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### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—March, 2025 (Base: January, 2015 = 100)

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#### GENERAL INDEX

The Rate of Inflation, which measures the percentage change in the All Items Index for the month of March, 2025 over March, 2024, was 1.0%. This rate is more than that observed for the period March, 2024 over the period March, 2023, which was 0.8%.

The All Items Index calculated from the prices collected for the month of March, 2025 was 125.0, which remained unchanged from the All Items Index for February, 2025.

#### SECTION INDICES

##### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 153.7 in February, 2025 to 153.4 in March, 2025, reflecting a decrease of -0.2%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of cucumber, tomatoes, ochros, cabbage, green sweet pepper, fresh carite, grapes, melongene, eggs and patchoi. However, the full impact of these price decreases was offset by the general increase in the prices of table margarine, hot peppers, irish potatoes, corn curls, cheese balls, tortilla chips, etc., garlic, fresh whole chicken, pimento, corned beef, fresh duck and soya bean oil.

Price changes in this section for the month of March, 2025 accounted for a net overall decrease of -0.1 point.

##### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for March, 2025, compared with February, 2025, reflected decreases in the sub-indices for Alcohol and Tobacco of -0.1% and Clothing and Footwear of -0.2%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Changes in consumer prices in March, 2025 compared with those of March, 2024 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change March, 2024–March, 2025
All Items	1.0
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	4.9
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	-0.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-0.9
Home Ownership	-1.1
Rent	0.8
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	-0.8
Health	1.7
Transport	-0.6
Communication	2.0
Recreation and Culture	-1.2
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	1.1
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.7

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## GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES Figures for March, 2025

Period	Section Indices															
	All Items Jan 2015 =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	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85
Average																
January - March 2023	123.2	148.1	119.3	92.0	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2	143.6	126.1	110.1	118.7	102.5	132.6	121.6
January -March 2024	124.0	147.2	124.8	89.1	113.7	116.0	111.1	100.7	113.4	154.9	126.8	117.8	122.5	102.5	138.6	124.2
January - March 2025	125.0	153.4	129.2	88.8	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.5	157.5	126.1	120.2	121.0	102.5	140.1	126.3
2023 January	123.6	150.3	118.2	92.1	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2	143.5	126.1	110.1	118.7	102.5	132.6	121.6
February	123.1	147.8	118.6	91.9	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2	143.9	126.1	110.1	118.7	102.5	132.6	121.6
March	122.8	146.1	121.1	91.9	115.0	117.9	109.6	100.7	115.2	143.5	126.1	110.1	118.7	102.5	132.6	121.6
April	122.8	144.5	122.6	90.4	114.3	116.8	109.4	100.7	116.1	144.5	127.1	110.4	120.9	102.5	134.9	122.3
May	122.5	143.0	123.1	89.9	114.3	116.8	109.4	100.7	116.1	144.6	127.1	110.4	120.9	102.5	134.9	122.3
June	122.9	145.3	123.2	89.6	114.3	116.8	109.4	100.7	116.1	144.8	127.1	110.4	120.9	102.5	134.9	122.3
July	123.5	147.5	123.8	90.7	114.2	116.8	110.4	100.7	116.8	145.2	126.9	110.6	122.0	102.5	135.5	122.8
August	123.4	147.0	123.5	90.6	114.2	116.8	110.4	100.7	116.8	145.5	126.9	110.6	122.0	102.5	135.5	122.8
September	123.6	148.2	123.9	90.6	114.2	116.8	110.4	100.7	116.8	145.4	126.9	110.6	122.0	102.5	135.5	122.8
October	124.1	147.2	124.5	88.7	114.4	116.8	110.9	100.7	115.7	153.0	127.2	114.4	123.0	102.5	137.3	123.8
November	124.0	147.0	125.1	88.5	114.4	116.8	110.9	100.7	115.7	153.0	127.2	114.4	123.0	102.5	137.3	123.8
December	124.1	147.3	124.4	88.3	114.4	116.8	110.9	100.7	115.7	153.1	127.2	114.4	123.0	102.5	137.3	123.8
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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. The Index values previously published are unaffected by the name change.