

Core Inflation: February 2013

CORE1 inflation stood at 3.0 per cent for the twelve-month period ended February 2013, down from 3.2 per cent for the twelve-month period ended January 2013. CORE2 inflation edged down from 3.0 per cent for the twelve-month period ended January 2013 to 2.9 per cent for the twelve-month period ended February 2013. A year earlier, CORE1 and CORE2 stood at 5.6 per cent and 4.5 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 2.4 per cent for the twelve-month period ended February 2013. TRIM10 inflation stood at 4.7 per cent in February 2012.

(Per cent)

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Month	Headline	CORE1	CORE2	TRIM10
Jul-07	10.5	7.6	6.4	7.5
Dec-07	8.8	5.0	5.7	7.0
Jun-08	8.8	6.6	5.5	6.5
Dec-08	9.7	8.7	6.1	3.5
Jun-09	6.9	6.1	5.5	2.8
Dec-09	2.5	2.4	3.8	2.4
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
Jan-12	6.4	5.8	4.6	5.0
Feb-12	6.2	5.6	4.5	4.7
Mar-12	5.9	5.3	4.3	4.4
Apr-12	5.6	5.0	4.1	4.1
May-12	5.3	4.6	3.8	3.8
Jun-12	5.1	4.4	3.6	3.6
Jul-12	4.9	4.1	3.4	3.3
Aug-12	4.6	3.9	3.2	3.1
Sep-12	4.4	3.7	3.2	2.9
Oct-12	4.3	3.6	3.1	2.8
Nov-12	4.0	3.4	3.1	2.6
Dec-12	3.9	3.3	3.0	2.5
Jan-13	3.7	3.2	3.0	2.4
Feb-13	3.6	3.0	2.9	2.4

Notes:

- 1. Effective July 2007, Core inflation data are compiled using the new basket of goods and services derived from the 2006-07 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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