

Statistical Bulletin
Index of Retail Prices
(Base: July 2001=100)
February 2010

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The Index of Retail Prices for February 2010 stood at 139.7 points which represent an increase of 0.6% when compared with January's (2010) index of 138.9 points.

Amongst the major groups: Food increased by 0.7 point or 0.4%.

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco increased 0.5 point or 0.3%.

Housing increased by 3.1 points 2.2%.

Fuel and Light decreased 3.9 points or 2.9%.

Household Operations and Supplies increased by 0.7 point or 0.6%.

Clothing and Footwear decreased by 1.0 point or 1.1%.

Transportation increased by 2.0 points or 1.7%.

Medical and Personal Care increased by 2.5 points or 1.7%.

Education, Recreation and Miscellaneous decreased by 0.3 point or 0.2%.

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Table 1. Group Indices for February 2010

GROUP:	FOOD	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	HOUSING	FUEL AND LIGHT	HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND SUPPLIES	CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	TRANSPORTATION	MEDICAL AND PERSONAL CARE	EDUCATION, RECREATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	ALL ITEMS
2010										
January	161.2	147.6	139.5	136.8	119.9	94.8	119.4	144.2	120.2	138.9
February	161.8	148.1	142.6	132.9	120.6	93.8	121.4	146.7	119.9	139.7

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

Table 2. Monthly Group Movements - February 2010

GROUP	Weights	January 2010	February 2010		
		Group Index	Group Index	Change over January 2010	
				Points	%
1. FOOD	3,379	161.2	161.8	0.7	0.4
2. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	373	147.6	148.1	0.5	0.3
3. HOUSING	1,227	139.5	142.6	3.1	2.2
4. FUEL AND LIGHT	634	136.8	132.9	-3.9	-2.9
5. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND SUPPLIES	1,014	119.9	120.6	0.7	0.6
6. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	344	94.8	93.8	-1.0	-1.1
7. TRANSPORTATION	1,703	119.4	121.4	2.0	1.7
8. MEDICAL AND PERSONAL CARE	585	144.2	146.7	2.5	1.7
9. EDUCATION, RECREATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	741	120.2	119.9	-0.3	-0.2
ALL ITEMS	10,000	138.9	139.7	0.8	0.6

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

Table 7a. Point to Point Percentage Change in the All Items Index

Month	All Items Index						% Change					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
January	103.9	112.7	118.2	123.7	132.3	138.9	4.1	8.5	4.9	4.7	7.0	5.0
February	104.7	113.0	118.1	123.8	132.8	139.7	4.5	7.9	4.5	4.8	7.3	5.2
March	104.9	113.2	118.2	124.1	132.3		4.5	7.9	4.4	5.0	6.6	
April	106.9	113.8	118.2	127.1	131.9		6.5	6.5	3.9	7.5	3.8	
May	107.5	115.1	119.0	129.1	132.0		6.8	7.1	3.4	8.5	2.2	
June	107.4	115.8	120.0	130.7	133.1		5.5	7.8	3.6	8.9	1.8	
July	107.8	116.1	120.6	132.9	134.8		5.5	7.7	3.9	10.2	1.4	
August	109.6	117.9	121.5	134.7	137.7		7.0	7.6	3.1	10.9	2.2	
September	109.6	118.8	122.2	135.9	138.6		6.8	8.4	2.9	11.2	2.0	
October	110.1	117.8	123.2	134.8	138.6		6.7	7.0	4.6	9.4	2.8	
November	111.6	118.2	123.8	134.5	138.4		7.4	5.9	4.7	8.6	2.9	
December	111.9	118.2	123.7	132.7	138.5		7.4	5.6	4.7	7.3	4.4	
Annual Averages	108.0	115.9	120.6	130.3	135.1		6.1	7.3	4.1	8.0	3.7	

Table 7b. Averages for the Twelve Month Period in the All Items Index

Month	Averages for 12 Months						Inflation Rate					
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
January	102.2	108.7	116.4	121.0	131.0	135.6	1.8	6.4	7.1	4.0	8.3	3.5
February	102.5	109.4	116.8	121.5	131.8	136.2	2.0	6.7	6.8	4.0	8.5	3.3
March	102.9	110.1	117.2	122.0	132.5		2.4	7.0	6.4	4.1	8.6	
April	103.4	110.7	117.6	122.7	132.9		2.9	7.1	6.2	4.3	8.3	
May	104.0	111.3	117.9	123.6	133.1		3.5	7.0	5.9	4.8	7.7	
June *	104.5	112.0	118.2	124.4	133.3		3.9	7.2	5.5	5.2	7.2	
July	104.9	112.7	118.6	125.5	133.5		4.2	7.4	5.2	5.8	6.4	
August	105.5	113.4	118.9	126.6	133.7		4.7	7.5	4.9	6.5	5.6	
September	106.1	114.2	119.2	127.7	134.0		5.0	7.6	4.4	7.1	4.9	
October	106.7	114.8	119.6	128.7	134.3		5.4	7.6	4.2	7.6	4.4	
November	107.3	115.4	120.1	129.6	134.6		5.7	7.5	4.1	7.9	3.9	
December	108.0	115.9	120.6	130.3	135.1		6.1	7.3	4.1	8.0	3.7	

Note: * The % Change in the Averages for 12 months was first available from June 2003.

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