



# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MONTHLY STATISTICAL BULLETIN



**THE STATISTICAL OFFICE  
CENTRAL PLANNING DIVISION  
MINISTRY OF FINANCE & PLANNING  
ST VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES**

*Tel: 784 457 2921, 456 1111 Ext 592/377,*

*Fax: 784 456 2430,*

*Email: [svg.stats@mail.gov.vc](mailto:svg.stats@mail.gov.vc)*

*Website: <http://www.stats.gov.vc>*

**Vol. 5 No. 1**

**January 2015**

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

|  | <u>Page No.</u> |
|--|-----------------|
| Analysis –   | 1               |
| Table No.  |                 |
| 1 Average Retail Price of Selected Items   | 3               |
| 2 Average Retail Price of Selected Items JANUARY 2015 compared with JANUARY 2014 | 4               |
| 3 The Consumer Price Index by main groups  | 8               |
| 4 The Consumer Price Index contribution to change by Groups                      | 10              |
| 5 Monthly Items by Group   | 11              |
| Chart No.  |                 |
| 1 COICOP Percentage Change for the Month of JANUARY 2014                         | 9               |

\* \* \*

## **JANUARY 2015**

The Consumer Price Index registered an increase of 0.2 percent for the month of January 2015. The “All Items” index was recorded as 107.5 for the month of January in comparison to 107.3 for the month of December 2014. The “point-to-point” inflation rate was recorded as negative 0.2 percent.

Three (3) groups recorded increases during the month: “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” (0.9 percent), “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (0.2 percent) and “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” (0.2 percent). Four (4) groups recorded decreases during the month: “Transport” (0.1 percent), “Health” (0.1 percent), “Restaurants and Hotels” (0.2 percent) and “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics (0.6 percent). Five (5) groups remained unchanged, “Clothing and Footwear”, “Communication”, “Recreation and Culture”, “Education” and “Miscellaneous Goods and Services”.

The group index for “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” increased by 0.9 percent due mainly to an increase in the price of electricity. This increase in cost is a result of an increase in the fuel surcharge rate which moved from 40.56 cents per kilowatt hour for December 2014 to 45.49 cents per kilowatt hour for January 2015.

The 0.2 percent increase in the “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” index is due to an increase in the price of several food items: kidney beans (22.6 percent), salami (13.3 percent), sliced cheese (8.3 percent), condensed milk (8.2 percent), breadfruit (6.8 percent), mustard (6.5 percent), curry powder (6.3 percent), fresh pig tail (4.8 percent), tomatoes (3.9 percent) and chicken drumsticks (2.5 percent).

The index for “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” grew by 0.2 percent due mainly to a 27.8 percent increase in the price of a top load washer and a 12.1 percent increase in the price of a window cleaner.

The decline of 0.6 percent in the group index for “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics is due mainly to a decrease in the price of cigarettes (4.9 percent), imported beer (3.3 percent) and a stout (3.1 percent).

The “Transport” index declined by 0.1 percent due to a decrease in the price of airfare from St Vincent and the Grenadines to New York (20.0 percent) and St. Lucia (18.5 percent), as well as a reduction in the price of petrol (7.9 percent) and diesel (7.2 percent).

Meanwhile, the decline of 0.1 percent in the group index for “Health” is due mainly to a decrease of 3.4 percent in the price for pain relievers.

**TABLE 1**  
**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS**

| ITEM  | UNIT<br>OF<br>QUANTITY   | AVERAGE PRICE   |                  | CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
|   |                          | EC\$            |                  |                       |                                     |
|   |                          | JANUARY<br>2015 | DECEMBER<br>2014 |                       |                                     |
| <b>INCREASED</b>  |                          |                 |                  |                       |                                     |
| Pig tail, fresh   | Lb                       | 5.20            | 4.96             | 0.24                  | 4.84                                |
| Chicken, drumsticks                                     | Lb                       | 3.27            | 3.19             | 0.08                  | 2.51                                |
| Salami  | 150g pk                  | 4.69            | 4.14             | 0.55                  | 13.29                               |
| Condensed milk  | 395g tin                 | 5.95            | 5.50             | 0.45                  | 8.18                                |
| Sliced cheese   | 200g, 12pk               | 8.63            | 7.97             | 0.66                  | 8.28                                |
| Breadfruit  | Lb                       | 2.66            | 2.49             | 0.17                  | 6.83                                |
| Tomatoes  | Lb                       | 4.28            | 4.12             | 0.16                  | 3.88                                |
| Kidney beans  | 16oz pk                  | 6.99            | 5.70             | 1.29                  | 22.63                               |
| Pigeon peas   | 454g pk                  | 5.55            | 5.38             | 0.17                  | 3.16                                |
| Mustard   | 16oz bottle              | 7.23            | 6.79             | 0.44                  | 6.48                                |
| Curry powder  | 1/4Lb                    | 2.18            | 2.05             | 0.13                  | 6.34                                |
| Steel rods, 1/2 inch                                    | 1 length                 | 19.37           | 18.89            | 0.48                  | 2.54                                |
| Electricity consumption                                 | 140Kwh                   | 133.69          | 126.78           | 6.91                  | 5.45                                |
| Top load washer   | Each                     | 2,299.00        | 1,799.00         | 500.00                | 27.79                               |
| Window cleaner  | 768ml bottle             | 24.60           | 21.95            | 2.65                  | 12.07                               |
| <b>DECREASED</b>  |                          |                 |                  |                       |                                     |
| Corn meal   | Lb                       | 2.39            | 2.56             | -0.17                 | -6.64                               |
| Pig tail, salted  | Lb                       | 7.04            | 7.39             | -0.35                 | -4.74                               |
| Pumpkin   | Lb                       | 2.13            | 2.37             | -0.24                 | -10.13                              |
| Green pigeon peas                                       | Lb                       | 10.93           | 9.45             | 1.48                  | 15.66                               |
| Sweet potatoes  | Lb                       | 2.24            | 2.02             | 0.22                  | 10.89                               |
| Tomatoes  | 14.5oz tin               | 3.55            | 2.45             | 1.10                  | 44.90                               |
| Stout   | 275ml bottle             | 5.59            | 5.42             | 0.17                  | 3.14                                |
| Beer  | 250ml bottle             | 5.30            | 5.13             | 0.17                  | 3.31                                |
| Cigarette   | pk of 10                 | 3.66            | 3.49             | 0.17                  | 4.87                                |
| Pain relievers, 200mg                                   | 24 tablets per<br>bottle | 14.99           | 15.52            | -0.53                 | -3.41                               |
| Petrol  | 1 gallon                 | 12.72           | 13.81            | -1.09                 | -7.89                               |
| Diesel  | 1 gallon                 | 12.91           | 13.91            | -1.00                 | -7.19                               |
| Passenger airfare from St. Vincent & the Grenadines to: |                          |                 |                  |                       |                                     |
| St. Lucia   | 1 way                    | 399.25          | 489.97           | -90.72                | -18.52                              |
| New York  | 1 month                  | 2755.10         | 3443.70          | -688.60               | -20.00                              |
| Accommodation - Halls of Residence:                     |                          |                 |                  |                       |                                     |
| Mona - single room                                      | 1 semester               | 2464.36         | 2760.13          | -295.77               | -10.72                              |
| St. Augustine - single room                             | 1 semester               | 2270.86         | 2609.91          | -339.05               | -12.99                              |

**TABLE 2**  
**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS**  
**JANUARY 2015 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 2014**

| ITEMS                                   | UNIT<br>OF<br>QUANTITY | AVERAGE<br>EC\$ |                 | CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
|   |                        | JANUARY<br>2015 | JANUARY<br>2014 |                       |                                     |
| <b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b> |                        |                 |                 |                       |                                     |
| Beef - Fresh                            | Lb.                    | 8.00            | 8.00            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Chicken - Whole                         | Lb.                    | 6.27            | 6.24            | 0.03                  | 0.48                                |
| Chicken - Leg Quarters                  | Lb.                    | 2.87            | 2.99            | -0.12                 | -4.01                               |
| Chicken - Backs                         | Lb.                    | 1.66            | 1.73            | -0.07                 | -4.05                               |
| Chicken - Wings                         | Lb.                    | 5.06            | 4.89            | 0.17                  | 3.48                                |
| Turkey Wings                            | Lb.                    | 3.85            | 3.51            | 0.34                  | 9.69                                |
| Fish - Fresh (Deep Sea)                 | Lb.                    | 9.00            | 9.00            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Fish - Fresh (Jacks)                    | Lb.                    | 5.00            | 5.00            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Fish - Fresh (Robins)                   | Lb.                    | 4.00            | 5.00            | -1.00                 | -20.00                              |
| Chicken Franks                          | 340 g Pk               | 5.28            | 5.39            | -0.11                 | -2.04                               |
| Luncheon Meat (pork)                    | 340 g                  | 7.60            | 7.93            | -0.33                 | -4.16                               |
| Codfish                                 | Lb.                    | 14.55           | 14.18           | 0.37                  | 2.61                                |
| Cornflakes                              | 12 oz                  | 12.76           | 12.35           | 0.41                  | 3.32                                |
| Pasta - Elbows                          | 340 g                  | 4.21            | 4.15            | 0.06                  | 1.45                                |
| Milk - Evaporated                       | 410g Tin               | 3.39            | 3.24            | 0.15                  | 4.63                                |
| Milk - Condensed                        | 397g Tin               | 3.54            | 3.31            | 0.23                  | 6.95                                |
| Bread- Small Loaf, white                | 5 Pk                   | 1.99            | 1.99            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Bread - Large Sliced Pan Loaf (white)   | Each                   | 4.25            | 4.25            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Eggs                                    | Doz                    | 8.79            | 8.85            | -0.06                 | -0.68                               |
| Orange Juice                            | 19 oz Tin              | 7.76            | 7.45            | 0.31                  | 4.16                                |
| Sugar - Brown ( loose)                  | Lb.                    | 1.42            | 1.54            | -0.12                 | -7.79                               |
| Sugar - White ( loose)                  | Lb.                    | 1.74            | 1.89            | -0.15                 | -7.94                               |
| Flour - Loose                           | Lb.                    | 1.40            | 1.42            | -0.02                 | -1.41                               |
| Flour - Packaged ( white)               | 2 kg                   | 6.75            | 6.75            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Flour - Packaged ( wholewheat)          | 2 kg                   | 7.39            | 7.39            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Rice - Loose                            | Lb.                    | 1.78            | 1.78            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Rice - Package                          | 2 kg                   | 9.20            | 9.20            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Bananas                                 | Lb.                    | 1.31            | 1.33            | -0.02                 | -1.50                               |
| Breadfruit                              | Lb.                    | 2.66            | 2.69            | -0.03                 | -1.12                               |
| Eddoes                                  | Lb.                    | 2.77            | 1.65            | 1.12                  | 67.88                               |
| Dasheens                                | Lb.                    | 1.90            | 1.72            | 0.18                  | 10.47                               |
| Sweet Potatoes                          | Lb.                    | 2.02            | 1.84            | 0.18                  | 9.78                                |
| Oranges                                 | Each                   | 0.73            | 0.80            | -0.07                 | -8.75                               |
| Tomatoes                                | Lb.                    | 4.28            | 5.62            | -1.34                 | -23.84                              |
| Cooking Margarine                       | 445g Tub               | 7.90            | 7.80            | 0.10                  | 1.28                                |
| Vegetable Oil                           | 1 Litre                | 10.54           | 10.54           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Powdered Chocolate                      | 300g Pk                | 10.46           | 10.41           | 0.05                  | 0.48                                |
| Hairoun Fruit Cocktail ( not cold)      | 280 ml Bottle          | 2.26            | 2.24            | 0.02                  | 0.89                                |
| Vitamalt                                | 310 ml Bottle          | 5.60            | 5.61            | -0.01                 | -0.18                               |

**TABLE 2 Cont'd**  
**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS**  
**JANUARY 2015 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 2014**

| ITEMS  | UNIT<br>OF<br>QUANTITY | AVERAGE PRICE<br>EC\$ |                 | CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  |                        | JANUARY<br>2015       | JANUARY<br>2014 |                       |                                     |
| <b>ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO<br/>&amp; NARCOTICS</b>                  |                        |                       |                 |                       |                                     |
| Rum - Local (White)  | 750 ml Bot.            | 29.02                 | 29.02           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Beer - Local   | 280 ml Bot.            | 4.48                  | 4.51            | -0.03                 | -0.67                               |
| Cigarettes   | Pkt. (10)              | 3.47                  | 3.47            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Table wine ( local )   | 26 oz Bot.             | 18.58                 | 18.10           | 0.48                  | 2.65                                |
| <b>CLOTHING &amp; FOOTWEAR</b>   |                        |                       |                 |                       |                                     |
| Textile material - Terelyne  | Yd.                    | 47.95                 | 47.95           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Textile material - Linen   | Yd.                    | 17.95                 | 17.95           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Men's Shirts - Long Sleeve   | Each                   | 69.95                 | 69.95           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Men's Jeans ( long) - size 30  | Each                   | 39.95                 | 34.07           | 5.88                  | 17.26                               |
| Men's Shoes -Formal  | Pair                   | 79.95                 | 79.95           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Women's Shoes - Formal   | Pair                   | 110.00                | 110.00          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Women's 2Pc Skirtsuit ( polyester) large                                 | Each                   | 100.00                | 100.55          | -0.55                 | -0.55                               |
| Women's Blouse ( cotton/Spandex)   | Each                   | 25.00                 | 24.65           | 0.35                  | 1.42                                |
| <b>HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY<br/>GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>               |                        |                       |                 |                       |                                     |
| Rent :   |                        |                       |                 |                       |                                     |
| Unfurnished House -2 Bedrooms  | 1Mth                   | 546.43                | 546.43          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Unfurnished House -3 Bedrooms  | 1Mth                   | 612.50                | 612.50          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Furnished Apartment - 2 Bedrooms   | 1Mth                   | 791.67                | 791.67          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Cement - Portland ( grey)  | 94 Lbs                 | 24.90                 | 24.75           | 0.15                  | 0.61                                |
| Galvanise Sheets 10 ft.  | 1 Length               | 86.38                 | 86.38           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Oil Paint  | 1 Gal.                 | 100.00                | 110.00          | -10.00                | -9.09                               |
| Lumber -Dressed Treated Yellow Pine (1x12x12)                            | 1 Length               | 68.07                 | 67.61           | 0.46                  | 0.68                                |
| Water - Consumption Charge   | 5000 Gals.             | 37.50                 | 37.50           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Kerosene   | 1 Gal.                 | 12.40                 | 13.93           | -1.53                 | -10.98                              |
| Charcoal   | 1 Sack                 | 40.00                 | 40.00           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Cooking Gas  | 20 Lb. Cyl.            | 44.56                 | 44.56           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Electricity Consumption Charge   | 140 KWH                | 133.69                | 147.78          | -14.09                | -9.53                               |
| <b>FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD<br/>EQUIPMENT AND HOUSEHOLD<br/>MAINTENANCE</b> |                        |                       |                 |                       |                                     |
| Bed - Cherry 54"x75"   | Each                   | 1,162.50              | 1,162.50        | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Double size sheets - coloured/cotton                                     | Each                   | 88.80                 | 88.80           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Frying Pan - 12" - non-stick   | Each                   | 52.76                 | 52.76           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Laundry Soap   | Each                   | 1.14                  | 1.14            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Electrical Bulb - 60W  | Each                   | 5.87                  | 5.26            | 0.61                  | 11.60                               |

**TABLE 2 Cont'd**  
**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS**  
**JANUARY 2015 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 2014**

| ITEMS  | UNIT OF QUANTITY | AVERAGE PRICE EC\$ |              | CHANGE IN PRICE | PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN PRICE |
|--|------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
|  |                  | JANUARY 2015       | JANUARY 2014 |                 |                            |
| <b>HEALTH</b>                                |                  |                    |              |                 |                            |
| 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               | 3.50         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| Drug for Diabetes                            | 1 Mth supply     | 13.70              | 14.10        | -0.40           | -2.84                      |
| Cough, Cold Preparation                      | 125 ml.          | 15.58              | 15.52        | 0.06            | 0.39                       |
| Dental Care                                  | 1 Visit          | 116.67             | 114.17       | 2.50            | 2.19                       |
| Chest X- ray                                 | 1 Test           | 120.00             | 110.00       | 10.00           | 9.09                       |
| <b>TRANSPORT</b>                             |                  |                    |              |                 |                            |
| Petrol - Unleaded                            | 1 Gal.           | 12.72              | 14.08        | -1.36           | -9.66                      |
| Vehicle License (car) - not exd. 2000 lbs    | 1 Year           | 14.70              | 470.00       | -455.30         | -96.87                     |
| Bus Fare - Mesopotamia                       | One Way          | 3.00               | 3.00         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| Boat Fare - Bequia                           | One Way          | 25.00              | 25.00        | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| <b>COMMUNICATION</b>                         |                  |                    |              |                 |                            |
| 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         | 0.78               | 0.73         | 0.05            | 6.85                       |
| <b>RECREATION AND CULTURE</b>                |                  |                    |              |                 |                            |
| 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             | 3,832.24           | 3,499.00     | 333.24          | 9.52                       |
| Desktop Computer - 14" Monitor 3 GB          | Each             | 2,071.45           | 1,891.32     | 180.13          | 9.52                       |
| Car Remote Control                           | Each             | 250.00             | 250.00       | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| Dog Food (Canned)                            | 374 g Tin        | 3.29               | 3.21         | 0.08            | 2.49                       |
| Dance Admission to Night Club                | Per Person       | 20.00              | 20.00        | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| Carnival costume and Band Fees (Adult)       | Each             | 250.00             | 300.00       | -50.00          | -16.67                     |



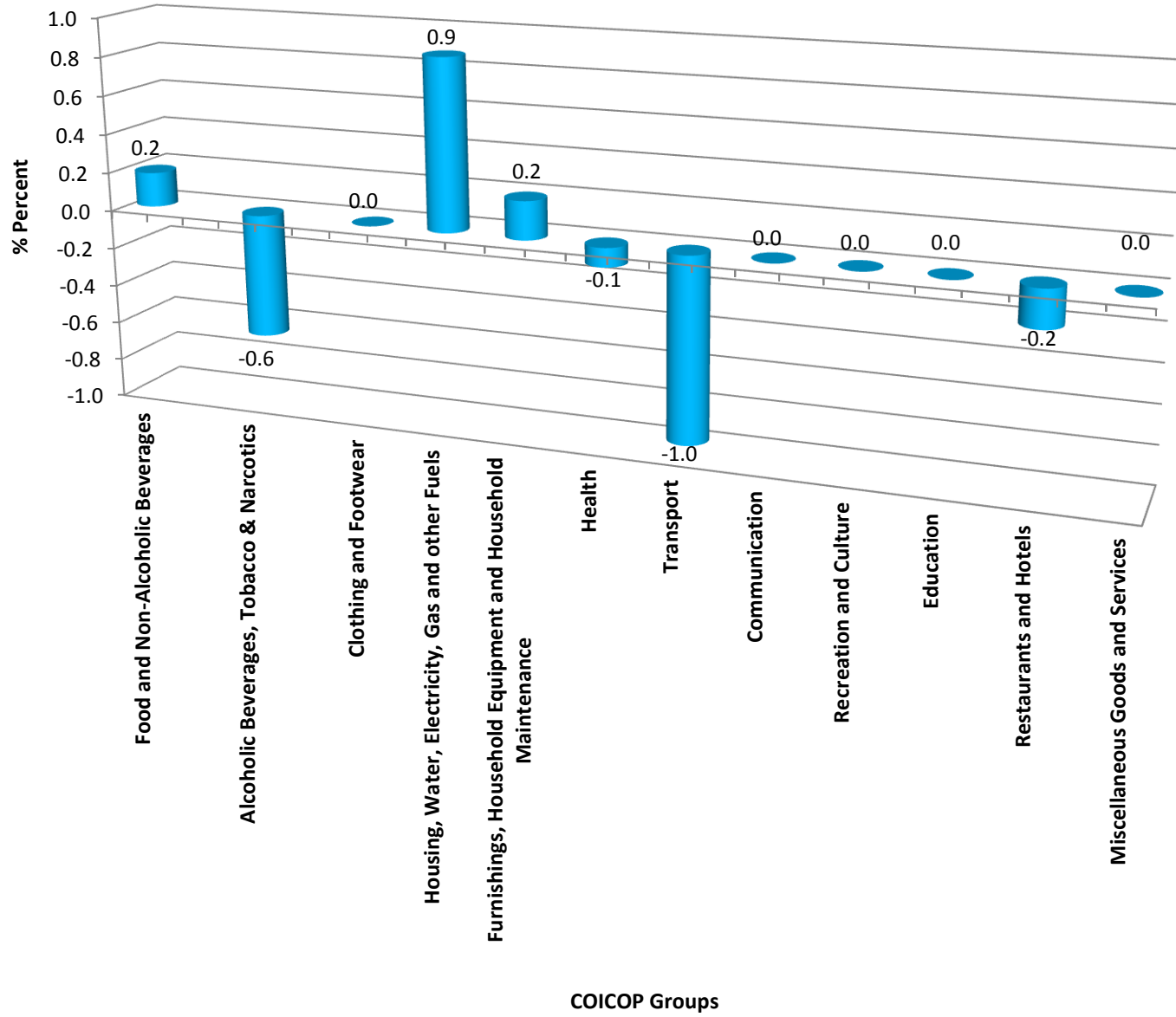
**TABLE 2 Cont'd**  
**AVERAGE RETAIL PRICE OF SELECTED ITEMS**  
**JANUARY 2015 COMPARED WITH JANUARY 2014**

| ITEMS                                       | UNIT<br>OF<br>QUANTITY | AVERAGE PRICE    |                 | CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE | PERCENTAGE<br>CHANGE<br>IN<br>PRICE |
|---|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
|   |                        | EC\$             |                 |                       |                                     |
|   |                        | DECEMBER<br>2014 | JANUARY<br>2014 |                       |                                     |
| <b>EDUCATION</b>                            |                        |                  |                 |                       |                                     |
| 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                 | 100.00           | 100.00          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Newspaper - Local                           | Each                   | 1.50             | 1.33            | 0.17                  | 12.78                               |
| Exercise Book - Primary - 24 leaves         | Each                   | 0.85             | 0.85            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Lead Pencils                                | Each                   | 0.92             | 0.92            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Mathematics Textbook - From 4               | Each                   | 80.16            | 74.60           | 5.56                  | 7.45                                |
| Tuition for local evening classes           | 1 Subject              | 100.00           | 100.00          | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| <b>RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS</b>               |                        |                  |                 |                       |                                     |
| Chicken Lunch - regular                     | Each                   | 13.86            | 13.86           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Fish Lunch - regular                        | Each                   | 15.10            | 15.10           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Fast Food - 2 Pc Chicken and Fries          | Each                   | 16.85            | 16.85           | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS GOODS<br/>AND SERVICES</b> |                        |                  |                 |                       |                                     |
| Toilet Soap                                 | 125g                   | 3.46             | 3.46            | 0.00                  | 0.00                                |
| Toothpaste                                  | 130g Tube              | 9.17             | 9.07            | 0.10                  | 1.10                                |
| 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.             | 12.77            | 12.88           | -0.11                 | -0.86                               |
| Health Insurance - Group (family)           | ≥3 Ppersons            | 307.00           | 278.70          | 28.30                 | 9.22                                |
| 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        | DECEMBER<br>2014 | JANUARY<br>2015 | JANUARY<br>2014 | PERCENTAGE CHANGE<br>OVER PREVIOUS: |                 |
|-----|--|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
|     |  |               |                  |                 |                 | MONTH<br>DECEMBER                   | YEAR<br>JANUARY |
| 01. | Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages                           | 21.91         | 112.7            | 112.9           | 113.0           | 0.2                                 | -0.1            |
| 02. | Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics                   | 3.87          | 109.8            | 109.1           | 109.2           | -0.6                                | -0.1            |
| 03. | Clothing and Footwear                                      | 3.22          | 102.8            | 102.8           | 105.5           | 0.0                                 | -2.6            |
| 04. | Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels           | 30.06         | 102.6            | 103.5           | 105.7           | 0.9                                 | -2.1            |
| 05. | Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance | 6.59          | 101.4            | 101.6           | 101.1           | 0.2                                 | 0.5             |
| 06. | Health   | 1.79          | 102.9            | 102.8           | 103.9           | -0.1                                | -1.1            |
| 07. | Transport  | 11.84         | 125.7            | 124.5           | 123.3           | -1.0                                | 1.0             |
| 08. | Communication  | 9.41          | 100.3            | 100.3           | 96.5            | 0.0                                 | 3.9             |
| 09. | Recreation and Culture                                     | 3.81          | 102.6            | 102.6           | 102.9           | 0.0                                 | -0.3            |
| 10. | Education  | 1.32          | 109.0            | 109.0           | 109.3           | 0.0                                 | -0.3            |
| 11. | Restaurants and Hotels                                     | 1.87          | 103.5            | 103.3           | 103.0           | -0.2                                | 0.3             |
| 12. | Miscellaneous Goods and Services                           | 4.31          | 101.0            | 101.0           | 100.8           | 0.0                                 | 0.2             |
|     | <b>ALL ITEMS</b>   | <b>100.00</b> | 107.3            | 107.5           | 107.7           | <b>0.2</b>                          | <b>-0.2</b>     |

Chart 1: COICOP Groups Percentage Change for January 2015



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

|     | GROUP   | WEIGHT        | DECEMBER<br>2014 | JANUARY<br>2015 | Percentage<br>Change | Cost Weight      |                  | Change in<br>Cost<br>Weight | Contribution<br>to<br>Change<br>% |
|-----|---|---------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|     |   |               |                  |                 |                      | DECEMBER<br>2014 | JANUARY<br>2015  |                             |                                   |
| 1.  | Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages                              | 21.91         | 112.7            | 112.9           | 0.2                  | 2,469.26         | 2,473.64         | 4.4                         | 21.9                              |
| 2.  | Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics                      | 3.87          | 109.8            | 109.1           | -0.6                 | 424.93           | 422.22           | -2.7                        | -13.5                             |
| 3.  | Clothing and Footwear   | 3.22          | 102.8            | 102.8           | 0.0                  | 331.02           | 331.02           | 0.0                         | 0.0                               |
| 4.  | Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other<br>Fuels           | 30.06         | 102.6            | 103.5           | 0.9                  | 3,084.16         | 3,111.21         | 27.1                        | 135.3                             |
| 5.  | Furnishings, Household Equipment and<br>Household Maintenance | 6.59          | 101.4            | 101.6           | 0.2                  | 668.23           | 669.54           | 1.3                         | 6.6                               |
| 6.  | Health  | 1.79          | 102.9            | 102.8           | -0.1                 | 184.19           | 184.01           | -0.2                        | -0.9                              |
| 7.  | Transport   | 11.84         | 125.7            | 124.5           | -1.0                 | 1,488.29         | 1,474.08         | -14.2                       | -71.0                             |
| 8.  | Communication   | 9.41          | 100.3            | 100.3           | 0.0                  | 943.82           | 943.82           | 0.0                         | 0.0                               |
| 9.  | Recreation and Culture  | 3.81          | 102.6            | 102.6           | 0.0                  | 390.91           | 390.91           | 0.0                         | 0.0                               |
| 10. | Education   | 1.32          | 109.0            | 109.0           | 0.0                  | 143.88           | 143.88           | 0.0                         | 0.0                               |
| 11. | Restaurants and Hotels  | 1.87          | 103.5            | 103.3           | -0.2                 | 193.55           | 193.17           | -0.4                        | -1.9                              |
| 12. | Miscellaneous Goods and Services                              | 4.31          | 101.0            | 101.0           | 0.0                  | 435.31           | 435.31           | 0.0                         | 0.0                               |
|     | <b>ALL ITEMS</b>  | <b>100.00</b> | <b>107.3</b>     | <b>107.5</b>    | <b>0.2</b>           | <b>10,730.00</b> | <b>10,750.00</b> | <b>20.0</b>                 | <b>100.0</b>                      |

**TABLE 5**  
**MONTHLY INDEX - 2015**  
**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 | 107.5     | 112.9                            | 109.1                                   | 102.8               | 103.5                                   | 101.6   | 102.8  | 124.5     | 100.3         | 102.6                  | 109.0     | 103.3                  | 101.0                            |