 to 184.3 in January 2016, a rise of 0.4 percent. The Urban Villages' index realized an increase of 0.6 percent, advancing from 182.0 to 183.1. The Rural Villages' index went up from 189.9 in December 2015 to 190.5 in January 2016, while Cities & Towns' index registered an increase of 0.2 percent, moving from 182.3 to 182.7 between the two months.

Group indices were generally stable between December 2015 and January 2016, recording changes of less than 1.0 percent, except Education which recorded a change of 3.5 percent.

The Education Group index recorded an increase of 3.5 percent, from 169.8 in December to 175.7 in January. The constituent section indices of Pre-primary & Primary Education and Secondary & Tertiary Education recorded increases of 3.0 and 3.8 percent respectively. The Pre-primary & Primary Education section index was 233.6 in January, up from 226.7 in December. The Secondary & Tertiary Education section index moved from 142.1 in December to 147.5 in the month under review. The rise was mainly attributed to the increases in the private secondary and pre-primary & primary education school fees.

The Clothing and Footwear index group went up from 179.0 to 180.4, registering an increase of 0.8 percent between December 2015 and January 2016. The rise was due to the general increase in the section indices.

The Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages index group moved from 197.7 to 198.6, recording an increase of 0.5 percent between December 2015 and January 2016. The rise was attributed to the general increase in the section indices, notably; Vegetables (3.2 percent) and Fruits (2.3 percent).

The Miscellaneous Goods & Services group index recorded an upturn of 0.5 percent, moving from 149.0 in December 2015 to 149.7 in January 2016. This was due to an increase in the constituent section indices of Social Protection (20.2 percent).

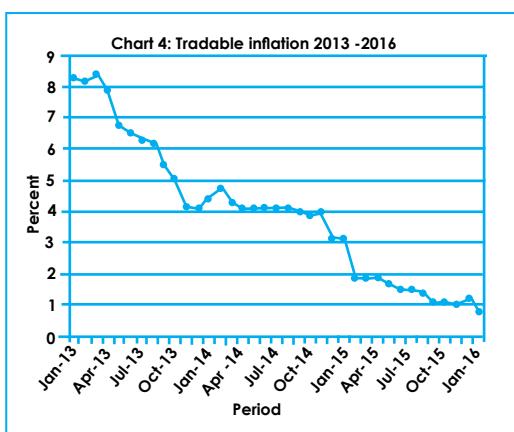
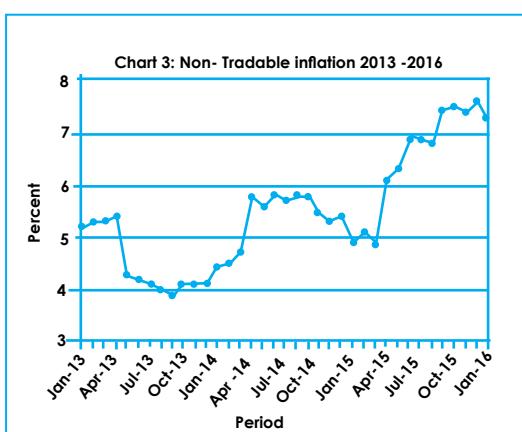
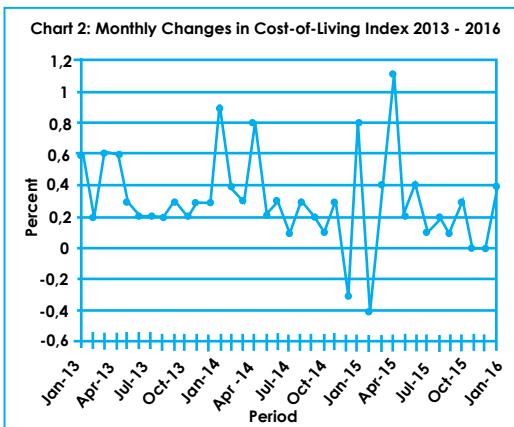
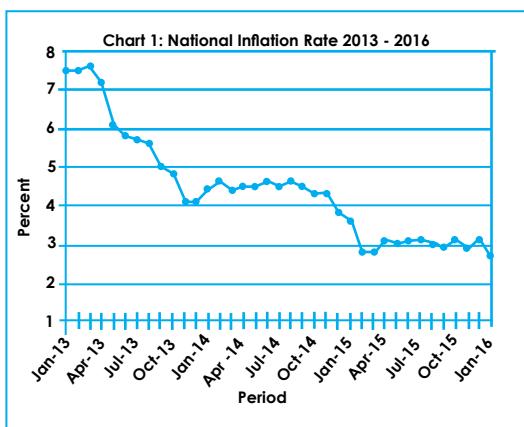
All-Tradable inflation rate was 0.8 percent in January 2016, a decline of 0.4 of a percentage point on the December 2015 rate of 1.2 percent. The Domestic Tradable inflation rate decreased from 3.5 percent in December 2015 to 2.6 percent in January 2016. The Non-Tradable inflation rate dropped from 7.6 percent to 7.3 percent between December 2015 and January 2016. The Imported Tradable inflation rate declined from 0.0 percent to -0.3 percent between the two months. The decline in the imported tradable inflation rate (-0.3) over the last twelve months was mainly due to the decrease in fuel prices.

The All-Tradable index advanced from 187.5 in December 2015 to 188.1 in January 2016 registering an increase of 0.4 percent. The Domestic Tradable index moved from 208.7 in December 2015 to 209.9 in January 2016, registering a rise of 0.6 percent. The Non-Tradable index went up by 0.4 percent moving from 173.8 to 174.4 between the two periods, while the Imported Tradable index moved from 176.5 in December 2015 to 176.9 in January 2016 registering an increase of 0.2 percent.

Section 2: Core Inflation

The Trimmed Mean Core Inflation rate registered a drop of 0.4 of a percentage point, moving from 3.2 percent to 2.8 percent. The Core Inflation rate by exclusion registered a decrease of 0.5 of a percentage point, moving from 4.5 percent to 4.0 percent, between December 2015 and January 2016.

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TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX (September 2006 =100.0)

		Alcohol & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing	Furniture etc	Health	Transport	Com-munica-tion	Rec. & Culture	Education	Rest. & Ho-tels	Miscel-laneous	
	Weights	Food	9.29	7.52	11.46	6.76	2.71	18.98	3.01	2.22	3.37	3.27	9.57
2013	Jan	185.2	216.9	148.0	148.8	164.0	146.8	170.0	91.7	132.6	148.4	204.6	129.2
	Feb	186.0	217.2	148.6	148.9	164.5	147.2	170.1	91.7	132.8	148.4	204.9	129.2
	Mar	187.1	222.1	149.1	149.5	165.2	147.4	170.4	91.7	133.0	148.4	205.6	129.3
	Apr	187.7	226.1	150.4	152.2	165.8	147.6	170.5	91.7	135.9	148.4	208.2	129.0
	May	188.3	226.7	151.5	152.2	166.3	147.8	170.7	91.7	136.0	148.4	210.1	129.3
	Jun	188.6	226.9	152.3	153.4	167.4	148.4	170.7	91.7	136.1	148.4	210.6	129.3
	Jul	188.8	227.2	152.9	153.5	167.9	148.7	171.2	91.7	136.3	148.4	210.8	129.6
	Aug	189.5	227.5	153.3	153.7	168.2	149.0	171.4	91.7	136.5	148.4	213.0	129.7
	Sept	190.2	228.0	153.8	154.5	169.1	149.1	171.4	92.0	137.1	148.4	213.8	129.8
	Oct	190.7	228.2	154.3	154.7	169.5	150.2	171.5	92.0	137.4	148.4	214.5	130.8
	Nov	191.2	229.2	155.3	154.8	170.8	150.4	172.1	92.0	138.4	148.4	215.8	131.0
	Dec	191.4	231.0	155.9	155.2	171.5	150.7	172.2	92.1	138.6	148.4	218.5	131.1
2014	Jan	191.9	234.8	156.9	155.4	171.8	157.4	173.2	92.1	139.1	159.4	221.9	131.6
	Feb	192.6	239.9	157.7	155.5	171.9	157.6	173.3	92.1	139.3	159.4	223.1	131.6
	Mar	193.1	243.3	158.5	156.5	173.8	157.8	172.2	92.1	139.6	159.4	224.2	131.7
	Apr	193.8	245.9	159.1	158.4	174.0	158.8	172.3	92.1	141.6	159.4	225.2	137.7
	May	194.3	247.5	160.0	158.5	174.4	159.0	172.3	92.1	141.8	159.4	226.2	137.8
	Jun	194.6	247.8	161.1	159.2	176.1	162.4	172.3	92.1	141.9	159.4	226.7	137.9
	Jul	194.9	248.1	161.9	159.2	176.3	162.5	172.5	92.1	142.0	159.4	227.4	137.9
	Aug	195.0	248.2	162.3	159.3	177.0	162.8	174.1	92.1	142.3	159.4	228.5	138.1
	Sept	195.3	248.3	163.1	159.7	178.1	163.1	174.2	92.1	142.7	159.4	229.0	138.2
	Oct	195.5	248.6	163.9	159.8	178.4	163.1	174.3	92.1	142.7	159.4	229.4	138.2
	Nov	196.0	248.7	165.0	159.9	179.1	163.4	175.2	92.1	143.1	159.4	229.9	138.9
	Dec	196.3	248.6	166.1	161.4	180.0	163.5	170.7	92.1	143.5	159.4	230.3	138.9
2015	Jan	196.3	254.2	167.2	161.5	182.0	167.6	171.2	92.1	143.5	169.5	232.0	139.2
	Feb	196.7	256.7	169.2	161.3	183.5	167.7	163.8	92.1	143.9	169.5	235.7	139.5
	Mar	196.7	259.4	170.4	162.3	184.7	167.8	164.0	92.1	144.1	169.5	236.8	139.6
	Apr	196.7	260.6	171.1	168.3	185.1	167.9	164.3	92.1	150.9	169.5	237.1	148.0
	May	196.8	261.3	172.1	168.1	185.6	171.9	164.3	92.6	151.3	169.5	237.7	148.0
	Jun	196.6	261.7	173.3	171.0	186.9	172.2	164.4	92.5	151.3	169.5	239.2	148.7
	Jul	196.8	262.1	174.0	171.1	187.1	172.6	164.6	92.5	151.5	169.5	239.6	148.7
	Aug	197.1	262.6	175.4	171.2	187.6	172.7	164.6	92.5	151.5	169.8	240.4	148.9
	Sept	197.4	260.8	176.5	175.3	188.9	173.0	162.8	92.5	151.7	169.8	241.2	149.0
	Oct	197.8	263.2	177.5	175.3	189.3	173.1	163.0	92.5	152.0	169.8	243.4	149.1
	Nov	197.7	263.7	178.2	175.1	189.2	173.2	162.9	92.5	152.1	169.8	244.0	149.1
	Dec	197.7	264.0	179.0	177.1	189.8	173.2	160.8	92.5	152.3	169.8	244.6	149.0
2016	Jan	198.6	264.1	180.4	177.2	190.0	173.3	160.9	92.5	152.8	175.7	245.3	149.7
% Change on last month		0.5	0.1	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	3.5	0.3	0.5

TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX(Cont.)

		All Items Index	National Inflation Rate	Monthly Change	Towns & Cities Index	Urban Villages Index	Rural Villages Index	Towns & Cities	Annual Urban Villages %	Inflation Rural Villages %
		100	%	%	47.33	33.76	18.91	%	%	%
2013	Jan	165.9	7.5	0.6	165.0	164.8	170	7.5	7.0	8.3
	Feb	166.2	7.5	0.2	165.2	165.0	170.7	7.5	6.9	8.3
	Mar	167.1	7.6	0.6	166.0	166.2	171.8	7.5	7.2	8.3
	Apr	168.2	7.2	0.6	167.3	167.4	172.1	7.3	6.9	7.7
	May	168.7	6.1	0.3	168.0	167.5	172.5	5.9	5.9	6.9
	Jun	169.1	5.8	0.2	168.1	168.1	173.3	5.5	5.8	6.6
	Jul	169.4	5.7	0.2	168.5	168.3	173.5	5.5	5.5	6.4
	Aug	169.8	5.6	0.2	168.8	168.7	174.0	5.5	5.3	6.4
	Sept	170.2	5.0	0.3	169.1	169.2	174.7	4.5	5.0	6.4
	Oct	170.6	4.8	0.2	169.4	169.6	175.4	4.2	4.9	6.1
	Nov	171.2	4.1	0.3	169.9	170.0	176.4	3.5	4.3	5.5
	Dec	171.7	4.1	0.3	170.2	170.5	177.3	3.6	4.0	5.3
2014	Jan	173.1	4.4	0.9	171.7	172.2	178.6	4.0	4.5	5.0
	Feb	173.9	4.6	0.4	172.6	172.7	179.4	4.5	4.7	5.1
	Mar	174.5	4.4	0.3	173.2	173.4	179.6	4.4	4.3	4.6
	Apr	175.9	4.5	0.8	174.7	174.5	181.2	4.4	4.3	5.3
	May	176.3	4.5	0.2	174.9	175.2	181.5	4.2	4.6	5.2
	Jun	176.8	4.6	0.3	175.5	175.6	182.1	4.4	4.5	5.1
	Jul	177.0	4.5	0.1	175.8	175.9	182.1	4.3	4.5	5.0
	Aug	177.5	4.6	0.3	176.3	176.3	182.7	4.5	4.5	5.0
	Sept	177.8	4.5	0.2	176.4	176.6	183.5	4.3	4.4	5.0
	Oct	178.0	4.3	0.1	176.6	176.7	183.8	4.2	4.2	4.8
	Nov	178.5	4.3	0.3	177.2	177.2	184.3	4.3	4.3	4.5
	Dec	178.1	3.8	(0.3)	176.7	177.0	183.7	3.8	3.8	3.6
2015	Jan	179.5	3.6	0.8	177.9	178.5	185.3	3.6	3.7	3.7
	Feb	178.8	2.8	(0.4)	177.1	177.7	185.1	2.6	2.9	3.2
	Mar	179.4	2.8	0.4	177.5	178.3	186.0	2.5	2.8	3.6
	Apr	181.3	3.1	1.1	180.0	179.7	187.4	3.1	3.0	3.4
	May	181.6	3.0	0.2	180.2	180.1	188.1	3.0	2.8	3.6
	Jun	182.3	3.1	0.4	180.9	180.8	188.2	3.1	3.0	3.4
	Jul	182.5	3.1	0.1	181.1	181.1	188.5	3.1	3.0	3.5
	Aug	182.8	3.0	0.2	181.3	181.6	188.9	2.8	3.0	3.4
	Sept	183.1	2.9	0.1	181.5	181.6	189.5	2.9	2.8	3.3
	Oct	183.6	3.1	0.3	182.3	182.1	189.5	3.2	3.0	3.1
	Nov	183.7	2.9	0.0	182.4	182.0	189.8	2.9	2.7	3.0
	Dec	183.6	3.1	(0.0)	182.3	182.0	189.9	3.2	2.8	3.4
2016	Jan	184.3	2.7	0.4	182.7	183.1	190.5	2.7	2.6	2.8
% Change on last month		0.4			0.2	0.6	0.4			

TABLE 2 :National Cost-of-Living Group and Section Indices

(September 2006=100.0)

Group Section	Weights	This month Jan 2016	Last month Dec 2015	3	6	12	Percentage Change on				
				months ago Oct 2015	months ago Jul 2015	months ago Jan 2015	Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago	
1	Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.84	198.6	197.7	197.8	196.8	196.3	0.5	0.4	0.9	1.2
1.1	Bread & Cereals	6.51	187.2	187.0	187.8	186.9	188.1	0.1	(0.3)	0.2	(0.5)
1.2	Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	3.15	206.4	205.9	205.2	205.9	204.2	0.2	0.6	0.2	1.1
1.3	Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	0.20	213.3	213.1	213.4	212.5	202.9	0.1	(0.0)	0.4	5.2
1.4	Milk, Cheese & Milk Products	2.19	204.2	203.9	203.5	202.9	203.5	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.3
1.5	Oils & Fats	0.90	228.3	228.7	229.2	228.9	232.5	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.3)	(1.8)
1.6	Fruit	0.67	149.7	146.3	145.4	144.3	149.9	2.3	2.9	3.7	(0.2)
1.7	Vegetables	1.94	207.4	200.9	200.5	198.5	202.3	3.2	3.4	4.5	2.5
1.8	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery	1.36	209.2	209.1	210.0	207.1	200.2	0.0	(0.4)	1.0	4.5
1.9	Food not else where Classified	2.36	201.4	201.3	201.1	200.2	194.5	0.1	0.1	0.6	3.5
1.10	Coffee, Tea & Cocoa	0.63	227.0	225.1	224.6	220.4	220.0	0.8	1.1	3.0	3.2
1.11	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices	1.94	190.7	190.6	190.4	189.5	187.9	0.1	0.2	0.7	1.5
2	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	9.29	264.1	264.0	263.2	262.1	254.2	0.1	0.4	0.8	3.9
2.1	Alcoholic Beverages	8.09	260.1	259.9	259.1	258.2	251.7	0.1	0.4	0.7	3.3
2.2	Tobacco	1.20	291.5	291.2	290.7	288.7	271.5	0.1	0.3	1.0	7.4
3	Clothing and Footwear	7.52	180.4	179.0	177.5	174.0	167.2	0.8	1.6	3.7	7.9
3.1	Clothing	3.33	211.1	209.3	207.0	202.4	193.2	0.9	2.0	4.3	9.3
3.2	Other articles of Clothing	1.82	156.2	155.8	155.6	153.5	148.8	0.2	0.4	1.7	5.0
3.3	Cleaning, Repair & Hire	0.03	218.5	215.9	214.2	207.7	203.2	1.2	2.0	5.2	7.6
3.4	Footwear	2.34	155.0	153.3	152.0	149.1	143.9	1.1	2.0	4.0	7.7
4	Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels	11.46	177.2	177.1	175.3	171.1	161.5	0.1	1.1	3.6	9.7
4.1	Rent paid by Tenants	5.68	162.2	162.2	157.7	150.0	141.7	0.0	2.8	8.1	14.5
4.2	Materials for Maintenance & Repair of dwellings	2.57	153.3	152.9	153.6	153.3	153.1	0.3	(0.1)	0.0	0.2
4.3	Water Supply & Misc. Services	1.14	203.1	202.8	202.8	202.8	160.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	26.2
4.4	Electricity Gas and other Fuels	2.06	234.0	234.2	235.6	233.9	226.8	(0.1)	(0.7)	0.0	3.2
5	Furnishing, H/H Equipment & Routine Maintenance	6.76	190.0	189.8	189.3	187.1	182.0	0.1	0.3	1.5	4.4
5.1	Furniture & Furnishing	2.31	169.4	169.0	168.4	165.9	160.3	0.2	0.6	2.1	5.6
5.2	Carpets & Other Floor Coverings	0.04	181.2	179.6	178.7	172.6	167.1	0.9	1.4	4.9	8.4
5.3	Household Textiles	0.44	174.2	173.7	173.2	171.5	168.3	0.3	0.6	1.6	3.5
5.4	Household Appliances	0.69	162.9	162.3	161.4	159.2	154.4	0.4	0.9	2.3	5.5
5.5	Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils	0.44	197.2	196.8	194.3	191.7	188.5	0.2	1.5	2.9	4.6
5.6	Small Tools, Miscellaneous Accessories	0.06	187.2	186.6	186.4	185.4	183.2	0.3	0.4	0.9	2.1
5.7	Goods & Services for H/hold Maintenance	2.79	215.2	215.4	215.5	213.4	208.0	(0.1)	(0.1)	0.8	3.5

TABLE 2 :National Cost-of-Living Group and Section Indices (September 2006=100.0) cont...

Group Section	Weights	This month Jan 2016	Last month Dec 2015	3 months	6 months	12 months	Percentage Change on			
				ago Oct 2015	ago Jul 2015	ago Jan 2015	Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago
6 Health	2.71	173.3	173.2	173.1	172.6	167.6	0.0	0.1	0.4	3.4
6.1 Medical Products, App. & Equip.	0.35	220.8	220.4	219.8	216.2	210.7	0.2	0.4	2.1	4.8
6.2 Out-patient Services	0.66	186.3	186.2	185.9	186.1	184.7	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.8
6.3 Hospital Services	1.71	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	152.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2
7 Transport	18.98	160.9	160.8	163.0	164.6	171.2	0.0	(1.3)	(2.3)	(6.0)
7.1 Purchase of Vehicles	5.89	155.7	155.7	159.1	159.3	158.6	0.0	(2.1)	(2.2)	(1.8)
7.2 Operation of Personal Transport	10.92	160.2	160.2	162.1	164.8	176.6	0.0	(1.2)	(2.8)	(9.3)
7.3 Transport Services	2.17	178.2	177.8	177.8	177.8	177.8	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
8 Communication	3.01	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
8.1 Postal Services	0.04	261.2	261.2	261.2	261.2	226.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.5
8.2 Telephone & Telefax Equipment	0.74	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	66.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8.3 Telephone & Telefax Services	2.23	98.1	98.1	98.1	98.1	98.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	(0.1)
9 Recreation & Culture	2.22	152.8	152.3	152.0	151.5	143.5	0.3	0.5	0.9	6.5
9.1 Audio Visual, Photographic & Info. Proce. Equip.	1.09	115.8	115.4	114.9	114.5	111.3	0.4	0.8	1.1	4.0
9.2 Other Recreational Items & Equip.	0.18	181.3	180.4	180.5	176.1	174.0	0.5	0.5	3.0	4.2
9.3 Recreational & Cultural Services	0.76	178.4	178.1	178.1	178.2	161.8	0.2	0.2	0.1	10.3
9.4 Newspapers, Books & Stationary	0.19	232.1	231.7	231.2	230.4	222.9	0.2	0.4	0.7	4.1
10 Education	3.37	175.7	169.8	169.8	169.5	169.5	3.5	3.5	3.7	3.7
10.1 Pre-Primary & Primary Education	1.10	233.6	226.7	226.7	225.7	225.7	3.0	3.0	3.5	3.5
10.2 Secondary & Tertiary Education	2.26	147.5	142.1	142.1	142.1	142.1	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
11 Restaurants & Hotels	3.27	245.3	244.6	243.4	239.6	232.0	0.3	0.8	2.4	5.7
11.1 Restaurants, Cafes and the Like	3.08	249.4	248.7	247.5	243.5	235.8	0.3	0.7	2.4	5.7
11.2 Accommodation Services	0.19	178.7	177.7	176.2	174.3	169.3	0.6	1.4	2.5	5.6
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	9.57	149.7	149.0	149.1	148.7	139.2	0.5	0.4	0.7	7.6
12.1 Personal Care	0.66	165.9	165.7	166.8	165.3	162.8	0.2	(0.5)	0.4	1.9
12.2 Personal Effects N.E.C.	0.04	157.2	156.7	156.5	150.8	146.9	0.3	0.5	4.2	7.0
12.3 Social Protection	0.14	258.3	214.9	214.9	214.9	207.6	20.2	20.2	20.2	24.4
12.4 Insurance	6.32	151.0	151.0	151.0	150.9	138.2	(0.0)	0.0	0.1	9.3
12.5 Financial Services	0.18	160.7	160.7	160.3	156.4	152.6	(0.0)	0.3	2.7	5.3
12.6 Taxes Licences, Fees	2.24	133.4	133.3	133.3	133.0	129.6	0.1	0.1	0.3	3.0
All-Items Index	100.0	184.3	183.6	183.6	182.5	179.5	0.4	0.4	1.0	2.7

TABLE 3: COST-OF-LIVING INDEX BY TRADABILITY (September 2006 = 100.0)

		All Items		Non-Tradable		Domestic Tradable		Imported Tradable		All Tradable	
		Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation
Weights		100.00		30.92		23.91		45.17		69.08	
2013	Jan	165.9	7.5	148.4	5.2	185.6	9.5	167.1	7.6	173.4	8.3
	Feb	166.2	7.5	148.5	5.3	186.0	9.2	167.5	7.6	173.8	8.2
	Mar	167.1	7.6	148.8	5.3	188.4	9.4	168.1	7.7	175.0	8.4
	Apr	168.2	7.2	150.1	5.4	190.9	8.4	168.4	7.5	176.0	7.9
	May	168.7	6.1	150.4	4.3	191.4	7.5	168.9	6.3	176.5	6.8
	Jun	169.1	5.8	151.1	4.2	191.1	6.9	169.5	6.2	176.8	6.5
	Jul	169.4	5.7	151.2	4.1	191.1	6.8	170.1	6.0	177.2	6.3
	Aug	169.8	5.6	151.4	4.0	191.4	6.8	170.5	5.8	177.6	6.2
	Sept	170.2	5.0	151.8	3.9	191.9	6.6	171.0	4.7	178.1	5.5
	Oct	170.6	4.8	152.3	4.1	192.1	5.8	171.4	4.5	178.5	5.0
	Nov	171.6	4.1	152.8	4.1	192.9	5.0	171.9	3.6	179.1	4.1
	Dec	171.7	4.1	153.3	4.1	193.3	4.8	172.4	3.7	179.5	4.1
2014	Jan	173.1	4.4	154.9	4.4	196.4	5.8	173.1	3.6	181.0	4.4
	Feb	173.9	4.6	155.1	4.5	198.9	6.9	173.4	3.5	182.1	4.8
	Mar	174.5	4.4	155.9	4.7	199.7	6.0	173.7	3.3	182.5	4.3
	Apr	175.9	4.5	158.7	5.7	200.6	5.1	174.2	3.4	183.2	4.1
	May	176.3	4.5	158.9	5.6	201.2	5.1	174.8	3.5	183.8	4.1
	Jun	176.8	4.6	159.8	5.8	201.5	5.4	175.2	3.4	184.1	4.1
	Jul	177.0	4.5	159.8	5.7	201.7	5.5	175.5	3.2	184.4	4.1
	Aug	177.5	4.6	160.1	5.8	201.8	5.4	176.3	3.4	185.0	4.1
	Sept	177.8	4.5	160.6	5.8	201.6	5.1	176.7	3.3	185.3	4.0
	Oct	178.0	4.3	160.6	5.5	201.7	5.0	177.0	3.3	185.5	3.9
	Nov	178.5	4.3	160.9	5.3	201.7	4.6	178.0	3.5	186.2	4.0
	Dec	178.1	3.8	161.6	5.4	201.7	4.3	176.6	2.4	185.2	3.1
2015	Jan	179.5	3.6	162.5	4.9	204.7	4.2	177.4	2.5	186.7	3.1
	Feb	178.8	2.8	163.0	5.1	205.6	3.4	175.0	0.9	185.4	1.9
	Mar	179.4	2.8	163.6	4.9	206.9	3.6	175.3	1.0	186.1	1.9
	Apr	181.3	3.1	168.4	6.1	207.6	3.5	175.9	0.9	186.7	1.9
	May	181.6	3.0	168.9	6.3	207.7	3.2	176.1	0.8	186.9	1.7
	Jun	182.3	3.1	170.7	6.9	207.6	3.0	176.3	0.6	187.0	1.5
	Jul	182.5	3.1	170.9	6.9	207.5	2.9	176.8	0.7	187.3	1.5
	Aug	182.8	3.0	171.0	6.8	207.7	2.9	177.3	0.6	187.7	1.4
	Sept	183.1	2.9	172.5	7.4	207.0	2.7	177.0	0.2	187.2	1.1
	Oct	183.6	3.1	172.7	7.5	208.3	3.3	177.4	0.2	187.6	1.1
	Nov	183.7	2.9	172.8	7.4	208.6	3.4	177.3	-0.4	188.0	1.0
	Dec	183.6	3.1	173.8	7.6	208.7	3.5	176.5	0.0	187.5	1.2
2016	Jan	184.3	2.7	174.4	7.3	209.9	2.6	176.9	-0.3	188.1	0.8
	% Change on last month		0.4		0.4		0.6		0.2		0.4

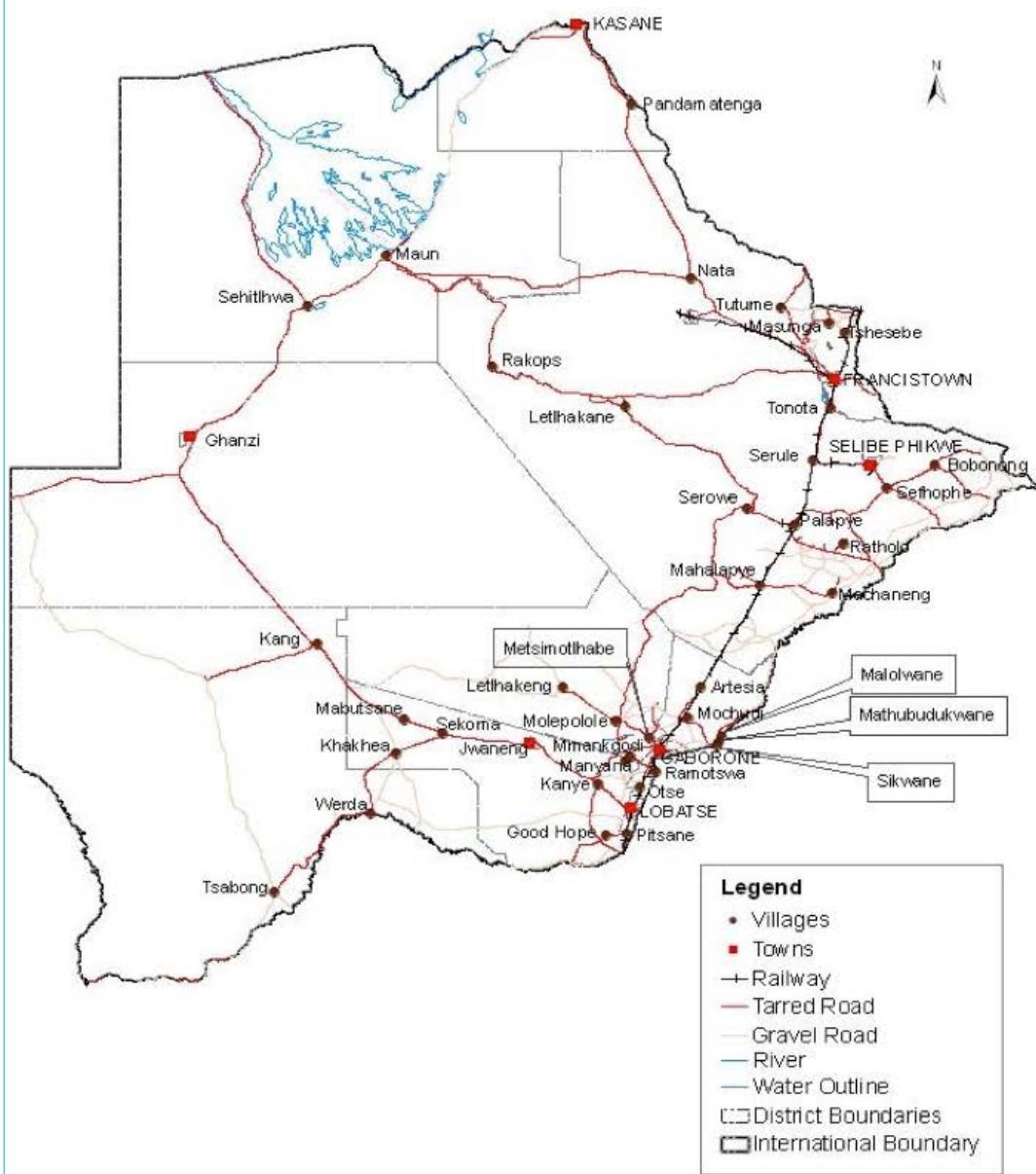
TABLE 4: Core Inflation Rates by Exclusion and Trimmed Mean

Year	Month	Consumer Price Index (Trimmed Mean) (September 2006 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation Rate (Trimmed Mean) (percentage)	Consumer Price Index (Excluding Administered Prices) (September 2006 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation (Excluding Administered Prices) (percentage)
2013					
	Jan	166.8	7.2	166.8	6.9
	Feb	167.2	7.2	167.2	6.9
	Mar	168.3	7.3	168.4	7.0
	Apr	172.2	6.8	169.4	6.4
	May	166.9	6.0	170.0	6.1
	Jun	168.4	5.7	170.3	5.7
	Jul	168.7	5.5	170.7	5.5
	Aug	169.1	5.4	171.1	5.3
	Sept	169.8	4.7	171.7	5.2
	Oct	171.5	4.7	172.2	4.9
	Nov	176.1	4.0	172.9	4.7
	Dec	174.8	4.0	173.5	4.7
2014					
	Jan	173.9	4.1	175.4	5.2
	Feb	173.4	4.1	176.3	5.5
	Mar	175.1	4.0	177.1	5.2
	Apr	175.0	4.1	178.2	5.2
	May	175.4	4.1	178.8	5.2
	Jun	177.8	4.2	179.4	5.3
	Jul	178.0	4.2	179.7	5.3
	Aug	177.6	4.2	180.3	5.3
	Sept	177.8	4.1	180.7	5.2
	Oct	179.0	4.0	180.9	5.1
	Nov	179.6	3.9	181.5	5.0
	Dec	176.6	3.7	182.0	4.9
2015					
	Jan	178.5	3.6	183.7	4.8
	Feb	178.6	3.2	184.8	4.8
	Mar	179.2	3.3	185.6	4.8
	Apr	184.1	3.6	186.7	4.8
	May	184.4	3.5	187.1	4.7
	Jun	185.1	3.6	187.9	4.7
	Jul	185.4	3.6	188.2	4.7
	Aug	185.8	3.5	188.6	4.6
	Sept	186.5	3.4	189.3	4.8
	Oct	187.1	3.6	189.9	5.0
	Nov	187.1	3.3	190.0	4.7
	Dec	187.0	3.2	190.3	4.5
2016	Jan	187.8	2.8	191.1	4.0

Table 5: Average Annual Inflation (September 2006=100)

	Group	Weights	YEAR							
			2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
1	Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.84	20.2	14.7	3.6	6.9	8.0	5.4	3.0	1.3
2	Alcoholic Beverages,Tobacco & Narcotics	9.29	13.2	35.2	7.1	8.4	7.6	10.3	9.0	6.1
3	Clothing and Footwear	7.52	2.0	8.4	8.0	8.9	7.5	6.3	6.0	7.6
4	Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels	11.46	8.1	4.8	6.4	8.4	7.7	4.3	3.9	7.1
5	Furnishing, H/H Equipment& Routine Maintenance	6.76	6.0	11.9	9.4	9.0	7.3	4.9	5.0	6.1
6	Health	2.71	11.3	5.5	2.7	4.5	5.9	5.5	8.3	6.3
7	Transport	18.98	21.2	(8.4)	12.1	13.2	10.8	7.3	1.2	(5.1)
8	Communication	3.01	(0.3)	(0.3)	1.2	(3.0)	(1.4)	0.3	0.3	0.3
9	Recreation & Culture	2.22	2.3	5.0	6.0	8.3	5.8	4.5	4.2	5.7
10	Education	3.37	3.9	3.9	5.8	10.6	6.4	4.7	7.4	6.4
11	Restaurants & Hotels	3.27	12.7	18.8	9.0	9.3	8.4	7.9	7.6	5.5
12	Miscellaneous Goods & Services	9.57	4.9	3.8	7.0	5.3	2.0	1.2	5.2	7.2
	All-Items Index	100.0	12.6	8.2	6.9	8.5	7.5	5.9	4.4	3.1

PRICES COLLECTION COVERAGE FOR BOTSWANA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI)- 2016



Glossary

Consumer Price Index (CPI) is an index which measures price changes in goods and services with reference to a base period.

Inflation is a measurement of prices movement of goods and services in a particular country.

Domestic Tradable refers to the goods and services which a country (Botswana) can export to other countries.

Imported Tradable represents the goods and services which a country (Botswana) imports from other countries (trading partners).

Non-Tradable refers to the goods and services which a country cannot either export or import to other countries.

All -Tradable refers to the total of **Domestic** and **Imported tradable**.

Trimmed Mean Core Inflation- attempts to remove 8 percent (by weight) of the commodity sub-groups with the largest price changes at each of the ends of an ordered series of price changes in any given month.

Core inflation by Exclusion is a measure used to remove the volatility inherent in prices that are only adjusted periodically and not always in response to currently prevailing market forces.