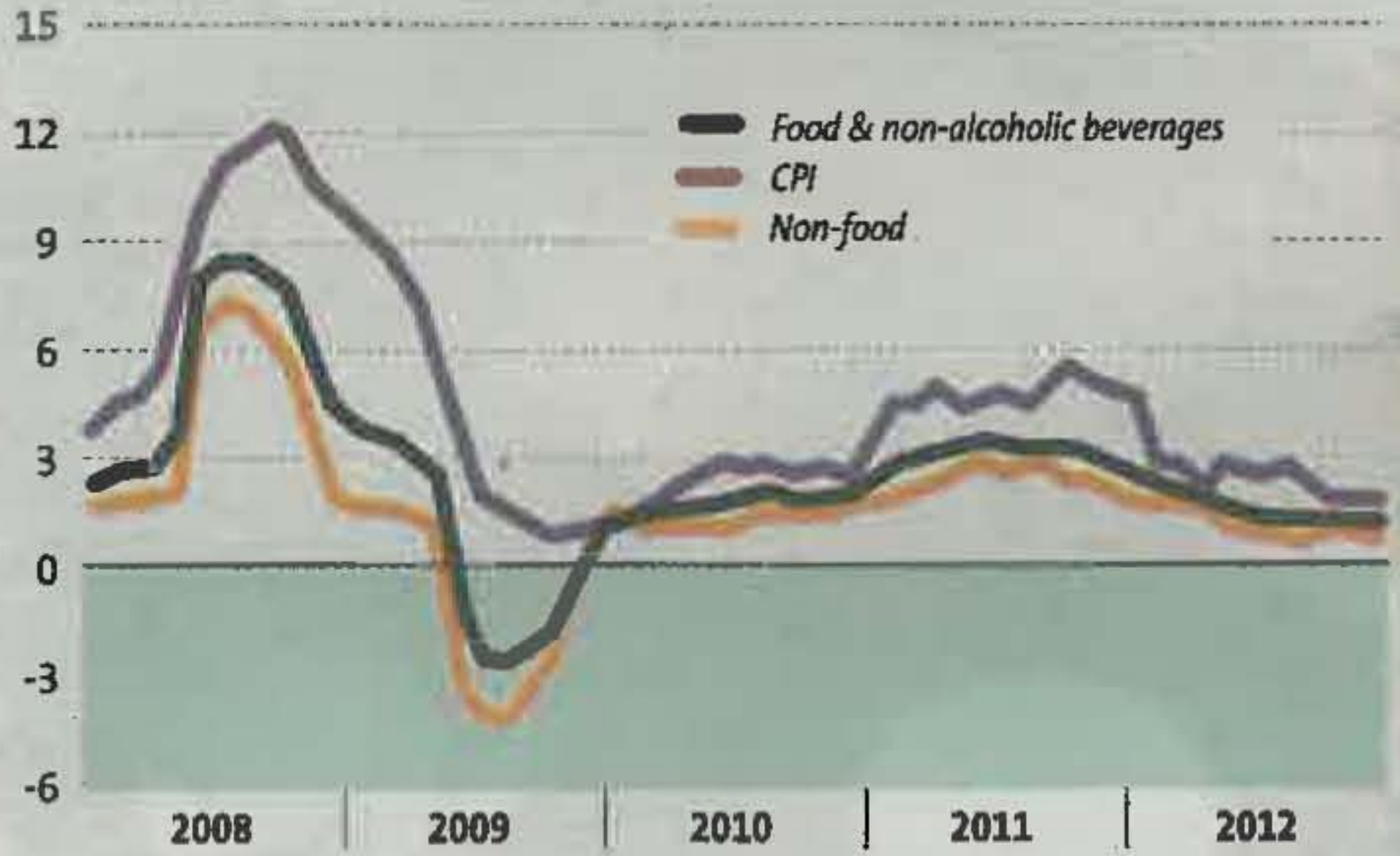Easing inflation