



2nd Fortnight July 2019 inflation forecast: Non-core inflation continues saving the day!

Based on our price monitor, we expect 2F July 2019 headline inflation at 0.02%, with core and non-core inflation at 0.05% and -0.09%, respectively (see Figure 1 and Table 1).

Accordingly, *incidences* of the core and non-core components in our headline inflation forecast are 0.04 and -0.02 percentage points (pp), respectively (see Figure 2 and Table 1):<sup>1</sup>

- Within the *core component*, Food, beverages and tobacco and Housing prices contribute 0.02 pp each to our headline estimate.
- Within the *non-core component*, a decrease in Fruit and vegetables prices offset the former effects by -0.02pp.

Our 12-month headline inflation forecast decreases from 3.84% to 3.67%. Within it, 12-month core inflation stays in 3.81%, while its non-core counterpart decreases from 3.92% to 3.25%.

Should our estimates materialize, together with 1F July prints, they would entail a significant decrease of July 2019 annual inflation relative to June, from 3.95% to 3.76%. This decrease is largely explained by non-core inflation, which would decrease from 4.19% to 3.58%. Core inflation would also contribute marginally, by going down from 3.85% to 3.81% (see Figure 3).

Figure 1. 2F July's inflation (%)

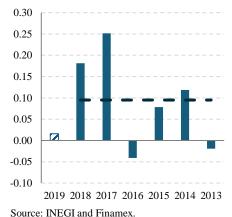
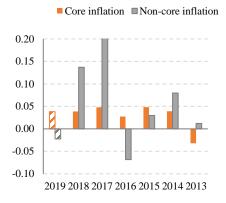


Figure 2. Inflation incidences (pp)



Source: INEGI and Finamex.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The sum of incidences can differ from the headline number due to rounding effects.



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Figure 3. Annual Inflation

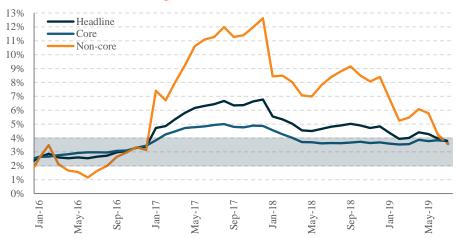


Table 1. 2F July's inflation: Forecast and past prints

СРІ	Bi-weekly variation (%)				Bi-weekly contribution (%)		
	Forecast Finamex	Observed			Forecast	Observed	Difference
		2F Jul 2019	2F Jul 2018	2F Jul 2017	Finamex	2F Jul 2019	Dillerence
Headline CPI	0.02		0.18	0.25	0.02		
Core	0.05		0.05	0.06	0.04		
Merchandise	0.04		0.03	0.09	0.02		
Food, beverages and tobacco	0.10		0.10	0.17	0.02		
Non-food merchandise	-0.02		-0.03	0.01	0.00		
Services	0.06		0.07	0.05	0.02		
Housing	0.10		0.09	0.09	0.02		
Education (tuitions)	0.08		0.02	0.06	0.00		
Other services	0.02		0.06	-0.01	0.00		
Non-core	-0.09		0.56	0.82	-0.02		
Agriculture	-0.08		0.71	2.11	-0.01		
Fruit and vegetables	-0.50		2.31	5.04	-0.02		
Livestock	0.25		-0.26	0.28	0.01		
Energy and government approved fares	-0.10		0.47	0.00	-0.01		
Energy	-0.17		0.71	-0.10	-0.02		
Government approved fares	0.06		-0.01	0.16	0.00		





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