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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—July, 2011 (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 July, 2011 was 182.6 representing an increase of 1.9 points or 1.1% above the Index for June, 2011.

The annual rate of inflation as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January–July, 2011, over that for the period January–July, 2010 was 6.3%. This reflects a decrease when compared with a rate of inflation of 8.3% observed in the average All Items Index for the period January–July, 2010, over the average All Items Index for the same period in 2009.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 400.9 in June, 2011 to 409.2 in July, 2011, reflecting an increase of 2.1%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of white bread, tomatoes, sweet pepper, bodie, melongene, christophene, cucumber, ochroes, dasheen, green bananas, lettuce, cabbage, oranges, celery, chive and canned vegetables. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of ripe bananas, paw paw, carrots, avocado, sweet potatoes, yams, limes, garlic, hot peppers and carbonated soft drink.

Price changes in this section, for the month of July, 2011 accounted for a net overall increase of 1.5 points in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for July, 2011, compared with June, 2011, reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco 0.4%; Clothing and Footwear 1.6%; Rent 1.8%; Home Ownership 0.2%; Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House 0.4%; Transport 0.6%; Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants 0.8%; and Miscellaneous Goods and Services 0.8%. However, a decline was noted in the sub-index for Recreation and Culture 0.3%.

Price changes in these sections for the month of July, 2011, accounted for a net overall increase of 0.4 point in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in July, 2011, compared with those of July, 2010, reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change July, 2011–July, 2010
All Items	1.4
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	6.1
Clothing and Footwear	1.9
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1.2
Home Ownership	0.9
Rent	6.0
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.9
Health	2.1
Transport	0.6
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	-0.2
Education	2.6
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	2.6
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.1

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for July, 2011

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 and Restaurants	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	
					Total	Home- ownership	Rent									Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels
Weights	1000	180	25	53	262	180	24	56	54	51	167	41	85	16	30	36
Annual Average																
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
2010	174.9	376.8	180.8	94.4	125.6	122.6	142.1	128.1	113.5	147.6	139.8	78.5	138.5	171.0	174.3	128.7
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
January - July 2011	180.9	402.2	189.5	94.2	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	150.5	140.5	78.5	144.1	174.3	176.5	131.5
2009	156.2	305.6	156.3	96.3	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	135.5	125.8	78.5	122.6	164.0	168.8	120.3
February	155.9	303.6	156.5	96.2	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	135.6	125.8	78.5	122.6	164.0	168.8	120.3
March	156.4	305.9	159.4	96.0	124.2	123.2	131.3	124.5	112.2	136.1	125.8	78.5	122.6	164.0	168.8	120.3
April	158.1	308.1	159.6	95.2	125.7	125.2	132.0	124.5	113.3	141.3	125.6	78.5	129.4	166.4	170.8	123.1
May	157.8	306.0	159.8	95.7	125.7	125.2	132.0	124.5	113.3	141.3	125.6	78.5	129.4	166.4	170.8	123.1
June	157.7	305.6	159.7	94.3	125.7	125.2	132.0	124.5	113.3	141.3	125.6	78.5	129.4	166.4	170.8	123.1
July	157.7	302.3	160.5	94.9	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4	141.4	125.6	78.5	137.7	166.4	172.2	124.9
August	158.3	305.1	160.4	95.7	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4	141.5	125.6	78.5	137.7	166.4	172.2	124.9
September	161.6	323.5	163.7	95.6	125.0	123.9	134.0	124.5	112.4	141.4	125.6	78.5	137.7	166.4	172.2	124.9
October	160.5	318.4	176.3	94.8	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	143.9	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2	173.0	125.7
November	158.9	310.5	177.0	94.6	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	143.9	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2	173.0	125.7
December	158.9	309.6	178.0	94.7	125.8	123.9	134.1	128.1	112.9	144.1	125.2	78.5	126.8	169.2	173.0	125.7
2010	161.9	313.7	178.2	95.3	125.6	123.0	139.8	128.1	113.3	144.4	137.8	78.5	126.4	169.2	173.8	127.4
January	163.4	322.6	179.0	94.4	125.6	123.0	139.8	128.1	113.3	144.2	137.8	78.5	126.4	169.2	173.8	127.4
February	164.3	326.9	178.9	95.5	125.6	123.0	139.8	128.1	113.3	144.4	137.8	78.5	126.4	169.2	173.8	127.4
March	169.6	347.1	179.0	95.2	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	147.5	140.4	78.5	139.5	171.2	174.3	128.2
April	172.9	365.4	179.1	95.1	125.4	122.3	142.0	128.1	113.1	147.6	140.4	78.5	139.5	171.2	174.3	128.2
May	179.2	400.6	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
June	180.0	402.8	178.7	93.7	125.4	122.2	142.9	128.1	113.6	148.4	140.4	78.5	144.0	171.2	174.6	129.0
July	184.0	424.5	179.1	93.5	125.4	122.2	142.9	128.1	113.6	148.5	140.4	78.5	144.0	171.2	174.6	129.0
August	182.9	418.1	179.0	94.0	125.4	122.2	142.9	128.1	113.6	149.0	140.4	78.5	144.0	171.2	174.6	129.0
September	180.6	403.4	182.2	94.2	126.0	122.9	143.5	128.1	114.0	149.5	140.4	78.5	144.2	172.4	174.3	130.2
October	179.3	395.6	188.5	94.0	126.0	122.9	143.5	128.1	114.0	149.6	140.4	78.5	144.2	172.4	174.3	130.2
November	180.2	400.9	188.7	93.3	126.0	122.9	143.5	128.1	114.0	149.6	140.4	78.5	144.2	172.4	174.3	130.2
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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.