

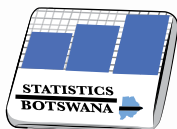


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Section 1: **Headline Inflation**

The annual inflation rate in September 2016 was 2.8 percent, a rise of 0.2 of a percentage point on the August 2016 rate of 2.6 percent. The inflation rates for regions between August 2016 and September 2016 shows that Cities & Towns went up to 2.8 percent from 2.6 percent, Urban Villages' increased to 2.7 percent from 2.6 percent, and Rural Villages' remained unchanged at 2.9 percent.

The September national Consumer Price index moved from 187.7 in August to 188.2 in September 2016, an increase of 0.3 percent. The Cities & Towns' index realized an increase of 0.4 percent, moving from 185.9 to 186.6. The Rural Villages index' rose by 0.2 percent, advancing from 194.5 in August to 194.9 in September, while Urban Villages' index registered a rise of 0.1 percent, moving from 186.3 to 186.6 between the two months.

Group indices were generally stable between August and September 2016, recording changes of less than 1.0 percent, except Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels which recorded a change of 1.0 percent.

The Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other Fuels group index recorded an increase of 1.0 percent, from 180.7 in August to 182.6 in September. This was due to a rise in the constituent section index of Rent paid by Tenants (2.2 percent).

The Furnishing, House Hold Equipment & Routine Maintenance group index went up from 192.6 in August to 193.5 in September, registering an increase of 0.5 percent. The rise was attributed to the general increase in the section indices, particularly; Goods & Services for Household Maintenance (0.7 percent).

The Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages group index went up to 203.5 in September from 202.8 in August, recording a rise of 0.3 percent. The increase was attributed to the rise in the section indices, notably; Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery (2.2 percent) and Bread & Cereals (0.6 percent).

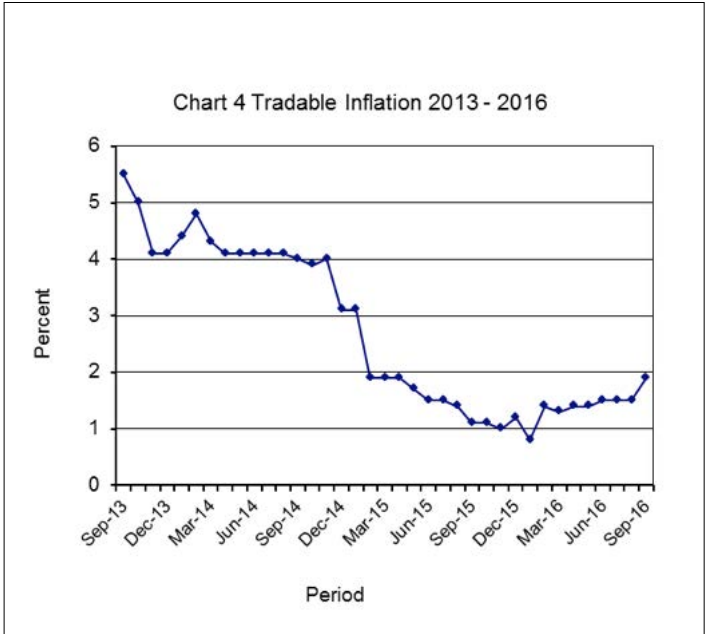
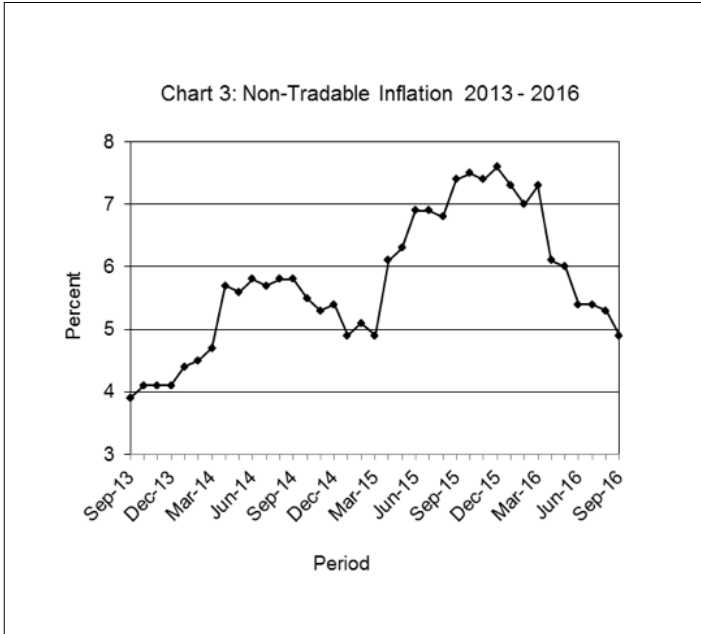
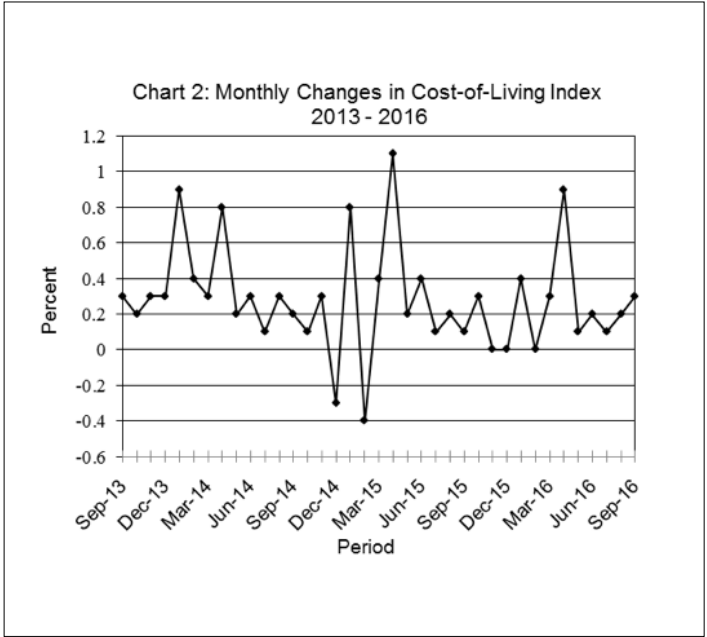
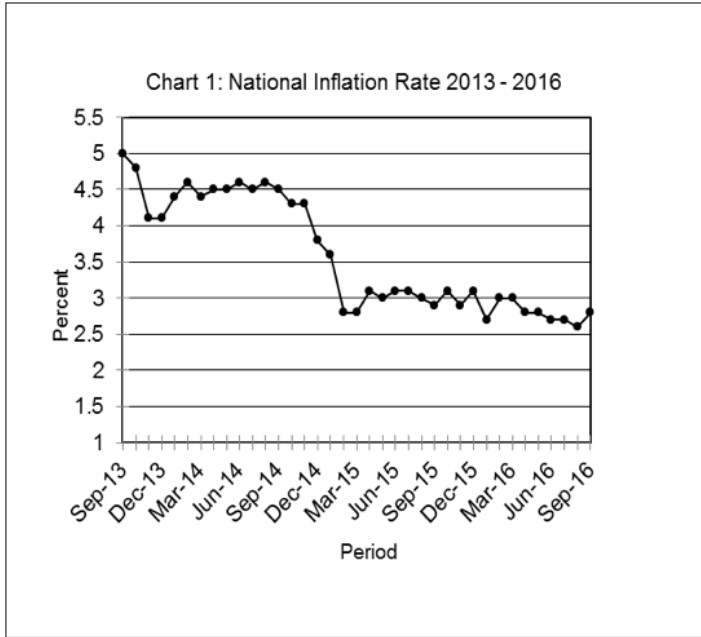
All-Tradable inflation rate was 1.9 percent in September, an increase of 0.4 of a percentage point on the August 2016 rate of 1.5 percent. The Domestic Tradable inflation rate rose from 3.0 percent in August to 3.5 percent in September. The Non-Tradable inflation rate declined from 5.3 percent to 4.9 percent between August and September. The Imported Tradable inflation rate increased to 0.9 from 0.6 percent between the two periods.

The *All-Tradable index* moved from 190.5 in August to 190.7 in September registering a rise of 0.1 percent. The Non-Tradable index moved from 180.2 in August to 181.1 in September, recording an increase of 0.5 percent. The Imported Tradable index went up by 0.1 percent moving from 178.3 to 178.5 between the two periods, while the Domestic Tradable index advanced from 213.9 in August to 214.2 in September.

Section 2: **Core Inflation**

The Trimmed Mean Core Inflation rate registered an increase of 0.2 of a percentage point, moving from 2.4 percent to 2.6 percent. The Core Inflation rate by exclusion remained unchanged at 3.6 percent.

Charts



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

		Food	Alcohol & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing	Furniture etc	Health	Transport	Communi-cation	Rec. & Culture	Edu-cation	Rest. & Hotels	Miscel-laneous
Weights		21.84	9.29	7.52	11.46	6.76	2.71	18.98	3.01	2.22	3.37	3.27	9.57
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
	Feb	199.8	264.5	181.6	177.0	190.2	173.4	158.6	92.5	153.6	175.7	246.0	149.3
	Mar	200.4	264.6	182.7	179.3	190.6	173.5	158.8	92.5	153.8	175.7	246.6	149.6
	Apr	202.0	266.1	183.6	179.3	190.9	174.0	159.1	92.5	153.9	175.9	247.3	159.3
	May	202.2	266.5	184.3	179.3	191.1	177.4	159.2	92.5	153.9	175.9	247.8	159.3
	Jun	201.6	266.8	185.3	180.8	192.1	177.4	159.7	92.5	153.9	175.9	248.7	159.8
	Jul	202.1	267.7	185.7	180.7	192.2	177.4	159.9	92.5	154.0	175.9	248.9	160.0
	Aug	202.8	267.9	186.2	180.7	192.6	177.5	160.0	92.5	154.2	175.9	249.6	160.0
	Sept	203.5	268.0	186.4	182.6	193.5	177.5	160.0	92.5	154.5	175.9	250.6	160.0
% Change on last month		0.3	0.0	0.1	1.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.4	0.0

TABLE 1: COST OF LIVING INDEX(Cont.)

	All Items Index	National Inflation Rate	Monthly Change	Towns & Cities Index	Urban Villages Index	Rural Villages Index	Annual Inflation		
							Towns & Cities	Urban Villages	Rural Villages
	100.0	%	%	47.3	33.8	18.9	%	%	%
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
Feb	184.2	3.0	(0.0)	182.3	183.3	190.9	2.9	3.2	3.1
Mar	184.9	3.0	0.3	183.0	184.0	191.0	3.1	3.2	2.7
Apr	186.5	2.8	0.9	184.8	185.5	192.3	2.6	3.2	2.7
May	186.7	2.8	0.1	185.0	185.7	192.8	2.7	3.1	2.5
Jun	187.1	2.7	0.2	185.5	185.9	193.2	2.5	2.8	2.6
Jul	187.4	2.7	0.1	185.6	186.0	194.2	2.5	2.7	3.0
Aug	187.7	2.6	0.2	185.9	186.3	194.5	2.6	2.6	2.9
Sept	188.2	2.8	0.3	186.6	186.6	194.9	2.8	2.7	2.9
% Change on last month	0.3			0.4	0.1	0.2			

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

(September 2006=100.0)

Group Section	Weights	This month Sep 2016	Last month Aug 2016	3 months ago Jun 2016	6 months ago Mar 2016	12 months ago Sep 2015	Percentage Change on			
							Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago
1 Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.84	203.5	202.8	201.6	200.4	197.4	0.3	0.9	1.5	3.1
1.1 Bread & Cereals	6.51	197.6	196.4	192.4	188.2	187.5	0.6	2.7	5.0	5.4
1.2 Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	3.15	208.0	207.8	207.5	206.6	205.1	0.1	0.2	0.6	1.4
1.3 Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	0.20	220.0	219.5	218.4	215.0	213.1	0.2	0.7	2.3	3.2
1.4 Milk, Cheese & Milk Products	2.19	205.4	205.1	204.7	204.3	203.1	0.2	0.4	0.5	1.1
1.5 Oils & Fats	0.90	229.7	229.7	229.3	228.5	228.9	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.3
1.6 Fruit	0.67	160.1	159.0	152.7	151.7	144.8	0.6	4.8	5.5	10.6
1.7 Vegetables	1.94	209.4	211.0	217.6	220.2	199.8	(0.7)	(3.7)	(4.9)	4.8
1.8 Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery	1.36	220.0	215.3	211.7	211.0	209.2	2.2	3.9	4.3	5.2
1.9 Food not else where Classified	2.36	201.9	201.5	202.1	202.4	200.7	0.2	(0.1)	(0.3)	0.6
1.10 Coffee, Tea & Cocoa	0.63	231.9	230.9	226.3	227.3	224.6	0.4	2.5	2.0	3.2
1.11 Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices	1.94	190.1	189.9	189.9	190.6	189.8	0.1	0.1	(0.2)	0.2
2 Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	9.29	268.0	267.9	266.8	264.6	260.8	0.0	0.4	1.3	2.8
2.1 Alcoholic Beverages	8.09	262.8	262.8	261.7	260.4	256.4	0.0	0.4	0.9	2.5
2.2 Tobacco	1.20	302.7	302.2	301.0	293.0	290.4	0.1	0.5	3.3	4.2
3 Clothing and Footwear	7.52	186.4	186.2	185.3	182.7	176.5	0.1	0.6	2.1	5.7
3.1 Clothing	3.33	219.9	219.9	218.3	214.7	205.7	0.0	0.7	2.4	6.9
3.2 Other articles of Clothing	1.82	158.7	158.5	158.0	157.2	154.9	0.2	0.5	1.0	2.5
3.3 Cleaning, Repair & Hire	0.03	227.8	227.7	227.4	226.1	213.8	0.1	0.2	0.8	6.5
3.4 Footwear	2.34	159.8	159.4	158.9	156.4	151.1	0.3	0.6	2.2	5.8
4 Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels	11.46	182.6	180.7	180.8	179.3	175.3	1.0	1.0	1.8	4.1
4.1 Rent paid by Tenants	5.68	173.6	169.9	169.9	166.8	157.7	2.2	2.2	4.0	10.1
4.2 Materials for Maintenance & Repair of dwellings	2.57	153.5	153.4	153.9	153.4	153.3	0.0	(0.3)	0.0	0.1
4.3 Water Supply & Misc. Services	1.14	203.1	203.1	203.1	203.1	202.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
4.4 Electricity Gas and other Fuels	2.06	232.3	232.3	232.3	232.7	236.0	0.0	0.0	(0.1)	(1.6)
5 Furnishing, H/H Equipment & Routine Maintenance	6.76	193.5	192.6	192.1	190.6	188.9	0.5	0.7	1.5	2.4
5.1 Furniture & Furnishing	2.31	173.0	172.5	171.7	170.8	168.0	0.3	0.8	1.3	3.0
5.2 Carpets & Other Floor Coverings	0.04	186.4	185.6	184.8	184.1	177.3	0.4	0.8	1.3	5.2
5.3 Household Textiles	0.44	179.0	178.3	176.8	175.4	172.8	0.4	1.2	2.0	3.6
5.4 Household Appliances	0.69	165.2	165.0	164.8	163.9	161.1	0.1	0.2	0.8	2.5
5.5 Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils	0.44	199.0	198.6	198.4	198.5	193.7	0.2	0.3	0.2	2.7
5.6 Small Tools, Miscellaneous Accessories	0.06	191.6	191.6	191.0	190.0	185.2	(0.0)	0.3	0.8	3.4
5.7 Goods & Services for H/hold Maintenance	2.79	218.9	217.4	217.2	214.9	215.0	0.7	0.8	1.9	1.8

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

Group Section	Weights	This month Sep 2016	Last month Aug 2016	3 months ago Jun 2016	6 months ago Mar 2016	12 months ago Sep 2015	Percentage Change on			
							Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago
6 Health	2.71	177.5	177.5	177.4	173.5	173.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	2.6
6.1 Medical Products, App. & Equip.	0.35	223.7	223.5	223.3	222.7	218.5	0.1	0.2	0.4	2.4
6.2 Out-patient Services	0.66	188.0	188.0	187.9	186.3	186.3	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9
6.3 Hospital Services	1.71	164.0	164.0	164.0	158.5	158.5	0.0	0.0	3.4	3.4
7 Transport	18.98	160.0	160.0	159.7	158.8	162.8	0.0	0.2	0.8	(1.7)
7.1 Purchase of Vehicles	5.89	155.5	155.5	154.8	152.8	159.1	0.0	0.4	1.8	(2.2)
7.2 Operation of Personal Transport	10.92	158.8	158.8	158.7	158.2	161.9	0.0	0.1	0.4	(1.9)
7.3 Transport Services	2.17	178.2	178.2	178.2	178.2	177.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
8 Communication	3.01	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	92.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
8.1 Postal Services	0.04	261.2	261.2	261.2	261.2	261.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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	98.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
9 Recreation & Culture	2.22	154.5	154.2	153.9	153.8	151.7	0.2	0.4	0.5	1.8
9.1 Audio Visual, Photographic & Info. Proce. Equip.	1.09	116.9	116.5	116.2	116.2	114.6	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.9
9.2 Other Recreational Items & Equip.	0.18	189.8	189.4	189.1	188.8	178.6	0.3	0.4	0.6	6.3
9.3 Recreational & Cultural Services	0.76	178.4	178.4	178.4	178.4	178.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
9.4 Newspapers, Books & Stationary	0.19	237.8	236.5	235.8	234.8	230.8	0.5	0.9	1.3	3.0
10 Education	3.37	175.9	175.9	175.9	175.7	169.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	3.6
10.1 Pre-Primary & Primary Education	1.10	234.1	234.1	234.1	233.6	226.7	0.0	0.0	0.2	3.2
10.2 Secondary & Tertiary Education	2.26	147.5	147.5	147.5	147.5	142.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8
11 Restaurants & Hotels	3.27	250.6	249.6	248.7	246.6	241.2	0.4	0.8	1.6	3.9
11.1 Restaurants, Cafes and the Like	3.08	254.8	253.8	252.8	250.8	245.2	0.4	0.8	1.6	3.9
11.2 Accommodation Services	0.19	183.3	181.9	181.1	179.5	175.8	0.8	1.2	2.1	4.3
12 Miscellaneous Goods & Services	9.57	160.0	160.0	159.8	149.6	149.0	0.0	0.1	7.0	7.4
12.1 Personal Care	0.66	168.2	167.9	167.3	166.8	165.9	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.4
12.2 Personal Effects N.E.C.	0.04	159.5	159.4	158.0	157.6	156.4	0.1	0.9	1.2	2.0
12.3 Social Protection	0.14	258.4	258.4	258.4	258.3	214.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	20.2
12.4 Insurance	6.32	164.8	164.8	164.8	149.9	151.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	9.2
12.5 Financial Services	0.18	163.7	163.5	163.0	161.1	160.1	0.1	0.4	1.6	2.3
12.6 Taxes Licences, Fees	2.24	137.5	137.5	137.2	135.9	133.3	0.0	0.2	1.1	3.2
All-Items Index	100.0	188.2	187.7	187.1	184.9	183.1	0.3	0.6	1.8	2.8

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	
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
	Feb	184.2	3.0	174.5	7.0	210.8	2.5	176.3	0.7	188.0	1.4
	Mar	184.9	3.0	175.5	7.3	211.1	2.1	176.7	0.8	188.4	1.3
	Apr	186.5	2.8	178.7	6.1	212.4	2.3	177.4	0.9	189.3	1.4
	May	186.7	2.8	179.1	6.0	212.9	2.5	177.5	0.8	189.6	1.4
	Jun	187.1	2.7	180.0	5.4	212.7	2.5	177.8	0.9	189.7	1.5
	Jul	187.4	2.7	180.1	5.4	213.2	2.8	178.0	0.7	190.1	1.5
	Aug	187.7	2.6	180.2	5.3	213.9	3.0	178.3	0.6	190.5	1.5
	Sept	188.2	2.8	181.1	4.9	214.2	3.5	178.5	0.9	190.7	1.9
% Change on last month		0.3		0.5		0.1		0.1		0.1	

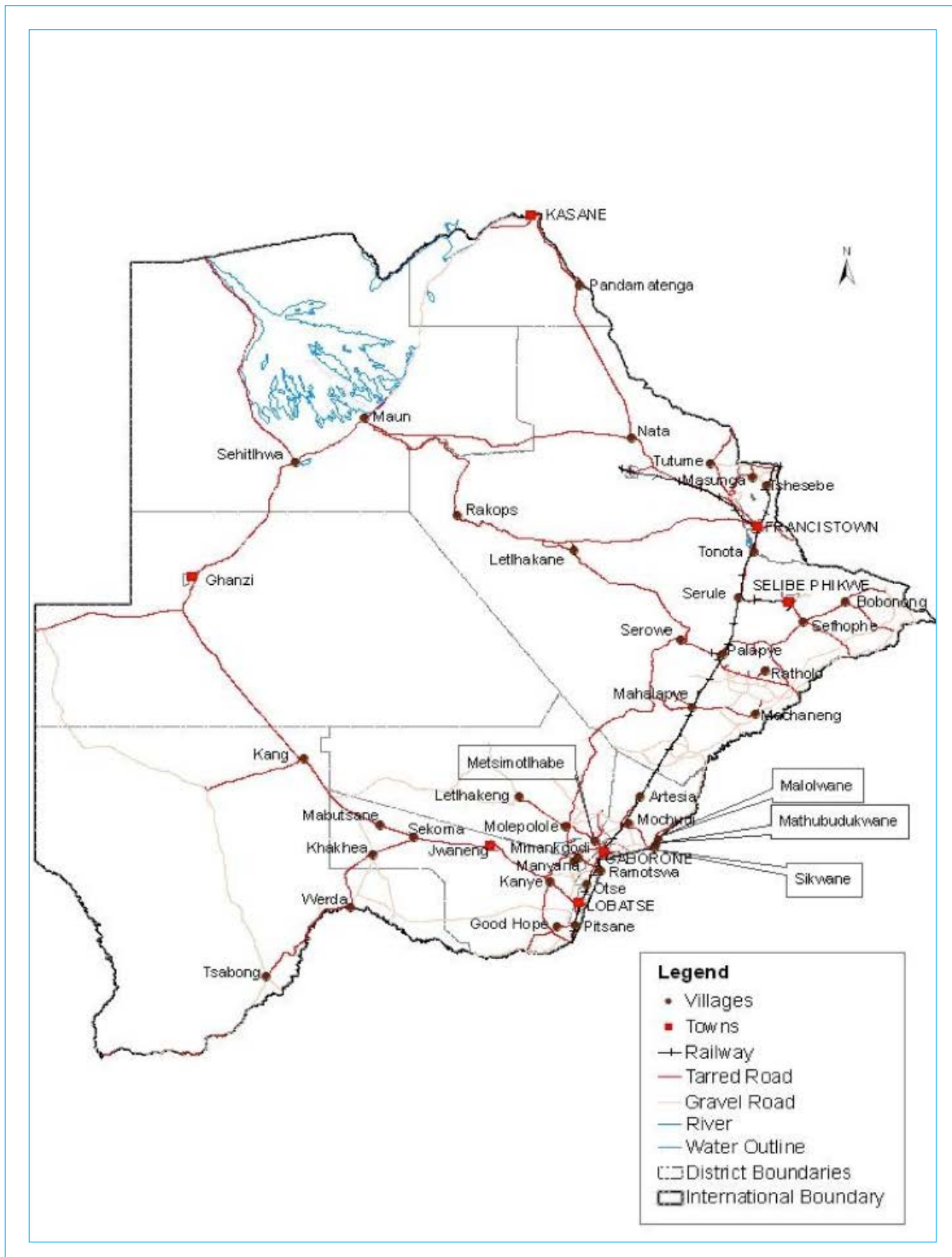
TABLE 4: Core Inflation Rates by Exclusion and Trimmed Mean

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)
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
	Feb	188.2	2.6	191.6	3.7
	Mar	188.7	2.5	192.4	3.7
	Apr	189.7	2.4	193.9	3.9
	May	190.1	2.3	194.2	3.8
	Jun	190.2	2.4	194.7	3.6
	Jul	191.7	2.5	195.0	3.6
	Aug	192.2	2.4	195.4	3.6
	Sept	192.7	2.6	196.0	3.6

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.