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### INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES—November, 2023 (Base: January, 2015 = 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 November, 2023 was 124.0, representing a decrease of 0.1 points or 0.1 % below the All Items Index for October, 2023.

The Rate of Inflation, as measured by the percentage change in the average All Items Index for the period January to November, 2023 over the period January to November 2022 was 5.0%. This rate is less than that observed for the period January to November, 2022 over the period January to November, 2021, which was 5.6%.

#### SECTION INDICES

##### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 147.2 in October, 2023 to 147.0 in November, 2023, reflecting a decrease of 0.1%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of irish potatoes, white flour, onions, soya bean oil, celery, parboiled rice, table margarine, chive, ochroes and cucumber. However, the full impact of these price decreases were offset by the general increases in the prices of fresh whole chicken, fresh carite, yogurt, hot peppers, pumpkin, eggs, carbonated soft drink, salted pig tail, mayonnaise and milo.

Price changes in this section for the month of November, 2023 accounted for a net overall decrease of 0.1 points in the All Items Index.

##### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for November, 2023 compared with October, 2023 reflected an increase in the sub-index for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.5%. Also this period showed a decrease in the sub-index for Clothing and Footwear of 0.2%. All other sections remained unchanged.

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

Sections	Percentage Change November, 2022—November, 2023
All Items	1.1
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	0.8
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	7.2
Clothing and Footwear	-4.5
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-1.3
Home Ownership	-1.8
Rent	1.1
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	-1.3
Health	7.2
Transport	0.8
Communication	3.9
Recreation and Culture	7.4
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	5.0
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.3

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES  
Figures for November, 2023

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, Cafés and Restaurants	Miscellaneous Goods and Services		
Weights	1000	173	9	57	Total	Home-ownership	Rent	Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
<b>Average</b>																	
January -November 2021	111.2	123.1	115.7	91.1	107.1	107.9	107.8	100.7	105.1	138.4	108.7	106.9	109.7	102.5	118.4	112.1	
January - November 2022	117.4	135.1	118.5	91.4	113.7	116.2	108.4	100.7	111.3	141.5	116.5	109.4	109.9	102.5	124.5	115.1	
January - November 2023	123.3	146.7	122.5	90.4	114.5	117.1	110.0	100.7	116.0	146.1	126.8	111.1	121.0	102.5	134.9	122.5	
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	
February	109.8	119.3	114.9	90.7	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.6	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1	
March	109.9	119.8	115.5	91.2	104.8	105.1	107.3	100.7	104.4	137.6	108.2	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.0	112.1	
April	110.3	119.6	115.5	91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
May	110.5	120.6	116.1	91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
June	110.8	122.5	116.2	91.0	106.5	107.1	108.1	100.7	104.7	137.9	108.4	106.6	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
July	111.4	123.1	115.9	91.0	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.1	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
August	111.6	124.6	115.1	91.0	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.2	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
September	112.1	126.8	116.3	91.5	107.9	108.8	108.1	100.7	104.7	138.7	108.4	107.2	109.7	102.5	118.2	112.0	
October	113.8	129.6	116.0	91.2	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2	139.9	110.1	107.2	109.9	102.5	119.4	112.4	
November	113.6	128.2	116.0	91.1	110.4	112.1	107.9	100.7	107.2	141.0	110.1	107.2	109.9	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	102.5	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	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
February	114.4	129.6	118.7	91.2	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	141.8	110.6	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
March	114.4	129.3	119.6	91.8	111.8	113.8	107.7	100.7	108.0	140.8	110.6	109.9	106.9	102.5	120.6	113.2	
April	115.9	130.0	119.4	90.9	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3	140.2	114.8	109.0	109.5	102.5	123.5	114.0	
May	115.9	130.4	119.7	90.9	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3	140.0	114.8	109.0	109.5	102.5	123.5	114.0	
June	116.2	132.0	118.6	90.2	113.5	116.1	107.8	100.7	109.3	140.1	114.8	109.0	109.5	102.5	123.5	114.0	
July	118.0	135.8	119.4	91.2	114.2	116.9	108.8	100.7	112.8	141.6	117.7	109.0	110.3	102.5	125.2	115.1	
August	118.6	139.2	119.3	91.0	114.2	116.9	108.8	100.7	112.8	142.3	117.7	109.0	110.3	102.5	125.2	115.1	
September	119.0	141.5	118.8	91.1	114.2	116.9	108.8	100.7	112.8	142.6	117.7	109.0	110.3	102.5	125.2	115.1	
October	122.5	144.5	115.9	93.2	115.9	119.0	109.7	100.7	117.2	142.9	126.2	110.1	114.5	102.5	130.7	119.8	
November	122.7	145.9	116.7	92.7	115.9	119.0	109.7	100.7	117.2	142.7	126.2	110.1	114.5	102.5	130.7	119.8	
December	123.2	149.0	116.5	92.7	115.9	119.0	109.7	100.7	117.2	142.7	126.2	110.1	114.5	102.5	130.7	119.8	
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	90.0	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	144.4	127.2	110.4	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	144.4	127.2	110.4	123.0	102.5	137.3	123.8	

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.