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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—June, 2007 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

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GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from prices collected for the month of June, 2007 was 130.7 representing an increase of 0.6 point or 0.5% over the Index for May, 2007.

The annual rate of inflation as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January–June, 2007, over that for the period January–June, 2006 was 8.1%. This compares with an increase of 7.3% observed in the average All Items Index for January–June, 2006 over the average All Items Index for the same period in 2005.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 210.0 in May, 2007 to 213.1 in June, 2007, reflecting an increase of 1.5%. Contributing significantly to this increase was a general rise in the prices of whole chicken, packaged rice, powdered milk, tomatoes, melongene, cucumbers, ochroes, christophene, onions, limes, chive, celery, sweet peppers and packaged juice. Partly offsetting these increases were general price decreases in dasheen, yams, sweet potatoes, carrots, mangoes, carite and cavalli.

Price changes in this section, for the month of June, 2007 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.6 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for June, 2007 compared with May, 2007 indicated an increase in the general price level for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 0.7%, Clothing and Footwear 1.4%, and Health 0.2%.

Price changes in these sections, for the month of June, 2007, had a negligible net overall effect on the All Items Index.

Growth in consumer prices in June, 2007, compared with those of June, 2006 reflected in various sections of the Index is shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change June, 2007–June, 2006
All Items	7.3
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	14.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	9.0
Clothing and Footwear	2.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	5.1
Home Ownership	6.3
Rent	3.8
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1.8
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	2.4
Health	5.1
Transport	3.8
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	3.5
Education	11.5
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant	6.7
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	5.5

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for June, 2007

Period	Section Indices														
	All Items Jan 2003 =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 Restaurants and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	
					Total	Home- ownership	Rent								Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels
Weights	1000	180	25	53	262	180	24	58	54	167	41	85	16	30	36
Annual Average															
2005	112.9	150.4	106.3	91.8	105.8	106.2	111.9	102.3	100.9	108.1	108.3	108.3	109.1	110.4	103.0
2006	122.3	185.3	119.5	91.3	108.9	109.6	116.0	103.7	104.0	118.5	118.5	118.5	122.6	117.3	105.3
January - June 2005	111.1	143.4	105.7	91.8	105.6	106.0	110.9	102.3	100.6	106.6	105.6	105.6	105.2	108.5	102.4
January - June 2006	119.2	174.5	113.4	91.6	107.6	108.0	115.2	103.4	103.3	115.8	115.3	115.3	119.4	115.7	104.3
January - June 2007	128.8	206.4	130.8	92.7	112.7	114.3	119.2	105.2	105.9	123.0	119.2	119.2	132.8	123.6	109.4
2005 January	109.4	135.4	105.1	91.8	105.4	106.0	110.2	101.8	100.6	105.4	105.1	105.1	103.3	108.4	101.7
February	110.5	141.5	105.8	91.5	105.4	106.0	110.2	101.8	100.6	105.6	107.7	107.7	103.3	108.4	101.7
March	111.2	144.9	105.8	92.0	105.6	106.0	110.2	102.4	100.6	105.7	107.7	107.7	103.3	108.4	101.7
April	111.6	145.0	105.8	92.1	105.6	105.9	111.5	102.4	100.5	107.6	108.2	108.2	107.1	108.5	103.1
May	111.7	145.9	105.8	91.9	105.6	105.9	111.5	102.5	100.5	107.6	108.2	108.2	107.1	108.5	103.1
June	112.1	147.8	106.1	91.6	106.1	105.9	111.5	102.6	100.5	107.8	108.2	108.2	107.1	108.5	103.1
July	113.5	151.8	106.2	91.4	105.8	105.9	112.7	102.5	101.0	108.7	108.4	111.9	107.1	112.0	103.2
August	113.8	153.0	106.5	92.0	105.8	105.9	112.7	102.4	101.0	109.2	108.1	111.9	107.1	112.0	103.2
September	114.1	154.9	106.5	92.1	105.8	105.9	112.7	102.4	101.0	109.1	108.1	111.9	107.1	112.0	103.2
October	114.8	156.4	106.6	92.2	106.4	106.8	113.2	102.4	101.6	109.9	109.0	111.9	118.7	112.7	103.8
November	115.7	161.6	107.2	91.8	106.4	106.8	113.2	102.4	101.6	109.7	109.0	111.9	118.7	112.7	103.8
December	116.7	166.7	107.9	91.3	106.4	106.8	113.2	102.4	101.6	110.4	109.0	111.9	118.7	112.7	103.8
2006 January	117.1	166.3	109.7	91.6	106.9	107.4	114.0	102.4	102.8	112.2	109.1	114.4	118.7	115.4	103.9
February	117.7	169.6	109.4	91.6	106.9	107.4	114.0	102.4	102.8	113.3	109.1	114.4	118.7	115.4	103.9
March	118.5	172.8	110.1	92.4	107.2	107.4	114.0	103.8	102.8	114.9	109.1	114.4	118.7	115.4	103.9
April	119.3	173.1	111.3	91.5	108.2	108.5	116.4	104.0	103.7	117.9	109.4	116.2	120.0	115.9	104.6
May	120.6	179.1	113.0	91.4	108.2	108.5	116.4	104.0	103.7	118.0	109.4	116.2	120.0	115.9	104.6
June	121.8	185.8	120.7	91.3	108.2	108.5	116.4	104.0	103.7	118.5	109.4	116.2	120.0	115.9	104.6
July	123.3	187.0	121.8	91.3	109.6	110.4	116.7	104.0	104.1	120.6	108.7	122.9	120.0	118.0	105.5
August	124.0	190.8	122.5	91.3	109.5	110.4	116.7	103.9	104.1	120.6	108.7	122.9	120.0	118.0	105.5
September	125.1	197.4	125.6	91.1	109.5	110.4	116.7	103.8	104.1	120.6	108.7	122.9	120.0	118.0	105.5
October	126.3	197.8	127.1	91.1	110.8	112.2	116.9	104.0	105.4	122.3	112.2	123.0	120.0	119.7	107.3
November	126.8	200.8	128.4	90.7	110.8	112.2	116.9	104.0	105.4	121.4	112.2	123.0	120.0	119.7	107.3
December	127.3	203.4	129.7	90.5	110.8	112.2	116.9	104.0	105.4	121.5	112.2	123.0	120.0	119.7	107.3
2007 January	127.2	201.0	130.2	92.9	111.5	113.2	117.5	103.8	105.6	121.6	112.2	118.0	131.8	123.5	108.4
February	127.6	203.0	130.5	92.8	111.7	113.2	117.5	104.8	105.6	121.6	112.2	118.0	131.8	123.5	108.4
March	128.0	205.3	130.4	92.2	111.9	113.2	117.5	105.5	105.6	121.6	112.2	118.0	131.8	123.5	108.4
April	129.3	205.8	131.6	92.9	113.6	115.3	120.8	105.5	106.2	124.2	113.6	120.3	133.8	123.7	110.4
May	130.1	210.0	130.7	92.1	113.7	115.3	120.8	105.9	106.2	124.3	113.6	120.3	133.8	123.7	110.4
June	130.7	213.1	131.6	93.4	113.7	115.3	120.8	105.9	106.2	124.5	113.6	120.3	133.8	123.7	110.4

NOTE: To link the previous or old base (September 1993 = 100) to the new base (January 2003 = 100), at the All Items level, multiply the All Items Index of the new base by 1.509.