

**Kingdom of Morocco**



**HIGH COMMISSION FOR PLANNING**  
**Regional Directorate of Souss Massa**

# **The consumer price index**

**City of Agadir**  
**(Base 100 :2017)**

**March 2023**



## INTRODUCTION

Following the Decree No.2.19.1083 published in Official Bulletin No 6880 of 7 May 2020 setting out the components of the new consumer price index base 2017 and repealing Decree No. 2. 09. 529 on the consumer price index base 2006, the High commission for planning has published the new consumer price index base 2017 from 20 May 2020.

It should be recalled that the reform of the consumer price index is necessary because of the changes in the consumption habits of Moroccan households in recent years and the development of new methodological approaches in this area. This was made possible by the availability of up-to-date data from the 2014 Household Consumption and Expenditure Survey and the 2014 General Population and Housing Census.

This 2017 reform is the fifth generation of consumer price index reforms since Morocco's independence. It is structured around several axes:

- ✚ In terms of geographical coverage, the scope has been expanded to cover 18 cities representing all regions of the Kingdom, instead of the previous 17 cities.
- ✚ Updated and enlarged the reference basket to contain 546 articles and 1391 varieties instead of 478 articles and 1067 varieties in the basket of the previous index.
- ✚ Weights products have also been updated on the basis of new data on consumption patterns.

## I-The national level

In the month of March 2023, the consumer price index increased by 0.1% compared to the previous month. This change is the result of a 0.3% increase in the food index and a 0.1% decrease 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'.

In the case of non-food products, the fall was mainly in the price of "fuels" with 3.6%.

The largest increases in the CPI were recorded in Guelmim with 1.4%, Al-hoceima with 1.2%, Beni-Mellal with 0.8%, Marrakech with 0.7%, Agadir, Fes, Tetouan and Laâyoune with 0.3%, 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%.

## II -In the city of Agadir

In the city of Agadir, the consumer price index (CPI), reached, during the month of March 2023, the level of 115.1 against 114.8 the previous month, recording an increase of 0.3%.

This change is the result of a 1% increase in the food index and a 0.2% decrease in the non-food index (Table 1).

The increases in food products observed between February and March 2023 mainly concern "Fruit" with 5.4%, "Vegetables" with 2.8%, "Fish and seafood" with 2.6%, "Oils and fats" with 0.8%, and "Milk, cheese and eggs" with 0.7%.

In contrast, prices fell by 0.6% for "Bread and Cereals" and by 0.5% for "Coffee, Tea and Cocoa" (Table 2).

For non-food products, the change was mainly due to the prices of "fuels" with -3.3%.

## III- Inter-annual variations

In the city of Agadir, the average index for the first three months of 2023 increased by 8.3% compared to the same period of the previous year. The consumer price index for the month of March 2023 was 7.9% compared with the same month of the previous year (Table 3).

## Monthly change of the consumer price index level in the city of Agadir

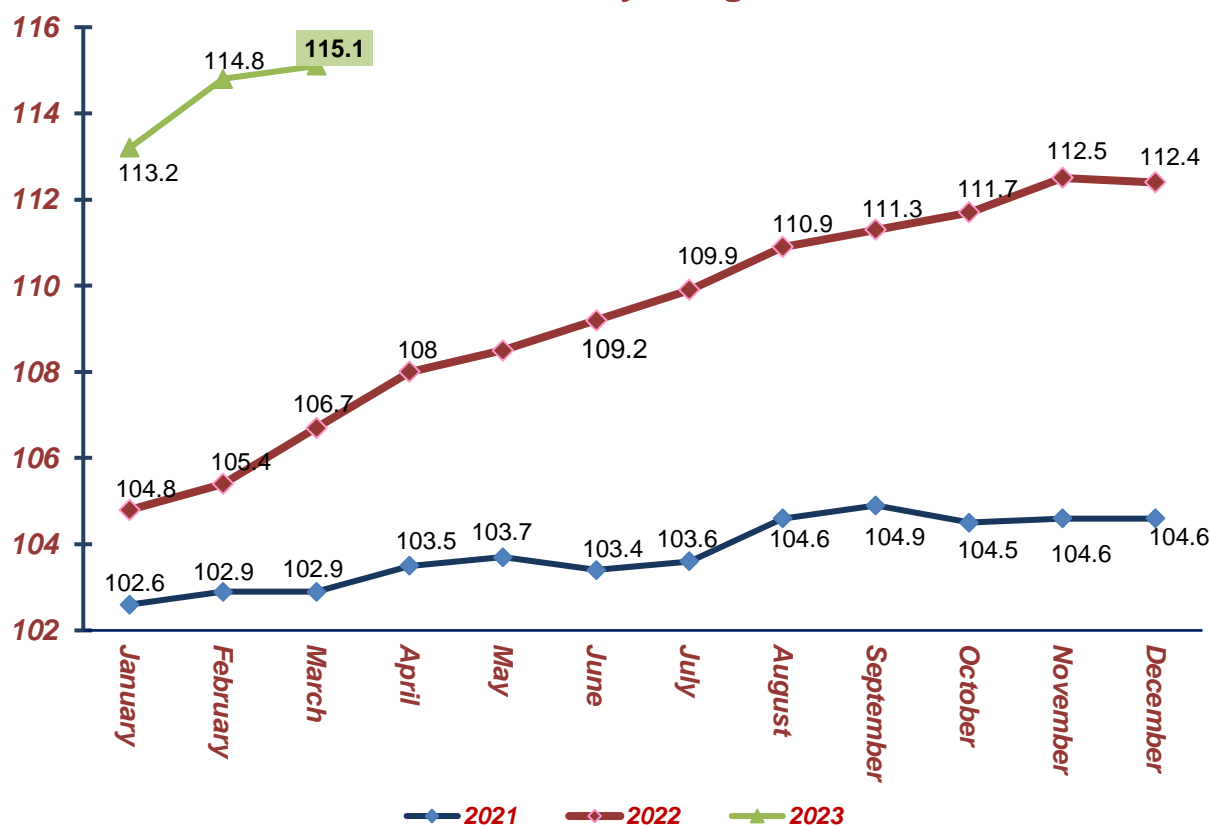


Table 1: Variation in the Index Consumer Prices by division

Products divisions	February 2023	March 2023	V (in %)
<b>Food products</b>	<b>126,7</b>	<b>128,0</b>	<b>1,0</b>
1-Food and non-alcoholic beverages	126,4	127,7	1,0
2-Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	136,2	136,2	0,0
<b>Non-food products</b>	<b>107,1</b>	<b>106,9</b>	<b>-0,2</b>
3-Clothes and shoes	99,8	99,8	0,0
4-Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	103,8	103,8	0,0
5-Furniture, articles and household and routine household maintenance	110,6	110,6	0,0
6-Health	100,2	100,2	0,0
7-Transport	116	114,7	-1,1
8-Communication	102	102	0,0
9-Leisure and Culture	107,1	106,4	-0,7
10-Education	112,1	112,1	0,0
11-Restaurants and hotels	110	110	0,0
12-Various Goods and Services	109,5	109,7	0,2
<b>GENERAL INDEX</b>	<b>114,8</b>	<b>115,1</b>	<b>0,3</b>

Table 2: Variation in indices of food groups and classes- City of Agadir-

<i>Groups and classes</i>	February 2023	March 2023	V in %
<b>Food products</b>	<b>127,7</b>	<b>129,1</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Bread and cereals	120,4	119,7	-0,6
Meat	128,3	128	-0,2
Fish and seafood	111,8	114,7	2,6
Milk, cheese and eggs	123	123,9	0,7
Oils and fats	143,5	144,7	0,8
Fruits	134	141,2	5,4
Vegetables	147,1	151,2	2,8
Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery	103,4	103,7	0,3
Foodstuffs n. e. c.	110	110,8	0,7
<b>Non-alcoholic beverages</b>	<b>102,9</b>	<b>102,5</b>	<b>-0,4</b>
Coffee, tea and cocoa	104,1	103,6	-0,5
Mineral water, soft drinks, fruit and vegetable juices	99,5	99,3	-0,2
<b>FOODINDEX</b>	<b>126,4</b>	<b>127,7</b>	<b>1,0</b>

Table 3: Inter-annual variations (January -March 2023) - City of Agadir -

<i>Divisions</i>	March			Average (january -march)		
	2022	2023	V%	2022	2023	V%
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	109,5	127,7	16,6	107,1	125,5	17,2
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	129,0	136,2	5,6	129,0	136,2	5,6
Clothes and shoes	98,5	99,8	1,3	98,6	99,8	1,2
Housing, water, electricity and other fuels	102,4	103,8	1,4	102,4	103,8	1,4
Furniture, articles and household and routine household maintenance	105,3	110,6	5,0	105,2	110,6	5,1
Health	100,5	100,2	-0,3	100,5	100,2	-0,3
Transport	110,2	114,7	4,1	108,8	115,6	6,3
Communication	101,4	102,0	0,6	101,3	102,0	0,7
Leisure and Culture	103,7	106,4	2,6	103,6	107,0	3,3
Education	109,8	112,1	2,1	109,8	112,1	2,1
Restaurants and hotels	101,7	110,0	8,2	101,7	108,1	6,3
Various Goods and Services	107,0	109,7	2,5	107,0	109,6	2,4
<b>GENERAL INDEX</b>	<b>106,7</b>	<b>115,1</b>	<b>7,9</b>	<b>105,6</b>	<b>114,4</b>	<b>8,3</b>

Table 4: Consumer price index: Evolution by city

Cities	Monthly index		V%	Average (january -march)		V%
	February 2023	March 2023		2022	2023	
Agadir	<b>114,8</b>	<b>115,1</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>105,6</b>	<b>114,4</b>	<b>8,3</b>
Casablanca	115,9	115,6	-0,3	107,2	115,3	7,6
Fès	118,1	118,4	0,3	107,0	117,4	9,7
Kénitra	118,2	118,4	0,2	106,1	117,4	10,7
Marrakech	118,4	119,2	0,7	106,9	118,0	10,4
Oujda	117,2	117,1	-0,1	105,2	116,4	10,6
Rabat	114,8	114,7	-0,1	106,0	114,2	7,7
Tétouan	116,1	116,4	0,3	104,9	115,6	10,2
Meknès	116,4	116,4	0,0	106,0	115,9	9,3
Tanger	116,5	116,7	0,2	106,3	115,9	9,0
Laâyoune	115,8	116,1	0,3	105,6	115,4	9,3
Dakhla	115,4	115,4	0,0	106,1	115,0	8,4
Guelmim	118,1	119,8	1,4	108,9	118,2	8,5
Settat	116,3	116,5	0,2	106,6	115,5	8,3
Safi	122,2	122,1	-0,1	109,6	121,2	10,6
Beni-Mellal	121,6	122,6	0,8	107,6	120,9	12,4
Al-hoceima	121,0	122,5	1,2	105,1	120,5	14,7
Errachidia	119,5	119,1	-0,3	105,5	118,4	12,2
<b>National index</b>	<b>116,8</b>	<b>116,9</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>106,5</b>	<b>116,2</b>	<b>9,1</b>