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INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES-June, 2023 (Base: January, 2015 = 100)

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#### GENERAL INDEX

The All Items Index of Retail Prices calculated from the prices collected for the month of June, 2023 was 122.9, representing an increase of 0.4 points or 0.3% above the All Items Index for May, 2023.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to June, 2023 over the period January to June, 2022 was 6.8%. This rate is greater than that observed for the period January to June, 2022 over the period January to June, 2021, which was 4.5%.

## SECTION INDICES

### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 143.0 in May, 2023 to 145.3 in June, 2023, reflecting an increase of 1.6%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of tomatoes, chilled or frozen beef, fresh beef, chilled or frozen pork, celery, onions, irish potatoes, powdered milk—full cream, melongene and mixed fresh seasoning. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decreases in the prices of cucumber, carite—fresh, other chilled or frozen chicken, sweet potatoes, cheddar cheese, carrots, king fish-fresh, table margarine, green pigeon peas and

Price changes in this section for the month of June, 2023 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.4 points in the All Items Index.

# OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for June, 2023 compared with May, 2023 reflected an increase in the sub-index for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.1% and Health of 0.1%. Also, this period showed a decrease in the sub-index for Clothing and Footwear of 0.3%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Changes in consumer prices in June, 2023 compared with those of June, 2022 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change June, 2022—June, 2023
All Items	5.8
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	10.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.9
Clothing and Footwear	-0.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.7
Home Ownership	0.6
Rent	1.5
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	6.2
Health	3.4
Transport	10.7
Communication	1.3
Recreation and Culture	10.4
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	9.2
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	7.3

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES Figures for June, 2023

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Period	All Items Jan 2015 =100	Non- Alcoholic Beverages	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, Cafes and Restaurants	Miscellaneous Goods and Services
Weights	1000	173	6	57	275	193	22	09	29	41	147	45	99	10	25	85
Average																
January - June 2021	110.2	120.3	115.5	91.0	105.7	106.1	107.7	100.7	104.6	137.7	108.3	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.1	112.1
January - June 2022	115.2	129.9	119.0	91.1	112.7	115.0	107.8	100.7	108.7	140.8	112.7	109.5	108.2	102.5	122.1	113.6
January - June 2023	123.0	146.2	121.1	91.0	114.7	117.4	109.5	100.7	115.7	144.1	126.6	110.3	119.8	102.5	133.8	122.0
2021 January	109.9	120.2	114.7	91.2	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.5	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1
reoruary March	109.9	119.8		90.7	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4			106.6			118.0	112.1
April	110.3	119.6		91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7		118.2	112.0
June	110.8	122.5		91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7			106.6			118.2	112.0
July	111.4	123.1		91.0	107.9	108.8	1.801	100.7	104.7			107.2				112.0
August	111.6	124.6		91.0	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7			107.2				112.0
September October	112.1	126.8		91.5	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.7		107.2	7.60I 109.9		118.2	112.0
November	113.6	128.2		91.1	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2			107.2		102.5	119.4	112.4
December	113.3	127.0	115.6	91.0	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2	140.2	110.1	107.2	109.9		119.4	112.4
2022 January	114.1	128.1	117.9	91.3	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	141.7	110.6	6.601		102.5	120.6	113.2
February March	114.4 1 14.4	129.6		91.2	8.11.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0			109.9				113.2
April	115.9	130.0		6.06	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3	140.2				102.5	123.5	114.0
May	115.9	130.4		90.9	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3		114.8	109.0	109.5		123.5	114.0
July	118.0	135.8		91.2	114.2	116.9	108.8	100.7	112.8	_		109.0			125.2	115.1
August	118.6	139.2		91.0	114.2	116.9	108.8	100.7	112.8			109.0			125.2	115.1
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November	122.7	145.9		92.7	115.9	119.0	109.7	100.7	117.2			110.1	114.5		130.7	119.8
December	123.2	149.0		92.7	115.9	119.0	109.7	100.7	117.2			110.1	114.5		130.7	119.8
2023 January	123.6	150.3		92.1	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2			110.1	118.7	102.5	132.6	121.6
February	123.1	147.8		91.9	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2			110.1	118.7		132.6	121.6
March	122.8	146.1		91.9	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2			110.1			132.6	121.6
May	122.5	143.0	123.1	89.9	114.3	116.8	109.4	100.7	116.1	14.6	127.1	110.4	120.9	102.5	134.9	122.3
June	122.9	145.3		9.68	114.3	116.8	109.4	100.7	116.1	144.8		110.4			134.9	122.3
NOTE: To link the previous or old base (January 2003 = 100) to the new base (January 2015 = 100), at the All Items level, multiply the All Items Index of the new base by 2.307.	or old base (	January 200	3 = 100) to t	the new base	(January	2015=100	, at the	All Items lev	vel, multiply th	e All Item	Index of th	e new base by 2.30	7.			