

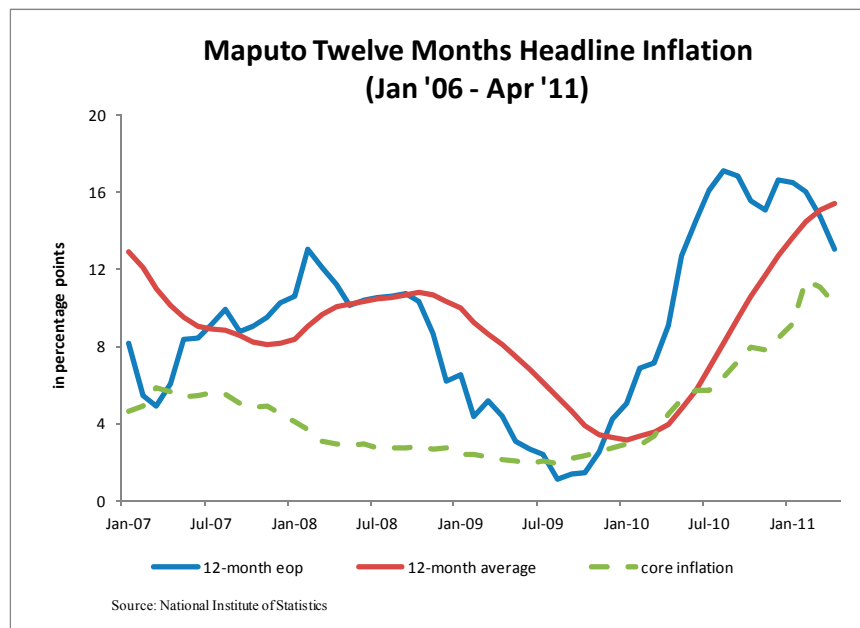


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Maputo headline inflation – April 2011

Main facts:

- The Maputo headline CPI continued to hover around **zero (this time 0.4 percent) in April**, being consistent with historical patterns. **This result has brought 12-month end of period down to 13 percent (against 14.7 percent in March)** whilst average continued to rise steadily (15.4 now from 15.1 percent last month).
- Although prices of some food items (e.g. fresh fish, onions, sugar and lettuce), fuel products (charcoal as well as liquid fuels, whose prices were adjusted upwards at end-April), the total inflation rate was contained by the falling prices of a few food staples (tomatoes and coconuts) and new and second-hand vehicles (which have seen their prices going down likely due to exchange rate appreciation).
- Core inflation¹ also maintained the downtrend that began in March (10.2 against previous 11.1 percent).



¹ This core inflation measures excludes food, energy and fuels consumption from the total inflation.

- Pictured below is the accumulated contribution of product categories to total price increases through April 2011:

Product categories with major contribution to total price increases from January to April 2011

Item	Contribution
Food items and non-alcoholic beverages	1.72
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	0.08
Clothing and footwear	0.09
Housing and utilities*	0.43
Household goods and services	0.06
Health expenses	-0.02
Transport	-0.02
Communications	-0.01
Leisure, entertainment and culture	0.07
Education expenses	0.75
Restaurants, hotels and cafes	0.09
Miscellaneous goods and services	0.16
Total	3.41

* Water, electricity, gas and other household fuels.