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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—October, 2021 (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 October, 2021 was 113.8. This resulted in an increase of 1.7 points or 1.5% above the All Items Index for September, 2021.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to October, 2021, over the period January to October, 2020, was 1.7%. This rate is greater than that observed for the period January to October, 2020 over the period January to October, 2019, which was 0.6%.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 126.8 in September, 2021 to 129.6 in October, 2021, reflecting an increase of 2.2%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of whole chickens—fresh, tomatoes, pumpkin, cabbage, hot peppers, soya bean oil, other chilled or frozen chicken (parts), tea-in-bags, bodi and potatoes. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decreases in the prices of brown sugar, ochroes, eddoes, powdered milk—full cream, onions, carrots, orange, banana—ripe, eggs and white flour.

Price changes in this section for the month of October, 2021 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.5 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for October, 2021 compared with September, 2021 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels of 2.3%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House of 2.4%, Health of 0.9%, Transport of 1.6%, Recreation and Culture of 0.2%, Hotels, Cafés and Restaurant of 1.0% and Miscellaneous Goods and Services of 0.4%. However decreases were noted in the sub-indices of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.3% and Clothing and Footwear of 0.3%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of October, 2021 accounted for a net overall increase of 1.2 point in the All Items Index.

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

Sections	Percentage Change October, 2020—October, 2021
All Items	3.9
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	7.6
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.1
Clothing and Footwear	-1.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	6.2
Home Ownership	7.7
Rent	0.6
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	2.7
Health	2.3
Transport	3.1
Communication	0.5
Recreation and Culture	0.5
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	1.2
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	0.2

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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES
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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for October, 2021

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Period	Section Indices																
	All Items Jan 2015 =100	Food and Non- Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages 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	Total	Home- ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
Average																	
2019 January	108.5	115.0	109.2	97.7	103.4	103.6	105.6	100.7	103.6	131.2	108.1	106.9	110.1	102.5	115.1	110.9	
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	108.2	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	108.5	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	131.2	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	
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May	110.5	120.6	116.1	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	
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	106.6	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	106.6	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	106.7	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	

NOTE: To link the previous or old base (January 2008 = 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.