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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX—February, 2026 (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 February, 2026 over February, 2025, was 0.6%. This rate is less than that observed for the period February, 2025 over the period February, 2024 of 0.7%.

The All Items Index calculated from the prices collected for the month of February, 2026 was 125.8, which remained unchanged from the All Items Index for January, 2025.

SECTION INDICES

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

The Index for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased from 153.4 in January 2026 to 153.6 in February, 2026, reflecting an increase of 0.1%. Contributing significantly to this increase was the general upward movement in the prices of irish potatoes, fresh carite, grapes, carbonated soft drinks, fresh king fish, chilled or frozen turkey parts, hot peppers, ochros, cheddar cheese and tea in bags. However, the full impact of these price increases was offset by the general decrease in the prices of tomatoes, cucumber, parboiled rice, fresh whole chickens, cabbage, garlic, celery, frozen whole chickens, oranges and melon.

Price changes in this section for the month of February, 2026, accounted for a net overall increase of 0.03 points in the All Items Index.

OTHER SECTIONS

A further review of the data for February, 2026, compared with January, 2026, reflected decreases in the sub-indices for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco of 0.2% and Health of 0.1%. All other sections remained unchanged.

Changes in consumer prices in February, 2026, compared with those of February, 2025, reflected in various sections of the Index are shown hereunder—

Sections	Percentage Change February, 2025—February, 2026
All Items	0.6
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	-0.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	24.2
Clothing and Footwear	-0.9
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.8
Home Ownership	1.0
Rent	1.1
Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	0.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House	-0.2
Health	1.3
Transport	-1.6
Communication	-0.1
Recreation and Culture	4.0
Education	0.0
Hotels, Cafés and Restaurants	1.4
Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.5

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GENERAL INDEX AND SECTION INDICES
Figures for February, 2026

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	173	9	57	275	223	22	30	67	41	147	45	66	10	25	86	
January - February 2024	124.1	147.7	124.3	89.2	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 - February 2025	125.0	153.5	129.3	88.9	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.5	157.5	126.1	120.2	121.0	102.5	140.1	126.3
January - February 2026	125.8	153.5	160.7	88.0	113.6	115.8	113.2	100.7	112.3	159.6	124.1	120.1	125.9	102.5	142.1	128.2
2024	124.0	147.4	124.2	89.2	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	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
February	123.8	146.2	125.7	88.9	113.7	116.0	111.1	100.7	113.4	154.9	126.8	117.8	122.5	102.5	138.6	124.2
March	123.4	146.1	125.9	88.7	114.4	114.4	111.5	100.7	113.8	155.9	126.6	119.8	118.6	102.5	138.5	125.1
April	123.6	147.4	125.8	88.4	112.4	114.4	111.5	100.7	113.8	156.0	126.6	119.8	118.6	102.5	138.5	125.1
May	123.7	148.6	126.0	87.6	112.4	114.4	111.5	100.7	113.8	156.0	126.6	119.8	118.6	102.5	138.5	125.1
June	123.9	149.6	128.1	87.7	113.1	115.2	111.6	100.7	111.3	156.1	126.0	119.9	119.1	102.5	139.7	125.2
July	123.9	149.2	128.7	87.7	113.1	115.2	111.6	100.7	111.3	156.4	126.0	119.9	119.1	102.5	139.7	125.2
August	124.1	150.2	129.1	87.5	113.1	115.2	111.6	100.7	111.3	156.7	126.0	119.9	119.1	102.5	139.7	125.2
September	124.4	150.8	129.7	88.3	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.9	156.8	126.0	120.2	120.6	102.5	139.9	125.8
October	124.6	151.6	129.5	88.5	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.9	157.0	126.0	120.2	120.6	102.5	139.9	125.8
November	124.7	152.4	128.9	88.6	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.9	157.3	126.0	120.2	120.6	102.5	139.9	125.8
December	124.9	153.2	129.3	88.9	112.7	114.7	112.0	100.7	112.5	157.4	126.1	120.2	121.0	102.5	140.1	126.3
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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.