



## Core Inflation: August 2015

**Core inflation measures eased further in August 2015. CORE1** inflation dropped to 0.7 per cent in August 2015, from 0.9 per cent for the twelve-month period ended July 2015 and 2.9 per cent a year earlier. **CORE2** inflation edged down from 2.1 per cent for the twelve-month period ended July 2015 to 2.0 per cent for the twelve-month period ended August 2015. A year earlier, CORE2 inflation stood at 3.1 per cent.

**TRIM10** inflation, which trims 5% of the most volatile items in the CPI on both sides of the distribution, stood at 0.8 per cent in August 2015, down from 0.9 per cent in July 2015. A year earlier, TRIM10 inflation stood at 3.1 per cent.

*(Per cent)*

Month	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	TRIM10
<b>Jun-10</b>	1.7	2.2	2.6	2.1
<b>Dec-10</b>	2.9	3.2	2.8	2.9
<b>Jun-11</b>	5.1	4.8	4.3	4.7
<b>Dec-11</b>	6.5	6.0	4.8	5.3
<b>Jun-12</b>	5.1	4.4	3.6	3.6
<b>Dec-12</b>	3.9	3.3	3.0	2.5
<b>Jun-13</b>	3.6	2.8	2.8	2.5
<b>Dec-13</b>	3.5	2.6	2.6	2.9
<b>Jun-14</b>	4.0	2.9	2.9	3.2
<b>Jul-14</b>	3.9	2.9	3.0	3.1
<b>Aug-14</b>	4.0	2.9	3.1	3.1
<b>Sep-14</b>	3.9	2.9	3.2	3.1
<b>Dec-14</b>	3.2	2.6	3.1	2.5
<b>Jan-15</b>	2.8	2.2	2.9	2.2
<b>Feb-15</b>	2.5	1.9	2.7	1.9
<b>Mar-15</b>	2.4	1.7	2.6	1.7
<b>Apr-15</b>	2.2	1.5	2.5	1.5
<b>May-15</b>	2.0	1.3	2.3	1.3
<b>Jun-15</b>	1.7	1.1	2.3	1.1
<b>Jul-15</b>	1.5	0.9	2.1	0.9
<b>Aug-15</b>	1.3	0.7	2.0	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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