



Core Inflation: May 2016

The underlying measures of inflation remained flat in May 2016. Both CORE1 and CORE2 inflation stood unchanged at 0.7 per cent and 2.2 per cent, respectively, compared to the previous period. A year earlier, CORE1 and CORE2 inflation stood at 1.3 per cent and 2.3 per cent, respectively.

TRIM10 inflation, which trims 5% of the most volatile items in the CPI on both sides of the distribution, remained unchanged at 0.8 per cent in May 2016. A year earlier, TRIM10 inflation stood at 1.3 per cent.

(Per cent)

Month	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	TRIM10
Jun-10	1.7	2.2	2.6	2.1
Dec-10	2.9	3.2	2.8	2.9
Jun-11	5.1	4.8	4.3	4.7
Dec-11	6.5	6.0	4.8	5.3
Jun-12	5.1	4.4	3.6	3.6
Dec-12	3.9	3.3	3.0	2.5
Jun-13	3.6	2.8	2.8	2.5
Dec-13	3.5	2.6	2.6	2.9
Jun-14	4.0	2.9	2.9	3.2
Dec-14	3.2	2.6	3.1	2.5
Mar-15	2.4	1.7	2.6	1.7
Apr-15	2.2	1.5	2.5	1.5
May-15	2.0	1.3	2.3	1.3
Jun-15	1.7	1.1	2.3	1.1
Jul-15	1.5	0.9	2.1	0.9
Aug-15	1.3	0.7	2.0	0.8
Sep-15	1.2	0.6	1.9	0.7
Oct-15	1.2	0.5	1.8	0.6
Nov-15	1.2	0.4	1.7	0.6
Dec-15	1.3	0.4	1.7	0.6
Jan-16	1.3	0.6	2.0	0.6
Feb-16	1.0	0.7	2.1	0.7
Mar-16	0.9	0.7	2.1	0.8
Apr-16	0.8	0.7	2.2	0.8
May-16	0.8	0.7	2.2	0.8

Notes:

1. Effective April 2013, Core inflation data are compiled using the new basket of goods and services derived from the 2012 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. TRIM10 truncates 5 per cent of each tail of the distribution of price changes.

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