INFLATION REPORT

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HIGHLIGHTS: Ghana's inflation rate for February 2024 rebounds to 23.2%.

The inflation rate of 23.2% for February 2024, was a marginal decline from the 23.5% recorded in January 2024. This development was influenced by the food and non-food groups, falling to 27.0% and 20.0% respectively last month.

Three of the divisions that recorded inflation rates above the yearly average of 23.2% were: Alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and narcotics [38.5%], Restaurant and accommodation services [31.9%], and Personal care, social protection and miscellaneous goods and services [30.3%]. On the other hand, the Insurance and financial services [8.9%] and Transport [3.5%] divisions recorded the lowest inflation rates, respectively.

Local Inflation was 0.4 percentage points higher compared to the previous month, recording 24.6% for February 2024. However, imported inflation saw a 1.9% decline from 22.0% in January, to record 20.1% in February. On a month-on-month basis, the headline inflation declined from 2.0% in January to 1.6% in February 2024.

Month on month, food inflation stood at 2.0% from 1.6% in January 2024 while non-food inflation for February was 1.30% from 2.4%. On a regional basis, the Eastern Region saw the highest inflation of 36.1%, a dip from the 37.1% registered in January 2024. Conversely, the Oti Region reported the lowest inflation, standing at 13.10%.

TREND OF INFLATION

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MONTH	CPI	MONTHLY	YEARLY
FEB.'23	168.7	1.9%	52.8%
AUG. '23	190.6	-0.2%	40.1%
SEPT. 23	194.2	-1.9%	38.1%
OCT. 23	195.2	0.6%	35.2%
NOV.'23	198.2	1.5%	26.4%
DEC.'23	200.6	1.2%	23.2%
JAN.'24	204.5	2.0%	23.5%
FEB.'24	207.8	1.6%	23.2%
Source: Ghana Statistical Service			

Inflation decreased from 23.5% in January 2024 to settle at 23.2% in February 2024.

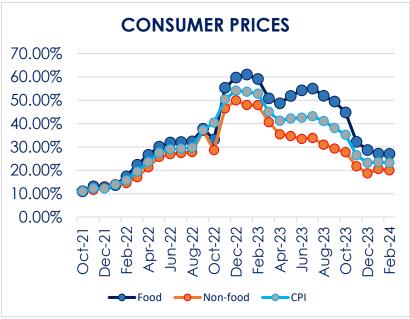
Month-on-month (January 2024 – February 2024) inflation was 1.6%.

Food inflation declined by 0.1% to 27.0% while non-food inflation dropped 0.5% to 20.0% month on month.

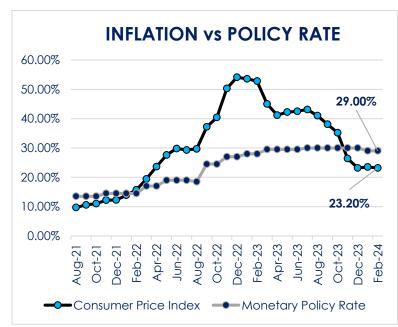
Inflation for imported goods fell to 20.1% while inflation for local goods conversely grew to 24.6%.

Eastern region recorded the highest regional inflation 36.1% whiles the Oti region recorded the lowest at 13.1%.

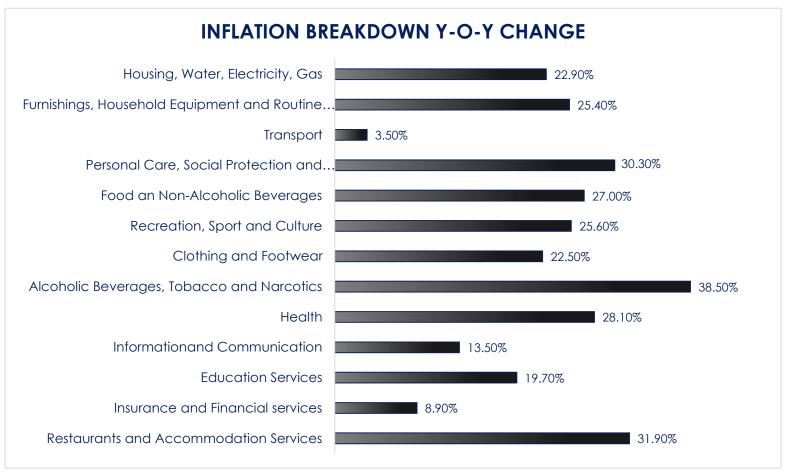
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HOW IS CPI AND INFLATION MEASURED?

- -Prices are collected for approximately 47,877 products every month.
- -Price collection is done in 57 markets
- -Prices are collected from 8,337 outlets.
- -Products are ordered in a hierarchy of 13 Divisions, 44 Groups, 98 Classes, 156 Subclasses and 307 Items
- -Every Item can only be part of one Subclass, and every Subclass can only be part of one Class, etc.

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