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### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—May, 2024 (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 May 2024 over May 2023, was 0.9%. This rate is less than that observed for the period May 2023 over the period May 2022, which was 5.7%.

The All Items Index calculated from the prices collected for the month of May 2024 was 123.6, representing an increase of 0.2 points or 0.2% above the All Items Index for April 2024.

#### SECTION INDICES

##### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 146.1 in April 2024 to 147.4 in May 2024, reflecting an increase of 0.9%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of white flour, tomatoes, celery, cucumber, pumpkin, parboiled rice, carrots, oranges, melongene and cabbage. However, the full impact of these price increases were offset by the general decrease in the prices of fresh whole chicken, soya bean oil, fresh carite, table margarine, ochroes, fresh king fish, onions, plantains, cornflakes and tea in bags.

Price changes in this section for the month of May 2024 accounted for a net overall increase of 0.2 points in the All Items Index.

##### OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for May 2024 compared with April 2024 reflected decreases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.1%, and Clothing and Footwear of 0.3%. This period also showed an increase in the sub-index for Health of 0.1%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Changes in consumer prices in May 2024 compared with those of May 2023 reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder:

Sections	Percentage Change May 2023—May 2024
All Items	0.9
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	3.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.2
Clothing and Footwear	-1.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-1.7
Home Ownership	-2.1
Rent	1.9
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	-2.0
Health	7.9
Transport	-0.4
Communication	8.5
Recreation and Culture	-1.9
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	2.7
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.3

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES  
Figures for May, 2024

Period	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								
<b>Average</b>	<b>1000</b>	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85
January - May 2022	114.9	129.5	119.1	91.2	112.5	114.7	107.7	100.7	108.5	140.9	112.3	109.5	107.9	102.5	121.8	113.5
January - May 2023	123.0	146.3	120.7	91.2	114.7	117.5	109.5	100.7	115.6	144.0	126.5	110.2	119.6	102.5	133.5	121.9
January - May 2024	123.8	147.0	125.2	88.9	113.2	115.4	111.3	100.7	113.6	155.3	126.7	118.6	120.9	102.5	138.6	124.6
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	143.5	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
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February	124.1	147.9	124.4	89.1	113.7	116.0	111.1	100.7	113.4	154.8	126.8	117.8	122.5	102.5	138.6	124.2
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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.