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### INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—June, 2012 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

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#### GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from the prices collected for the month of June, 2012 was 200.6 representing a decrease of 1.7 points or 0.8% below the All Items Index for May, 2012.

The percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to June, 2012 over the period January to June, 2011 was 10.1%. This reflects an increase when compared with the rate of inflation of 7.2% observed in the average All Items Index for the period January to June, 2011 over the average All Items Index for January to June, 2010.

#### SECTION INDICES

##### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 507.3 in May, 2012 to 497.4 in June, 2012, reflecting a decrease of 2.0%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of cucumbers, limes, hot peppers, sweet potatoes, ochroes, mangoes, bodie, oranges, carrots and green bananas. However, the full impact of these price decreases was offset by the general increase in the prices of melongene, christophene, celery, chive, green pigeon peas, tomatoes, watercress, pumpkin, dasheen and garlic.

Price changes in this section, for the month of June, 2012 accounted for a net overall decrease of 1.8 points in the All Items Index.

##### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for June, 2012 compared with May, 2012 reflected increases in the sub-index for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 1.8%. However, a decline was noted in the sub-indices for Clothing and Footwear of 0.2% and Health of 0.1%.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of June, 2012 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.1 points in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in June, 2012 compared with those of June, 2011 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

| Sections  | Percentage Change<br>June, 2012–June, 2011 |
|---|--|
| All Items   | 11.0                                       |
| Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages                                      | 24.1                                       |
| Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco                                       | 4.8  |
| Clothing and Footwear   | 2.7  |
| Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels                      | 2.6  |
| Home Ownership  | 2.9  |
| Rent  | 6.1  |
| Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels                               | 0.1  |
| Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House | 1.3  |
| Health  | 1.2  |
| Transport   | 2.1  |
| Communication   | 0.1  |
| Recreation and Culture  | 2.6  |
| Education   | 1.7  |
| Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants   | 1.9  |
| Miscellaneous Goods and Services                                      | 2.6  |

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES  
Figures for June, 2012

| Period         | Section Indices               |  |  |                             |   |                    |       |   |  |        |           |               |                           |           |                                     |  |
|----------------|-------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|---|--------------------|-------|---|--|--------|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|
|                | All Items<br>Jan 2003<br>=100 | Food and<br>Non-<br>Alcoholic<br>Beverages | Alcoholic<br>Beverages<br>and<br>Tobacco | Clothing<br>and<br>Footwear | Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other<br>Fuels |                    |       |   | Furnishings,<br>Household<br>Equipment<br>and Routine<br>Maintenance<br>of the House | Health | Transport | Communication | Recreation<br>and Culture | Education | Hotels,<br>Cafes and<br>Restaurants | Miscellaneous<br>Goods and<br>Services |
|                |                               |  |  |                             | Total   | Home-<br>ownership | Rent  | Water,<br>Electricity,<br>Gas and<br>Other<br>Fuels |  |        |           |               |                           |           |                                     |  |
| Weights        | 180                           | 25   | 53                                       | 262                         | 180   | 24                 | 58    | 54  | 51   | 167    | 41        | 85            | 16                        | 30        | 36                                  |  |
| Annual Average | 1000                          |  |  |                             |   |                    |       |   |  |        |           |               |                           |           |                                     |  |
| 2010           | 174.9                         | 376.8                                      | 180.8                                    | 94.4                        | 125.6   | 122.6              | 128.1 | 113.5   | 147.6  | 139.8  | 78.5      | 138.5         | 171.0                     | 174.3     | 128.7                               |  |
| January        | 183.8                         | 416.2                                      | 190.0                                    | 95.0                        | 127.3   | 123.8              | 128.1 | 114.6   | 150.7  | 140.9  | 78.5      | 143.9         | 174.8                     | 177.7     | 132.5                               |  |
| February       | 168.6                         | 346.1                                      | 178.9                                    | 95.0                        | 125.5   | 122.7              | 128.1 | 113.2   | 146.0  | 139.1  | 78.5      | 133.0         | 170.2                     | 174.1     | 127.8                               |  |
| March          | 180.6                         | 401.0                                      | 189.5                                    | 94.0                        | 126.6   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.1   | 150.3  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 174.1                     | 176.1     | 131.3                               |  |
| April          | 198.8                         | 489.7                                      | 194.8                                    | 96.7                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.9   | 152.3  | 142.4  | 78.6      | 146.5         | 177.0                     | 180.7     | 135.1                               |  |
| May            | 161.9                         | 313.7                                      | 178.2                                    | 95.3                        | 125.6   | 123.0              | 128.1 | 113.3   | 144.4  | 137.8  | 78.5      | 126.4         | 169.2                     | 173.8     | 127.4                               |  |
| June           | 163.4                         | 322.6                                      | 179.0                                    | 94.4                        | 125.6   | 123.0              | 128.1 | 113.3   | 144.2  | 137.8  | 78.5      | 126.4         | 169.2                     | 173.8     | 127.4                               |  |
| July           | 164.3                         | 326.9                                      | 178.9                                    | 95.5                        | 125.6   | 123.0              | 128.1 | 113.3   | 144.4  | 137.8  | 78.5      | 126.4         | 169.2                     | 173.8     | 127.4                               |  |
| August         | 169.6                         | 347.1                                      | 179.0                                    | 95.2                        | 125.4   | 122.3              | 128.1 | 113.1   | 147.5  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 139.5         | 171.2                     | 174.3     | 128.2                               |  |
| September      | 172.9                         | 365.4                                      | 179.1                                    | 95.1                        | 125.4   | 122.3              | 128.1 | 113.1   | 147.6  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 139.5         | 171.2                     | 174.3     | 128.2                               |  |
| October        | 179.2                         | 400.6                                      | 179.1                                    | 94.6                        | 125.4   | 122.3              | 128.1 | 113.1   | 148.0  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 139.5         | 171.2                     | 174.3     | 128.2                               |  |
| November       | 180.0                         | 402.8                                      | 178.7                                    | 93.7                        | 125.4   | 122.2              | 128.1 | 113.6   | 148.0  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.0         | 171.2                     | 174.6     | 128.0                               |  |
| December       | 184.0                         | 424.5                                      | 179.1                                    | 93.5                        | 125.4   | 122.2              | 128.1 | 113.6   | 148.5  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.0         | 171.2                     | 174.6     | 128.0                               |  |
| 2011           | 182.9                         | 418.1                                      | 179.0                                    | 94.0                        | 125.4   | 122.2              | 128.1 | 113.6   | 149.0  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.0         | 171.2                     | 174.6     | 129.0                               |  |
| January        | 180.6                         | 403.4                                      | 182.2                                    | 94.2                        | 126.0   | 122.9              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.5  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 172.4                     | 174.3     | 130.2                               |  |
| February       | 179.3                         | 395.6                                      | 188.5                                    | 94.0                        | 126.0   | 122.9              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.6  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 172.4                     | 174.3     | 130.2                               |  |
| March          | 180.2                         | 400.9                                      | 188.7                                    | 93.3                        | 126.0   | 122.9              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.6  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 172.4                     | 174.3     | 130.2                               |  |
| April          | 182.1                         | 410.5                                      | 189.2                                    | 93.7                        | 126.5   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.7  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.1         | 172.4                     | 174.5     | 130.5                               |  |
| May            | 180.9                         | 403.4                                      | 189.9                                    | 94.2                        | 126.5   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.6  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.1         | 172.4                     | 174.5     | 130.5                               |  |
| June           | 179.7                         | 396.6                                      | 190.0                                    | 94.1                        | 126.5   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.0   | 149.8  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.1         | 172.4                     | 174.5     | 130.5                               |  |
| July           | 180.4                         | 399.2                                      | 189.7                                    | 93.8                        | 126.6   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.2   | 150.5  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 175.7                     | 177.6     | 132.0                               |  |
| August         | 179.7                         | 395.3                                      | 189.4                                    | 94.2                        | 126.6   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.2   | 150.9  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 175.7                     | 177.6     | 132.0                               |  |
| September      | 180.7                         | 400.9                                      | 188.8                                    | 94.0                        | 126.6   | 123.1              | 128.1 | 114.2   | 151.5  | 140.4  | 78.5      | 144.2         | 175.7                     | 177.6     | 132.0                               |  |
| October        | 182.6                         | 409.2                                      | 189.6                                    | 95.5                        | 126.9   | 123.3              | 128.1 | 114.6   | 151.5  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.7         | 175.7                     | 179.1     | 133.0                               |  |
| November       | 185.1                         | 423.3                                      | 189.8                                    | 95.1                        | 126.9   | 123.3              | 128.1 | 114.6   | 151.5  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.7         | 175.7                     | 179.1     | 133.0                               |  |
| December       | 187.5                         | 436.1                                      | 190.1                                    | 96.8                        | 126.9   | 123.3              | 128.1 | 114.6   | 151.5  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.7         | 175.7                     | 179.1     | 133.0                               |  |
| 2012           | 187.3                         | 431.3                                      | 190.5                                    | 96.0                        | 129.1   | 125.7              | 128.1 | 115.8   | 151.3  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.4         | 175.4                     | 179.6     | 134.2                               |  |
| January        | 189.6                         | 444.2                                      | 190.1                                    | 96.3                        | 129.1   | 125.7              | 128.2 | 115.8   | 150.3  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.4         | 175.4                     | 179.6     | 134.2                               |  |
| February       | 189.7                         | 444.5                                      | 193.1                                    | 95.7                        | 129.1   | 125.7              | 128.2 | 115.8   | 151.0  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 143.5         | 175.4                     | 179.6     | 134.2                               |  |
| March          | 194.4                         | 467.8                                      | 194.0                                    | 96.7                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 116.0   | 151.0  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 145.0         | 175.4                     | 180.4     | 134.8                               |  |
| April          | 197.5                         | 484.8                                      | 194.1                                    | 96.8                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 116.0   | 151.0  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 145.0         | 175.4                     | 180.4     | 134.8                               |  |
| May            | 196.1                         | 477.0                                      | 194.6                                    | 96.8                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 116.0   | 151.1  | 141.3  | 78.5      | 145.0         | 175.4                     | 180.4     | 134.8                               |  |
| June           | 201.6                         | 503.6                                      | 194.1                                    | 96.4                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 154.1  | 143.0  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| July           | 202.3                         | 507.3                                      | 194.3                                    | 96.7                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.5  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| August         | 200.6                         | 497.4                                      | 197.8                                    | 96.5                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.3  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| September      | 200.6                         | 497.4                                      | 197.8                                    | 96.5                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.3  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| October        | 200.6                         | 497.4                                      | 197.8                                    | 96.5                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.3  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| November       | 200.6                         | 497.4                                      | 197.8                                    | 96.5                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.3  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |
| December       | 200.6                         | 497.4                                      | 197.8                                    | 96.5                        | 129.9   | 126.7              | 128.2 | 115.7   | 153.3  | 143.4  | 78.6      | 147.9         | 178.6                     | 181.0     | 135.4                               |  |

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.