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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—January, 2011 (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 January, 2011 was 182.1 representing an increase of 1.9 points or 1.1% above the Index for December, 2010.

The percentage change in the All Items Index of January, 2011 when compared with January, 2010, was 12.5%. This reflects an increase when compared with a rate of inflation of 3.6% observed between January, 2010 and January, 2009.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 400.9 in December, 2010 to 410.5 in January, 2011, reflecting an increase of 2.4%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of carite fish, tomatoes, bodie, cucumber, melongene, ochroes, green bananas, yams, canned vegetables, ripe bananas, grapes, paw paw and limes. However, the full impact of these price increases was dampened by a general decline in the prices of oranges, grapefruit, carrots, sweet potatoes, irish potatoes, dasheen, christophene, celery, chive and hot peppers.

Price changes in this section, for the month of January, 2011 accounted for a net overall increase of 1.7 points in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for January, 2011, compared with December, 2010, reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 0.3%; Clothing and Footwear 0.4%; Home Ownership 0.2%; Rent 3.1%; Health 0.1%; Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants 0.1%; and Miscellaneous Goods and Services 0.2%. However, a decline was noted in the sub-index for Recreation and Culture 0.1%.

Price changes in these sections for the month of January, 2011, accounted for a net overall increase of 0.2 points in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in January, 2011, compared with those of January, 2010, reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change January, 2011—January, 2010
All Items	12.5
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	30.9
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	6.2
Clothing and Footwear	-1.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.7
Home Ownership	0.1
Rent	5.9
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.6
Health	3.7
Transport	1.9
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	14.0
Education	1.9
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	0.4
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.4

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES

Figures for January, 2011

Period	All Items Jan 2003 =100	Section Indices														
		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	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels								
Weights	1000	180	25	53	262	180	24	58	54	51	167	41	85	16	30	36
Annual Average																
2009	158.2	308.7	163.9	95.3	125.2	124.1	132.9	125.4	112.7	140.6	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	139.8	78.5	138.5	171.0	174.3	128.7
2009 January	156.2	305.6	156.3	96.3	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	135.5	125.8	78.5	122.6	164.0	168.8	120.3
February	159.9	303.6	156.5	96.2	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	135.6	125.8	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	125.8	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	125.6	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	125.6	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	125.6	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	125.6	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	125.6	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	112.9	143.9	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2	173.0	125.7
October	160.5	318.4	176.3	94.8	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	143.9	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2	173.0	125.7
November	159.0	310.5	177.0	94.6	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	144.1	125.2	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	125.2	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	137.8	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	137.8	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	137.8	78.5	126.4	169.2	173.8	127.4
April	169.6	347.1	179.0	95.2	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	147.5	140.4	78.5	139.5	171.2	174.3	128.2
May	172.9	365.4	179.1	95.1	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	147.6	140.4	78.5	139.5	171.2	174.3	128.2
June	179.2	400.6	179.2	94.6	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	148.0	140.4	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	140.4	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	140.4	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	149.0	140.4	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	149.5	140.4	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	149.6	140.4	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	149.6	140.4	78.5	144.2	172.4	174.3	130.2
2011 January	182.1	410.5	189.2	93.7	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.7	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5

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.