

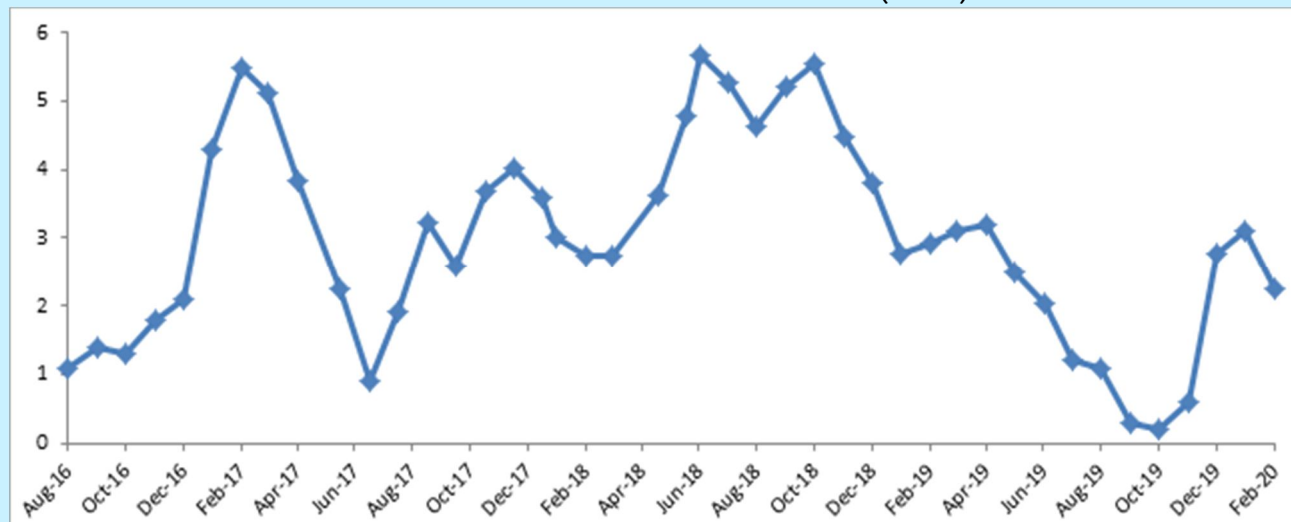
February 2020 WPI inflation falls to 2.3%

The WPI inflation falls to 2.3% in February 2020 from 3.1% in January 2020, 2.8% in December 2019, 0.6% in November 2019, 0.0% in October 2019 and 0.3% in September 2019. The decrease in WPI inflation in the month of February 2020 is attributed to decrease in the prices of Onion (162.3%), Potato (60.7%) and Crude Petroleum, (-1.4%).

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Trend in WPI Inflation

(Y-O-Y) %



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI compiled from the office of the Economic Advisor to the Government of India

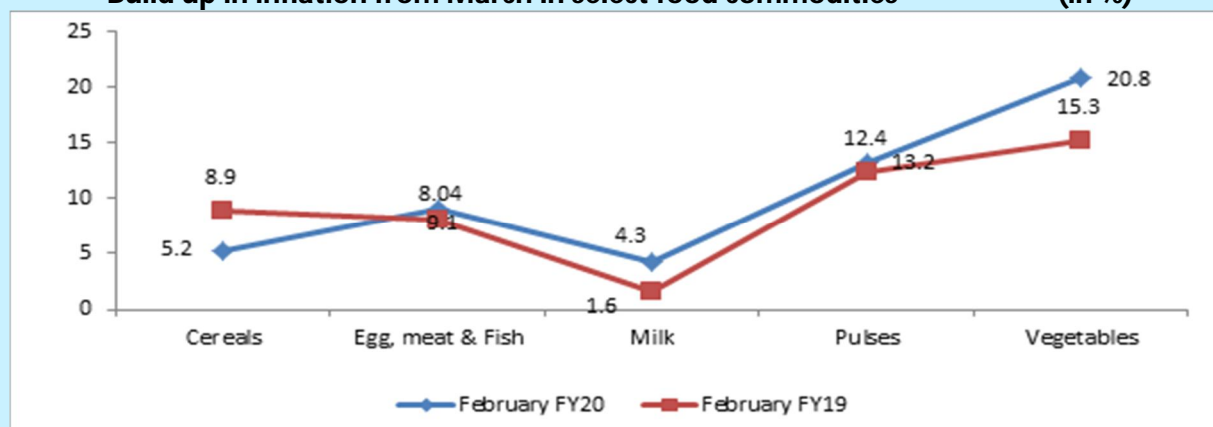
WPI inflation in Select Commodities (Base year: 2011-12)

S. No.	Commodity	WPI Inflation Y-o-Y % growth			
		Dec-19	Jan-20	Feb-20	Change in Feb-20 as Compared to Previous Month
1	All Commodities	2.8	3.1	2.3	↓
2	Primary Articles	11.5	10.0	6.7	↓
3	Food Articles	13.3	11.5	7.8	↓
4	Cereals	7.8	7.7	5.2	↓
5	Vegetables	69.5	52.7	30.0	↓
6	Non-food Articles	7.7	7.1	6.8	↓
7	Fuel & Power	0.4	3.4	3.4	=
8	Petrol	4.4	8.0	2.1	↓
9	Manufactured Products	(-)0.3	0.3	0.4	↑
10	Sugar	5.0	4.2	3.1	↓

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Build up inflation rate in the financial year so far was 1.92% compared to a build up rate of 2.75% in the corresponding period of the previous year.

Build up in inflation from March in select food commodities (in %)

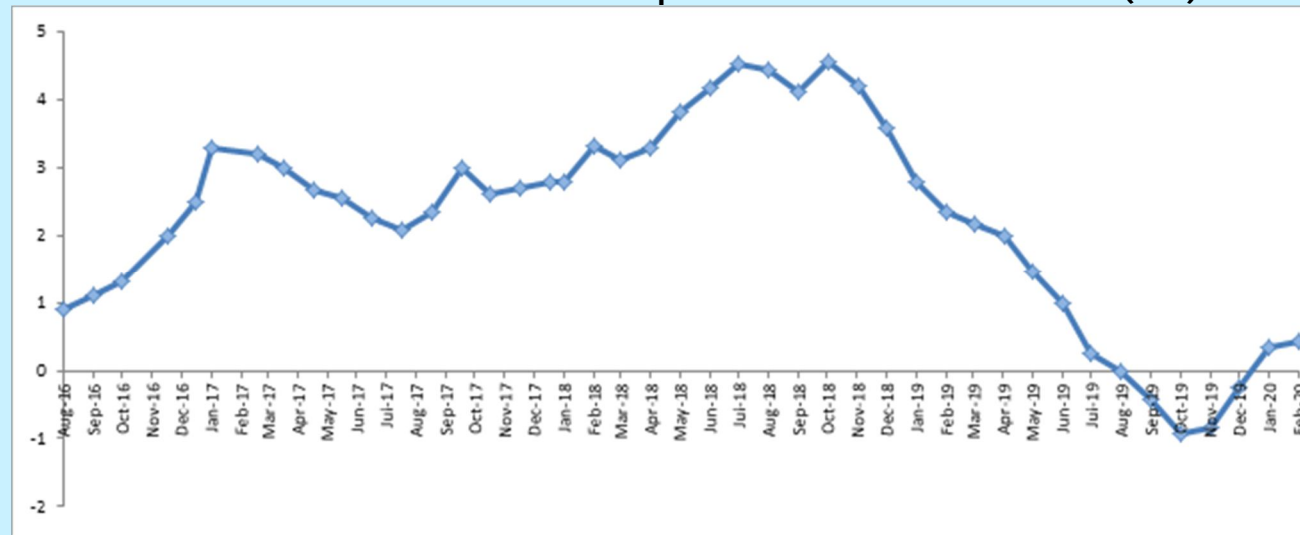


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Manufacturing inflation stands at 0.4% (weight 64.23 %)

The WPI inflation for manufactured products stands 0.7% for February 2020 as against 0.3% for January 2020. The index for this major group rose by 0.2% to 118.7 (provisional) in February 2020 from 118.5 (provisional) for the previous month.

Trend in WPI inflation in manufactured products (in %)



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Food inflation stands at 7.8% (Weight 15.26%)

The food articles inflation stands 7.8% in February 2020 as compared to 11.5% in January 2020. The rate of inflation based on WPI Food Index consisting of 'Food Articles' from Primary Articles group and 'Food Product' from Manufactured Products group decreased from 10.12% in January, 2020 to 7.31% in February, 2020.

Fuel & power inflation stands at 3.4% (weight 13.15%)

The index for this major group rose by 1.2% to 103.9 (provisional) in February 2020 from 102.7 (provisional) for the previous month. The groups and items which showed variations during the month are as follows:-

The index for 'Mineral Oils' group declined by 1.2% to 92.4 (provisional) in February 2020 from 93.5 (provisional) for the previous month due to lower price of naphtha (7%), HSD (4%), petrol (3%). However, the price of LPG (15%), petroleum coke (6%), furnace oil and bitumen (4% each), kerosene (2%) and lube oils (1%) moved up.

The index for 'Electricity' group rose by 7.2% to 117.9 (provisional) from 110.0 (provisional) for the previous month due to higher price of electricity (7%).

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