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CONSUMER PRICE INDICES AND INFLATION

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1.1 Annual Headline Inflation

The Inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for Uganda for the 12 months to October 2022 increased to 10.7 percent, compared to 10.0 percent registered for the year ended September 2022. This was mainly driven by the increase in prices of commodities under Core Inflation that increased to 8.9 percent in the year ending October 2022, compared to 8.1 percent registered in the year ended September 2022. The other driver was Food Crops and Related Items Inflation that increased to 25.6 percent in the year ending October 2022, compared to 21.6 percent registered in the year ended September 2022.

The increase in Annual Core Inflation is mainly attributed to Annual Other Goods Inflation that increased to 12.7 percent in the year ending October 2022, compared to 11.2 percent registered in the year ended September 2022. Particularly, Maize flour inflation increased to 91.5 percent in October 2022 compared to 60.2 percent in September 2022 and Rice inflation increased to 43.3 percent in October 2022 compared to 32.2 percent in September 2022. However, Annual Services Inflation registered 4.4 percent in the year ending October 2022, compared to 4.5 percent registered in the year ended September 2022.

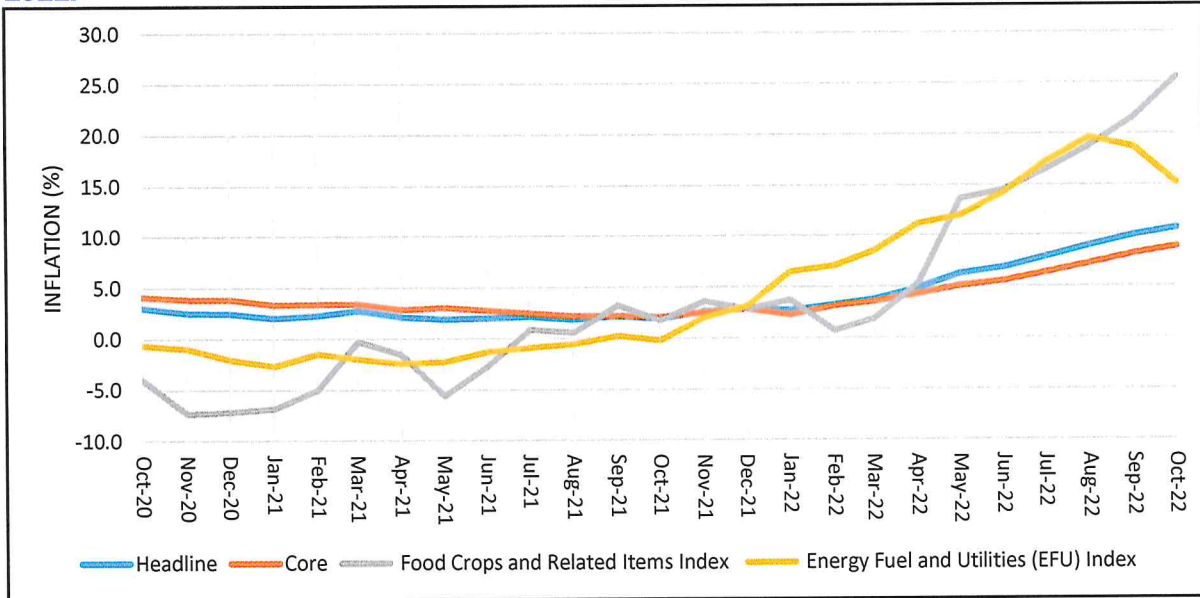
In addition, the increase in Annual Food Crops and Related Items Inflation was mainly due to Annual 'Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses' Inflation that increased to 33.8 percent for the 12 months to October 2022, compared to 30.3 percent registered in September 2022. Specifically, Matooke (bunch) Inflation increased to 75.4 percent in October 2022, compared to 59.8 percent in September 2022.

However, the Annual Energy Fuel and Utilities (EFU) Inflation registered at 15.2 percent for the 12 months to October 2022, compared to 18.7 percent registered in the year ended September 2022. This was mainly due to Annual Liquid Energy Fuels Inflation that registered 42.1 percent in the year ending October 2022 compared to 50.6 percent registered in the year ended September 2022. Specifically, Annual Petrol inflation registered 45.6 percent in October 2022, compared to 55.3 percent in September 2022. In addition, Diesel Inflation registered 52.1 percent in October 2022, compared to 63.0 percent registered in September 2022 as shown in Table 1 and Figure 1.

Table 1: Annual Headline, Core, Food Crops and EFU Inflation for September 2022 and October 2022.

Description	Weights	September 2022	October 2022
Headline	1000.00	10.0	10.7
Core	839.62	8.1	8.9
<i>Other Goods</i>	455.51	11.2	12.7
<i>Services</i>	384.11	4.5	4.4
Food Crops and Related Items	95.10	21.6	25.6
Energy Fuel and Utilities (EFU)	65.28	18.7	15.2

Figure 1: Annual Headline, Core, Food crops and EFU Inflation: October 2020 – October 2022.



The Overall Annual Consumer Price Indices for the 12 months to October 2022 are shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Overall Annual CPI and Rates of Inflation (Base: 2016/17=100)

Month	Overall CPI	Annual Inflation Rate
October 2022	126.13	10.7
September 2022	125.10	10.0
August 2022	123.24	9.0
July 2022	122.04	7.9
June 2022	120.88	6.8
May 2022	119.73	6.3
April 2022	117.98	4.9
March 2022	116.38	3.7
February 2022	115.42	3.2
January 2022	114.30	2.7
December 2021	114.65	2.9
November 2021	114.13	2.6
October 2021	113.93	1.9

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Key Inflation Drivers

Other Goods Inflation

October 2021 at 3.0%

- ✓ Maize Flour 2.0%
- ✓ Sugar -4.2%
- ✓ Rice -5.3%
- ✓ Fish Mukene 14.6%



October 2022 at 12.7%

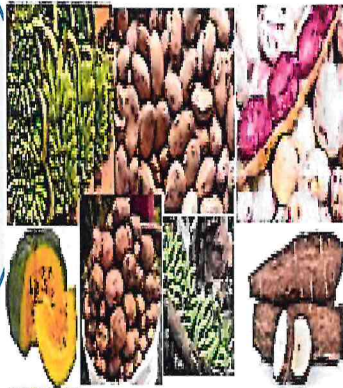
- ✓ Maize Flour 91.5%
- ✓ Sugar 57.7%
- ✓ Rice 43.3%
- ✓ Fish Mukene 34.0%



Annual Food Crops and Related Items Inflation

October 2021 at 1.7%

- ✓ Matoke bunch 15.1%
- ✓ Matoke heap 21.2%
- ✓ Irish Potatoes -13.6%
- ✓ Cassava Fresh 15.8%
- ✓ Beans dry -22.5%
- ✓ Beans Fresh -4.3%
- ✓ Pumpkin 11.7%



October 2022 at 25.6%

- ✓ Matoke bunch 75.4%
- ✓ Matoke heap 44.3%
- ✓ Irish Potatoes 43.9%
- ✓ Cassava Fresh 42.3%
- ✓ Beans dry 37.7%
- ✓ Beans Fresh 27.1%
- ✓ Pumpkin 20.2%



Annual Energy, Fuel and Utilities Inflation

October 2021 at -0.2%

- ✓ Diesel 10.4%
- ✓ Petrol 10.9%
- ✓ Kerosene 1.0%



October 2022 at 15.2%

- ✓ Diesel 52.1%
- ✓ Petrol 45.6%
- ✓ Kerosene 49.0%



1.2 Annual Inflation by COICOP Divisions

According to the Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP), the main drivers to the increase in Inflation were prices of commodities under; 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' the inflation increased to 22.2 percent in the year ending October 2022 compared to 18.4 percent registered in the year ended September 2022. Transport inflation registered 7.5 percent for the year ending October 2022 compared to 8.8 percent registered for the year ended September 2022. 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household' whose inflation registered 15.1 percent in October 2022, compared to 16.2 percent in September 2022.

Education Services inflation registered 12.8 percent for the year ending October 2022 the same rate registered for the year ended September 2022. 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' inflation increased to 8.0 percent for the year ending October 2022 compared to 7.5 percent registered for the year ended September 2022. 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' inflation registered 5.0 percent for the year ending October 2022 compared to 6.1 percent for the year ended September 2022.

However, there was decrease in prices of commodities under; 'Information and Communication' registered minus 0.8 percent for the year ending October 2022 compared to minus 1.3 percent for the year ended September 2022, Table 3 below.

Table 3: Annual Changes in the Consumer Price Indices for the COICOP Divisions.

13 COICOP Divisions	Weight	Annual % Change September 2021-September 2022	Annual % Change October 2021-October 2022
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	270.54	18.4	22.2
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	38.80	7.7	8.7
Clothing and Footwear	69.77	3.4	3.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	104.16	6.1	5.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household	48.37	16.2	15.1
Health	47.47	3.0	3.0
Transport	104.55	8.8	7.5
Information and Communication	44.32	-1.3	-0.8
Recreation, Sport and Culture	49.85	6.6	5.7
Education Services	57.96	12.8	12.8
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	87.38	7.5	8.0
Insurance and Financial Services	22.80	-0.1	-0.1
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods	54.04	7.1	7.5
Overall	1,000.00	10.0	10.7

1.3 Annual Goods Inflation

The Goods Inflation for the 12 months to October 2022 increased to 14.7 percent up from 13.5 percent recorded in September 2022. This was mainly due to Annual Inflation for Non-Durable (ND) goods that increased to 18.5 percent for the 12 months to October 2022 compared to 16.9 percent recorded in September 2022. In addition, Annual Semi-Durable Goods (SD) Inflation registered 4.0 percent in October 2022 the same rate recorded in September 2022. Annual Inflation for Durable (D) goods increased to 2.9 percent for the 12 months to October 2022 compared to 2.4 percent recorded in the year ended September 2022, Table 4 below.

Table 4: Annual National Goods Inflation for September 2022 and October 2022.

Description	Weights	September 2022	October 2022
Headline	1000.00	10.0	10.7
Goods	615.89	13.5	14.7
<i>Non-Durable (ND)</i>	466.83	16.9	18.5
<i>Semi-Durables (SD)</i>	114.36	4.0	4.0
<i>Durables (D)</i>	34.69	2.4	2.9

1.4 Monthly Inflation.

The Monthly Headline Inflation for October 2022 increased by 0.8 percent from the 1.5 percent rise recorded in the month of September 2022 as shown in Table 5 below. This is mainly attributed to the monthly Core Inflation that rose by 0.8 percent in October 2022 from 1.2 percent rise recorded in September 2022. This increase in monthly Core inflation was attributed to monthly Other Goods Inflation that increased by 1.6 percent in October 2022 from 1.4 percent rise recorded in September 2022. Specifically, Maize flour inflation increased by 23.9 percent in October 2022 from the 3.0 percent rise recorded in September 2022. Sugar inflation increased by 20.0 percent in October 2022 from the 5.8 percent rise recorded in September 2022.

However, monthly Services Inflation decreased by 0.2 percent in October 2022 from the 0.9 percent rise registered in September 2022. This was mainly due to the monthly Transport inflation that decreased by 1.6 percent in October 2022 from the 0.1 percent rise recorded in September 2022.

The monthly Energy Fuel and Utilities Inflation (EFU) decreased by 2.3 percent in October 2022 from the 0.1 percent rise registered in September 2022. This was mainly due to monthly Petrol Inflation that decreased by 5.7 percent in October 2022 from the 0.7 percent drop registered in September 2022.

Food Crops and Related Items monthly Inflation increased by 3.6 percent in October 2022, from the 5.6 percent rise registered in September 2022. This was mainly due to Matoke (Bunch) monthly Inflation that rose by 21.3 percent in October 2022 from the 33.6 percent rise recorded in September 2022. In addition, Irish/Brown potatoes inflation rose by 14.9 percent in October 2022 from the 11.7 percent rise recorded in September 2022.

Table 5: Overall Monthly CPI and Rates of Inflation (Base: 2016/17=100)

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October 2022	126.13	0.8
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March 2022	116.38	0.8
February 2022	115.42	1.0
January 2022	114.30	-0.3
December 2021	114.65	0.5
November 2021	114.13	0.2
October 2021	113.93	0.2

1.5 Monthly Inflation by COICOP Divisions

The Monthly Headline Inflation for October 2022 increased by 0.8 percent from the 1.5 percent rise recorded in the month of September 2022. This is mainly attributed to the monthly Food and Non- Alcoholic Beverages Inflation that rose by 3.6 percent in October 2022 from the 3.5 percent rise recorded in September 2022 as indicated in Table 6 below.

In addition, the monthly Inflation for 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' Inflation increased by 0.5 percent in the month of October 2022 compared to the 0.6 percent rise recorded in September 2022. Monthly Clothing and Footwear Inflation increased by 0.4 percent in October 2022 the same rise recorded in September 2022. Monthly 'Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics' Inflation increased by 0.5 percent in the month of October 2022 compared to the 1.0 percent rise recorded in September 2022. 'Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods' Inflation increased by 0.2 percent compared to the 1.5 percent rise recorded in September 2022.

However, Monthly Transport Inflation decreased by 1.6 percent in October 2022 compared to the 0.1 percent rise recorded in September 2022. 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' Inflation decreased by 0.6 percent compared to the 0.3 percent rise recorded in September 2022.

Table 6: Monthly Changes in the Consumer Price Indices for the COICOP Divisions.

13 COICOP Divisions	Weight	Monthly % Change August 2022-September 2022	Monthly % Change September 2022-October 2022
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	270.54	3.5	3.6
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	38.8	1.0	0.5
Clothing and Footwear	69.77	0.4	0.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	104.16	0.3	-0.6
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household	48.37	0.8	0.2
Health	47.47	0.4	0.0
Transport	104.55	0.1	-1.6
Information and Communication	44.32	0.9	0.5
Recreation, Sport and Culture	49.85	0.2	-0.7
Education Services	57.96	3.6	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	87.38	0.6	0.5
Insurance and Financial Services	22.8	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Goods	54.04	1.5	0.2
Overall	1,000.00	1.5	0.8

Relative to October 2021 and September 2022, the national average retail prices of selected commodities in October 2022 are shown in Table 7 below.

Table 7: National Average Retail Prices of Selected Commodities

Commodity Name	Quantity	Unit of Measure	Average Price October 2021	Average Price September 2022	Average Price October 2022
Matoke (Bunch)	1	Kg	754	1,062	1,233
Matoke (Heap)	1	Kg	996	1,255	1,382
Rice	1	Kg	3,610	4,908	5,172
Sugar	1	Kg	3,073	4,169	5,181
Brown/Irish potatoes	1	Kg	1,234	1,597	1,963
Cassava fresh	1	Kg	706	919	1,048
Maize Flour	1	Kg	2,046	3,536	3,967
Watermelon	1	Kg	1,066	1,040	1,236
Passion Fruits	1	Kg	5,153	5,183	5,704
Fish Mukene	1	Kg	12,277	16,085	16,584
Petrol	1	Litre	4,214	6,516	6,153
Diesel	1	Litre	3,778	6,101	5,769
Paraffin	1	Litre	3,097	4,645	4,544

1.5 Annual Headline Inflation by Income Groups and Geographical areas

Analysis by geographical areas and income groups revealed that Arua registered the highest Inflation of 13.4 percent for the 12 months to October 2022 compared to 14.4 percent recorded in September 2022. This was mainly driven by annual 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' Inflation that increased to 23.1 percent in October 2022 compared to 24.3 percent registered in September 2022. Specifically, Cassava Dried was registered at 130.3 percent, Cassava flour 71.4 percent, Beans dry 91.0 percent, Cassava fresh 39.0 percent, Sugar 58.7 percent, Rice 38.8 percent and Maize flour 63.4 percent. In addition, annual Restaurants and Accommodation Services Inflation registered 12.7 percent in October 2022 compared to 15.2 percent in September 2022.

The second highest Inflation was registered in Mbale at 13.3 percent for the 12 months to October 2022 up from 12.5 percent recorded in September 2022. This was mainly driven by annual 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' Inflation that increased to 27.3 percent in October 2022 compared to 25.2 percent registered in September 2022. Specifically, Cassava flour was registered at 89.6 percent, Maize flour 68.8 percent, Beans dry 72.4 percent, Sugar 64.4 percent, Rice 40.2 percent and Maize grains 92.3 percent. In addition, annual 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household' Inflation increased to 27.0 percent in October 2022 compared to 22.0 percent in September 2022.

The least Annual Inflation was registered in Kampala High Income at 9.1 percent for the 12 months to October 2022 compared to 8.3 percent recorded in September 2022. This was mainly due to the annual Insurance and Financial Services Inflation that registered minus 0.1 percent in October 2022 the same rate registered in September 2022. In addition, annual Information and Communication Inflation was registered at minus 0.8 percent in October 2022, compared to minus 1.3 percent in September 2022.

Figure 2: Annual Inflation by Income Groups and Geographical Areas for the 12 months to September 2022 and October 2022

