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## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—June, 2015 (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, 2015 was 101.0 representing an increase of 0.2 points or 0.2% above the All Items Index for May, 2015.

The percentage change in the All Items Index for the period January to June, 2015 over the period January to June, 2014 was 6.0%. This reflects an increase when compared with the rate of inflation of 3.4% observed in the All Items Index for the period January to June, 2014 over the period January to June, 2013.

### SECTION INDICES

#### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 99.5 in May, 2015 to 100.9 in June 2015, reflecting an increase of 1.4%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of fresh whole chickens, other chilled or frozen chicken, chive, carrots, cabbage, brown sugar, and celery, green sweet pepper, onions and cucumber. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of carite, king fish, cheddar cheese, grapes, pumpkin, pimento, fresh crab, mayonnaise, fresh duck and callaloo bush.

Price changes in this section, for the month of June, 2015 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.3 points in the All Items Index.

#### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for June, 2015 compared with May, 2015 reflected an increase in the sub-index for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.1%. However, a decrease was noted in the sub-index for Clothing and Footwear of 0.8%.

Price changes in the Other Sections, for the month of June, 2015 accounted for a net overall decrease of 0.1 points in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in June, 2015 compared with those of June, 2014 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change June, 2015—June, 2014
All Items	5.5
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	9.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.3
Clothing and Footwear	4.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.9
Home Ownership	1.1
Rent	1.3
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.9
Health	0.0
Transport	1.4
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	3.0
Education	9.0
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	2.0
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	5.5

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**GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES**  
Figures for June, 2015

Period	All Items Jan 2015 =100	Section Indices										Miscellaneous Goods and Services					
		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	Communica- tion		Recreation and Culture	Education	Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants		
Weights	1000	173	9	57	Total	Home- ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
<b>Average</b>																	
January - June 2014	94.7	90.5	97.3	95.9	99.4	99.3	98.7	100.0	99.6	99.0	98.2	100.0	102.2	91.7	99.4	97.4	
January - June 2015	100.4	100.0	100.0	99.6	100.2	100.3	100.0	100.0	100.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	103.0	101.3	100.9	101.5	
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	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	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	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	106.0	102.5	101.8	103.0	
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	106.0	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	106.0	102.5	101.8	103.0	

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.