

Newsletter Consumer Price Index (CPI) June 2021



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Summary

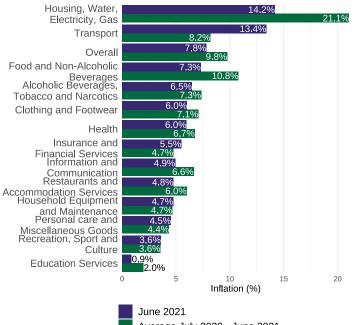
- National inflation from June 2020 to June 2021 was 7.8%.
- National month-on-month inflation from May 2021 to June 2021 was 1.3%.
- Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages inflation was 7.3% and average Non-Food inflation 8.2%.
- Regional inflation was between 12.5% in Greater Accra and 1.1% in Western Region.

Government Statistician Says:

"June 2021 inflation was 7.8%. The return to an upwards inflationary trend this month is mainly driven by increases "in the contribution of Food and Transport to overall inflation."

June 2021 Inflation

The national year-on-year inflation rate was 7.8% in June 2021, which is less than one percentage point higher than the 7.5% recorded in May 2021 (see Table 1). Month-on-month inflation between May and June 2021 was 1.3% (0.5 percentage point higher than what was recorded in May). 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas' (14.2% down from 19.9% last month) recorded the highest inflation. See Figure 1, for the inflation rates of all Divisions.



Average July 2020 - June 2021 Ghana Statistical Service (GSS), 2021

Figure 1: Year-on-year inflation June 2021 and the average over the last 12 months, by Division.

Month	CPI (2018 = 100)	Change (inflation %)	
		Monthly	Yearly
Dec	110.0	0.3	7.9
Jan - 2020	111.6	1.4	7.8
Feb	112.1	0.4	7.8
Mar	113.0	0.8	7.8
Apr	116.6	3.2	10.6
May	118.6	1.7	11.3
June	119.8	1.0	11.2
July	120.5	0.5	11.4
Aug	120.0	-0.4	10.5
Sep	119.8	-0.2	10.4
Oct	120.1	0.2	10.1
Nov	120.4	0.3	9.8
Dec	121.5	0.9	10.4
Jan - 2021	122.7	0.9	9.9
Feb	123.6	0.8	10.3
Mar	124.7	0.9	10.3
Apr	126.6	1.5	8.5
May	127.6	0.8	7.5
June	129.2	1.3	7.8

Table 1: Consumer Price Indices December 2019 to June 2021.

Regional Inflation

At the regional level, the overall year-on-year inflation ranged from 1.1% in Western Region to 12.5% in Greater Accra Region (see Figure 3). Upper West Region recorded the highest month-on-month inflation (4.4%) (see Figure 7). Three regions saw a stark decline in Food inflation as compared to last month. Western Region went from 0.4% to -1.1%, Volta from 9.8% to 8.0%, and Upper East from 7.8% to 6.0%.





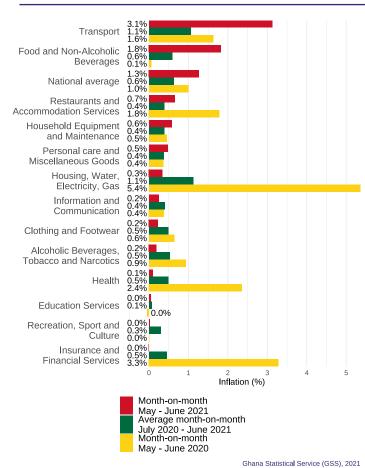


Figure 2: National month-on-month inflation rates for different Divisions.

Food and Non-Food Inflation

This month Food inflation (7.3%) is higher than last month (5.4%) but lower than the average of the previous 12 months (10.8%). However, Food contribution to inflation increased from 32.3% to 41.8%. (see Figure 6 on the final page). Overall month-on-month Food inflation was 1.8%, which is above the average month-on-month inflation. Fish and other Seafood was the only subclass that recorded a negative month-on-month Food inflation. (see Figure 4). Ten Non-Food Divisions recorded positive month-on-month inflation of max 3.1% (See Figure 2).

Unlike Food inflation, Non-Food year-on-year inflation on average went down this month compared to last month (from 9.2% to 8.2%). Out of the 13 Divisions, ten had lower or equal year-on-year inflation in June 2021 than the rolling average over the last 12 months. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other fuels is the Non-Food Division that recorded the biggest difference compared to the 12-month average (11.2% compared to 21.1%) (see Figure 1). Transport recorded a relatively high inflation (13.4%) this month compared to the rolling average (8.2%).

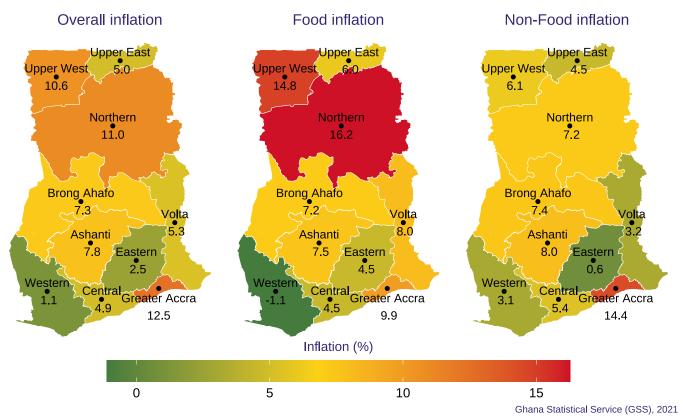
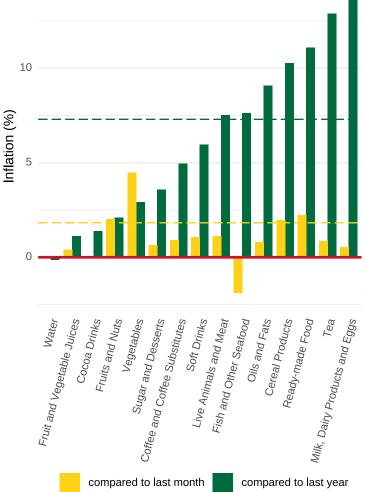


Figure 3: Year-on-year overall, Food and Non-Food inflation rates for June 2021 by region.







Looking at Figure 5, it becomes clear that in five regions month-on-month Transport Inflation was above 1%. As shown in Figure 5, on a month-on-month basis, Upper West Region recorded the highest overall inflation (4.4%) and Western and Central Regions the lowest (0.1%).

Imported and Local Inflation

The inflation for imported goods was 7.0% (down from 7.3% last month), while the inflation for locally produced items was also 7.9% on average (up from the 7.3% recorded last month). Month-on-month inflation for imported goods was 0.4% and for locally produced goods 1.6%.

More Information

Visit the GSS website (www.statsghana.gov.gh) for further information and detailed annexes or contact: Mr. John F.K. Agyaho (Head, Price Statistics, GSS) at john.agyaho@statsghana.gov.gh.

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Figure 4: Year-on-year and month-on-month Food Subclass inflation, June 2021.

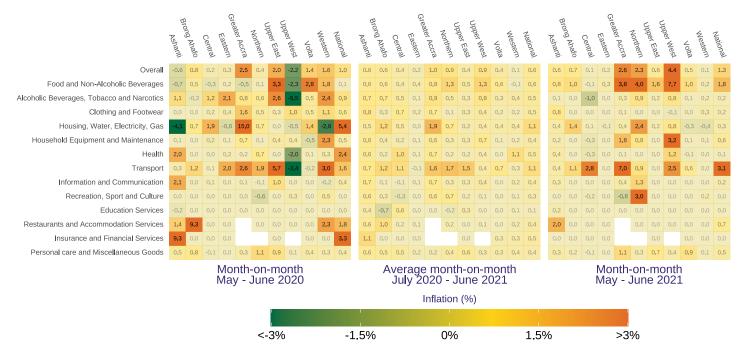


Figure 5: Heatmap tabulating the month-on-month inflation statistics for 10 regions and 13 Divisions in addition to the National and Overall averages. The month-on-month inflation for the period April 2021 to June 2021 is given, as well as the month-on-month inflation for April 2020 to June 2020 and the average month-on-month inflation between July 2020 and June 2021.





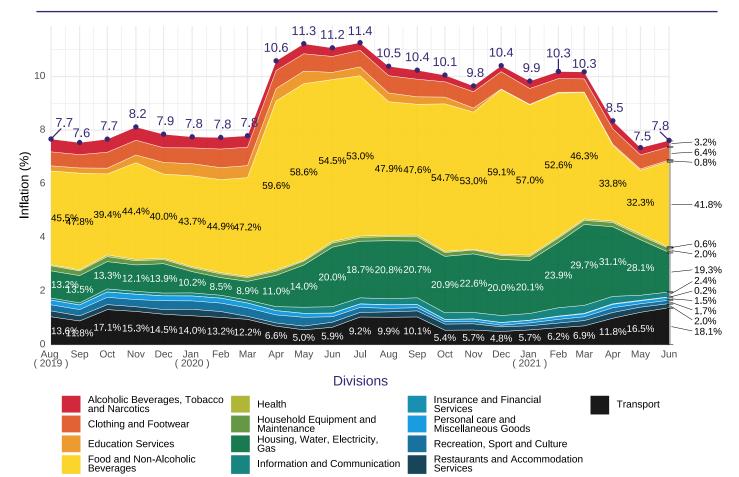


Figure 6: Composition of year-on-year inflation. Total height indicates total inflation and percentages indicate the contribution to total inflation. For all months, the contribution of the `Transport', `Housing' and `Food' Divisions is shown and for the current month, the contribution of all 13 Divisions is shown on the right side of the plot.

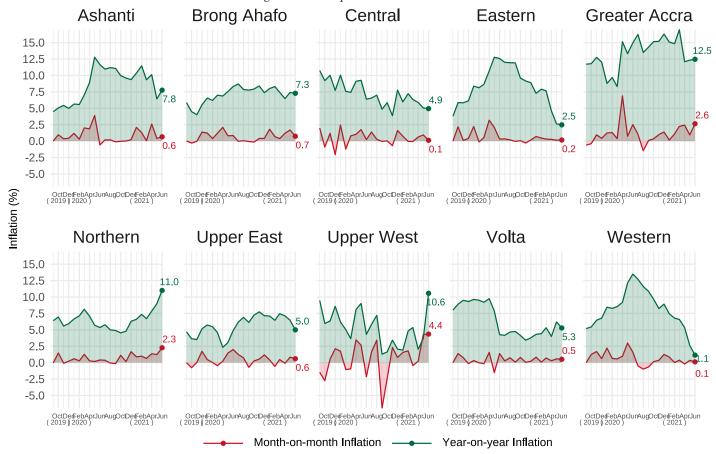


Figure 7: Both year-on-year and month-on-month inflation by region.