

INFLATION UPDATE

Economics | Data Reaction

The annual inflation rate in Nigeria accelerated to 21.82% in January 2023, the highest since September 2005, from 21.34% in the prior month. The rise in inflation was caused by soaring food prices and a weaker naira currency. On a month on month basis, the headline inflation rate in January 2023 was 1.87%, 16bps higher than 1.71% recorded in December.

Food inflation rate came in at 24.32% on a year-on-year basis, an uptick from the 23.75% recorded in the previous month. On a monthly basis, food inflation rate printed at 2.08%, 19bps higher than the December 2022 figure of 1.89%.

Core inflation, which excludes the prices of volatile agricultural produce, stood at 19.16%. On a month-on-month basis, inflation rate printed at 1.82%, 49bps higher than the December 2022 figure of 1.33%.

Headline Index
21.82% ↑

Food Index **24.32%** ↑ Core Index **19.16%** ↑

