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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—December, 2010 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

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GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from prices collected for the month of December, 2010 was 180.2 representing an increase of 0.9 point or 0.5% above the Index for November, 2010.

The annual rate of inflation as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January—December, 2010 over that for the period January—December, 2009 was 10.6%. This reflects an increase when compared with a rate of inflation of 7.0% observed in the average All Items Index for the period January—December, 2009 over the average All Items Index for the same period in 2008.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 395.6 in November, 2010 to 400.9 in December, 2010, reflecting an increase of 1.3%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of whole chicken, tomatoes, bodie, cucumber, christophene, ochroes, melongene, sweet pepper, sweet potatoes, chive, celery and limes. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of yams, green bananas, irish potatoes, dasheen, green pigeon peas, watercress, oranges, ripe bananas, garlic and canned vegetables.

Price changes in this section, for the month of December, 2010 accounted for a net overall increase of 1.0 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for December, 2010 compared with November, 2010 reflected an increase in the sub-index for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 0.1%; while a decline was noted in the sub-index for Clothing and Footwear 0.7%.

Price changes in these sections for the month of December, 2010 accounted for a net overall decrease of 0.1 point in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in December, 2010 compared with those of December, 2009 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

| Sections | Percentage Change December 2010–December, 2009 |
|---|---|
| All Items | 13.4 |
| Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages | 29.5 |
| Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco | 6.0 |
| Clothing and Footwear | -1.5 |
| Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | 0.2 |
| Home Ownership | -0.8 |
| Rent | 7.0 |
| Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | 0.0 |
| Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House | 1.0 |
| Health | 3.8 |
| Transport | 12.1 |
| Communication | 0.0 |
| Recreation and Culture | 13.7 |
| Education | 1.9 |
| Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant | 0.8 |
| Miscellaneous Goods and Services | 3.6 |

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for December, 2010

| Period | All Items Jan 2003 =100 | Food and Non- Alcoholic Beverages | Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco | Clothing and Footwear | Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | | | Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Routine Maintenance of the House | Health | Transport | Communication | Recreation and Culture | Education | Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants | Miscellaneous Goods and Services |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|---|--------------------|-------|---|--------|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | | | | | Total | Home- ownership | Rent | | | | | | | | |
| Weights | 1000 | 180 | 25 | 53 | 262 | 180 | 24 | 58 | 54 | 167 | 41 | 85 | 16 | 30 | 36 |
| Annual Average | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 147.9 | 274.0 | 151.3 | 95.8 | 119.8 | 119.4 | 127.3 | 118.0 | 111.9 | 117.8 | 78.5 | 133.0 | 156.5 | 153.3 | 116.0 |
| 2009 | 158.2 | 308.7 | 163.9 | 95.3 | 125.2 | 124.1 | 132.9 | 125.4 | 112.7 | 125.6 | 78.5 | 129.1 | 166.5 | 171.2 | 123.5 |
| 2010 | 174.9 | 376.8 | 180.8 | 94.4 | 125.6 | 122.6 | 142.1 | 128.1 | 113.5 | 147.6 | 78.5 | 138.5 | 171.0 | 174.3 | 128.7 |
| January - December 2008 | 147.9 | 274.0 | 151.3 | 95.8 | 119.8 | 119.4 | 127.3 | 118.0 | 111.9 | 117.8 | 78.5 | 133.0 | 156.5 | 153.3 | 116.0 |
| January - December 2009 | 158.2 | 308.7 | 163.9 | 95.3 | 125.2 | 124.1 | 132.9 | 125.4 | 112.7 | 125.6 | 78.5 | 129.1 | 166.5 | 171.2 | 123.5 |
| January - December 2010 | 174.9 | 376.8 | 180.8 | 94.4 | 125.6 | 122.6 | 142.1 | 128.1 | 113.5 | 147.6 | 78.5 | 138.5 | 171.0 | 174.3 | 128.7 |
| 2008 January | 138.9 | 242.7 | 148.1 | 95.0 | 115.2 | 117.2 | 123.3 | 105.8 | 106.6 | 120.9 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.1 |
| February | 138.6 | 241.1 | 147.9 | 95.3 | 115.3 | 117.2 | 123.3 | 106.4 | 106.8 | 130.1 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.1 |
| March | 140.5 | 245.8 | 148.2 | 94.9 | 115.5 | 117.2 | 123.3 | 107.0 | 106.6 | 130.2 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.1 |
| April | 141.3 | 246.0 | 148.3 | 95.7 | 115.0 | 117.4 | 123.7 | 107.1 | 121.8 | 131.2 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.6 |
| May | 141.7 | 246.0 | 148.3 | 95.6 | 115.0 | 117.4 | 123.7 | 107.1 | 121.8 | 131.2 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.6 |
| June | 145.5 | 262.3 | 148.4 | 95.6 | 120.8 | 117.4 | 126.7 | 108.2 | 121.8 | 131.2 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 114.6 |
| July | 148.9 | 274.6 | 149.2 | 96.1 | 122.5 | 119.9 | 126.6 | 108.2 | 108.6 | 133.0 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 116.5 |
| August | 151.8 | 290.0 | 154.1 | 96.4 | 122.5 | 119.9 | 126.6 | 108.2 | 108.6 | 134.0 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 116.5 |
| September | 154.0 | 302.9 | 154.0 | 96.6 | 121.7 | 119.9 | 126.6 | 124.5 | 108.6 | 134.4 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 150.2 | 140.1 | 116.5 |
| October | 156.3 | 307.5 | 156.6 | 96.3 | 124.1 | 123.1 | 130.5 | 124.5 | 110.5 | 134.7 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 164.0 | 166.7 | 118.8 |
| November | 156.7 | 309.4 | 156.7 | 96.2 | 124.1 | 123.1 | 130.5 | 124.5 | 110.5 | 134.8 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 164.0 | 166.7 | 118.8 |
| December | 156.8 | 310.2 | 156.2 | 96.1 | 124.1 | 123.1 | 130.5 | 124.5 | 110.5 | 135.0 | 78.5 | 134.6 | 164.0 | 166.7 | 118.8 |
| 2009 January | 156.2 | 305.6 | 156.3 | 96.3 | 124.2 | 123.2 | 131.3 | 124.5 | 112.2 | 135.5 | 78.5 | 122.6 | 164.0 | 168.8 | 120.3 |
| February | 155.9 | 303.6 | 156.5 | 96.2 | 124.2 | 123.2 | 131.3 | 124.5 | 112.2 | 135.6 | 78.5 | 122.6 | 164.0 | 168.8 | 120.3 |
| March | 156.4 | 305.9 | 159.4 | 96.0 | 124.2 | 123.2 | 131.3 | 124.5 | 112.2 | 136.1 | 78.5 | 122.6 | 164.0 | 168.8 | 120.3 |
| April | 158.1 | 308.1 | 159.6 | 95.2 | 125.7 | 125.2 | 132.0 | 124.5 | 113.3 | 141.3 | 78.5 | 129.4 | 166.4 | 170.8 | 123.1 |
| May | 157.8 | 306.0 | 159.8 | 95.7 | 125.7 | 125.2 | 132.0 | 124.5 | 113.3 | 141.3 | 78.5 | 129.4 | 166.4 | 170.8 | 123.1 |
| June | 157.7 | 305.6 | 159.7 | 94.3 | 125.7 | 125.2 | 132.0 | 124.5 | 113.3 | 141.3 | 78.5 | 129.4 | 166.4 | 170.8 | 123.1 |
| July | 157.7 | 302.3 | 160.5 | 94.9 | 125.0 | 123.9 | 134.0 | 124.5 | 112.4 | 141.4 | 78.5 | 137.7 | 166.4 | 172.2 | 124.9 |
| August | 158.3 | 305.1 | 160.4 | 95.7 | 125.0 | 123.9 | 134.0 | 124.5 | 112.4 | 141.4 | 78.5 | 137.7 | 166.4 | 172.2 | 124.9 |
| September | 161.6 | 323.5 | 163.7 | 95.6 | 125.0 | 123.9 | 134.0 | 124.5 | 112.4 | 141.4 | 78.5 | 137.7 | 166.4 | 172.2 | 124.9 |
| October | 160.5 | 318.4 | 176.3 | 94.8 | 125.8 | 123.9 | 134.1 | 128.1 | 112.9 | 143.9 | 78.5 | 126.8 | 169.2 | 173.0 | 125.7 |
| November | 158.0 | 310.5 | 177.0 | 94.6 | 125.8 | 123.9 | 134.1 | 128.1 | 112.9 | 143.9 | 78.5 | 126.8 | 169.2 | 173.0 | 125.7 |
| December | 158.9 | 309.6 | 178.0 | 94.7 | 125.8 | 123.9 | 134.1 | 128.1 | 112.9 | 144.1 | 78.5 | 126.8 | 169.2 | 173.0 | 125.7 |
| 2010 January | 161.9 | 313.7 | 178.2 | 95.3 | 125.6 | 123.0 | 139.8 | 128.1 | 113.3 | 144.4 | 78.5 | 126.4 | 169.2 | 173.8 | 127.4 |
| February | 163.4 | 322.6 | 179.0 | 94.4 | 125.6 | 123.0 | 139.8 | 128.1 | 113.3 | 144.2 | 78.5 | 126.4 | 169.2 | 173.8 | 127.4 |
| March | 164.3 | 326.9 | 178.9 | 95.5 | 125.6 | 123.0 | 139.8 | 128.1 | 113.3 | 144.4 | 78.5 | 126.4 | 169.2 | 173.8 | 127.4 |
| April | 169.6 | 347.1 | 179.0 | 95.2 | 125.4 | 122.9 | 142.0 | 128.1 | 113.3 | 147.5 | 78.5 | 139.5 | 171.2 | 174.3 | 128.2 |
| May | 172.9 | 365.4 | 179.1 | 95.1 | 125.4 | 122.9 | 142.0 | 128.1 | 113.1 | 147.6 | 78.5 | 139.5 | 171.2 | 174.3 | 128.2 |
| June | 179.2 | 400.6 | 179.1 | 94.6 | 125.4 | 122.9 | 142.0 | 128.1 | 113.1 | 148.0 | 78.5 | 139.5 | 171.2 | 174.3 | 128.2 |
| July | 180.0 | 402.8 | 178.7 | 93.7 | 125.4 | 122.2 | 142.9 | 128.1 | 113.6 | 148.4 | 78.5 | 144.0 | 171.2 | 174.6 | 129.0 |
| August | 184.0 | 424.5 | 179.1 | 93.5 | 125.4 | 122.2 | 142.9 | 128.1 | 113.6 | 148.5 | 78.5 | 144.0 | 171.2 | 174.6 | 129.0 |
| September | 182.9 | 418.1 | 179.0 | 94.0 | 125.4 | 122.2 | 142.9 | 128.1 | 113.6 | 148.0 | 78.5 | 144.0 | 171.2 | 174.6 | 129.0 |
| October | 180.6 | 403.4 | 182.2 | 94.2 | 126.0 | 122.9 | 143.5 | 128.1 | 114.0 | 148.0 | 78.5 | 144.2 | 172.4 | 174.3 | 130.2 |
| November | 179.3 | 395.6 | 188.5 | 94.0 | 126.0 | 122.9 | 143.5 | 128.1 | 114.0 | 148.6 | 78.5 | 144.2 | 172.4 | 174.3 | 130.2 |
| December | 180.2 | 400.9 | 188.7 | 93.3 | 126.0 | 122.9 | 143.5 | 128.1 | 114.0 | 148.6 | 78.5 | 144.2 | 172.4 | 174.3 | 130.2 |

NOTE: To link the previous or old base (September 1993 = 100) to the new base (January 2003 = 100), at the All Items level, multiply the All Items index of the new base by 1.509.