

HIGH COMMISSION FOR PLANNING Regional Directorate of Tangier Tetouan Al Hoceima

Information note from the regional directorate of Tangier-Tetouan-Al Hoceima

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

MARCH 2023









In March 2023, the national consumer price index increased by 0,1% compared to the previous month, while the consumer price index increased by 8,2% over a full year.

The consumer price index rose by 0,1% in March 2023 compared to the previous month. This variation is the result of a 0,3% rise in the food index and a 0,1% fall in the non food index.

The increases in food products observed between February and March 2023 mainly concern "Fruit" with 3,4%, "Fish and seafood" with 2,2%, "Milk, cheese and eggs" and "Coffee, tea and cocoa" with 0,3%, "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery" with 0,2% and "Vegetables" and "Bread and cereals" with 0,1%. On the other hand, prices fell by 0,8% for "Meat" and by 0,1% for "Oils and fats". Among non food products, the decrease was mainly in the prices of "Fuels" with 3,6%.

The most significant increases in the CPI were recorded in Guelmim with 1,4%, in Al Hoceima with 1,2%, in Beni-Mellal with 0,8%, in Marrakech

with 0,7%, in Agadir, Fez, Tetouan and Laayoune with 0,3%, in Kenitra, Tangier and Settat with 0,2%. On the other hand, decreases were recorded in Casablanca and Errachidia with 0,3% and in Oujda, Rabat and Safi with 0,1%.

Compared to the same month of the previous year, the consumer price index recorded an increase of 8,2% in March 2023 as a result of the rise in the food index by 16,1% and that of non food products by 3,0%. For non food products, the variations range from an increase of 0,4% for "Health" to 6,2% for "Restaurants and hotels".

Under these conditions, the underlying inflation indicator, which excludes products with volatile prices and products with public tariffs, would have risen by 0,1% in March 2023 compared to February 2023 and by 8,1% compared to March 2022.

Table 1: National consumer price index: March 2023 (base 2017: 100)

Products divisions		Monthly index						Variation(%)		
	Weightings	Mars	December	January	· ·	Mars	3.5.0	3 months	10 0	
		2022	2022	2023		2023	Month		12 months	
Food products	39,009	110,2	120,9	122,6	127,4	127,8	0,3	5,7	16,1	
01 – Food products and non-alcoholic beverages	37,502	109,4	120,5	122,1	127,0	127,4	0,3	5,7	16,5	
02 - Alcoholicbeverages and tobacco	1,507	129,8	129,8	136,7	136,7	136,7	0,0	5,3	5,3	
Non foodproducts	60,991	106,6	110,0	109,9	109,9	109,8	-0,1	-0,2	3,0	
03 – Clothing and shoes	4,323	107,4	112,1	112,3	112,3	112,7	0,4	0,5	4,9	
04 - Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	14,575	103,3	104,2	104,2	104,3	104,4	0,1	0,2	1,1	
05 - Furniture, household items and routine maintenance of the home	4,407	104,5	109,9	110,1	110,5	110,6	0,1	0,6	5,8	
06 - Health	7,741	101,8	102,0	102,1	102,1	102,2	0,1	0,2	0,4	
07 - Transport	10,04	113,3	122,1	120,5	120,2	119,1	-0,9	-2,5	5,1	
08 - Communication	2,958	103,8	104,3	104,3	104,3	104,3	0,0	0,0	0,5	
09 – Leisure and culture	2,735	101,6	106,0	105,9	106,0	106,1	0,1	0,1	4,4	
10 - Education	5,636	111,7	116,7	116,7	116,7	116,7	0,0	0,0	4,5	
11 - Restaurants and hotels	1,461	105,4	110,5	110,9	111,8	111,9	0,1	1,3	6,2	
12 – Various goods and services	7,115	109,2	111,2	111,5	111,8	111,9	0,1	0,6	2,5	
General index	100,0	108,0	114,3	114,9	116,8	116,9	0,1	2,3	8,2	

In March 2023, the consumer price index for households in the city of Al Hoceima increased by 1,2% compared to the previous month. On an annual level, the consumer price index rose by 14,5%.

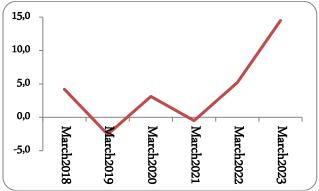
Over one month, the food price index increased by 2,6% in March 2023 compared to February 2023, due to the rise in prices of "Vegetables" by 9,0%, "Fish and seafood" by 6,5%, "Fruit" by 4,7%, "Food products not elsewhere classified" by 0,4%, "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery" by 0,3% and "Milk, cheese and eggs" by 0,1%.

While the monthly variation of the non food index decreased by (-0.5%) following the fall in prices of "Transport" by (-2,4%) and "Restaurants and hotels" by (-0,5%). Also, the rise in prices of "Furniture, household items and maintenance of the home" by 1,0%, "Leisure and culture" by 0,5% and "Various goods and services" by 0.1%, and the stagnation of the indices of the other divisions did not impact the general evolution. Over a vear, the price index of food products rose by 25,5% in March 2023 compared to March 2022, due to the increase in prices of "Vegetables" by 43,7%, "Oils and fats" by 39,7%, "Fruits" by 32,6%, "Fish and seafood" by 29,9%, "Milk, cheese and eggs" by 22,2%, "Mineral waters, refreshing drinks and fruit and vegetable juices" by 15,4%, "Meat" by 14,4%, "Food products not elsewhere classified" by 9,3%, "Coffee, tea and cocoa" by 6,9%, "Bread and cereals" by 4,1%, "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery" by 1,6%, "Beer" by 26,0%, "Wines and fermented drinks" by 10,1% and "Tobacco" by 6.7%.

The annual variation in the index of non food products also increased by 2,8%. While the variation in the prices of the divisions that constitute non food products fluctuated between a decrease of (-0,4%) for the "Health" division and an increase of 7,6% for the "Furniture, household

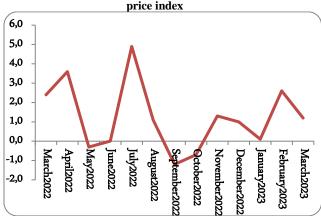
items and routine maintenance of the home" division.

1-Annual evolution (%) of the consumer price index for the month of March



Reading: In March 2023, the consumer price index increased by (+14,5%) compared to March 2022

2- Evolution of the monthly variation (%) of the consumer



Reading: The level of price variation in March 2023 increased by (+1,2%) after being (+2,6%) in February 2023

Table 2: Consumer price index of the city of Al Hoceima: March 2023 (base 2017: 100)

		Monthly index						Variation (%)			
Products divisions	Weightings	March 2022	December 2022	January 2023	February 2022	March 2023	Month	3Months	12Months		
Food products	49,716	108,3	125,8	126,3	132,6	136,0	2,6	8,2	25,5		
01 – Food products and non-alcoholic beverages	48,371	107,7	125,6	125,9	132,4	135,9	2,6	8,2	26,2		
02 - Alcoholicbeverages and tobacco	1,345	131,3	131,6	140,1	140,1	140,1	0,0	6,5	6,7		
Non foodproducts	50,284	105,7	109,6	109,2	109,2	108,7	-0,5	-0,8	2,8		
03 – Clothing and shoes	5,155	109,6	115,1	115,4	115,4	115,4	0,0	0,3	5,3		
04 - Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	11,732	101,2	101,8	101,8	101,8	101,8	0,0	0,0	0,6		
05 - Furniture, household items and routine maintenance of the home	3,094	104,0	110,5	110,6	110,8	111,9	1,0	1,3	7,6		
06 - Health	6,413	101,0	100,7	100,7	100,6	100,6	0,0	-0,1	-0,4		
07 - Transport	7,704	119,4	133,7	130,1	129,1	126,0	-2,4	-5,8	5,5		
08 - Communication	2,892	101,0	101,4	101,4	101,4	101,4	0,0	0,0	0,4		
09 – Leisure and culture	1,933	95,7	97,1	97,1	97,0	97,5	0,5	0,4	1,9		
10 - Education	3,842	111,0	111,7	111,7	111,7	111,7	0,0	0,0	0,6		
11 - Restaurants and hotels	2,258	103,1	104,5	105,1	105,6	105,1	-0,5	0,6	1,9		
12 – Various goods and services	5,261	102,5	106,1	107,0	107,1	107,2	0,1	1,0	4,6		
General index	100,0	107,0	117,8	117,9	121,0	122,5	1,2	4,0	14,5		

In March 2023, the consumer price index for households in the city of Tangier increased by 0,2% compared to the previous month. On an annual basis, the consumer price index rose by 7,9%.

Over one month, the food price index increased by 0,5% in March 2023 compared to February 2023, due to price increases in "Fruit" by 1,8%, "Oils and fats" by 1,7%, "Fish and seafood" by 1, 6%, "Bread and cereals" by 0,9%, "Food products not elsewhere classified", "Coffee, tea and cocoa" and "Mineral waters, refreshing drinks and fruit and vegetable juices" by 0,3% and "Meat" by 0,2%.

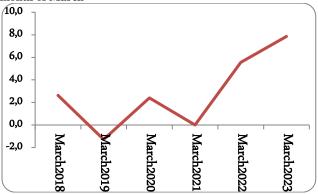
The monthly Variation in the non-food index also increased by 0,1% as a result of price increases in the following divisions: "Clothing and shoes" by 2,8% and "Various goods and services" by 0,4%. Also, the fall in prices of "Transport" by (-1,1%), "Leisure and culture" by (-0,2%) and "Communication" by (-0,1%), and the stagnation of the indices of the other divisions did not impact the general evolution.

Over one year, the food price index rose by 16,2% in March 2023 compared to March 2022, due to the increase in prices of "Oils and fats" by 35,9%, "Vegetables" by 28,0%, "Fruits" by 27,4%, "Milk, cheese and eggs" by 17,7%, "Mineral waters, refreshing drinks and fruit and vegetable juices" by 13,9%, "Meat" by 11,0%, "Coffee, tea and cocoa" by 9,2%, "Food products not elsewhere classified" by 8,0%, "Bread and cereals" by 4,7%, "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and sugar confectionery" by 4,0%, "Fish and seafood" by 2,3% and "Tobacco" by 5,4%.

The annual variation in the index of non food products also increased by 2,9%. While the variation in the prices of the divisions that constitute non food products fluctuated between a decrease of (-0,2%) for the "Communication"

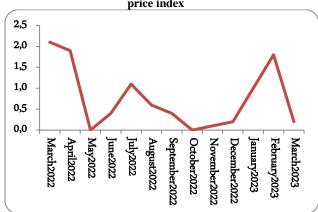
division and an increase of 7,9% for the "Clothing and shoes" division.

3-Annual evolution (%) of the consumer price index for the month of March



Reading: In March 2023, the consumer price index increased by (+9,2%) compared to March 2022

4- Evolution of the monthly variation (%) of the consumer price index



Reading: The level of price variation in March 2023 increased by (+0,2%) after being (+1,8%) in February 2023

Table 3: Consumer price index of the city of Tangier: March 2023 (base 2017: 100)

		Monthly index					Variation (%)		
Products divisions	Weightings	March 2022	December 2022	January 2023	February 2022	March 2023	Month	3Months	12Months
Food products	36,115	111,4	120,5	123,6	128,8	129,4	0,5	7,4	16,2
01 – Food products and non- alcoholic beverages	34,708	110,6	120,1	123,0	128,5	129,1	0,5	7,5	16,7
02 - Alcoholicbeverages and tobacco	1,407	130,3	130,3	137,3	137,3	137,3	0,0	5,4	5,4
Non foodproducts	63,885	106,3	109,1	109,0	109,3	109,4	0,1	0,2	2,9
03 – Clothing and shoes	6,449	102	107,2	107,0	107,1	110,1	2,8	2,7	7,9
04 - Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	16,656	104,1	104,6	104,7	104,9	104,9	0,0	0,3	0,8
05 - Furniture, household items and routine maintenance of the home	4,100	104,4	108,0	108,2	108,6	108,6	0,0	0,6	4,0
06 – Health	8,218	109,4	110,1	110,6	110,5	110,5	0,0	0,4	1,0
07 – Transport	9,751	113	121,5	120,1	120,5	119,2	-1,1	-1,9	5,5
08 - Communication	3,199	105	105,1	104,9	104,9	104,8	-0,1	-0,3	-0,2
09 – Leisure and culture	2,350	98,9	102,4	102,2	105,1	104,9	-0,2	2,4	6,1
10 - Education	5,047	103,7	106,6	106,6	106,6	106,6	0,0	0,0	2,8
11 - Restaurants and hotels	1,280	107,8	112,2	113,3	113,3	113,3	0,0	1,0	5,1
12 - Various goods and services	6,835	108,3	109,5	109,5	109,4	109,8	0,4	0,3	1,4
General index	100,0	108,2	113,3	114,4	116,5	116,7	0,2	3,0	7,9

In March 2023, the consumer price index for households in the city of Tetouan increased by 0,3% compared to the previous month. On an annual level, the consumer price index rose by 9,1%.

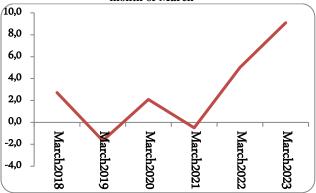
Over one month, the food price index rose by 0,9% in March 2023 compared to February 2023, due to price increases in "Vegetables" by 4,1%, "Food products not elsewhere classified" by 1,7%, Fruits" by 1,5%, "Fish and seafood" by 1,4%, "Meat" and "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery" by 0,5%, "Milk, cheese and eggs" and "Oils and fats" by 0,4% and "Coffee, tea and cocoa" by 0,1%. While the monthly variation in the non food index decreased by (-0,3%) as a result of the fall in prices of the following divisions: "Transport" by (-1,6%), "Housing, water, electricity and other fuels" by (-0,7%) and " Furniture, household items and routine maintenance of the home" by (-0,2%). Also, the rise in prices of "Restaurants and hotels" by 0,7%, "Clothing and shoes" by 0,4%, "leisure and culture" and "Various goods and services" by 0,1%, and the stagnation of the indices of the other divisions did not impact the general evolution.

Over one year, the price index of food products rose by 18,0% in March 2023 compared to March 2022, due to the increase in prices of "Oils and fats" by 37,5%, "Fruit" by 34,3%, "Vegetables" by 33,5%, "Milk, cheese and eggs" by 20,0%, "Meat" by 15,9%, Food products not elsewhere classified" by 7,5%, "Bread and cereals" by 6,0%, "Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery" by 3,9%, "Mineral waters, refreshing drinks and fruit and vegetable juices" by 2,5%, "Coffee, tea and cocoa" by 2,3%, "Fish and seafood" by 2,1% and "Tobacco" by 5,4%.

The annual change in the non food index also increased by 2,5%. While the variation in the prices that constitute the divisions of non food products fluctuated between a decrease of (-1,3%) for

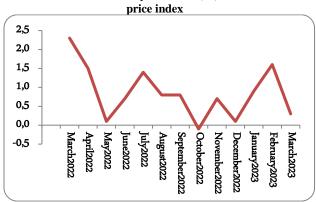
"Transport" and an increase of 9,8% for "leisure and culture".

5-Annual evolution (%) of the consumer price index for the month of March



Reading: In March 2023, the consumer price index increased by (+9,1%) compared to March 2022

6- Evolution of the monthly variation (%) of the consumer



Reading: The level of price variation in March increased by (+0,3%) after being (+1,6%) in February 2023

Table 4: Consumer price index for the city of Tetouan: March 2023 (2017 base: 100)

Products divisions		Monthly index					Variation (%)			
	Weightin gs	March 2022	December 2022	January 2023	Februar y 2022	March 2023	Month	3Month s	12Months	
Food products	40,725	109,4	121,0	123,7	127,9	129,1	0,9	6,7	18,0	
01 – Food products and non-alcoholic beverages	38,964	108,4	120,6	123,1	127,4	128,7	1,0	6,7	18,7	
02 -Alcoholicbeverages and tobacco	1,761	130,8	130,8	137,9	137,9	137,9	0,0	5,4	5,4	
Non foodproducts	59,275	104,9	108,0	107,7	107,8	107,5	-0,3	-0,4	2,5	
03 – Clothing and shoes	5,835	102,3	106,7	107,2	108,9	109,3	0,4	2,4	6,8	
04 - Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	14,202	102,1	103,2	103,2	103,2	102,5	-0,7	-0,7	0,4	
05 - Furniture, household items and routine maintenance of the home	5,602	102,1	105,3	105,0	105,6	105,4	-0,2	0,1	3,2	
06 - Health	6,594	100,5	100,2	100,2	100,4	100,4	0,0	0,2	-0,1	
07 - Transport	7,416	119,5	125,1	122,0	119,9	118,0	-1,6	-5,7	-1,3	
08 - Communication	2,560	98,8	98,8	98,8	98,8	98,8	0,0	0,0	0,0	
09 – Leisure and culture	2,432	98,0	104,7	104,8	107,5	107,6	0,1	2,8	9,8	
10 - Education	5,358	107,4	111,7	111,7	111,7	111,7	0,0	0,0	4,0	
11 - Restaurants and hotels	2,468	102,2	107,7	107,5	107,3	108,0	0,7	0,3	5,7	
12 – Various goods and services	6,808	107,1	111,7	112,4	113,1	113,2	0,1	1,3	5,7	
General index	100,0	106,7	113,3	114,3	116,1	116,4	0,3	2,7	9,1	