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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—July, 2010 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

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The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from prices collected for the month of July, 2010 was 180.0 representing an increase of 0.8 point or 0.4% above the Index for June, 2010.

GENERAL INDEX

The annual rate of inflation as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January–July, 2010 over that for the period January–July, 2009 was 8.3%. This reflects a reduction when compared with a rate of inflation of 10.1% observed in the average All Items Index for the period January–July, 2009 over the average All Items Index for the same period in 2008.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 400.6 in June, 2010 to 402.8 in July, 2010, reflecting an increase of 0.5%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of whole chicken, sweet pepper, green bananas, ripe bananas, carrots, avocado, yams, sweet potatoes, dasheen, ochroes, oranges, chive, hot peppers and canned vegetables. However, the full impact of these price increases was dampened by a general decline in the prices of fish-carite, tomatoes, cucumber, lettuce, watercress, christophene, plantain, limes, celery, garlic and other vegetable oils and salad dressings.

Price changes in this section, for the month of July, 2010 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.4 point in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for July, 2010 compared with June, 2010 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Rent 0.6%; Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House 0.4%; Health 0.3%; Recreation and Culture 3.2%; Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants 0.2%; and Miscellaneous Goods and Services 0.6%. However, declines were noted in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 0.2%; Clothing and Footwear 1.0%; and Home Ownership 0.1%.

Price changes in these sections for the month of July, 2010 had a negligible net overall effect on the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in July, 2010 compared with those of July, 2009 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change July 2010–July, 2009
All Items	14.1
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	33.2
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	11.3
Clothing and Footwear	-1.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.3
Home Ownership	-1.4
Rent	6.6
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	2.9
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the Hou	
Health	$5.0 \\ 11.8$
Transport Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	4.6
Education	2.9
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant	1.4
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.3

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rerod	All Items Jan 2003 =100		Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Total	Home- ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Hotels, Cales and Restaurants	Miscellaneous Goods and Services
Weights	1000	180	25	53	262	180	24	58	54	51	167	41	85	16	30	36
Annual Average																
2008	147.9	274.0	151.3	95.8	119.8	119.4	127.3	118.0	111.9	132.5	117.8	78.5	133.0	156.5	153.3	116.0
2009	158.2	308.7	163.9	95.3	125.2	124.1	132.9	125.4	112.7	140.6	125.6	78.5	129.1	166.5	171.2	123.5
January - July 2008	142.7	252.6	148.4	95.5	117.3	117.7	125.5	112.8	113.4	131.1	116.9	78.5	131.6	153.4	145.9	114.7
January - July 2009	157.1	305.3	158.8	95.5	125.0	124.2	132.0	124.5	112.7	138.9	125.7	78.5	127.7	165.4	170.1	122.2
January - July 2010	170.2	354.2	178.9	94.8	125.5	122.6	141.2	128.1	113.3	146.4	139.3	78.5	134.5	170.3	174.1	128.0
2008 January February	139.9 139.6		148.1 147 9	95.0 95.0	115.2	117.2	123.3	105.8	106.6 106.6		116.7	78.5	134.6 134.6	150.2 150.2		114.1
March	140.5	245.8		94.8	115.5	117.2	123.3	107.0	106.6					150.2		114.1
April	141.3				116.0	117.4	126.7	107.1	121.8					155.8		114.6
June	145.5		148.4		120.6	117.4	126.7	128.2	121.8					155.8		114.6
July Andret	151.8	274.6 290.0		96.1 96.4	122.5	119.9 119.9	128.6 128.6	128.2	108.6 108.6	133.0	117.8			155.8	159.1	116.5 116.5
September	154.0			96.6	121.7	119.9	128.6	124.5	108.6					155.8		116.5
October Novemher	156.3	307.5 309.4	156.6	96.3 96.2	124.1	123.1	130.5	124.5	110.5					164.0 164.0		118.8 118.8
December	156.8			96.1	124.1	123.1	130.5	124.5	110.5	135.	120.0		134.5	164.0		118.8
2009 January	156.2			96.3	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2				122.6	164.0	168.8	120.3
February	155.9	303.6		96.2	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	135.6	125.8			164.0		120.3
April	158.1			90.0 95.2	125.7	125.2	132.0	124.5	113.3				129.4	166.4		123.1
May	157.8	306.0	159.8	95.7	125.7	125.2	132.0	124.5	113.3		125.6	78.5		166.4	170.8	123.1
July	157.7			94.9	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4					166.4		124.9
August	158.3			95.7	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4					166.4		124.9
September October	161.6			95.6 04.8	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4					166.4		124.9
November	159.0	310.5		94.6	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	Ì	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2		125.7
December	158.9			94.7	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9					169.2		125.7
2010 January	161.9			95.3	125.6	123.0		128.1	113.3					169.2		127.4
February	163.4			94.4	125.6	123.0		128.1	113.3		137.8	78.5		169.2		127.4
April	169.6	347.1		95.2	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	144.4				171.2		128.2
May	172.9			95.1	125.4	122.3		128.1	113.1					171.2		128.2
June	179.2	400.6 403 8	179.1	94.6	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	148.0	140.4	78.5	139.5	171.2	174.3	128.2
NOTE: To link the previous or old base (Sept	· old base (:	e l		o the new ba	ase (Januar	y 2003 = 10), at the AI	I Items leve	I, multiply the	All Items	hdex of th	= 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.				202

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