



CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MONTHLY STATISTICAL BULLETIN



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The Consumer Price Index registered a 0.7 percent increase during the month of June 2011. The “All Items” index stood at 103.6 compared with 102.9 for May 2011. The “point-to-point” inflation rate was recorded as 3.1 percent.

Six (6) groups recorded increases during the month: “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (1.3 percent), “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” (1.1 percent), “Recreation and Culture” (0.5 percent), “Clothing and Footwear” (0.2 percent), “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics” (0.2 percent) and “Transport” (0.2 percent).

Two (2) groups recorded decreases during the month: “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” (0.1 percent) and “Health” (0.1 percent). Four (4) groups remained unchanged: “Communication”, “Education” and “Restaurants and Hotels” and “Miscellaneous Goods and Services”

The group index “Food & Non Alcoholic Beverages” increased by 1.3 percent due to increases in the price of several items:- string beans (27.4 percent), instant yeast (26.7 percent), tomatoes (25.8 percent), baguette - white bread (16.7 percent), milk-powdered-skimmed (15.1 percent), black pepper (14.4 percent), carrots (11.2 percent), cucumber (10.2 percent), cornflakes (8.7 percent), rolls-white (8.3 percent), small loaf – whole wheat (7.7 percent), corned beef (7.0 percent), soya bean oil (6.6 percent) and chicken – leg quarters (5.4 percent)

The index for the group “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas & Other fuels” increased by 1.1 percent due mainly to an increase of 6.3 percent in the cost of electricity. This higher cost resulted from an increase in the fuel surcharge rate to 54.4 cent per kilowatt hour for the month of June 2011 compared to 48.2 cent per kilowatt hour for the month of May 2011.

The 0.5 percent increase in the index for “Recreation and Culture” is due mainly to a 92.1 percent increase in the price of a 500 pieces jigsaw puzzle.

The group “Clothing and Footwear” increased by 0.2 percent due mainly to a 9.1 percent increase in the price of long jeans for men.

“Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics” grew by 0.2 percent as a result of a 8.4 percent increase in the price of vodka.

The “Transport’ index increased by 0.2 percent due mainly to a 17.4 percent increase in airfare from St. Vincent to London.

TABLE 1
AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS

ITEM	UNIT OF QUANTITY	AVERAGE PRICE		CHANGE IN PRICE	PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN PRICE
		EC\$			
		JUNE 2011	MAY 2011		
INCREASED					
Cornflakes	18oz box	11.76	10.82	0.94	8.69
Small loaf, whole wheat	5 in pk	3.50	3.25	0.25	7.69
Baguette, white bread	Each	3.50	3.00	0.50	16.67
Rolls, white	6 in pk	3.25	3.00	0.25	8.33
Chicken, leg quarters	Lb	2.93	2.78	0.15	5.40
Corned beef	340g tin	6.10	5.70	0.40	7.02
Milk, powdered, skimmed	Lb	8.93	7.76	1.17	15.08
Soyabean oil	1 litre bot.	11.65	10.93	0.72	6.59
String beans	Lb	3.53	2.77	0.76	27.44
Tomatoes	Lb	4.29	3.41	0.88	25.81
Carrots	Lb	5.07	4.56	0.51	11.18
Cucumber	Lb	3.02	2.74	0.28	10.22
Black pepper	1/4Lb pkt.	2.31	2.02	0.29	14.36
Instant Yeast	500g pkt.	10.95	8.64	2.31	26.74
Vodka	750ml bot.	31.57	29.13	2.44	8.38
Men jeans, size 36	Each	60.00	55.00	5.00	9.09
Electricity consumption	140KWh	146.13	137.47	8.66	6.30
Oil filters	Each	41.30	36.09	5.21	14.44
Passenger transport by air - St. Vincent to London	1 month	3452.70	2941.70	511.00	17.37
Jigsaw puzzle	500 pcs.	15.00	7.81	7.19	92.06
Dominoes, double set	28 pcs	17.66	15.00	2.66	17.73
Disposable diapers, large	10 pk	13.95	12.95	1.00	7.72
Conditioner	15fl.oz	7.95	7.08	0.87	12.29
DECREASED					
Bacon	454g	18.65	19.98	-1.33	-6.66
Hotdog	12oz pkt.	7.81	8.51	-0.70	-8.23
Oranges	Lb	3.04	3.26	-0.22	-6.75
Red apple, English apple	Lb	4.99	5.79	-0.80	-13.82
Pine apple	Each	10.26	18.06	-7.80	-43.19
Sweet potatoes	Lb	2.01	2.22	-0.21	-9.46
Red kidney beans	400g pk.	6.2	7.44	-1.24	-16.67
Green bananas	Lb	0.90	0.94	-0.04	-4.26
Dasheen	Lb	2.01	2.15	-0.14	-6.51
English potatoes	Lb	2.53	2.65	-0.12	-4.53
Flourescent lighting tubes		8.24	8.88	-0.64	-7.21
Bleach	709ml	6.19	6.42	-0.23	-3.58
Drugs for Diabetes	1 month's supply	13.61	14.18	-0.57	-4.02
Engine coolant	1 gal	24.70	25.74	-1.04	-4.04

TABLE 2
AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS
JUNE 2011 COMPARED WITH JUNE 2010

TABLE 2

ITEMS	UNIT OF QUANTITY	AVERAGE EC\$		CHANGE IN PRICE	PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN PRICE
		JUNE 2011	JUNE 2010		
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES					
Beef - Fresh	Lb.	8.00	8.00	0.00	0.00
Chicken - Whole	Lb.	6.50	6.02	0.48	7.97
Chicken - Leg Quarters	Lb.	2.93	2.52	0.41	16.27
Chicken - Backs	Lb.	1.60	1.53	0.07	4.58
Chicken - Wings	Lb.	4.81	4.36	0.45	10.32
Turkey Wings	Lb.	3.55	3.33	0.22	6.61
Fish - Fresh (Deep Sea)	Lb.	9.00	8.00	1.00	12.50
Fish - Fresh (Jacks)	Lb.	2.72	3.54	-0.82	-23.16
Fish - Fresh (Robins)	Lb.	3.50	3.50	0.00	0.00
Chicken Franks	340 g Pk	5.01	4.95	0.06	1.21
Luncheon Meat (pork)	340 g	7.20	7.35	-0.15	-2.04
Codfish	Lb.	12.75	12.46	0.29	2.33
Cornflakes	12 oz	11.64	11.79	-0.15	-1.27
Pasta - Elbows	340 g	3.84	3.69	0.15	4.07
Milk - Evaporated	410g Tin	2.79	2.85	-0.06	-2.11
Milk - Condensed	397g Tin	3.25	3.25	0.00	0.00
Bread- Small Loaf, white	5 Pk	1.91	1.84	0.07	3.80
Bread - Large Sliced Pan Loaf (white)	Each	4.20	4.10	0.10	2.44
Eggs	Doz	8.90	7.94	0.96	12.09
Orange Juice	19 oz Tin	6.76	6.77	-0.01	-0.15
Brown Sugar	Lb.	1.39	1.25	0.14	11.20
Sugar - White (loose)	Lb.	2.11	1.90	0.21	11.05
Flour - Loose	Lb.	1.28	1.18	0.10	8.47
Flour - Packaged (white)	2 kg	6.75	6.75	0.00	0.00
Flour - Packaged (wholewheat)	2 kg	6.92	7.13	-0.21	-2.95
Rice - Loose	Lb.	1.79	1.79	0.00	0.00
Rice - Package	2 kg	9.23	9.23	0.00	0.00
Bananas	Lb.	1.37	1.03	0.34	33.01
Breadfruit	Lb.	2.27	2.68	-0.41	-15.30
Eddoes	Lb.	2.30	2.03	0.27	13.30
Dasheens	Lb.	2.01	1.85	0.16	8.65
Sweet Potatoes	Lb.	2.01	2.20	-0.19	-8.64
Oranges	Each	0.80	0.74	0.06	8.11
Tomatoes	Lb.	4.29	7.39	-3.10	-41.95
Cooking Margarine	445g Tub	7.16	6.95	0.21	3.02
Vegetable Oil	1 Litre	9.87	9.35	0.52	5.56
Powdered Chocolate	300g Pk	9.00	8.99	0.01	0.11
Hairoun Fruit Cocktail (not cold)	280 ml Bottle	2.22	2.06	0.16	7.77
Vitamalt	310 ml Bottle	5.10	5.11	-0.01	-0.20

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		JUNE 2011	JUNE 2010		
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO & NARCOTICS					
Rum - Local (white)	750 ml Bot.	26.88	27.23	-0.35	-1.29
Beer - Local	280ml Bottle	4.09	4.15	-0.06	-1.45
Cigarettes - Local	Pkt. (10)	2.73	2.56	0.17	6.64
Gonsalves Black Wine	26 oz Bottle	16.26	16.26	0.00	0.00
CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR					
Textile material - Terelyne	Yd.	47.95	51.69	-3.74	-7.24
Textile material - Linen	Yd.	16.95	12.95	4.00	30.89
Men's Shirts - Long Sleeve	Each	64.95	64.95	0.00	0.00
Men's Jeans (long) - size 30	Each	36.56	45.00	-8.44	-18.76
Men's Shoes -Formal	Pair	69.95	69.95	0.00	0.00
Women's Shoes - Formal	Pair	89.95	79.50	10.45	13.14
Women's 2Pc Skirtsuit (polyester) large	Each	90.71	89.95	0.76	0.84
Women's Blouse (cotton/Spandex)	Each	19.98	26.95	-6.97	-25.86
HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY GAS AND OTHER FUELS					
Rent :	1Month				
Unfurnished house -2 Bedroom	1Month	546.43	546.43	0.00	0.00
Unfurnished house -3 Bedroom	1Month	612.50	612.50	0.00	0.00
Furnished Apartment- 2 Bedroom	1Month	791.67	791.67	0.00	0.00
Cement - Portland (grey)	94 Lbs	21.83	21.98	-0.15	-0.68
Galvanise Sheets 10 ft.	1 Length	80.56	78.37	2.19	2.79
Oil Paint	1 Gal.	97.00	97.00	0.00	0.00
Lumber -Dressed Treated Yellow Pine (1x12x12)	1 Length	67.75	68.75	-1.00	-1.45
Water - Consumption Charge	5000 Gals.	32.50	32.50	0.00	0.00
Kerosene	1 Gal.	12.18	9.22	2.96	32.10
Charcoal	1 Sack	40.00	40.00	0.00	0.00
Cooking Gas	20 Lb. Cyl.	37.50	37.50	0.00	0.00
Electricity consumption charge	140 KWH	146.13	119.58	26.55	22.20
FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE					
Bed - Cherry 54"x75"	Each	1,150.00	1,150.00	0.00	0.00
Sheets -double - coloured/cotton	Each	88.80	88.80	0.00	0.00
Frying Pan - 12" - non-stick	Each	49.95	49.95	0.00	0.00
Laundry soap	Each	1.21	1.21	0.00	0.00
Electrical Bulb - 60W	Each	4.46	4.47	-0.01	-0.22

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HEALTH					
Doctor's Fee - Gynaecologist	1 Visit	50.00	50.00	0.00	0.00
Eye Care	1 Test	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
Hospitalisation (Private Ward)	1 Day	75.00	75.00	0.00	0.00
Drug for Hypertension	1 Mth supply	3.50	3.74	-0.24	-6.42
Drug for Diabetes	1 Mth supply	13.61	14.57	-0.96	-6.59
Cough, cold preparation	125 ml.	15.69	16.41	-0.72	-4.39
Dental Care	1 Visit	99.17	98.33	0.84	0.85
Chest X- ray	1 Test	100.00	90.00	10.00	11.11
TRANSPORT					
Petrol - Unleaded	1 Gal.	13.60	11.81	1.79	15.16
Vehicle License (car) - not exd. 2000 lbs	1 Year	470.00	410.00	60.00	14.63
Bus Fare - Mesopotamia	One Way	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00
Boat Fare - Bequia	One Way	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
COMMUNICATION					
Telephone service - rental of line- domestic	1 Month	23.46	23.46	0.00	0.00
Telephone - Consumption Charge	226 Units	18.08	18.08	0.00	0.00
Internet charge	1 Month	101.70	101.70	0.00	0.00
Fixed Line domestic rate- peak	1 Minute	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.00
Mobile to mobile- domestic	1 Minute	0.75	0.75	0.00	0.00
RECREATION AND CULTURE					
Television 26 " Flat panel	Each	1,999.00	1,999.00	0.00	0.00
Cable TV Basic Charge	1 Month	74.75	74.75	0.00	0.00
Laptop Computer -13.3 " screen 2 GB	Each	4,178.94	4,399.00	-220.06	-5.00
Desktop Computer - 14" Monitor 3 GB	Each	1,899.00	1,999.00	-100.00	-5.00
Car Remote Control	Each	308.45	395.00	-86.55	-21.91
Dog Food (Canned)	374 g Tin	3.00	3.00	0.00	0.00
Dance Admission to Night Club	Per Person	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
Carnival costume and Band Fees (Adult)	Each	300.00	275.00	25.00	9.09

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ITEMS	UNIT OF QUANTITY	AVERAGE PRICE EC\$		CHANGE IN PRICE	PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN PRICE
		JUNE 2011	JUNE 2010		
EDUCATION					
Pre-Primary - Private	1 Month	205.00	205.00	0.00	0.00
Primary School Fee - Private	1 Term	650.00	650.00	0.00	0.00
Secondary School Fee - Private	1 Term	125.00	125.00	0.00	0.00
Newspaper - Local	Each	1.33	1.00	0.33	33.00
Exercise Book - Primary - 24 leaves	Each	0.50	0.60	-0.10	-16.67
Lead Pencils	Each	0.42	0.45	-0.03	-6.67
Mathematics Textbook - From 4	Each	73.53	73.53	0.00	0.00
Tuition for local evening classes	1 Subject	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS					
Chicken Lunch - regular	Each	13.39	12.23	1.16	9.48
Fish Lunch - regular	Each	15.32	15.32	0.00	0.00
Fast Food - 2 Pc Chicken and Fries	Each	15.45	15.45	0.00	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES					
Toilet Soap	Each	3.30	3.12	0.18	5.77
Toothpaste	130g tube	9.25	9.25	0.00	0.00
Men's Haircut	1 Visit	10.00	10.00	0.00	0.00
Women's Hairdressing (Relaxer)	1 Visit	64.81	64.81	0.00	0.00
Disposable Diapers medium	10 per Pk.	12.70	12.71	-0.01	-0.08
Health Insurance - group (family)	≥3 Ppersons	278.70	278.70	0.00	0.00
Legal Expenses (Affidavit)	Fee	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00

TABLE 3
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY MAIN GROUPS
JANUARY 2010 = 100

	GROUP	WEIGHT	MAY 2011	JUNE 2011	JUNE 2010	PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER PREVIOUS:	
						MONTH MAY	YEAR JUNE
01.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	103.5	104.9	102.1	1.4	2.7
02.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	100.7	100.9	100.3	0.2	0.6
03.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	100.4	100.5	100.1	0.1	0.4
04.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	102.5	103.6	99.7	1.1	3.9
05.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	99.2	99.1	100.1	-0.1	-1.0
06.	Health	1.79	99.1	99.0	99.7	-0.1	-0.7
07.	Transport	11.84	110.0	110.2	100.9	0.2	9.2
08.	Communication	9.41	102.1	102.1	101.3	0.0	0.8
09.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	100.9	101.4	99.5	0.5	1.9
10.	Education	1.32	106.0	106.0	100.0	0.0	6.0
11.	Restaurants and Hotels	1.87	102.0	102.0	100.0	0.0	2.0
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	99.9	99.9	99.8	0.0	0.1
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	103.0	103.7	100.6	0.7	3.1

COICOP Groups Percentage Change for June 2011

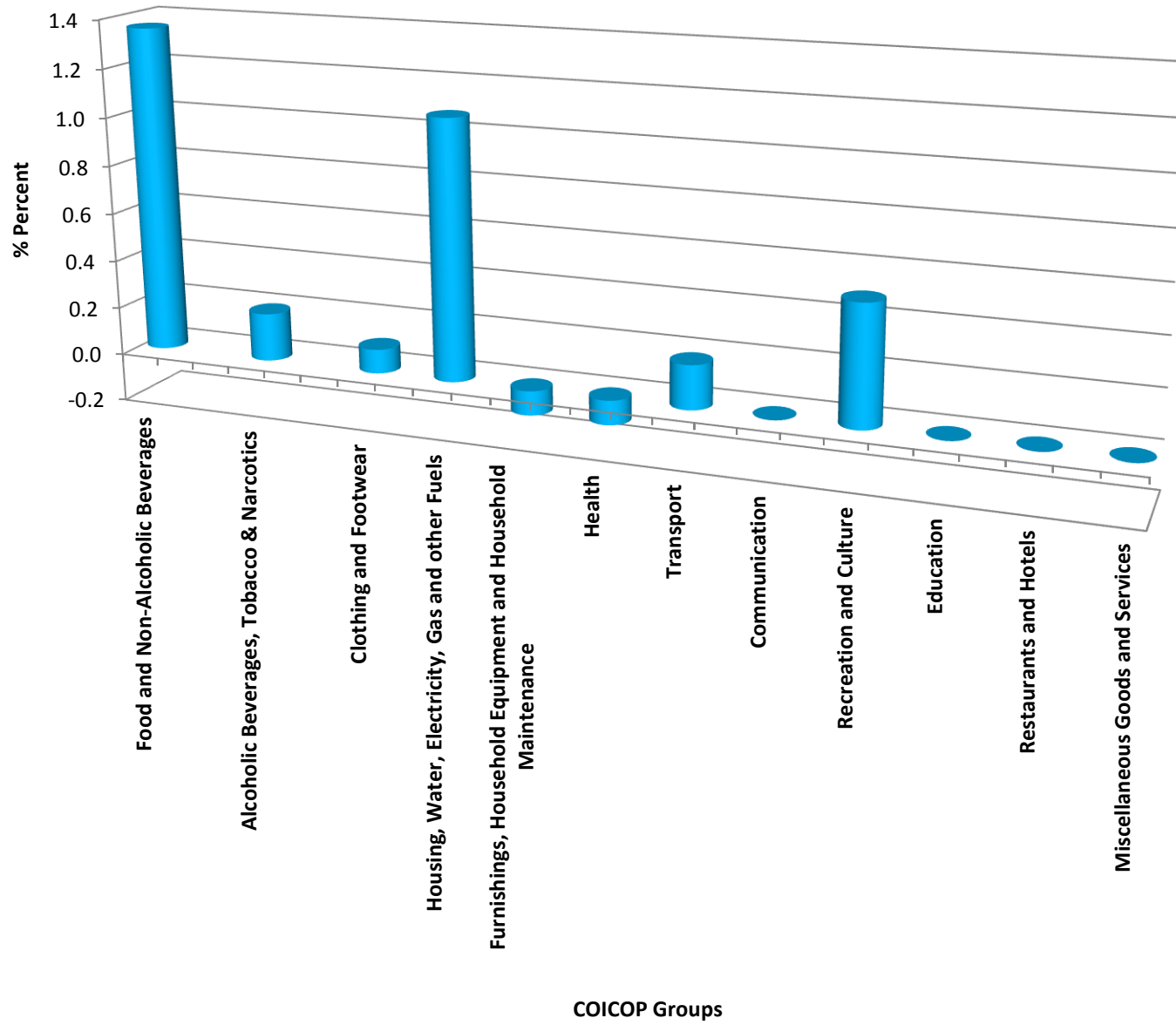


TABLE 4
THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY MAIN GROUPS
JANUARY 2010 = 100
CONTRIBUTION TO CHANGE

	GROUP	WEIGHT	MAY 2011	JUNE 2011	Percentage Change	Cost Weight		Change in Cost Weight	Contribution to Change %
						MAY 2011	JUNE 2011		
1.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	103.5	104.9	1.4	2,267.69	2,298.36	30.7	43.8
2.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	100.7	100.9	0.2	389.71	390.48	0.8	1.1
3.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	100.4	100.5	0.1	323.29	323.61	0.3	0.5
4.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	102.5	103.6	1.1	3,081.15	3,114.22	33.1	47.2
5.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	99.2	99.1	-0.1	653.73	653.07	-0.7	-0.9
6.	Health	1.79	99.1	99.0	-0.1	177.39	177.21	-0.2	-0.3
7.	Transport	11.84	110.0	110.2	0.2	1,302.40	1,304.77	2.4	3.4
8.	Communication	9.41	102.1	102.1	0.0	960.76	960.76	0.0	0.0
9.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	100.9	101.4	0.5	384.43	386.33	1.9	2.7
10.	Education	1.32	106.0	106.0	0.0	139.92	139.92	0.0	0.0
11.	Restaurants and Hotels	1.87	102.0	102.0	0.0	190.74	190.74	0.0	0.0
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	99.9	99.9	0.0	430.57	430.57	0.0	0.0
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	103.0	103.7	0.7	10300.00	10370.00	70.0	100.0

TABLE 5
MONTHLY INDEX - 2011
 JANUARY 2010 = 100

GROUP	ALL ITEMS	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages Tobacco & Narcotics	Clothing & Footwear	Housing Water Electricity Gas and Fuels	Furnishings Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants and Hotels	Miscellaneous Goods and Services
WEIGHT	100.00	21.91	3.87	3.22	30.06	6.59	1.79	11.84	9.41	3.81	1.32	1.87	4.31
MONTH													
January	101.7	103.5	100.3	100.3	100.0	99.6	99.5	105.5	101.6	100.9	106.0	102.3	100.0
February	101.8	103.5	100.2	100.1	100.6	99.7	99.1	104.6	102.1	101.0	106.0	101.8	100.1
March	102.0	102.7	100.2	100.2	100.8	99.5	98.7	107.5	102.1	100.6	106.0	101.7	100.0
April	102.7	102.3	100.3	100.2	102.9	99.9	99.1	109.0	102.1	100.9	106.0	101.7	99.8
May	103.0	103.5	100.7	100.4	102.5	99.2	99.1	110.0	102.1	100.9	106.0	102.0	99.9
June	103.7	104.9	100.9	100.5	103.6	99.1	99.0	110.2	102.1	101.4	106.0	102.0	99.9