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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—September, 2021 (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 September, 2021 was 112.1, representing an increase of 0.5 point or 0.4% above the All Items Index for August, 2021.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to September, 2021, over the period January to September, 2020, was 1.6%. This rate is greater than that observed for the period January to September, 2020 over the period January to September, 2019, which was 0.5%.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 124.6 in August, 2021 to 126.8 in September, 2021, reflecting an increase of 1.8%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of chive, soya bean oil, other chilled or frozen chicken (parts), mixed fresh seasoning, potatoes, celery, cheddar cheese, cucumber, biscuits and salted pig tail. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of carite—fresh, brown sugar, carrots, whole chickens—fresh, tomatoes, whole chickens—frozen, full cream milk, eddoes, other chilled or frozen lamb and green pigeon peas.

Price changes in this section for the month of September, 2021 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.4 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for September, 2021 compared with August, 2021 reflected an increase in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 1.0%, Clothing and Footwear of 0.5% and Health of 0.4%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of September, 2021 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.1 point in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in September, 2021, compared with those of September, 2020 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change September, 2020—September, 2021
All Items	2.4
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	5.8
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.5
Clothing and Footwear	-1.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	3.8
Home Ownership	4.5
Rent	0.8
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.0
Health	1.8
Transport	1.5
Communication	0.5
Recreation and Culture	0.1
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	0.2
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	-0.3

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES Figures for September, 2021

Period	Weights	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
						Total	Home- ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels								
		1000	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85
Average																	
January - September 2019		108.5	115.0	109.1	97.8	103.4	103.5	105.5	100.7	103.5	131.2	108.2	106.9	110.1	102.5	115.0	110.8
January - September 2020		109.0	117.5	111.6	94.1	104.1	104.2	107.2	100.7	104.4	133.8	106.9	106.7	109.5	102.5	117.2	112.2
January - September 2021		110.7	121.8	115.6	91.1	106.4	107.0	107.8	100.7	104.6	137.9	108.3	106.8	109.7	102.5	118.1	112.0
2019 January		108.5	116.0	107.9	98.6	103.4	103.6	104.5	100.7	102.6	129.7	108.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9	110.0
February		108.4	115.4	107.7	98.1	103.4	103.6	104.5	100.7	102.6	130.5	108.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9	110.0
March		108.6	116.0	108.1	98.1	103.4	103.6	104.5	100.7	102.6	131.2	108.5	106.9	110.2	102.5	113.9	110.0
April		108.3	113.9	108.8	98.3	103.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.5	108.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	115.3	110.8
May		108.3	114.3	108.8	97.4	103.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.4	108.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	115.3	110.8
June		108.2	114.1	109.5	96.5	103.3	103.4	105.8	100.7	103.8	130.5	108.2	106.9	110.3	102.5	115.3	110.8
July		108.6	114.7	109.9	97.6	103.4	103.6	106.2	100.7	104.1	132.7	107.9	106.8	109.8	102.5	115.7	111.6
August		108.7	115.5	110.4	97.2	103.4	103.6	106.2	100.7	104.1	132.4	107.9	106.8	109.8	102.5	115.7	111.6
September		108.7	115.2	110.5	98.0	103.4	103.6	106.2	100.7	104.1	133.0	107.9	106.8	109.8	102.5	115.7	111.6
October		108.7	115.3	110.7	96.7	104.0	104.2	106.3	100.7	104.4	130.7	107.3	106.8	109.7	102.5	116.5	111.9
November		108.6	114.9	111.0	96.4	104.0	104.2	106.3	100.7	104.4	131.2	107.3	106.8	109.7	102.5	116.5	111.9
December		108.6	114.9	110.6	96.1	104.0	104.2	106.3	100.7	104.4	130.9	107.3	106.8	109.7	102.5	116.5	111.9
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February		108.9	116.6	111.5	94.4	104.2	104.4	107.0	100.7	104.3	132.4	107.0	106.8	109.5	102.5	116.4	112.1
March		109.0	117.4	111.8	94.7	104.2	104.4	107.0	100.7	104.3	132.7	107.0	106.8	109.5	102.5	116.4	112.1
April		109.1	117.8	112.0	94.3	104.0	104.1	107.5	100.7	104.2	133.5	106.9	106.7	109.5	102.5	117.2	112.3
May		109.0	117.6	111.2	94.3	104.0	104.1	107.5	100.7	104.2	133.7	106.9	106.7	109.5	102.5	117.2	112.3
June		108.8	116.6	111.5	94.3	104.0	104.1	107.5	100.7	104.2	133.7	106.9	106.7	109.5	102.5	117.2	112.3
July		109.0	117.3	111.1	93.3	104.0	104.1	107.2	100.7	104.7	134.5	106.8	106.7	109.6	102.5	118.0	112.3
August		109.2	117.9	111.9	93.4	104.0	104.1	107.2	100.7	104.7	135.7	106.8	106.7	109.6	102.5	118.0	112.3
September		109.5	119.9	112.4	92.8	104.0	104.1	107.2	100.7	104.7	136.2	106.8	106.7	109.6	102.5	118.0	112.3
October		109.5	120.4	112.5	92.7	104.0	104.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	136.7	106.8	106.7	109.4	102.5	118.0	112.2
November		109.6	120.8	114.6	92.3	104.0	104.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.0	106.8	106.7	109.4	102.5	118.0	112.2
December		109.5	120.1	113.4	92.1	104.0	104.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.2	106.8	106.7	109.4	102.5	118.0	112.2
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March		109.9	119.8	115.5	91.2	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.6	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1
April		110.3	119.6	115.5	91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0
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June		110.8	122.5	116.2	91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0
July		111.4	123.1	115.9	91.0	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.1	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0
August		111.6	124.6	115.1	91.0	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.2	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0
September		112.1	126.8	116.3	91.5	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.7	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0

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.