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## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—October, 2013 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

THE following Memorandum on the Index of Retail Prices is published for general information.

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### GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from the prices collected for the month of October, 2013 was 210.5 representing an increase of 2.5 points or 1.2% above the All Items Index for September, 2013.

The percentage change in the All Items Index for the period January to October, 2013 over the period January to October, 2012 was 5.2%. This reflects a decrease when compared with the rate of inflation of 9.6% observed in the All Items Index for the period January to October, 2012 over the period January to October, 2011.

### SECTION INDICES

#### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 515.0 in September, 2013 to 528.9 in October, 2013 reflecting an increase of 2.7%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of yams, cucumber, tomatoes, celery, melongene, christophene, avocado, whole chickens, oranges and carite. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of dasheen, limes, hot peppers, ochroes, pumpkin, canned vegetables, green pigeon peas, plantains, chive/thyme and water cress.

Price changes in this section, for the month of October, 2013 accounted for a net overall increase of 2.5 points in the All Items Index.

#### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for October, 2013 compared with September, 2013 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.3%, Clothing and Footwear of 0.3%, Housing, Water, Electricity and Gas 0.2%, Health 0.2%, Education 2.3%, Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants 1.7%, Miscellaneous Goods and Services 1.7%. However, decreases were noted in the sub-indices for Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House of 0.2%, Transport 0.1% and Recreation and Culture 2.4%.

Price changes in the Other Sections, for the month of October, 2013 was negligible.

Changes in consumer prices in October, 2013 compared with those of October, 2012 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change October, 2013—October, 2012
All Items	2.7
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	3.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.4
Clothing and Footwear	-0.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-0.2
Home Ownership	-0.3
Rent	-0.1
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.2
Health	3.5
Transport	2.7
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	3.9
Education	3.1
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	3.1
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	10.0

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES  
Figures for October, 2013

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				Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	
Weights	1000	180	25	53	Total	Home-ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	54	51	167	41	85	16	30	36
Annual Average		262	180	24	58	262	180	24	58	54	167	41	85	16	30	36
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
2011	183.8	416.2	190.0	95.0	127.3	123.8	151.3	128.1	114.6	150.7	140.9	78.5	143.9	174.8	177.7	132.5
2012	200.8	495.8	196.9	97.8	130.3	127.0	159.9	128.2	116.6	154.8	143.6	78.6	149.0	179.8	183.5	135.7
January - October 2011	182.6	410.6	189.7	94.7	126.9	123.4	150.2	128.1	114.4	150.8	140.8	78.5	143.9	174.7	177.3	132.1
January - October 2012	200.2	493.8	196.4	97.5	130.1	126.9	159.4	128.2	116.4	153.9	143.1	78.6	148.7	178.4	182.7	135.3
January - October 2013	210.6	537.0	202.4	98.3	130.4	126.9	161.3	128.2	117.7	162.5	148.2	78.6	154.0	187.9	189.2	143.9
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
February	180.9	403.4	189.9	94.2	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.6	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5
March	179.7	396.6	190.0	94.1	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.8	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5
April	180.4	399.2	189.7	93.8	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	150.5	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0
May	179.7	395.3	189.4	94.2	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	150.9	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0
June	180.7	400.9	188.8	94.0	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	151.5	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0
July	182.6	409.2	189.6	95.1	126.9	123.3	151.5	128.1	114.6	151.5	141.3	78.5	143.7	175.7	179.1	133.0
August	185.1	423.3	189.8	95.5	126.9	123.3	151.5	128.1	114.6	151.5	141.3	78.5	143.7	175.7	179.1	133.0
September	187.5	436.1	190.1	96.8	128.9	125.7	157.0	128.1	115.8	151.3	141.3	78.5	143.4	175.4	179.6	134.2
October	187.3	431.3	190.5	96.0	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	150.3	141.3	78.5	143.4	175.4	179.6	134.2
November	189.6	444.2	190.1	96.3	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	150.3	141.3	78.5	143.4	175.4	179.6	134.2
December	189.7	444.5	193.1	95.7	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	151.0	141.3	78.5	143.5	175.4	179.6	134.2
2012 January	194.4	467.8	194.0	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.0	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8
February	197.5	484.8	194.1	96.8	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.0	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8
March	196.1	477.0	194.6	96.8	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.1	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8
April	201.6	503.6	194.1	96.4	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	154.1	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4
May	202.3	507.3	194.3	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	153.5	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4
June	200.6	497.4	197.8	96.5	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	153.3	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4
July	202.3	501.6	198.7	98.7	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.4	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1
August	199.8	488.4	198.5	98.0	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.3	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1
September	202.0	500.0	199.0	99.4	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	159.0	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4
October	204.9	509.9	199.2	99.5	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	158.8	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4
November	204.9	510.2	199.1	99.5	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	158.8	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4
December	203.3	501.1	199.2	98.7	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	159.4	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4
2013 January	208.5	532.4	198.8	99.5	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4
February	209.1	536.4	197.9	98.4	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4
March	209.6	538.5	202.6	98.4	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4
April	212.7	550.7	203.6	98.6	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.8	146.7	78.6	152.3	187.9	188.8	144.2
May	213.7	556.1	203.7	98.1	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.7	146.7	78.6	152.3	187.9	188.8	144.2
June	214.3	560.0	203.1	96.8	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.7	146.7	78.6	152.3	187.9	188.8	144.2
July	210.0	525.8	203.7	98.3	130.6	127.0	162.0	128.2	117.8	165.3	150.4	78.6	160.7	187.9	189.9	148.7
August	210.0	525.9	203.4	97.7	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	165.4	150.4	78.6	160.7	187.9	189.9	148.7
September	208.0	515.0	203.3	98.4	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	164.1	150.4	78.6	160.7	187.9	189.9	148.7
October	210.5	528.9	203.9	98.7	130.8	127.4	162.2	128.2	117.6	164.5	150.3	78.6	156.8	192.2	193.1	151.2

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.