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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—April, 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 April 2024 over April 2023, was 0.5%. This rate is less than that observed for the period April 2023 over the period April 2022, which was 6.0%.

The All Items Index calculated from the prices collected for the month of April 2024 was 123.4, representing a decrease of 0.4 points or 0.3% below the All Items Index for March 2024.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages decreased from 146.2 in March 2024 to 146.1 in April 2024, reflecting a decrease of 0.1%. Contributing significantly to this decrease was the general downward movement in the prices of white flour, fresh carite, fresh king fish, other chilled or frozen chicken, grapes, plantains, cheddar cheese, fresh steak, full cream powdered milk and table margarine. However, the full impact of these price decreases were offset by the general increase in the prices of fresh whole chicken, cucumber, garlic, parboiled rice, mixed fresh seasoning, tomatoes, chive, celery, ochros and carbonated soft drinks.

Price changes in this section for the month of April 2024 accounted for a net overall decrease of 0.02 points in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for April 2024 compared with March 2024 reflected increases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.2%, Rent of 0.4%, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House of 0.4%, Health of 0.6%, Communication of 1.7% and Miscellaneous Goods and Service of 0.7%. This period also showed decreases in the sub-indices for Clothing and Footwear of 0.2%, Home Ownership of 1.4%, Transport of 0.2%, Recreation and Culture of 3.2% and Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants of 0.1%. All other sections remained unchanged.

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

Sections	Percentage Change April 2023—April 2024
All Items	0.5
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	-1.9
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 April, 2024

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	Total	Home-ownership	Rent	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
Weights	1000	173	9	57	275	193	22	60	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	85	
Average																	
January - April 2022	114.7	129.3	118.9	91.3	112.2	114.4	107.7	100.7	108.3	141.1	111.7	109.7	107.6	102.5	121.3	113.4	
January - April 2023	123.1	147.2	120.1	91.6	114.8	117.6	109.6	100.7	115.4	143.9	126.4	110.2	119.3	102.5	133.2	121.8	
January - April 2024	123.8	146.9	125.1	89.0	113.4	115.6	111.2	100.7	113.5	155.1	126.8	118.3	121.5	102.5	138.6	124.4	
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																	
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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	
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NOTE: To link the previous or old base (January 2023 = 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.