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## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—April, 2013 (Base: January, 2003 = 100)

THE following Memorandum on the Index of Retail Prices is published for general information.

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### GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from the prices collected for the month of April, 2013 was 212.7 representing an increase of 3.1 points or 1.5% above the All Items Index for March, 2013.

The percentage change in the All Items Index for the period January to April, 2013 over the period January to April, 2012 was 6.4%. This reflects a decrease when compared with the rate of inflation of 9.2% observed in the All Items Index for the period January to April, 2012 over the period January to April, 2012.

### SECTION INDICES

#### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 538.5 in March, 2013 to 550.7 in April, 2013 reflecting in an increase of 2.3%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of ochroes, limes, oranges, cucumbers, chive/thyme, sweet potatoes, dasheen, christophene, bodi and paw paw. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of hot peppers, tomatoes, melongene, ripe bananas, yams, whole chicken, green pigeon peas, carite, king fish, and watecress.

Price changes in this section, for the month of April, 2013 accounted for a net overall increase of 2.2 points in the All Items Index.

#### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for April, 2013 compared with March, 2013 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.5%, Clothing and Footwear of 0.2%, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels 0.3%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House 0.2%, Health 1.0%, Recreation and Culture 2.9%, Education 0.8%, Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants 0.6% and Miscellaneous Good and Services 5.7%.

Price changes in the Other Sections, for the month of April, 2013 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.9 points in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in April, 2013 compared with those of April, 2012 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change April, 2013—April, 2012
All Items	5.5
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	9.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	4.9
Clothing and Footwear	2.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.4
Home Ownership	0.2
Rent	1.7
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	1.7
Health	5.0
Transport	2.3
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	3.0
Education	5.2
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants	4.3
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	6.5

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**GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES**  
 Figures for April, 2013

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Period	All Items Jan 2003 =100	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels					Furnishings, Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House					Section Indices					Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants		Miscellaneous Goods and Services			
		Food and Non- Alcoholic Beverages		Clothing and Footwear		Total	Home- ownership		Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels		Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Hotels, Cafes and Restaurants		Miscellaneous Goods and Services			
		Weights		1000		180	25		53	282		180	24		58	51	167	41	85	16	30	36
<b>Annual Average</b>																						
2010	174.9	376.8	180.3	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						
2011	183.8	416.2	190.0	95.0	127.3	123.8	151.3	128.1	114.6	150.7	140.9	78.5	143.9	174.8	177.7	132.5						
2012	200.8	495.8	196.9	97.8	130.3	127.0	159.9	128.2	116.6	154.8	143.6	78.6	149.0	179.8	183.5	135.7						
January - April 2011	180.8	402.4	189.7	94.0	126.5	123.1	148.2	128.1	114.1	149.9	140.4	78.5	144.1	173.2	175.3	130.9						
January - April 2012	197.4	483.3	194.2	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.9	151.8	141.8	78.5	145.7	176.2	180.6	135.0						
January - April 2013	210.0	539.5	200.8	98.7	130.1	126.6	161.0	128.2	117.6	160.6	146.7	78.6	149.1	186.8	188.0	138.4						
2011 January	182.1	410.5	189.2	93.7	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.7	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5						
February	180.9	403.4	189.9	94.2	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.6	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5						
March	179.7	398.6	190.0	94.1	126.5	123.1	148.0	128.1	114.0	149.8	140.4	78.5	144.1	172.4	174.5	130.5						
April	180.4	399.2	189.7	93.8	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	150.2	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0						
May	179.7	398.3	189.4	94.2	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	150.9	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0						
June	180.7	400.9	188.8	94.0	126.6	123.1	148.8	128.1	114.2	151.5	140.4	78.5	144.2	175.7	177.6	132.0						
July	182.6	409.2	189.6	95.5	126.9	123.3	151.5	128.1	115.6	151.5	141.3	78.5	143.7	175.7	177.6	133.0						
August	185.1	423.3	189.8	95.1	123.3	123.3	151.5	128.1	114.6	151.5	141.3	78.5	143.7	175.7	177.6	133.0						
September	187.5	436.1	190.1	96.8	126.9	123.3	151.5	128.1	114.6	151.5	141.3	78.5	143.7	175.7	177.6	133.0						
October	187.3	431.3	190.5	96.0	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.1	115.8	151.3	141.3	78.5	143.4	175.4	177.6	134.2						
November	189.6	444.8	193.1	95.7	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	150.3	141.3	78.5	143.5	175.4	179.6	134.2						
December	189.7	444.5	193.1	95.7	129.1	125.7	157.0	128.2	115.8	151.0	141.3	78.5	143.5	175.4	179.6	134.2						
2012 January	194.4	467.8	194.0	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.0	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8						
February	197.5	484.8	194.1	96.8	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.0	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8						
March	196.1	477.0	194.6	96.8	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.1	141.3	78.5	145.0	175.4	180.4	134.8						
April	201.6	503.6	194.1	96.4	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	154.1	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4						
May	202.3	507.3	194.3	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	153.5	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4						
June	200.6	497.4	197.8	96.5	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	153.3	143.4	78.6	147.9	178.6	181.0	135.4						
July	202.3	501.6	198.7	98.7	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.4	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1						
August	199.8	488.4	198.5	98.0	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.2	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1						
September	202.0	500.0	199.0	98.8	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.3	143.4	78.6	152.3	178.6	185.3	135.1						
October	204.9	509.9	199.2	99.4	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	159.0	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4						
November	204.9	510.2	199.1	99.5	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	158.8	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4						
December	203.3	501.1	199.2	98.7	131.0	127.8	162.4	128.2	117.4	159.4	146.4	78.6	150.9	186.4	187.3	137.4						
2013 January	208.5	532.4	198.8	99.5	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4						
February	209.1	536.4	197.9	98.4	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4						
March	209.6	538.5	202.6	98.4	130.0	126.4	161.1	128.2	117.5	160.2	146.7	78.6	148.0	186.4	187.7	136.4						
April	212.7	550.7	203.7	98.6	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.8	146.7	78.6	152.3	187.9	188.8	144.2						

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.