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#### GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from prices collected for the month of November, 2005 was 115.7 representing an increase of 0.9 point or 0.8 % over the Index for October, 2005.

The annual rate of inflation as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January—November, 2004 was 6.8%. This compares with an increase of 3.5% observed in the average All Items Index for January—November 2004 over the average All Items Index for the same period in 2003.

## SECTION INDICES

### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 156.4 in October, 2005 to 161.6 in November 2005, an increase of 3.3%. Contributing to this increase was a general rise in the prices of whole chicken, carite fish, powdered whole cream milk, paw paw, limes, tomatoes, pumpkin, cucumber, yams, dasheen, sweet potatoes, irish potatoes, plantain, and celery. Partly offsetting these increases were general price decreases in apples, carrots and chive.

Price changes in these sections, for the month of November 2005, accounted for a net overall increase of 0.9 point in the All Items Index.

#### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for November, 2005 compared with October, 2005 indicated an increase in Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, 0.6%. However, a general price decrease was noted for Clothing and Footwear, 0.4% and Health, 0.2%.

Price changes in these sections, for the month of November 2005 had a negligible net overall effect on the All Items Index.

Growth in consumer prices in November, 2005, compared with those of November, 2004 reflected in various sections of the Index is shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change ovember 2005—November 2004
All Items	7.0
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	22.6
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	0.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1.2
Home Ownership	0.8
Rent	5.6
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.6
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the Ho	use 0.9
Health	4.2
Transport	1.2
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	8.8
Education	14.9
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	6.3
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.5

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