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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—June, 2019 (Base: January, 2015 = 100)

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GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from the prices collected for the month of June, 2019 was 108.2, representing a decrease of 0.1 point or 0.1% below the Index (All Items) for May, 2019.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to June, 2019 over the period January to June, 2018, was 1.2%. This rate is greater than that observed for the period January to June, 2018 over the period January to June, 2017, which was 0.9%.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 114.3 in May, 2019 to 114.1 in June, 2019, reflecting a decrease of 0.2%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of carite—fresh, cucumber, parboiled rice, king fish—fresh, shrimp—fresh, hot peppers, whole chickens—frozen, soya bean oil, grapes and pumpkin. However, the full impact of these price decreases was offset by the general increases in the prices of tomatoes, onions, celery, melongene, mixed fresh seasoning, bodi, cabbage, eddoes, green (sweet) pepper and chive.

Price changes in this section for the month of June, 2019 had a negligible effect on the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for June, 2019, compared with May, 2019, reflected a decrease in the sub-index for clothing and footwear 0.9%. However, increases were noted in the sub-indices alcoholic beverages and tobacco 0.6% and health 0.1%.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of June, 2019 represented a 0.1 point decrease in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in June, 2019 compared with those of June, 2018 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change June, 2018—June, 2019
All Items	1.1
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.0
Clothing and Footwear	-3.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.7
Home Ownership	0.7
Rent	1.9
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.1
Health	4.9
Transport	2.3
Communication	0.4
Recreation and Culture	0.7
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	2.2
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.9

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for June, 2019

Period	Section Indices														
	All Item Jan 2015 =100	Food and Non- Alcoholic Beverage	Alcohol and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water, Electricity, Other Fuels	Furnishing Household Equipment Routine Gas and Maintenance of the Home	Health Transpo Communication	Recreatio and Cult	Educatio	Hotels, Ca and Restauran	Miscellaneo Goods and Services				
Weights	1000	173	9	57	193	22	60	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
Average															
January - June 2017	106.1	111.8	107.3	106.6	100.0	99.6	102.4	100.7	103.7	121.3	144.4	108.4	108.7	102.5	109.8
January - June 2018	107.1	114.3	107.3	100.2	101.8	101.8	103.7	100.7	103.9	123.9	145.8	106.5	109.4	102.5	112.3
January - June 2019	108.4	115.0	108.5	97.8	103.4	103.5	105.2	100.7	103.2	134.5	148.4	106.9	110.3	102.5	114.6
2017 January	106.1	112.5	107.2	107.3	99.9	99.5	102.0	100.7	103.6	118.8	144.3	108.4	108.5	102.5	109.2
February	106.1	112.8	107.1	107.4	99.9	99.5	102.0	100.7	103.6	118.8	144.3	108.4	108.5	102.5	109.2
March	106.1	112.6	106.5	107.4	99.9	99.5	102.0	100.7	103.6	120.8	144.3	108.4	108.5	102.5	109.2
April	106.1	111.2	107.2	106.1	104.0	104.0	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.4	144.5	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.4
May	106.0	110.9	107.5	105.7	105.7	105.7	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.4	144.5	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.4
June	106.0	111.0	108.4	105.1	106.0	99.5	102.8	100.7	103.7	122.7	144.5	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.4
July	106.1	112.3	108.1	103.7	104.0	99.5	103.1	100.7	104.8	124.8	143.7	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.5
August	106.3	113.3	108.0	103.6	104.0	99.5	103.1	100.7	104.8	124.9	143.7	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.5
September	106.3	113.5	107.9	103.4	104.0	99.5	103.1	100.7	104.8	123.2	143.7	108.4	108.9	102.5	110.5
October	106.9	114.7	108.0	102.4	104.6	100.3	103.5	100.7	105.0	123.8	145.5	106.6	108.7	102.5	110.6
November	107.2	116.4	108.3	102.8	104.6	100.3	103.5	100.7	105.0	123.7	145.5	106.6	108.7	102.5	110.6
December	107.1	116.0	107.0	101.5	104.6	100.3	103.5	100.7	105.0	123.7	145.5	106.6	108.7	102.5	110.6
2018 January	107.0	115.4	107.4	100.3	104.0	100.9	103.6	100.7	104.1	123.2	145.8	106.5	109.3	102.5	111.9
February	107.1	115.8	106.8	100.6	104.0	100.9	103.6	100.7	104.1	123.2	145.8	106.5	109.3	102.5	111.9
March	107.0	115.0	107.6	100.3	104.0	100.9	103.6	100.7	104.1	123.7	145.8	106.5	109.3	102.5	111.8
April	107.3	114.2	107.7	100.2	104.6	102.7	103.8	100.7	103.7	124.1	145.8	106.5	109.5	102.5	112.8
May	107.1	113.1	107.1	99.8	104.6	102.7	103.8	100.7	103.7	124.6	145.8	106.5	109.5	102.5	112.8
June	107.0	112.5	107.4	100.1	104.6	102.7	103.8	100.7	103.7	124.4	145.8	106.5	109.5	102.5	112.8
July	107.4	113.0	107.2	100.1	104.3	103.5	104.1	100.7	104.1	124.5	145.8	106.5	109.8	102.5	113.9
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September	107.5	113.5	107.9	101.0	104.3	103.5	104.1	100.7	104.1	124.9	145.8	106.5	109.8	102.5	113.9
October	108.0	114.4	107.8	99.7	104.3	103.5	104.4	100.7	103.3	124.7	148.5	106.5	110.0	102.5	113.7
November	108.3	116.2	108.0	99.2	104.3	103.5	104.4	100.7	103.3	124.8	148.5	106.5	110.0	102.5	113.7
December	108.2	116.1	107.4	98.8	104.3	103.5	104.4	100.7	103.3	124.8	148.5	106.5	110.0	102.5	113.7
2019 January	108.5	116.0	107.9	98.5	104.4	103.5	104.5	100.7	102.5	125.7	148.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9
February	108.4	115.4	107.7	98.1	104.4	103.5	104.5	100.7	102.5	130.5	148.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9
March	108.6	116.0	108.1	98.1	104.4	103.5	104.5	100.7	102.5	131.2	148.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9
April	108.3	113.9	108.8	98.3	104.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.5	148.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	113.9
May	108.3	114.3	108.8	97.4	104.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.4	148.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	113.9
June	108.2	114.1	109.5	96.5	104.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.5	148.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	113.9

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 I