

# Consumer Price Index AUGUST 2018



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#### Section 1: Headline Inflation

The annual inflation rate in August 2018 was 3.0 percent, registering a drop of 0.1 of a percentage point on the July 2018 rate of 3.1 percent. The inflation rates for regions between July 2018 and August 2018 indicated that Cities & Towns declined to 3.8 percent from 3.9 percent, Urban Villages went down to 2.6 percent from 2.7 percent while the Rural Villages decreased to 2.0 percent from 2.1 percent between the two months.

The national Consumer Price Index was 106.2 in August 2018, the same rate as in July. The Cities & Towns' index realized a drop of 0.1 percent while the Rural and Urban Villages' Index remained unchanged at 105.5 and 105.7 respectively.

Group indices were generally moving at a steady pace between July 2018 and August 2018, recording changes of less than 0.5 percent.

The Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages group index moved from 102.4 to 102.1, recording a drop of 0.3 percent between the two months under review. The decrease was attributed to the decline in the section indices notably: Food not elsewhere Classified (1.0 percent), Vegetables (0.9 percent) and Bread & Cereals (0.4 percent).

The Alcohol Beverages & Tobacco group index went up from 105.6 to 105.8, registering a rise of 0.2 percent between the two months. The rise was due to the general increase in the section indices.

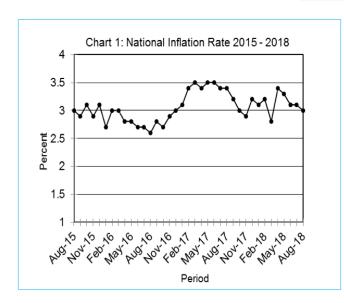
The All-Tradable index moved from 105.4 in July to 105.3 in August. The Domestic Tradable index recorded a decline of 0.1 percent whereas the Non-Tradable index and the Imported Tradable index remained the same at 107.7 and 106.2 percent respectively during the period under review.

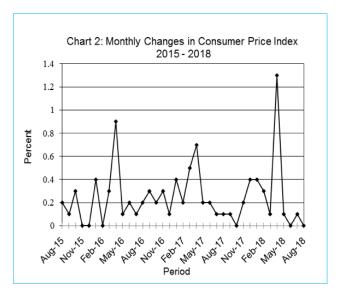
All-Tradable inflation rate was 2.2 percent in August, recording a decrease of 0.1 of a percentage point on the July 2018 rate of 2.3 percent. The *Imported Tradable* inflation rate went down from 3.4 percent in July to 3.2 percent in August while the *Non-Tradable* inflation rate remained at 4.4 percent between the two months.

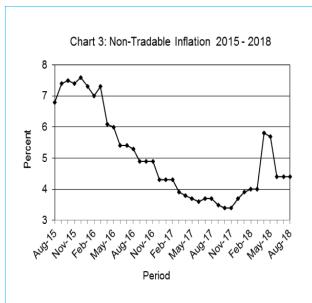
#### **Section 2: Core Inflation**

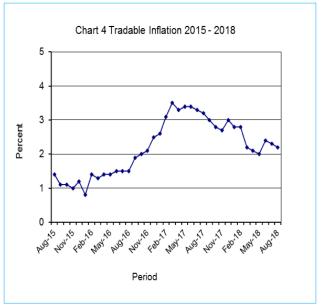
The Trimmed Mean Core Inflation rate in August 2018 was 3.0 percent, a decrease of 0.1 of a percentage point on the July 2018 rate of 3.1 percent. The Core Inflation rate by exclusion registered a drop of 0.1 of a percentage point moving from 1.7 percent in July 2018 to 1.6 percent in August 2018.

# **CHARTS**









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# Consumer Price Index- August 2018

# **TABLES**

TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (September 2016 = 100.0)

		Food	Alcohol and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing	Furn- iture etc	Health	Trans-	Commu- nication	Rec. &	Education	Rest. &	Miscel-
Weigh	ts	16.51	7.83	6.27	14.90	6.39	3.62	20.65	4.27	2.92	3.34	2.76	10.55
2016	Jan	97.6	98.6	96.8	97.1	98.2	97.6	100.5	100.0	98.9	99.9	97.9	93.6
	Feb	98.2	98.7	97.4	96.9	98.3	97.7	99.1	100.0	99.5	99.9	98.2	93.3
	Mar	98.5	98.8	98.0	98.2	98.5	97.8	99.2	100.0	99.6	99.9	98.4	93.5
	Apr	99.3	99.3	98.5	98.2	98.7	98.0	99.5	100.0	99.6	100.0	98.7	99.6
	May	99.4	99.4	98.9	98.2	98.8	99.9	99.5	100.0	99.7	100.0	98.9	99.6
	Jun	99.1	99.6	99.4	99.0	99.3	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.6	100.0	99.2	99.9
	Jul	99.3	99.9	99.6	99.0	99.4	100.0	99.9	100.0	99.7	100.0	99.3	100.0
	Aug	99.7	100.0	99.9	99.0	99.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.8	100.0	99.6	100.0
	Sept	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
	Oct	100.4	100.7	100.2	100.0	100.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.2	100.0	100.2	100.4
	Nov	100.9	101.2	100.6	100.1	100.6	100.2	100.1	100.0	100.2	100.0	100.5	100.5
	Dec	101,0	101,3	100,7	100,2	100,8	100,3	100,2	100,0	100,3	100,0	100,6	100,5
2017	Jan	101.9	102.3	101.2	100.4	101.2	100.8	99.7	100.1	100.7	104.0	101.4	100.7
	Feb	102.3	103.0	101.4	100.6	101.7	100.9	99.8	100.1	101.1	104.1	101.7	101.0
	Mar	102.8	103.6	101.7	101.0	102.1	101.1	100.9	100.1	101.3	104.1	102.0	101.4
	Apr	103.1	104.1	101.9	104.8	102.3	101.2	101.0	100.1	102.0	104.1	102.2	101.5
	May	103.4	104.7	102.1	104.9	102.4	101.2	101.1	100.2	102.0	104.1	102.5	101.6
	Jun	103.3	104.7	102.2	105.0	102.7	101.8	101.4	100.3	102.1	104.1	102.8	102.6
	Jul	103,6	104,8	102,6	105,1	102,8	102,0	101,4	100,3	102,2	104,2	103,3	102,6
	Aug	103.5	104.9	102.8	105.2	102.9	102.0	101.6	100.3	102.3	104.2	103.5	102.7
	Sept	102.8	105.0	103.0	105.8	103.1	102.0	101.7	101.3	102.2	104.2	103.7	102.8
	Oct	102.8	104.8	103.1	105.7	103.3	102.1	101.7	101.3	102.3	104.2	104.0	102.8
	Nov	102.6	104.6	103.1	105.7	103.4	102.2	102.7	101.3	102.2	104.2	104.0	102.9
	Dec	102.1	104.7	103.2	106.1	103.2	102.2	104.3	101.2	102.4	104.2	104.6	103.4
2018	Jan	102.3	104.8	103.3	106.2	103.4	102.3	104.7	101.2	102.6	109.8	104.9	103.7
	Feb	102.7	104.9	103.5	106.4	103.7	102.4	105.0	101.3	102.9	109.8	105.3	104.3
	Mar	102.8	105.0	103.7	106.7	104.4	102.5	104.9	101.3	103.4	109.8	105.4	104.5
	Apr	102.9	104.9	104.0	108.3	104.5	102.5	107.4	101.4	104.0	109.8	105.9	110.1
	May	102.9	105.2	104.2	108.4	104.6	102.6	107.4	101.4	104.1	109.8	106.2	110.2
	Jun	102.6	105.4	104.4	108.8	104.8	102.7	109.0	92.0	104.1	109.8	106.6	110.3
	Jul	102.4	105.6	104.6	108.9	104.9	102.8	109.2	92.0	104.2	109.8	107.0	110.5
	Aug	102.1	105.8	104.6	109.0	104.9	102.8	109.2	92.0	104.2	109.8	107.2	110.4
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Last m	onth	(0.3)	0.2	(0.1)	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	(0.0)	0.0	0.1	(0.0)

# Consumer Price Index- August 2018

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Apr       102.5       3.4       0.7       102.3       102.4       102.8         May       102.7       3.5       0.2       102.5       102.6       103.0         Jun       102.9       3.5       0.2       102.8       102.9       103.0         Jul       103,0       3.4       0,1       102.9       102.9       103,3         Aug       103.1       3.4       0.1       103.0       103.0       103.4         Sept       103.2       3.2       0.1       103.2       103.0       103.4         Oct       103.2       3.0       0.0       103.2       102.9       103.5	3.5	2.9	3.8
May       102.7       3.5       0.2       102.5       102.6       103.0         Jun       102.9       3.5       0.2       102.8       102.9       103.0         Jul       103,0       3,4       0,1       102,9       102,9       103,3         Aug       103.1       3.4       0.1       103.0       103.0       103.4         Sept       103.2       3.2       0.1       103.2       103.0       103.4         Oct       103.2       3.0       0.0       103.2       102.9       103.5	3.6	3.0	4.2
Jun     102.9     3.5     0.2     102.8     102.9     103.0       Jul     103,0     3,4     0,1     102,9     102,9     103,3       Aug     103.1     3.4     0.1     103.0     103.0     103.4       Sept     103.2     3.2     0.1     103.2     103.0     103.4       Oct     103.2     3.0     0.0     103.2     102.9     103.5	3.3	3.0	4.2
Jul     103,0     3,4     0,1     102,9     102,9     103,3       Aug     103.1     3.4     0.1     103.0     103.0     103.4       Sept     103.2     3.2     0.1     103.2     103.0     103.4       Oct     103.2     3.0     0.0     103.2     102.9     103.5	3.4	3.1	4.1
Aug       103.1       3.4       0.1       103.0       103.0       103.4         Sept       103.2       3.2       0.1       103.2       103.0       103.4         Oct       103.2       3.0       0.0       103.2       102.9       103.5	3.4	3.3	3.9
Sept         103.2         3.2         0.1         103.2         103.0         103.4           Oct         103.2         3.0         0.0         103.2         102.9         103.5	3,5	3,2	3,7
Oct 103.2 <b>3.0 0.0</b> 103.2 102.9 103.5	3.4	3.2	3.6
	3.2	3.0	3.4
Nov 103.4 <b>2.9 0.2</b> 103.4 103.0 103.7	3.0	2.7	3.3
100.1	3.1	2.6	3.0
Dec 103.7 <b>3.2 0.4</b> 104.0 103.3 103.9	3.6	2.9	3.1
<b>2018</b> Jan 104.1 <b>3.1 0.4</b> 104.5 103.7 104.1	3.6	2.9	2.8
Feb 104.4 <b>3.2 0.3</b> 104.7 104.1 104.4	3.6	2.9	2.7
Mar 104.6 <b>2.8 0.1</b> 104.9 104.2 104.5	3.3	2.6	2.3
Apr 106.0 <b>3.4 1.3</b> 106.6 105.6 105.5	4.2	3.1	2.7
May 106.1 <b>3.3 0.1</b> 106.7 105.7 105.5	4.1	3.0	2.5
Jun 106.1 <b>3.1 0.0</b> 106.8 105.7 105.4	4.0	2.7	2.3
Jul 106.2 <b>3.1 0.1</b> 106.9 105.7 105.5	3.9	2.7	2.1
Aug 106.2 <b>3.0 (0.0)</b> 106.9 105.7 105.5	3.8	2.6	2.0
% Change on			
last month (0.0) (0.1) 0.0 0.0			

TABLE 2: NATIONAL CONSUMER PRICE GROUP AND SECTION INDICES (SEPTEMBER 2016=100.0)

			This	Last	3 months	6 months	12 months	Percentage Change on:				
	Group Section	Weights	month Aug 2018	month July 2018	ago May 2018	ago Feb 2018	ago Aug 2017	Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago	
1	Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	16.51	102.1	102.4	102.9	102.7	103.5	(0.3)	(0.7)	(0.6)	(1.3)	
1.1	Bread & Cereals	5.27	94.7	95.1	95.9	97.1	101.9	(0.4)	(1.3)	(2.5)	(7.0)	
1.2	Meat (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	2.66	104.8	105.0	105.2	105.2	104.9	(0.2)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.1)	
1.3	Fish (Fresh, Chilled & Frozen)	0.17	106.7	106.6	106.4	104.5	104.5	0.1	0.2	2.1	2.1	
1.4	Milk, Cheese & Milk Products	1.49	103.0	102.4	102.0	101.2	100.4	0.5	0.9	1.7	2.6	
1.5	Oils & Fats	0.70	100.4	100.4	100.4	100.5	100.7	0.0	0.0	(0.1)	(0.3)	
1.6	Fruit	0.86	109.8	110.1	110.9	108.2	105.4	(0.3)	(1.0)	1.5	4.2	
1.7	Vegetables	1.80	106.9	107.8	109.2	106.8	103.8	(0.9)	(2.1)	0.1	3.0	
1.8	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery	1.29	109.4	109.6	110.5	110.9	110.6	(0.2)	(1.0)	(1.4)	(1.1)	
1.9	Food not else where Classified	0.99	102.2	103.3	103.2	102.6	101.2	(1.0)	(0.9)	(0.4)	1.0	
1.10	Coffee, Tea & Cocoa	0.36	116.4	116.2	115.7	114.7	111.0	0.2	0.6	1.5	4.9	
1.11	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruits & Veg. Juices	0.92	103.2	103.2	102.3	101.6	102.6	0.0	0.9	1.6	0.6	
2	Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco	7.83	105.8	105.6	105.2	104.9	104.9	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.9	
2.1	Alcoholic Beverages	6.19	105.5	105.3	105.0	104.6	105.0	0.2	0.4	0.8	0.5	
2.2	Tobacco	1.65	106.9	106.7	105.9	106.0	104.5	0.2	1.0	0.9	2.3	
3	Clothing and Footwear	6.27	104.6	104.6	104.2	103.5	102.8	(0.1)	0.3	1.1	1.7	
3.1	Clothing	2.42	103.6	103.8	103.7	102.8	102.4	(0.2)	(0.1)	0.8	1.2	
3.2	Other articles of Clothing	1.01	105.2	105.0	104.6	103.5	102.1	0.2	0.6	1.6	3.0	
3.3	Cleaning, Repair & Hire	0.99	107.9	107.5	106.1	105.3	104.5	0.4	1.7	2.4	3.2	
3.4	Footwear	1.85	103.7	104.0	103.8	103.3	102.8	(0.2)	(0.1)	0.4	0.8	
4	Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels	14.90	109.0	108.9	108.4	106.4	105.2	0.1	0.5	2.4	3.6	
4.1	Rent paid by Tenants	6.25	104.1	104.1	103.1	102.7	101.0	0.0	0.9	1.4	3.1	
4.2	Materials for Maintenance & Repair of dwellings	4.29	106.0	105.6	105.5	104.3	103.2	0.4	0.5	1.6	2.8	
4.3	Water Supply & Misc. Services	1.50	125.4	125.4	125.4	125.4	125.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
4.4	Electricity Gas and other Fuels	2.86	115.5	115.5	115.3	107.6	106.9	0.0	0.2	7.3	8.1	
5	Furnishing, H/H Equipment& Routine Maintenance	6.39	104.9	104.9	104.6	103.7	102.9	0.0	0.4	1.2	1.9	
5.1	Furniture & Furnishing	1.65	105.2	105.0	104.4	103.7	102.7	0.2	0.7	1.2	2.6	
5.2	Carpets & Other Floor Coverings	0.24	105.2	105.1	104.4	103.4	103.3	(0.0)	0.6	1.6	1.8	
5.3	Household Textiles	0.24	103.1	104.3	104.0	103.4	103.3	0.0	0.6	0.8	2.0	
5.4	Household Appliances	0.41	103.3	103.2	103.0	103.0	102.4	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.7	
5.5	Glassware, Tableware & Household Utensils	0.40	103.5	103.2	100.6	100.5	101.1	0.3	1.0	1.0	0.7	
5.6	Small Tools, Miscelaneous Accessories	0.06	104.0	103.7	103.5	100.9	101.7	0.3	0.6	1.1	2.3	
5.7	Goods & Services for H/hold	0.00	104.0	.00.7	100.0	102.7	101.7	0.0	0.0	1.1	2.0	

TABLE 2 :NATIONAL CONSUMER PRICE GROUP AND SECTION INDICES (SEPTEMBER 2016=100.0) Cont'd

			-1.1				12	Po	ercentage	Change or	<b>1</b> :
	Group Section	Weights	This month Aug 2018	Last month July 2018	3 months ago May 2018	6 months ago Feb 2018	months ago Aug 2017	Last month	3 months ago	6 months ago	12 months ago
6	Health	3.62	102.8	102.8	102.6	102.4	102.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	8.0
6.1	Medical Products, App. & Equip.	0.81	107.9	107.7	107.2	106.0	105.2	0.2	0.7	1.9	2.6
6.2	Out-patient Services	0.70	102.6	102.5	102.5	102.4	101.7	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.8
6.3	Hospital Services	2.10	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	101.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7	Transport	20.65	109.2	109.2	107.4	105.0	101.6	0.0	1.7	4.0	7.5
	5 1 00111	5.00	1041	10.40	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.1	0.7	0.7	0.0
7.1	Purchase of Vehicles	5.29	104.1	104.0	103.3	103.3	100.3	0.1	0.7	0.7	3.8
7.2	Operation of Personal Transport	11.13	110.7	110.6	107.6	107.6	102.6	0.0	2.8	2.9	7.8
7.3	Transport Services	4.22	111.9	111.9	111.9	100.5	100.5	0.0	0.0	11.3	11.3
8	Communication	4.27	92.0	92.0	101.4	101.3	100.3	0.0	(9.2)	(9.1)	(8.3)
8.1	Postal Services	0.15	126.5	126.5	126.5	126.5	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	26.5
8.2	Telephone & Telefax Equipment	0.71	102.7	102.6	102.6	102.2	102.0	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.6
8.3	Telephone & Telefax Services	3.41	88.4	88.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	(11.7)	(11.7)	(11.7)
9	Recreation & Culture	2.92	104.2	104.2	104.1	102.9	102.3	(0.0)	0.1	1.3	1.9
9.1	Audio Visual, Photographic & Info. Proce. Equip.	1.96	103.9	103.9	103.9	102.8	102.1	(0.0)	(0.0)	1.1	1.8
9.2	Other Recreational Items & Equip.	0.46	102.2	102.3	101.7	101.6	101.1	(0.1)	0.4	0.6	1.0
9.3	Recreational & Cultural Services	0.37	107.7	107.7	107.7	104.9	104.8	0.0	0.0	2.7	2.8
9.4	Newspapers, Books & Stationary	0.13	106.1	106.0	105.4	104.2	102.9	0.1	0.6	1.8	3.1
10	Education	3.34	109.8	109.8	109.8	109.8	104.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4
10.1	Pre-Primary & Primary Education	0.80	121.8	121.8	121.8	121.8	105.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.6
10.2	Secondary & Tertiary Education	2.54	106.1	106.1	106.0	106.0	103.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2
10.2	occordary a formary Education	2.01	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2
11	Restaurants & Hotels	2.76	107.2	107.0	106.2	105.3	103.5	0.1	0.9	1.8	3.5
11.1	Restaurants, Cafes and the Like	2.31	107.2	107.1	106.3	105.7	103.8	0.1	0.9	1.5	3.3
11.2	Accommodation Services	0.45	106.8	106.6	105.7	103.3	102.3	0.2	1.1	3.4	4.4
12	Miscellaneous Goods & Services	10.55	110.4	110.5	110.2	104.3	102.7	(0.0)	0.2	5.9	7.6
12.1	Personal Care	1.71	105.8	105.6	105.3	104.2	103.8	0.2	0.5	1.6	2.0
12.2	Personal Effects N.E.C.	1.24	104.5	104.6	104.2	103.6	103.3	(0.2)	0.3	0.8	1.1
12.3	Social Protection	0.07	120.9	120.9	120.9	120.9	102.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.5
12.4	Insurance	4.73	116.1	116.2	115.9	103.7	101.0	(0.1)	0.1	11.9	14.9
12.5	Financial Services	0.79	106.0	105.9	105.8	104.1	103.1	0.1	0.2	1.8	2.8
12.6	Taxes Licences, Fees	2.01	106.2	106.2	106.1	105.7	105.1	0.0	0.1	0.5	1.0
	All-Items Index	100.0	106.2	106.2	106.1	104.4	103.1	(0.0)	0.1	1.7	3.0
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TABLE 3: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY TRADABILITY (September 2016 = 100.0)

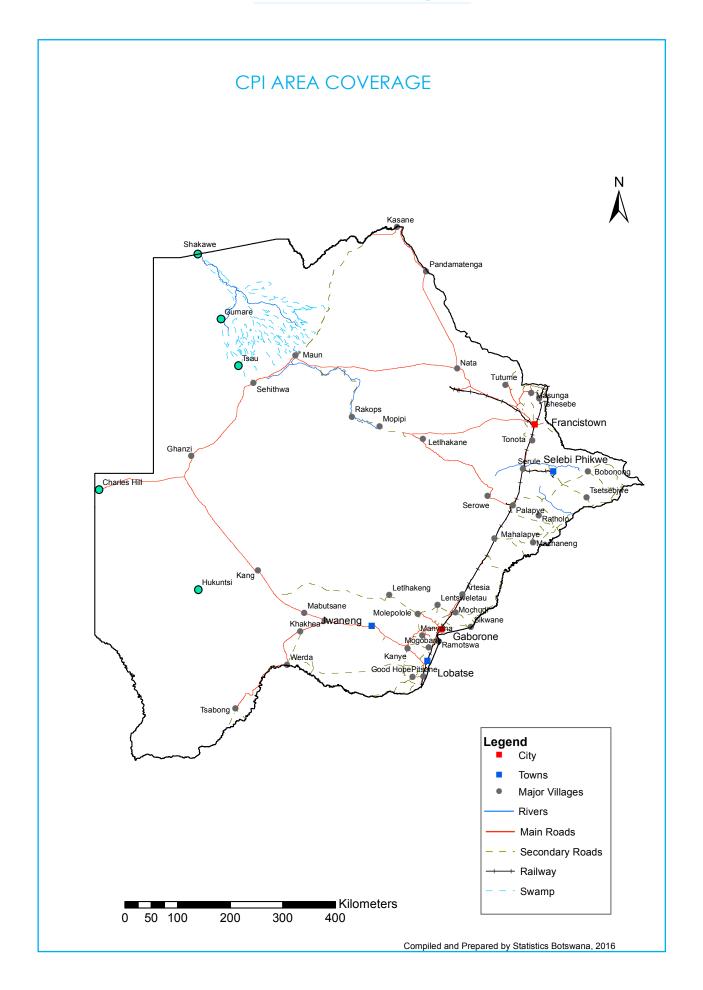
		All Ite	ms	Non-Tradable I		Domestic	Tradable	Imported	d Tradable	All Tradable	
		Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation	Index	Inflation
Weight	S	100.00		35.83		20.39		43.77		64.17	
2016	Jan	97.9	2.7	96.3	7.3	98.0	2.6	99.1	-0.3	98.6	8.0
	Feb	97.9	3.0	96.4	7.0	98.4	2.5	98.8	0.7	98.6	1.4
	Mar	98.2	3.0	96.9	7.3	98.6	2.1	99.0	8.0	98.8	1.3
	Apr	99.1	2.8	98.7	6.1	99.1	2.3	99.4	0.9	99.3	1.4
	May	99.2	2.8	98.9	6.0	99.4	2.5	99.4	0.8	99.4	1.4
	Jun	99.4	2.7	99.4	5.4	99.3	2.5	99.6	0.9	99.5	1.5
	Jul	99.6	2.7	99.4	5.4	99.5	2.8	99.7	0.7	99.6	1.5
	Aug	99.7	2.6	99.5	5.3	99.9	3.0	99.9	0.6	99.9	1.5
	Sept	100.0	2.8	100.0	4.9	100.0	3.5	100.0	0.9	100.0	1.9
	Oct	100.2	2.7	100.1	4.9	100.3	3.1	100.2	0.9	100.2	1.9
	Nov	100.4	2.9	100.1	4.9	100.7	3.4	100.5	1.2	100.6	2.1
	Dec	100.5	3.0	100.1	4.3	100.9	3.6	100.6	1.8	100.7	2.5
2017	Jan	101.0	3.1	100.4	4.3	102.2	4.3	100.8	1.7	101.2	2.6
	Feb	101.2	3.4	100.5	4.3	102.7	4.3	101.1	2.4	101.6	3.1
	Mar	101.7	3.5	100.8	3.9	103.1	4.6	101.8	2.9	102.2	3.5
	Apr	102.5	3.4	102.4	3.8	103.4	4.3	102.1	2.7	102.5	3.3
	May	102.7	3.5	102.6	3.7	103.7	4.3	102.3	2.9	102.7	3.4
	Jun	102.9	3.5	103.0	3.6	103.5	4.2	102.5	2.9	102.8	3.4
	Jul	103,0	3,4	103,1	3,7	103,4	3,8	102,7	3,0	103,0	3,3
	Aug	103.1	3.4	103.1	3.7	103.2	3.4	103.0	3.1	103.1	3.2
	Sept	103.2	3.2	103.5	3.5	102.6	2.6	103.1	3.1	103.0	3.0
	Oct	103.2	3.0	103.5	3.4	102.5	2.2	103.2	3.0	103.0	2.8
	Nov	103.4	2.9	103.5	3.4	102.3	1.6	103.6	3.1	103.3	2.7
	Dec	103.7	3.2	103.9	3.7	102.3	1.3	104.3	3.7	103.7	3.0
2018	Jan	104.1	3.1	104.4	3.9	102.7	0.5	104.6	3.8	104.0	2.8
	Feb	104.4	3.2	104.5	4.0	103.0	0.3	105.0	3.8	104.4	2.8
	Mar	104.6	2.8	104.8	4.0	103.2	0.1	105.0	3.1	104.5	2.2
	Apr	106.0	3.4	108.4	5.8	103.3	-0.1	105.2	3.1	104.7	2.1
	May	106.1	3.3	108.4	5.7	103.4	-0.2	105.3	3.0	104.8	2.0
	Jun	106.1	3.1	107.5	4.4	103.3	-0.2	106.2	3.6	105.3	2.4
	Jul	106.2	3.1	107.7	4.4	103.3	-0.1	106.2	3.4	105.4	2.3
	Aug	106.2	3.0	107.7	4.4	103.2	0.0	106.2	3.2	105.3	2.2
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TABLE 4: Core Inflation Rates by Exclusion and Trimmed Mean

Year	Month	Consumer Price Index (Trimmed Mean) (September 2016 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation Rate (Trimmed Mean) (percentage)	Consumer Price Index (Excluding Administered Prices) (September 2016 = 100)	Core Monthly Inflation (Excluding Administered Prices) (percentage)
2016					
	Jan	97.5	2.8	97.5	4.0
	Feb	97.7	2.6	97.8	3.7
	Mar	97.9	2.5	98.1	3.7
	Apr	98.5	2.4	98.9	3.9
	May	98.7	2.3	99.1	3.8
	Jun	98.7	2.4	99.3	3.6
	Jul	99.5	2.5	99.5	3.6
	Aug	99.7	2.4	99.7	3.6
	Sept	100.0	2.6	100.0	3.6
	Oct	100.2	2.2	100.2	3.4
	Nov	100.4	2.5	100.6	3.7
	Dec	100.5	2.5	100.7	3.7
2017					
	Jan	101.0	2.7	101.3	3.9
	Feb	101.1	2.9	101.6	3.9
	Mar	101.7	3.1	102.0	3.9
	Apr	102.0	3.1	102.2	3.3
	May	102.1	3.1	102.5	3.4
	Jun	102.4	2.9	102.6	3.3
	Jul	102.5	2.9	102.8	3.3
	Aug	102.6	2.9	102.9	3.3
	Sept	102.7	2.7	103.0	3.0
	Oct	102.7	2.6	103.0	2.8
	Nov	103.0	2.5	103.0	2.4
	Dec	103.5	2.9	103.0	2.3
2018					
	Jan	103.8	2.8	103.5	2.2
	Feb	104.1	2.9	103.8	2.2
	Mar	104.4	2.6	104.0	2.0
	Apr	105.4	3.1	104.2	1.9
	May	105.5	3.0	104.3	1.8
	Jun	106.5	3.2	104.5	1.8
	Jul	106.6	3.1	104.6	1.7
	Aug	106.6	3.0	104.5	1.6

TABLE 5: Average Annual Inflation (September 2016 = 100.0)

	YEAR												
	Group	Weights	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
1	Food & Non-Alcoholic Beverages	16.51	11.2	20.2	14.7	3.6	6.9	8.0	5.4	3.0	1.3	2.7	3.4
2	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	7.83	10.1	13.2	35.2	7.1	8.4	7.6	10.3	9.0	6.1	2.5	4.5
3	Clothing and Footwear	6.27	1.6	2.0	8.4	8.0	8.9	7.5	6.3	6.0	7.6	6.5	3.2
4	Housing, Water, Electr. Gas & Other Fuels	14.90	4.7	8.1	4.8	6.4	8.4	7.7	4.3	3.9	7.1	6.3	5.4
5	Furnishing, H/H Equipment& Routine Maintenance	6.39	4.9	6.0	11.9	9.4	9.0	7.3	4.9	5.0	6.1	3.0	3.3
6	Health	3.62	12.5	11.3	5.5	2.7	4.5	5.9	5.5	8.3	6.3	3.0	2.4
7	Transport	20.65	7.9	21.2	(8.4)	12.1	13.2	10.8	7.3	1.2	(5.1)	(2.7)	1.6
8	Communication	4.27	(5.1)	(0.3)	(0.3)	1.2	(3.0)	(1.4)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.5
9	Recreation & Culture	2.92	(1.8)	2.3	5.0	6.0	8.3	5.8	4.5	4.2	5.7	3.0	2.2
10	Education	3.34	6.0	3.9	3.9	5.8	10.6	6.4	4.7	7.4	6.4	3.7	4.1
11	Restaurants & Hotels	2.76	15.1	12.7	18.8	9.0	9.3	8.4	7.9	7.6	5.5	4.0	3.7
12	Miscellaneous Goods & Services	10.55	4.3	4.9	3.8	7.0	5.3	2.0	1.2	5.2	7.2	7.5	3.9
	All-Items Index	100.0	7.1	12.6	8.2	6.9	8.5	7.5	5.9	4.4	3.1	2.8	3.3



## **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.