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## INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—July, 2014 (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 July, 2014 was 222.3 representing an increase of 1.6 points or 0.7% above the All Items Index for June, 2014.

The percentage change in the All Items Index for the period January to July, 2014 over the period January to July, 2013 was 3.8%. This reflects a decrease when compared with the rate of inflation of 5.9% observed in the All Items Index for the period January to July, 2013 over the period January to July, 2012.

### SECTION INDICES

#### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 579.56 in June, 2014 to 585.5 in July, 2014, reflecting an increase of 1.0%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of cucumber, avocado, christophene, green pigeon peas, watercress, dasheen, oranges, spices, yams and tomatoes. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of limes, ochroes, mangoes, melongene, carite, celery, irish potatoes, lettuce, hot peppers and bodi.

Price changes in this section for the month of July, 2014 accounted for a net overall decrease of 1.1 points in the All Items Index.

#### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for July, 2014 compared with June, 2014 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Clothing and Footwear 2.4%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance 0.3%, Transport 1.5% and Miscellaneous Goods and Services 2.2%. However a decrease was noted in the sub-indices for Health 0.1%, Recreation and Culture 0.5% and Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant of 0.4%.

Price changes in the Other Sections for the month of July, 2014 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.5 points in the All Items Index.

Changes in consumer prices in July, 2014 compared with those of July, 2013 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change July, 2014—July, 2013
All Items	5.9
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	11.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.4
Clothing and Footwear	2.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.5
Home Ownership	0.6
Rent	1.2
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	0.3
Health	2.1
Transport	2.3
Communication	0.0
Recreation and Culture	-2.6
Education	7.6
Hotels, Cafes and Restaurant	3.6
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.4

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 Figures for July, 2014

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Period	All Items Jan 2003 =100	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels					Section Indices					
		Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages			Clothing and Footwear		Total	Home- ownership	Rent	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	Transport	Communication
		Weights	1000	180	25	53	262	180	24	58	54	51
Annual Average												
2011	1838	416.2	190.0	95.0	127.3	123.8	151.3	128.1	114.6	150.7	140.9	78.5
	200.8	495.8	196.9	97.8	130.3	127.0	159.9	128.2	116.6	154.8	143.6	78.6
2012	211.3	539.1	203.2	98.2	130.5	127.0	161.5	128.2	117.7	162.9	148.5	78.6
2013	199.3	491.4	195.4	96.9	130.0	126.7	158.4	128.2	116.0	152.8	142.5	78.6
January - July 2012	211.1	542.8	201.9	98.3	130.3	126.8	161.0	128.2	117.6	161.6	147.2	78.6
January - July 2013	219.1	572.0	209.3	99.5	131.2	127.8	163.5	128.2	117.8	167.6	151.6	78.6
January - July 2014	194.4	467.8	194.0	96.7	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	116.0	151.0	141.3	78.5
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
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
April	201.6	503.6	194.1	96.4	129.9	126.7	157.9	128.2	115.7	154.1	143.4	78.6
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
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
July	202.3	501.6	198.7	98.0	130.3	126.9	161.4	128.2	117.1	155.2	143.4	78.6
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
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
May	213.7	556.1	203.6	98.1	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.7	146.7	78.6
June	214.3	560.0	203.1	96.8	130.4	127.0	160.6	128.2	117.7	161.7	146.7	78.6
July	210.0	525.8	203.7	98.3	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	165.3	150.4	78.6
August	210.0	525.9	203.4	97.7	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	165.4	150.4	78.6
September	208.0	515.0	203.3	98.4	130.6	127.2	162.0	128.2	117.8	164.1	150.4	78.6
October	210.5	528.9	203.9	98.7	130.8	127.4	162.2	128.2	117.8	164.5	150.3	78.6
November	213.9	547.6	206.8	97.9	130.8	127.4	162.2	128.2	117.6	164.7	150.3	78.6
December	214.7	552.0	207.8	97.4	130.8	127.4	162.2	128.2	117.6	164.8	150.3	78.6
2014 January	214.5	549.5	209.5	99.4	131.0	127.6	163.3	128.2	117.5	165.9	150.7	78.6
February	217.2	564.3	209.6	98.7	131.0	127.6	163.3	128.2	117.5	166.2	150.7	78.6
March	219.1	574.6	209.3	100.7	131.0	127.6	163.3	128.2	117.5	166.6	150.7	78.6
April	219.7	573.4	210.3	99.4	131.3	127.9	163.5	128.2	117.9	168.3	151.7	78.6
May	220.3	577.3	209.4	99.2	131.3	127.9	163.5	128.2	117.9	168.3	151.7	78.6
June	220.7	579.5	208.6	99.5	131.3	127.9	163.5	128.2	117.9	169.0	151.7	78.6
July	222.3	585.5	208.5	100.9	131.3	128.0	163.9	128.2	118.2	168.8	153.9	78.6

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.