

Core Inflation: June 2019

The underlying measures of inflation continued to remain subdued. On a 12-month average period, CORE1 inflation eased further from 1.7 per cent in May 2019 to 1.5 per cent in June 2019. CORE2 inflation remained flat at 1.9 per cent in June 2019 for the 5th consecutive month.

Year-on-year, CORE1 inflation dropped to -0.2 per cent in June 2019, from 0.4 per cent in May 2019. Year-on-year, CORE2 inflation was unchanged at 1.4 per cent in June 2019.

						(Per cent)
	Annual Average			Year-on-Year		
Month	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	CPI Inflation	CORE1	CORE2
Jun-17	2.4	0.8	2.0	6.4	2.0	2.3
Jul-17	2.7	0.9	2.0	5.3	1.9	2.2
Aug-17	3.0	1.2	2.0	4.6	3.1	2.7
Sep-17	3.2	1.5	2.1	3.5	2.7	2.1
Oct-17	3.4	1.7	2.1	3.5	2.9	2.4
Nov-17	3.5	2.0	2.1	3.6	2.7	2.1
Dec-17	3.7	2.2	2.2	4.2	2.9	2.2
Jan-18	4.0	2.4	2.2	6.2	2.9	1.8
Feb-18	4.5	2.5	2.2	7.0	2.7	1.8
Mar-18	5.0	2.5	2.2	6.7	2.1	1.6
Apr-18	5.0	2.6	2.1	3.7	2.2	1.5
May-18	4.7	2.5	2.0	2.4	2.2	1.3
Jun-18	4.3	2.6	1.9	1.0	2.6	1.6
Jul-18	4.0	2.6	1.9	1.7	2.5	1.9
Aug-18	3.7	2.5	1.8	0.9	1.8	1.4
Sep-18	3.5	2.5	1.8	1.9	2.1	1.8
Oct-18	3.5	2.4	1.8	2.8	2.3	2.1
Nov-18	3.4	2.4	1.8	2.8	2.6	2.5
Dec-18	3.2	2.3	1.8	1.8	2.1	2.1
Jan-19	2.8	2.3	1.9	0.5	1.8	2.7
Feb-19	2.1	2.1	1.9	-0.8	1.1	1.9
Mar-19	1.4	2.0	1.9	-1.4	0.9	1.7
Apr-19	1.2	1.9	1.9	0.6	0.6	1.4
May-19	1.0	1.7	1.9	0.8	0.4	1.4
Jun-19	1.0	1.5	1.9	0.6	-0.2	1.4

Notes:

1. Effective April 2018, Core inflation data are compiled using the new basket of goods and services derived from the 2017 Household Budget Survey.

2. CORE1 excludes "Food, Beverages and Tobacco" components and mortgage interest on housing loan from the CPI basket.

3. CORE2 excludes food, beverages, tobacco, mortgage interest, energy prices and administered prices from the CPI basket.

4. The annual average method compares the average level of prices during a twelvemonth period with the average level during the corresponding previous twelve-month period.

5. The year-on-year methodology is computed as the change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for a given month compared with the same month of the preceding year in percentage terms.

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