

# **Statistical Bulletin**

## **Index of Retail Prices**

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

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The Index of Retail Prices for June 2007 stood at 120.1 points which represent an increase of 0.9% when compared with May's (2007) index of 119.0 points.

Amongst the major groups:

- Food increased by 1.9 points or 1.5%;
- Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco increased by 0.6 point or 0.6%;
- Housing increased by 0.1 point 0.1%;
- Fuel and Light increased by 6.3 points or 5.5%;
- Household Operations and Supplies decreased by 0.4 point or 0.4%;
- Clothing and Footwear increased by 1.3 points or 1.6%;
- Transportation increased by 0.2 point or 0.2%;
- Medical and Personal Care increased by 0.2 point or 0.2%;
- Education, Recreation and Miscellaneous increased by 0.1 point or 0.1%.

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**Table 1. Group Indices for June 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: 2007</b>										
January	128.2	104.9	127.2	108.9	101.4	84.0	115.2	123.6	114.3	<b>118.2</b>
February	127.5	105.1	127.3	106.9	101.9	83.9	114.5	127.1	114.8	<b>118.1</b>
March	127.5	107.1	127.4	108.4	102.5	82.9	114.1	127.3	114.7	<b>118.2</b>
<b>1st. Qrt. Average</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>105.7</b>	<b>127.3</b>	<b>108.0</b>	<b>101.9</b>	<b>83.6</b>	<b>114.6</b>	<b>126.0</b>	<b>114.6</b>	<b>118.2</b>
April	126.9	106.9	127.1	109.8	103.1	83.1	114.5	127.5	114.7	<b>118.2</b>
May	127.3	107.4	127.5	114.7	104.1	82.9	115.0	127.0	115.8	<b>119.0</b>
June	129.2	108.0	127.6	121.0	103.7	84.2	115.2	127.2	115.9	<b>120.1</b>
<b>2nd. Qrt. Average</b>	<b>127.8</b>	<b>107.4</b>	<b>127.4</b>	<b>115.2</b>	<b>103.6</b>	<b>83.4</b>	<b>114.9</b>	<b>127.2</b>	<b>115.5</b>	<b>119.1</b>

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

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

GROUP	Weights	May 2007 GROUP INDEX	June 2007		
			GROUP INDEX	Change over May 2007	
				Points	%
1. FOOD	3,379	127.3	129.2	1.9	1.5
2. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	373	107.4	108.0	0.6	0.6
3. HOUSING	1,227	127.5	127.6	0.1	0.1
4. FUEL AND LIGHT	634	114.7	121.0	6.3	5.5
5. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS AND SUPPLIES	1,014	104.1	103.7	-0.4	-0.4
6. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	344	82.9	84.2	1.3	1.6
7. TRANSPORTATION	1,703	115.0	115.2	0.2	0.2
8. MEDICAL AND PERSONAL CARE	585	127.0	127.2	0.2	0.2
9. EDUCATION, RECREATION AND MISCELLANEOUS	741	115.8	115.9	0.1	0.1
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>119.0</b>	<b>120.1</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>0.9</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	118.1	0.5	0.7	4.5	7.9	4.5
March	98.5	100.2	100.4	104.9	113.2	118.2	1.7	0.2	4.5	7.9	4.4
April	98.5	100.3	100.4	106.9	113.8	118.2	1.8	0.1	6.5	6.5	3.9
May	98.2	100.8	100.7	107.5	115.1	119.0	2.6	-0.1	6.8	7.1	3.4
June	98.4	101.0	101.8	107.4	115.8	120.1	2.6	0.8	5.5	7.8	3.7
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	116.8	-	1.6	2.0	6.7	6.8
March	-	99.1	100.5	102.9	110.1	117.2	-	1.4	2.4	7.0	6.4
April	-	99.2	100.5	103.4	110.7	117.6	-	1.3	2.9	7.1	6.2
May	-	99.4	100.5	104.0	111.3	117.9	-	1.1	3.5	7.0	5.9
June *	99.0	99.7	100.6	104.5	112.0	118.2	0.7	0.9	3.9	7.2	5.5
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.

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**ALL ITEMS June 2006 -June 2007**

