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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—January, 2014 (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 January, 2014 was 214.5 representing a decrease of 0.2 point or 0.1% below the All Items Index for December, 2013.

The percentage change in the All Items Index for the period January, 2014 over the period January, 2013 was 2.9%. This reflects a decrease when compared with the rate of inflation of 7.3% observed in the All Items Index for the period January, 2013 over the period January, 2012.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 552.0 in December, 2013 to 549.5 in January, 2014, reflecting a decrease of 0.5%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of yams, oranges, tomatoes, ochros, christophene, irish potatoes, whole chickens, bodie, lettuce and grapefruit. However, the full impact of these price decreases was offset by the general increase in the prices of limes, hot peppers, green pigeon peas, watercress, melongene, dasheen, celery, sweet pepper, chive/thyme and sweet potatoes.

Price changes in this section for the month of January, 2014 accounted for a net overall decrease of 0.5 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for January, 2014 compared with December, 2013 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.8%, Clothing and Footwear of 2.1%. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels 0.2%, Health 0.7%, Transport 0.3% and Hotels, Restaurants and Cafes 1.6%. However a decrease was noted in the sub-indices for Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of House of 0.1%, Recreation and Culture 1.1% and Miscellaneous Goods and Services 0.1%.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of January, 2014 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.3 point in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in January, 2014 compared with those of January, 2013 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change January, 2014—January, 2013
All Items	2.9
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	3.2
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	5.4
Clothing and Footwear	-0.1
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.8
Home Ownership	0.9
Rent	1.4
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.0
Health	3.6
Transport	2.7
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	4.8
Education	3.1
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant	4.5
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	10.8

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for January, 2014

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	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
2010	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
2011	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
2013	211.3	539.1	203.2	98.2	130.5	127.0	161.5	128.2	117.7	162.9	148.5	78.6	154.5	188.6	189.9	145.1
2011	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
January	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
February	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
March	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
April	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
May	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
June	182.6	409.2	189.6	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
July	185.1	423.3	189.8	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	187.5	436.1	190.1	96.8	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	187.3	431.3	190.5	96.3	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	151.3	141.3	78.5	143.4	175.4	179.6	134.2
October	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
November	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
December	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
2012	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
January	196.1	477.0	194.6	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
February	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
March	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
April	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
May	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
June	199.8	488.4	198.5	98.0	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.2	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1
July	202.0	500.0	199.0	98.8	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.3	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1
August	204.9	509.9	199.2	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
September	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
October	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
November	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
December	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
2013	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
January	212.7	550.7	203.7	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
February	213.7	556.1	203.6	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
March	214.3	551.0	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
April	210.0	525.8	203.7	98.3	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	165.3	150.4	78.6	160.7	187.9	189.9	148.7
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December	214.5	549.5	209.5	99.4	131.0	127.6	163.3	128.2	117.5	165.9	150.7	78.6	155.1	192.2	196.1	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.