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Economic headlines

A breakdown of the tax pie



Personal income tax has become more important as a source of government revenue (click [here](#) to read more).

Inflation up slightly in May



This was mainly driven by a 3,3% rise in fuel prices (click [here](#) to read more).

Debt owed to municipalities reaches R72,4 billion



We often hear of how much municipalities are in debt. But there is another side of the coin (click [here](#) to read more).

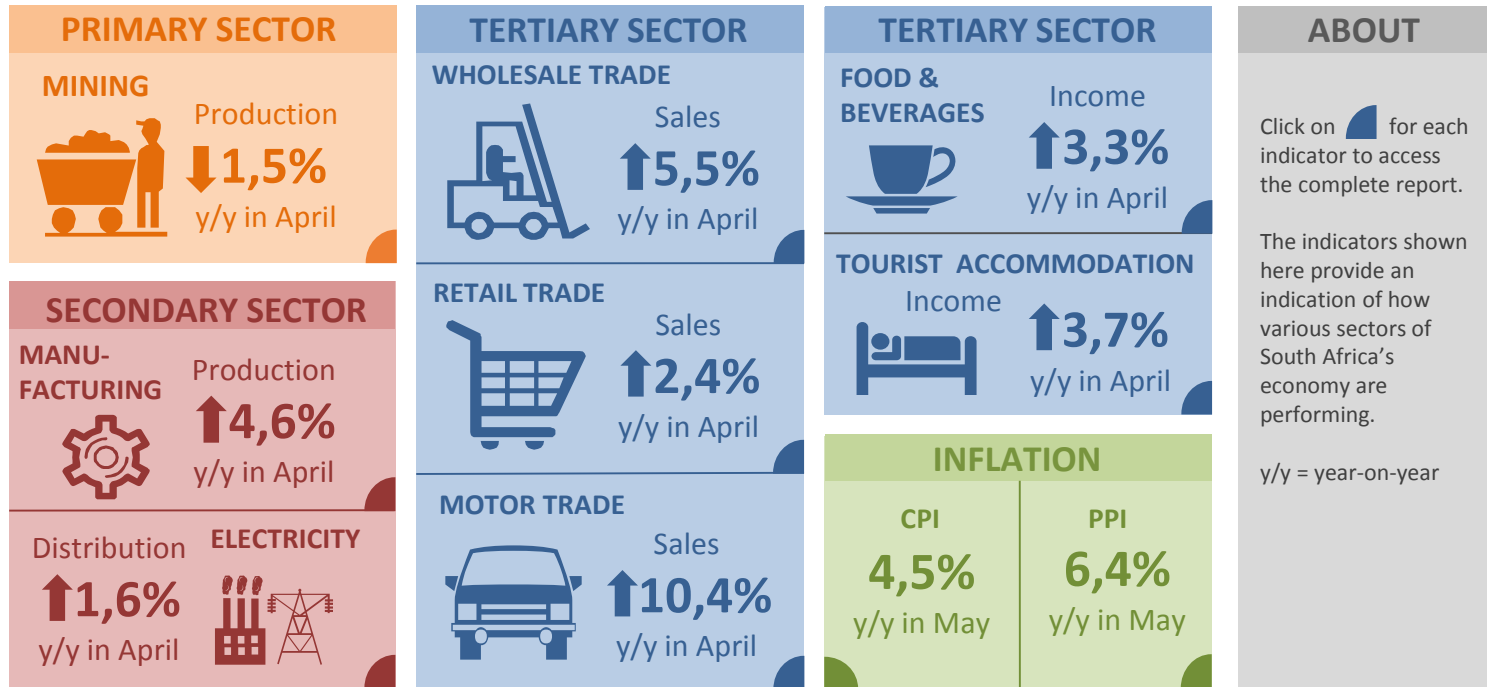
How big is the small business footprint?



Small companies generate more than a third of turnover in three industries (click [here](#) to read more).

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Monthly economic indicators



Feature article

Say hello to Stats SA's new logo

Stats SA has changed from using the drum logo (Figure 1) to using the Coat of Arms as its logo (Figure 2). This was precipitated by a legal opinion from Stats SA's Legal Services division that, by using a logo that did not include the Coat of Arms, the department was in contravention of government regulations.

When Central Statistical Service changed its name to Statistics South Africa in 1998, a new logo was developed for the organisation supporting the name change. When the Coat of Arms was unveiled in 2000, this logo was changed to include the Coat of Arms. In 2016, when the organisation moved to ISibalo House, its new home in Salvokop, the drum logo was adopted.

Stats SA retains its independence, and will continue to implement best practice in the collection of official statistics, and impartially release statistical results.

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Figure 1



Figure 2



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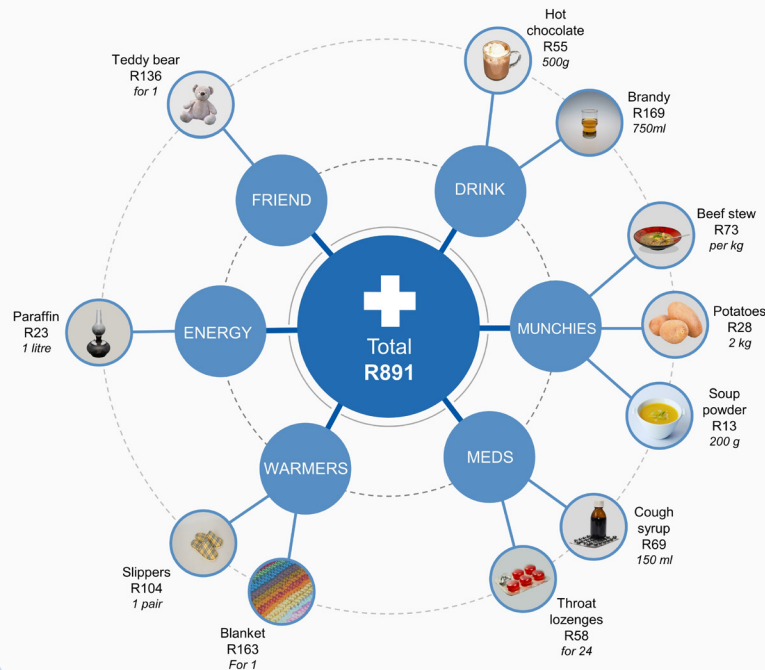
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Infographic of the month

Your winter emergency kit

As temperatures plummet, we take a look at the price of snuggling up*



Source: Statistics South Africa

Source: Consumer Price Index (CPI), May 2019
*Average prices for selected items in the South African inflation basket

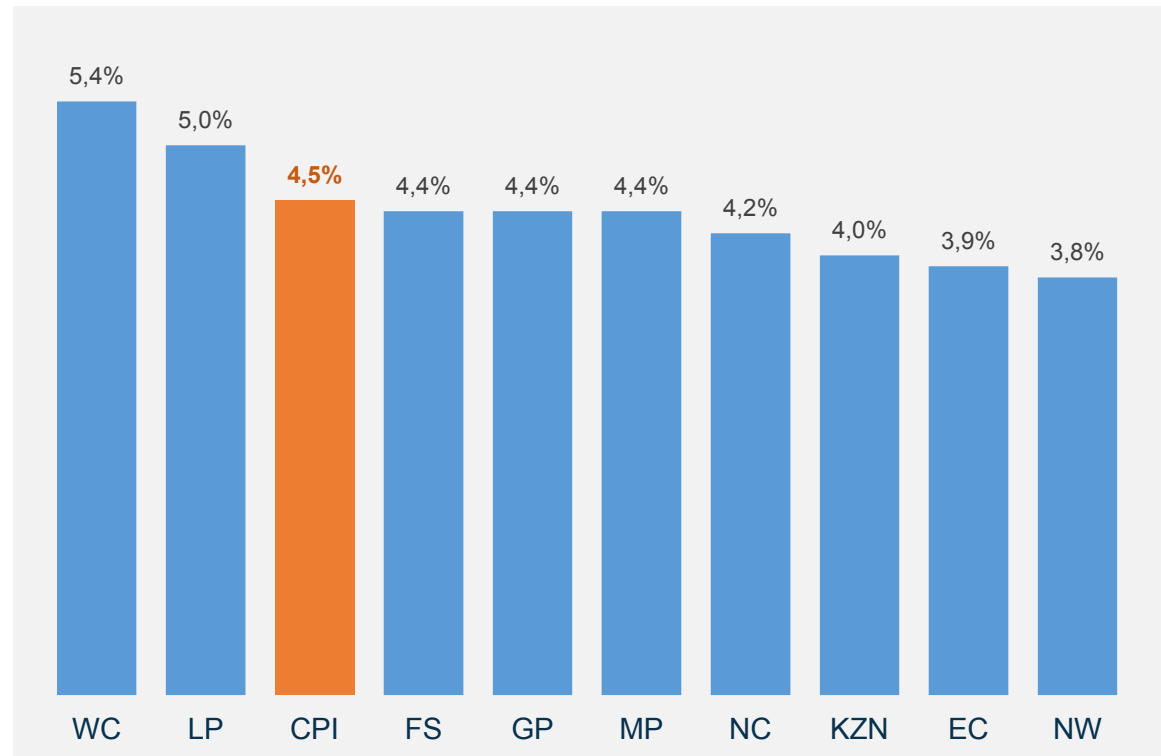
Provincial snapshot

Western Cape leads with rising prices

The prices of goods and services for South African consumers increased by 4,5% in May 2019, according to Stats SA's latest *Consumer Price Index (CPI)* release.

Consumer prices rose faster in Western Cape (up 5,4%) than in all other provinces. North West consumers experienced the slowest rise in overall inflation.

For more on consumer prices, download the latest *Consumer Price Index (CPI)* release [here](#).



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