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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—April, 2022 (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 April, 2022 was 115.9, representing an increase of 1.5 points or 1.3 % above the All Items Index for March, 2022.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to April, 2022, over the period January to April, 2021, was 4.3%. This rate is greater than that observed for the period January to April, 2021, over the period January to April, 2020, which was 0.9%.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 129.3 in March, 2022 to 130.0 in April, 2022, reflecting an increase of 0.5%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of whole chickens—fresh, parboiled rice, other chilled or frozen chicken, table margarine, other edible oil, soya bean oil, eddoes, oranges, whole chickens—frozen, and carite—fresh. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decreases in the prices of brown sugar, king fish—fresh, hot peppers, chive, tomatoes, grapes, powdered milk— full cream, bodi, sweet potatoes and ochroes.

Price changes in this section for the month of April, 2022, accounted a 0.1 point increase in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for April, 2022, compared with March, 2022, reflected increases in the sub-indices for Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels of 1.5%, Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Maintenance of the House of 1.2%, Transport of 3.8%, Recreation and Culture of 2.4%, Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants of 2.4%, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services of 0.7%. However, decreases were noted in sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.2%, Clothing and Footwear of 1.0%, Health of 0.4% and Communication of 0.8%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of April, 2022, accounted for a 1.4 points increase in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in April, 2022, compared with those of April, 2021, reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change April, 2021—April, 2022
All Items	5.1
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	8.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.4
Clothing and Footwear	-0.1
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	6.6
Home Ownership	8.4
Rent	-0.3
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	4.4
Health	1.7
Transport	5.9
Communication	2.3
Recreation and Culture	-0.2
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	4.5
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.8

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for April, 2022

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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	1000	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
Average																	
January - April 2020	109.0	117.1	111.6	94.7	104.2	104.3	107.1	100.7	104.3	132.7	107.0	106.8	109.5	102.5	116.6	112.2	
January - April 2021	110.0	119.7	115.2	91.0	105.2	105.6	107.5	100.7	104.5	137.7	108.3	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.1	112.1	
January - April 2022	114.7	129.3	118.9	91.3	112.2	114.4	107.7	100.7	108.3	141.1	111.7	109.7	107.6	102.5	121.3	113.4	
2020 January	108.9	116.5	111.1	95.3	104.2	104.4	107.0	100.7	104.3	132.2	107.0	106.8	109.5	102.5	116.4	112.1	
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	104.2	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	
2021 January	109.9	120.2	114.7	91.2	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.5	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1	
February	109.8	119.3	114.9	90.7	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.6	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1	
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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	
October	113.8	129.6	116.0	91.2	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2	139.9	110.1	107.2	109.9	102.5	119.4	112.4	
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December	113.3	127.0	115.6	91.0	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2	140.2	110.1	107.2	109.9	102.5	119.4	112.4	
2022 January	114.1	128.1	117.9	91.3	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	141.7	110.6	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
February	114.4	129.6	118.7	91.2	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	141.8	110.6	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
March	114.4	129.3	119.6	91.8	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	140.8	110.6	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
April	115.9	130.0	119.4	90.9	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3	140.2	114.8	109.0	109.5	102.5	123.5	114.0	

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.