

# **Statistical Bulletin**

## **Index of Retail Prices**

### **(Base: July 2001=100)**

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The Index of Retail Prices for January, 2007 remained constant at 118.2 points when compared with December's (2006) index of 118.2 points.

Amongst the major groups:

- Food increased by 0.4 point or 0.3%;
- Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco increased by 2.7 points or 2.6%;
- Housing increased by 0.7 point 0.6%;
- Fuel and Light increased by 0.4 point or 0.4%;
- Household Operations and Supplies decreased by 0.3 point or 0.3%;
- Clothing and Footwear decreased by 0.7 point or 0.8%;
- Transportation decreased by 1.2 points or 1.0%;
- Medical and Personal Care increased by 0.2 point or 0.2%;
- Education, Recreation and Miscellaneous decreased by 0.8 point or 0.7%.

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**Table 1. Group Indices for January 2007**

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
<b>Year: 2006</b>										
<b>December</b>	127.8	102.2	126.5	108.5	101.7	84.7	116.4	123.4	115.1	<b>118.2</b>
<b>Year: 2007</b>										
<b>January</b>	128.2	104.9	127.2	108.9	101.4	84.0	115.2	123.6	114.3	<b>118.2</b>

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

**Table 2. Monthly Group Movements - January 2007**

GROUP	Weights	December 2006 GROUP INDEX	January 2007		
			GROUP INDEX	Change over December 2006	
				Points	%
1. FOOD	3,379	127.8	128.2	0.4	0.3
2. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	373	102.2	104.9	2.7	2.6
3. HOUSING	1,227	126.5	127.2	0.7	0.6
4. FUEL AND LIGHT	634	108.5	108.9	0.4	0.4
5. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND SUPPLIES	1,014	101.7	101.4	-0.3	-0.3
6. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	344	84.7	84.0	-0.7	-0.8
7. TRANSPORTATION	1,703	116.4	115.2	-1.2	-1.0
8. MEDICAL AND PERSONAL CARE	585	123.4	123.6	0.2	0.2
9. EDUCATION, RECREATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	741	115.1	114.3	-0.8	-0.7
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>118.2</b>	<b>118.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

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

Month	All Items Index						% Change				
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
January	98.8	99.5	99.8	103.9	112.7	118.2	0.7	0.3	4.1	8.5	4.9
February	99.0	99.5	100.2	104.7	113.0		0.5	0.7	4.5	7.9	
March	98.5	100.2	100.4	104.9	113.2		1.7	0.2	4.5	7.9	
April	98.5	100.3	100.4	106.9	113.8		1.8	0.1	6.5	6.5	
May	98.2	100.8	100.7	107.5	115.1		2.6	-0.1	6.8	7.1	
June	98.4	101.0	101.8	107.4	115.8		2.6	0.8	5.5	7.8	
July	98.6	100.7	102.2	107.8	116.1		2.1	1.5	5.5	7.7	
August	98.8	100.7	102.4	109.6	117.9		1.9	1.7	7.0	7.6	
September	98.6	100.7	102.6	109.6	118.8		2.1	1.9	6.8	8.4	
October	99.1	101.1	103.2	110.1	117.8		2.0	2.1	6.7	7.0	
November	99.8	100.2	103.9	111.6	118.2		0.4	3.7	7.4	5.9	
December	99.6	99.9	104.2	111.9	118.2		0.3	4.3	7.4	5.6	
<b>Annual Averages</b>	<b>98.8</b>	<b>100.4</b>	<b>101.8</b>	<b>108.0</b>	<b>115.9</b>		<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>7.3</b>	

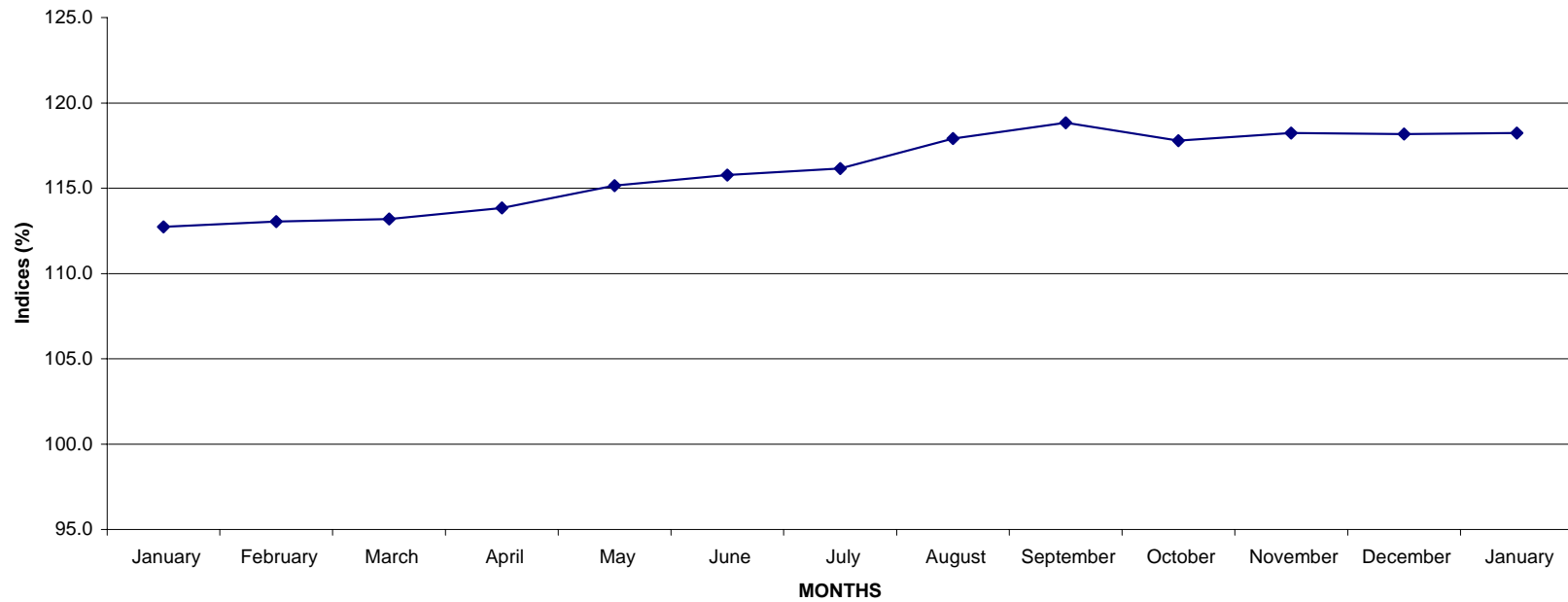
**Table 7b. Averages for the Twelve Month Period in the All Items Index**

Month	Averages for 12 Months						% Change				
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
January	-	98.9	100.4	102.2	108.7	116.4	-	1.5	1.8	6.4	7.1
February	-	98.9	100.5	102.5	109.4		-	1.6	2.0	6.7	
March	-	99.1	100.5	102.9	110.1		-	1.4	2.4	7.0	
April	-	99.2	100.5	103.4	110.7		-	1.3	2.9	7.1	
May	-	99.4	100.5	104.0	111.3		-	1.1	3.5	7.0	
June *	99.0	99.7	100.6	104.5	112.0		0.7	0.9	3.9	7.2	
July	98.9	99.8	100.7	104.9	112.7		0.9	0.9	4.2	7.4	
August	98.8	100.0	100.8	105.5	113.4		1.2	0.8	4.7	7.5	
September	98.7	100.2	101.0	106.1	114.2		1.5	0.8	5.0	7.6	
October	98.7	100.3	101.2	106.7	114.8		1.6	0.9	5.4	7.6	
November	98.8	100.4	101.5	107.3	115.4		1.6	1.1	5.7	7.5	
December	<b>98.8</b>	<b>100.4</b>	<b>101.8</b>	<b>108.0</b>	<b>115.9</b>		<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>7.3</b>	

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

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

**MONTHLY INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES**  
**Base: (July 2001=100)**  
**ALL ITEMS January 2006 - January 2007**



—◆— All Items (January 2006 - January 2007)