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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—November, 2017 (Base: January, 2015 = 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 November, 2017 was 107.2, representing an increase of 0.3 point or 0.3% above the All Items Index for October, 2017.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to November, 2017 over the period January to November, 2016 was 1.9%. This rate is less than that observed for the period January to November, 2016 over the period January to November, 2015, which was 3.1%.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 114.7 in October, 2017 to 116.4 in November, 2017, reflecting an increase of 1.5%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of tomatoes, pumpkin, cucumbers, melongene, full cream milk powdered milk, other chilled or frozen whole chicken (parts), green sweet peppers, bodi, parboiled rice, and soya bean oil. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of fresh whole chickens, garlic, eddoes, celery, peas and carrots, onions, oranges, irish potatoes, hot peppers and dasheen.

Price changes in this section for the month of November, 2017 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.3 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for November, 2017 compared with October, 2017, reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.3%, and Clothing and Footwear, of 0.4%. However decreases were noted in the sub-indices for Health of 1.0%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of November, had a negligible effect in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in November, 2017, compared with those of November, 2016, reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change November, 2017—November, 2016
All Items	1.7
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	4.5
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	1.9
Clothing and Footwear	-3.9
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.8
Home Ownership	0.8
Rent	1.7
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	1.8
Health	8.1
Transport	1.4
Communication	-1.5
Recreation and Culture	0.6
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	2.7
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.6

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for November, 2017

Period	Section Indices															
	All Items Jan 2015 =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			
Weights	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
Average																
January - November 2015	101.2	102.0	100.7	100.9	100.4	100.5	100.3	100.0	100.9	100.3	100.0	99.3	101.8	101.5	103.0	
January - November 2016	104.3	109.7	102.0	104.4	100.1	99.9	101.5	100.5	102.4	106.0	103.2	105.6	102.5	106.2	105.6	
January - November 2017	106.3	112.8	107.7	105.0	100.1	99.7	102.8	100.7	104.2	122.2	104.4	108.1	102.5	110.1	107.5	
2015 January	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
February	100.0	100.2	99.8	99.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
March	100.0	100.0	100.1	99.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
April	100.7	99.3	99.9	99.8	100.4	100.5	100.0	100.0	100.6	99.7	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
May	100.8	99.5	100.0	100.0	100.4	100.5	100.0	100.0	100.6	100.0	99.9	100.0	102.5	101.8	103.0	
June	101.0	100.9	100.1	99.2	100.4	100.5	100.0	100.0	100.6	100.0	99.9	100.0	102.5	101.8	103.0	
July	101.7	103.6	100.5	102.8	100.5	100.7	100.0	100.0	101.4	100.2	99.5	98.5	102.5	101.0	104.3	
August	101.7	103.6	101.1	101.8	100.5	100.7	100.0	100.0	101.4	100.5	99.5	98.5	102.5	101.0	104.3	
September	101.9	105.0	101.8	102.0	100.5	100.7	100.0	100.0	101.4	100.7	99.5	98.5	102.5	101.0	104.3	
October	102.6	105.2	102.0	102.3	100.7	100.7	101.7	100.0	101.7	100.8	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.5	
November	102.5	104.7	102.2	102.7	100.7	100.7	101.7	100.0	101.7	100.8	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.5	
December	102.5	105.0	101.1	102.2	100.7	100.7	101.7	100.0	101.7	100.7	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.5	
2016 January	102.4	104.5	102.1	103.3	100.6	100.6	101.4	100.0	101.5	100.9	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.1	
February	103.4	109.6	101.9	104.3	100.6	100.6	101.4	100.0	101.5	101.5	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.1	
March	103.3	108.6	101.5	104.7	100.6	100.6	101.4	100.0	101.5	102.3	101.0	98.4	102.5	104.0	105.1	
April	104.2	109.2	101.4	103.2	100.0	99.8	101.6	100.7	102.5	103.1	104.0	108.3	102.5	106.7	105.2	
May	104.2	109.0	101.7	103.5	100.0	99.8	101.6	100.7	102.5	103.4	104.0	108.3	102.5	106.7	105.2	
June	104.4	110.4	101.5	102.9	100.0	99.8	101.6	100.7	102.5	104.2	104.0	108.3	102.5	106.7	105.2	
July	104.6	110.7	101.4	103.2	99.9	99.6	101.2	100.7	102.7	105.8	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.0	106.1	
August	104.9	111.2	101.4	104.3	99.9	99.6	101.2	100.7	102.7	106.6	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.0	106.1	
September	105.0	111.4	101.4	104.6	99.9	99.6	101.2	100.7	102.7	109.7	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.0	106.1	
October	105.2	110.7	101.2	107.1	99.8	99.5	101.8	100.7	103.1	112.8	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.7	106.4	
November	105.4	111.4	106.3	107.0	99.8	99.5	101.8	100.7	103.1	114.4	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.7	106.4	
December	105.7	112.0	105.8	107.9	99.8	99.5	101.8	100.7	103.1	116.3	104.0	108.2	102.5	107.7	106.4	
2017 January	106.1	112.5	107.2	107.8	99.9	99.6	102.0	100.7	103.6	119.8	104.3	108.4	102.5	109.2	106.9	
February	106.1	112.8	107.1	107.4	99.9	99.6	102.0	100.7	103.6	119.8	104.3	108.4	102.5	109.2	106.9	
March	106.1	112.6	106.5	107.4	99.9	99.6	102.0	100.7	103.6	120.8	104.3	108.4	102.5	109.2	106.9	
April	106.1	111.2	107.2	106.1	100.0	99.6	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.2	104.5	108.4	102.5	110.4	107.7	
May	106.0	110.9	107.5	105.7	100.0	99.6	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.4	104.5	108.4	102.5	110.4	107.7	
June	106.0	111.0	108.4	105.1	100.0	99.6	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.7	104.5	108.4	102.5	110.4	107.7	
July	106.1	112.3	108.1	103.7	100.0	99.6	103.1	100.7	103.7	122.7	104.5	108.4	102.5	110.4	107.7	
August	106.3	113.3	108.0	103.6	100.0	99.6	103.1	100.7	104.8	122.9	103.7	108.4	102.5	110.5	107.4	
September	106.3	113.5	107.9	103.4	100.0	99.6	103.1	100.7	104.8	123.2	103.7	108.4	102.5	110.5	107.4	
October	106.9	114.7	108.3	102.4	100.6	100.3	103.5	100.7	105.0	123.8	105.5	106.6	102.5	110.6	108.1	
November	107.2	116.4	108.3	102.8	100.6	100.3	103.5	100.7	105.0	123.7	105.5	106.6	102.5	110.6	108.1	

NOTE: To link the previous or old base (January 2003 = 100) to the new base (January 2015 = 100), at the All Items level, multiply the All Items Index of the new base by 2.307.