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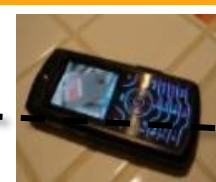
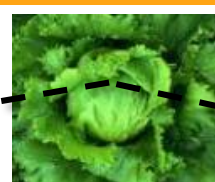
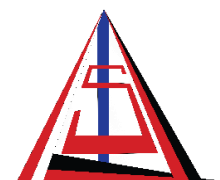
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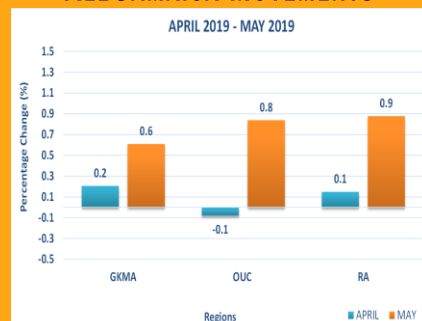
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INFLATION AT A GLANCE

MAY 2019

All Jamaica	+0.8%
Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area	+0.6%
Other Urban Centres	+0.8%
Rural Areas	+0.9%

ALL JAMAICA MOVEMENTS



MAY 2019

All Jamaica Monthly Movements:

2018-2019

MONTH	YEAR	(%)
MAY	2019	+0.8
April	2019	+0.1
March	2019	+0.8
February	2019	+0.1
January	2019	-0.2
December	2018	-1.0
November	2018	0.0
October	2018	+0.7
September	2018	+1.1
August	2018	+0.9
July	2018	+1.0
June	2018	+0.4
May	2018	0.0

MAY 2019

The All Jamaica Consumer Price Index recorded a 0.8 per cent increase in its index for May 2019. The main contributors to this movement was the 0.5 per cent increase in the index for the 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division. This movement was chiefly as a result of the 1.1 per cent increase in the index for the class 'Vegetables and Starchy Foods' due primarily to the increase in prices for some agricultural produce such as cabbage, lettuce and yam. Additionally, the 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' and 'Transport' divisions also registered increases in their index of 3.7 per cent and 0.5 per cent respectively. Increased electricity rates were largely responsible for the former division's movement, while the rise in cost of petrol prices impacted the latter.

The calendar-year-to-date inflation rate rose by 1.6 per cent, the point-to-point by 4.8 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date by 0.9 per cent.

Table I. ALL JAMAICA 'ALL DIVISIONS' AND DIVISION INDICES AND MOVEMENTS

(Base period December 2006 = 100)

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES	MAY 2019 Index	APR 2019 Index	Past Month	Year to Date	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 19/20
ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS	258.8	256.8	0.8	1.6	4.8	0.9
01 Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	327.6	326.1	0.5	2.1	6.5	0.9
02 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	319.1	318.2	0.3	1.2	2.1	0.6
03 Clothing and Footwear	247.8	247.3	0.2	1.1	2.4	0.4
04 Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	252.6	243.6	3.7	1.0	6.7	2.1
05 Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	249.8	249.2	0.2	0.9	4.7	0.4
06 Health	150.4	150.4	0.0	0.6	1.2	0.2
07 Transport	215.4	214.4	0.5	1.5	1.7	0.9
08 Communication	67.2	67.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
09 Recreation and Culture	196.3	196.1	0.1	0.6	1.3	0.1
10 Education	203.7	203.7	0.0	1.5	4.2	0.0
11 Restaurants and Accommodation Services	200.1	199.9	0.1	0.8	1.7	0.2
12 Miscellaneous Goods and Services	240.8	240.4	0.1	1.1	2.2	0.3

Table II. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MAIN INDICATORS

		All Jamaica	Greater KMA	Other Urban Centres	Rural Areas
Month	May 2019	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9
	April 2019	0.1	0.2	-0.1	0.1
Fiscal Year-to-Date	April 2019 – May 2019	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.0
Calendar Year-to-date	December 2018 – May 2019	1.6	2.2	1.5	1.1

**Figure I. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE ALL JAMAICA, ALL DIVISIONS
JANUARY 2018 - MAY 2019**

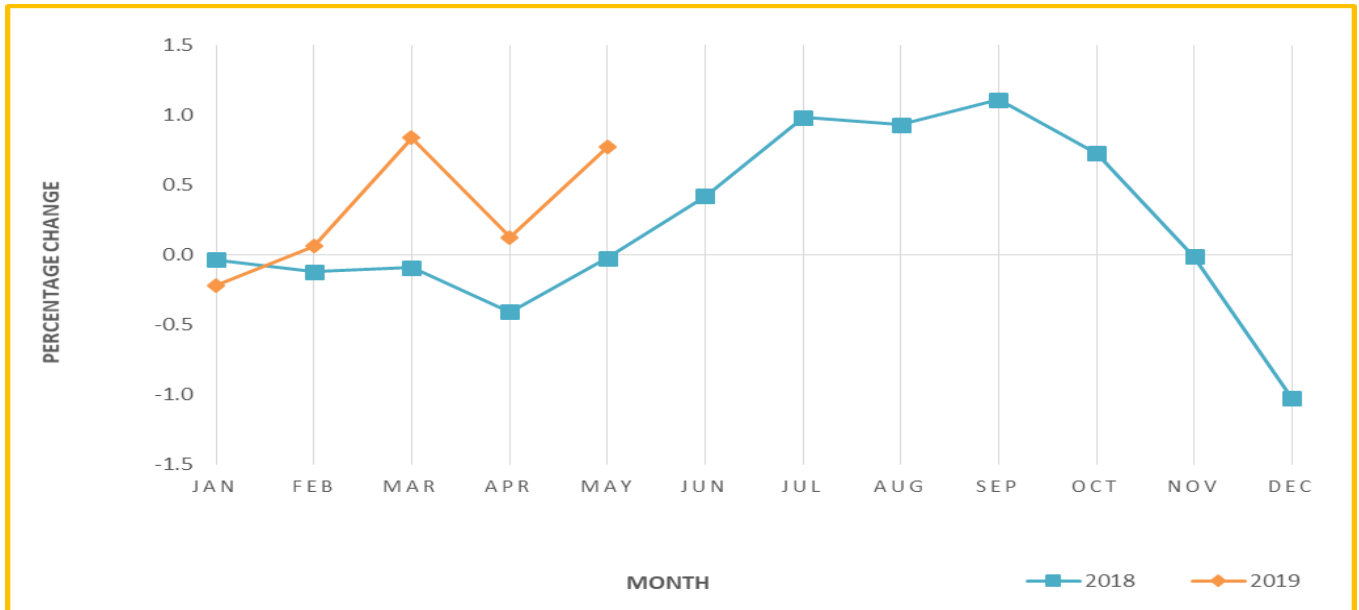
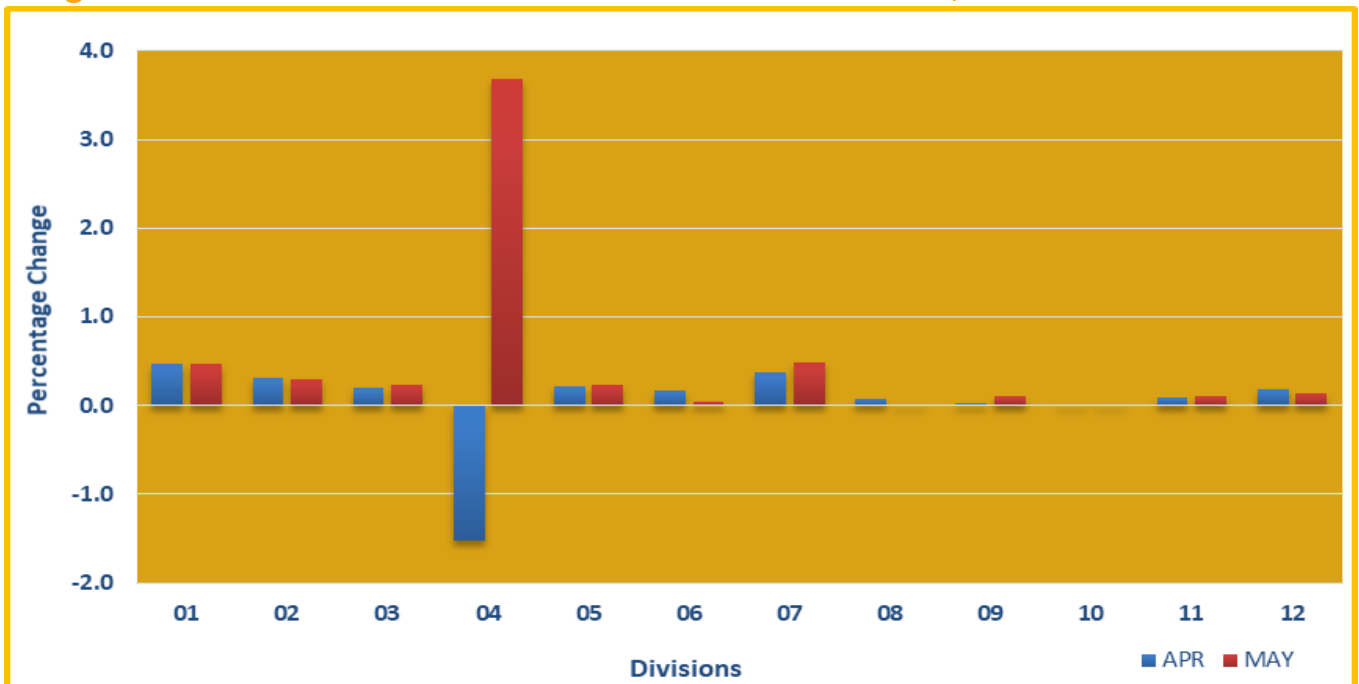


Figure II. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL JAMAICA DIVISION MOVEMENTS, APRIL 2019 - MAY 2019



CPI DIVISION MOVEMENTS

FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES



+0.5%

The 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division registered an increase in its index of 0.5 per cent for May 2019. The 'Food' group, the heavier weighted of the two groups comprising this division, recorded a similar 0.5 per cent movement in its index. This was mainly attributed to the class 'Vegetables and Starchy Foods' which recorded a 1.1 per cent increase in its index, influenced mainly by higher prices for agricultural items such as cabbage, onion, lettuce and yam. The other classes that also impacted the group's index were; 'Bread and Cereals', 'Meat' and 'Fish and Seafood', with each recording an increase of 0.2 per cent in their index. The 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages' group recorded an increase of 0.2 per cent in its index. The two classes comprising the group, 'Coffee, Tea and Cocoa' had a 0.3 per cent upward movement in its index while, 'Mineral Water, Soft Drinks, Fruits and Vegetable Juices' went up by 0.2 per cent.

For this division, the calendar year-to-date was 2.1 per cent, the point-to-point 6.5 per cent, while the fiscal year-to-date movement was 0.9 per cent.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES



+0.3%

This division recorded an upward movement of 0.3 per cent in its index for May 2019. Increased prices for 'Spirits' was the main contributor to this movement.

For this division, the calendar year-to-date recorded a positive movement of 1.2 per cent, the point-to-point was 2.1 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date was 0.6 per cent.

CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR



+0.2%

The division 'Clothing and Footwear' recorded an upward movement of 0.2 per cent in its index for May 2019. The 'Clothing' group was the main contributor to this movement, going up by 0.2 per cent, while 'Footwear' registered a 0.3 per cent increase for the month.

For this division, the calendar year-to-date inflation rate was 1.1 per cent, the point-to-point 2.4 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 0.4 per cent for the review period.

HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS



+3.7%

The 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' division recorded a 3.7 per cent rise in its index for May 2019. This was due mainly to the 6.6 per cent increase in the index for the group 'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' due to higher electricity rates. Additionally, the group 'Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling' went up by 0.6 per cent, primarily influenced by a rise in paint prices. There was a 0.2 per cent increase in the index for the 'Rentals for Housing' group and a 0.2 per cent upward movement in the group 'Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling.'

For this division, the calendar year-to-date inflation rate was 1.0 per cent, the point-to-point 6.7 per cent and 2.1 per cent for the fiscal year-to-date.

FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT & ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE



+0.2%

A 0.2 per cent increase was registered for this division's index in May 2019. The group 'Household Appliances' was the main contributor to this movement going up by 0.9 per cent. There was a 0.3 per cent increase for the index for the group 'Furniture and Furnishings' and a 0.2 per cent increase for 'Household Textiles'.

The calendar year-to-date upward movement for this division was 0.9 per cent, the point-to-point 4.7 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 0.4 per cent.

TRANSPORT



+0.5%

There was a 0.5 per cent increase in the index for the division 'Transport' for the period under review. This increase was due mainly to higher petrol prices.

For this division, the calendar year-to-date inflation rate was 1.5 per cent, the point-to-point 1.7 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date, 0.9 per cent.

RECREATION AND CULTURE



+0.1%

For May 2019, the index for the division 'Recreation and Culture' rose by 0.1 per cent. This upward movement followed a negligible movement for the division in April 2019.

The calendar year-to-date positive movement for this division was 0.6 per cent, the point-to-point 1.3 per cent, while the fiscal year-to-date was 0.1 per cent.

RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES



+0.1%

This division recorded a 0.1 per cent increase for the period under review, mainly as a result of increased prices for meals consumed away from home.

The calendar year-to-date upward movement was 0.8 per cent, the point-to-point 1.7 per cent, while the fiscal year-to-date was 0.2 per cent.

MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES

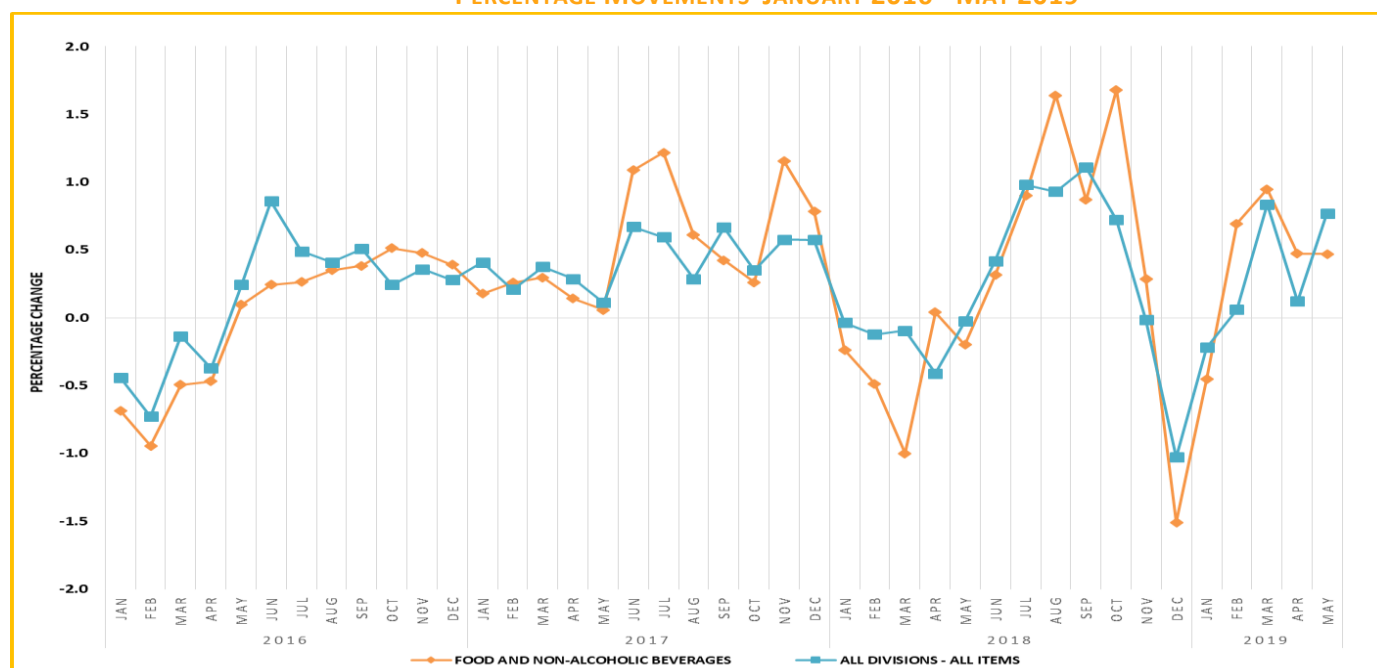


+0.1%

The index for the division 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services' rose by 0.1 per cent for May 2018. This increase was as a result of an upward movement in the prices for personal care items and visa fees.

For this division, the inflation rate for the calendar year-to-date was 1.1 per cent, the point-to-point 2.2 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 0.3 per cent for the period.

Figure III. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS AND FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
PERCENTAGE MOVEMENTS JANUARY 2016 - MAY 2019



REGIONAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

GREATER KINGSTON METROPOLITAN AREA



The **Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area (GKMA)** recorded an inflation rate of 0.6 per cent for May 2019. The 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' had the strongest impact on the movement of the division's index, moving upwards by 3.0 per cent. This was chiefly as a result of the 7.0 per cent rise in the index for the group 'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' due to higher electricity rates. The division 'Transport' also had a strong impact on the movement in the index, with a 0.4 per cent increase, due to higher prices for petrol. The 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division recorded a 0.3 per cent upward movement with the groups 'Food' and 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages' each recording a similar 0.3 per cent increase. The 'Food' group was influenced mainly by higher prices for some agricultural produce such as cabbage, lettuce and yam. Other classes to record notable increases were: 'Fruit', 1.0 per cent and 'Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate, and Confectionery', 0.5 per cent. For the 'Non-Alcoholic' group, the 0.7 per cent increase in 'Coffee, Tea and Cocoa' was the main contributor.

The calendar year-to-date inflation rate was 2.2 per cent, the point-to-point 5.8 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 0.8 per cent for the period under review. (See Table VI).

OTHER URBAN CENTRES



The **Other Urban Centres (OUC)** recorded a 0.8 per cent inflation rate for May 2019, as the index moved to 257.4. The main contributors to this movement were increases in the index for the divisions: 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels', 3.5 per cent and 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' and 'Transport', 0.5 per cent each. The movement in the former was due mainly to the 6.4 per cent rise in the index for the group 'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' due to increased electricity rates. The 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division was influenced by higher prices for some agriculture produce such as cabbage, lettuce, onion and yam, resulting in a 1.5 per cent advance in the index for the class 'Vegetable and Starchy Foods'. The increase in the 'Transport' division was due mainly to increased petrol prices.

Other notable contributors to the upward movement in the index for the region were: 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services' moving up by 0.3 per cent due largely to increased prices for some personal care products and 'Restaurant and Accommodation Services' 0.2 per cent as a result of increased prices for some meals consumed away from home.

For the OUC region, the calendar year-to-date movement was 1.5 per cent, the point-to-point 5.1 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 0.8 per cent. (See Table VII).

RURAL AREAS



The **Rural Areas** registered an increase in its index of 0.9 per cent for May 2019 as the index moved from 235.6 to 237.7. The 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' division chiefly impacted this movement, recording a 4.5 per cent increase in its index. This was influenced mainly by higher rates for electricity. Also contributing to the upward movement within the region was the heavily weighted division 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' which recorded a 0.6 per cent movement in its index for the review period. Within the 'Food' group, the class 'Vegetables and Starchy Foods' recorded an increase of 2.0 per cent in its index. This movement was due mainly to a 2.4 per cent rise in the index for the sub-class 'Vegetables'. There was a lower rate of increase for 'Starchy Foods' which went up by 0.8 per cent within the group. The 'Transport' division moved up by 0.6 per cent, this was as a result of higher petrol prices.

The calendar year-to-date moved up by 1.1 per cent, the point-to-point 3.7 per cent and the fiscal year-to-date 1.0 per cent for the period under review. (See Table VI).

Figure I. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE - GREATER KINGSTON METROPOLITAN AREA

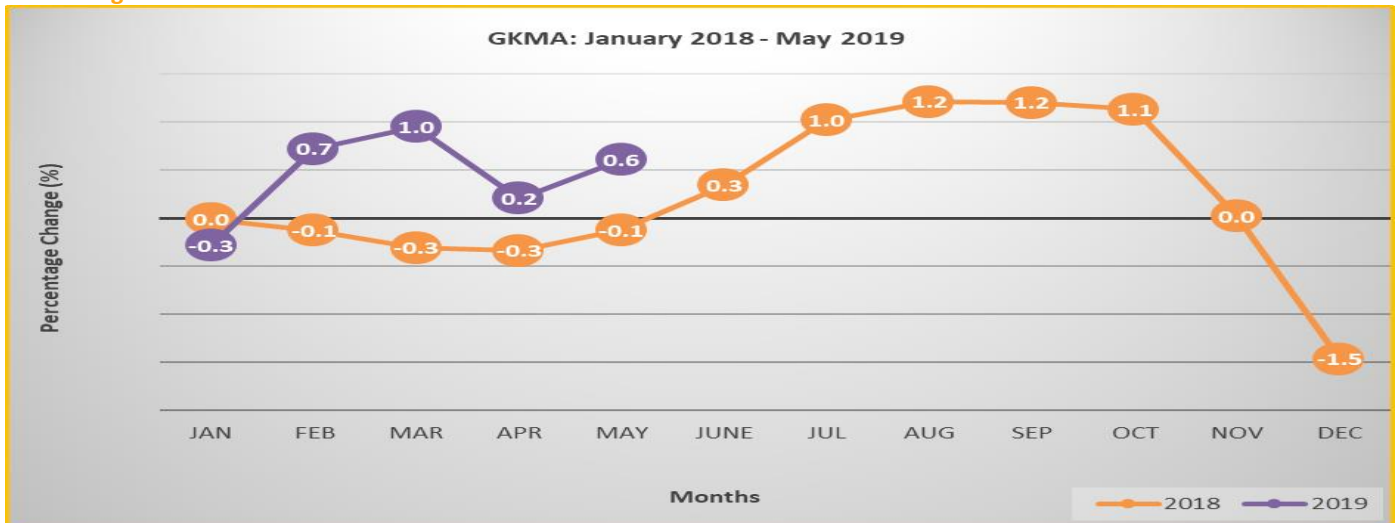


Figure II. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE - OTHER URBAN CENTRES

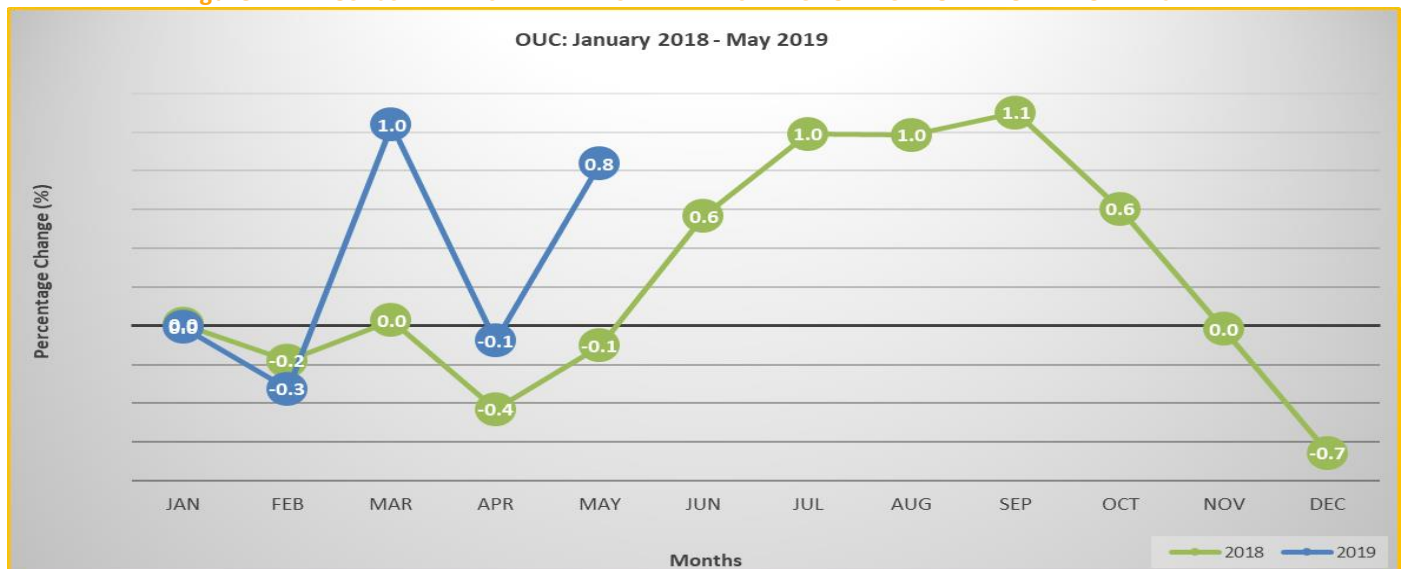


Figure III. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: MONTHLY PERCENTAGE CHANGE - RURAL AREAS

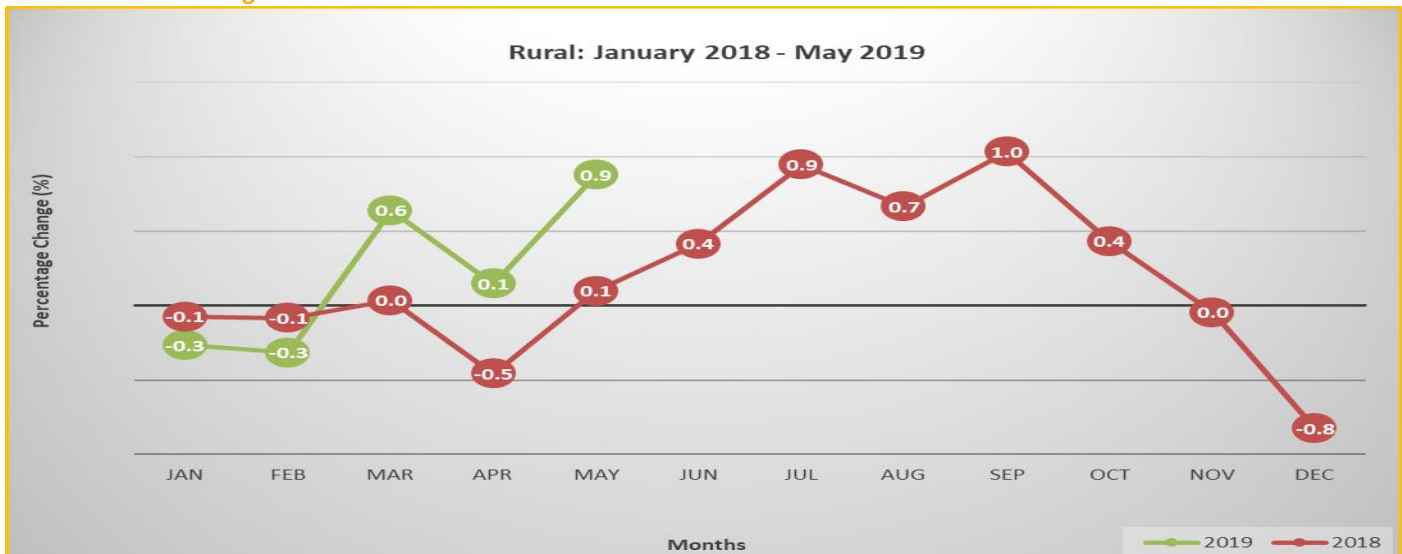


Table III. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL REGIONS MAY 2019 — PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER PAST MONTH AND YEAR-TO-DATE

Divisions	Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area		Other Urban Centres		Rural Areas	
	Past Month	Year to Date	Past Month	Year to Date	Past Month	Year to Date
All Divisions - All Items	0.6	2.2	0.8	1.5	0.9	1.1
01 Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	0.3	3.4	0.5	1.9	0.6	1.1
02 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	0.4	1.0	0.3	1.2	0.2	1.4
03 Clothing and Footwear	0.2	1.0	0.4	1.3	0.2	1.2
04 Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	3.0	0.6	3.5	0.9	4.5	1.4
05 Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	0.2	1.1	0.2	0.9	0.2	0.8
06 Health	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.6
07 Transport	0.4	1.9	0.5	1.8	0.6	1.1
08 Communication	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
09 Recreation and Culture	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.7	0.1	0.5
10 Education	0.0	2.1	0.0	1.0	0.0	1.0
11 Restaurants and Accommodation Services	0.1	0.6	0.2	0.6	0.1	1.0
12 Miscellaneous Goods and Services	0.1	1.4	0.3	1.3	0.1	0.8

Table IV. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL DIVISIONS MEAN AND POINT-TO-POINT QUARTERLY MOVEMENTS: 2018 - 2019

Quarters		Mean				Point-to-Point			
		AJ	GKMA	OUC	RA	AJ	GKMA	OUC	RA
2018	March	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.3	-0.3	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	June	-0.4	-0.6	-0.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.1
	September	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.1	3.0	3.5	3.1	2.7
	December	1.4	1.9	1.4	1.0	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4
2019	March	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3	-0.8	0.7	1.4	0.7	0.1

Figure IV. POINT-TO-POINT QUARTERLY MOVEMENTS: 2015 – 2019

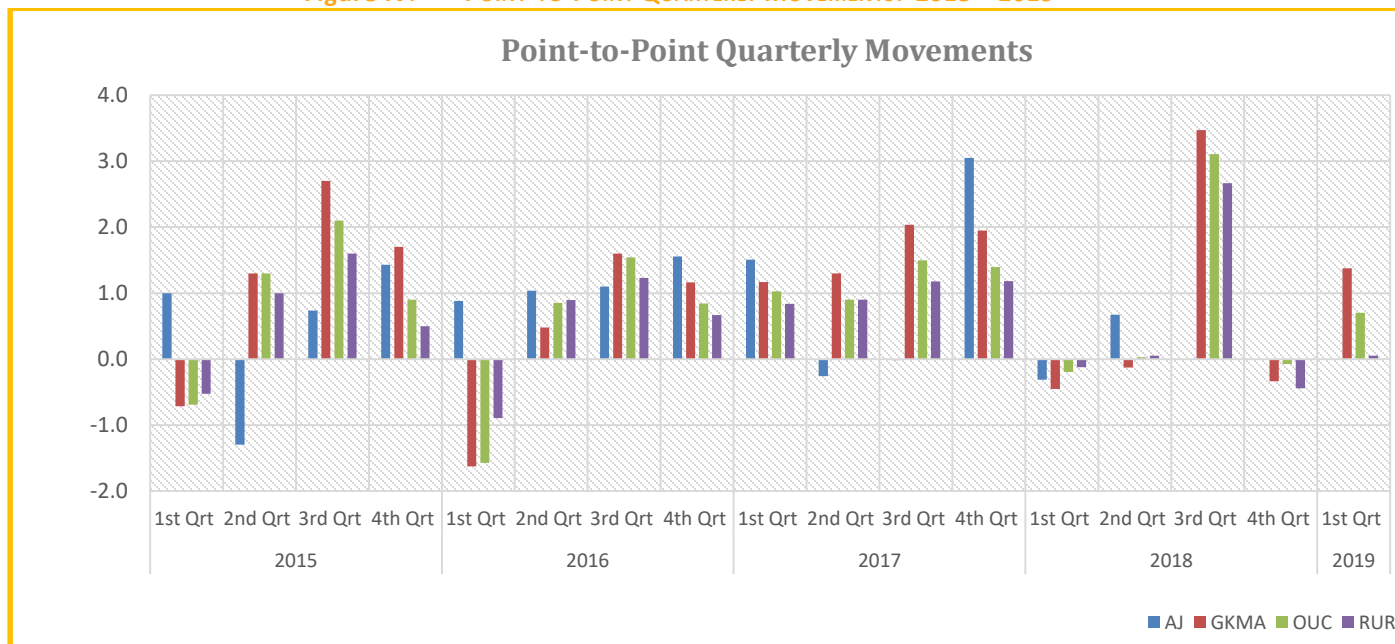


TABLE IV. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL JAMAICA, MAY 2019

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES		MAY 2019 INDEX	APR 2019 INDEX	PAST MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	POINT TO POINT	FISCAL YEAR 19/20
All Divisions - All Items		258.8	256.8	0.8	1.6	4.8	0.9
01	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	327.6	326.1	0.5	2.1	6.5	0.9
	Food	332.1	330.5	0.5	2.2	6.6	1.0
	Bread and Cereals (ND)	296.0	295.4	0.2	0.8	2.3	0.4
	Meat (ND)	271.9	271.3	0.2	1.3	3.2	0.4
	Fish and Seafood (ND)	271.0	270.4	0.2	0.9	1.9	0.4
	Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	312.4	311.9	0.2	1.1	2.2	0.4
	Oils and Fats (ND)	335.0	334.3	0.2	1.5	3.9	0.6
	Fruit (ND)	451.3	448.0	0.8	4.1	11.5	1.9
	Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	473.5	468.4	1.1	4.6	16.4	2.2
	Vegetables	558.2	552.0	1.1	7.3	18.7	2.8
	Starchy Foods	319.4	316.9	0.8	-3.4	9.3	-0.5
	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	329.9	328.3	0.5	1.7	4.3	0.7
	Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	308.4	307.6	0.3	1.1	3.9	0.6
	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	259.5	258.9	0.2	1.4	2.9	0.5
	Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	283.8	283.0	0.3	1.8	3.2	0.6
	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	250.0	249.5	0.2	1.2	2.8	0.5
02	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	319.1	318.2	0.3	1.2	2.1	0.6
03	Clothing and Footwear	247.8	247.3	0.2	1.1	2.4	0.4
	Clothing	237.3	236.8	0.2	1.2	2.5	0.5
	Footwear	266.2	265.4	0.3	1.0	2.1	0.4
04	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	252.6	243.6	3.7	1.0	6.7	2.1
	Rentals for Housing	223.0	222.6	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.2
	Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	282.1	280.6	0.6	3.6	4.9	0.8
	Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	315.2	314.7	0.1	-4.0	5.8	-1.4
	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	252.3	236.7	6.6	2.1	10.1	4.0
05	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	249.8	249.2	0.2	0.9	4.7	0.4
	Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	254.7	253.8	0.3	1.3	2.4	0.5
	Household Textiles	215.9	215.5	0.2	0.8	2.1	0.2
	Household Appliances	255.9	253.5	0.9	1.9	4.1	1.3
	Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	231.3	231.1	0.1	0.6	1.8	0.2
	Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	210.8	210.6	0.1	0.8	1.8	0.3
	Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	253.2	253.0	0.1	0.7	5.8	0.3
06	Health	150.4	150.4	0.0	0.6	1.2	0.2
	Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	161.8	161.7	0.1	0.8	1.9	0.3
	Health Services	143.8	143.7	0.0	0.4	0.8	0.1
07	Transport	215.4	214.4	0.5	1.5	1.7	0.9
08	Communication	67.2	67.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
09	Recreation and Culture	196.3	196.1	0.1	0.6	1.3	0.1
10	Education	203.7	203.7	0.0	1.5	4.2	0.0
11	Restaurants and Accommodation Services	200.1	199.9	0.1	0.8	1.7	0.2
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	240.8	240.4	0.1	1.1	2.2	0.3

Table V. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: GREATER KINGSTON METROPOLITAN AREA, MAY 2019

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES		MAY 2019 INDEX	APR 2019 INDEX	PAST MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	POINT TO POINT	FISCAL YEAR 19/20
All Divisions - All Items		289.3	287.5	0.6	2.2	5.8	0.8
01	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	416.6	415.3	0.3	3.4	8.5	0.9
	Food	423.1	421.8	0.3	3.5	8.7	0.9
	Bread and Cereals (ND)	305.7	305.5	0.1	1.1	2.6	0.6
	Meat (ND)	321.7	321.5	0.1	1.5	3.8	0.2
	Fish and Seafood (ND)	285.3	284.9	0.2	1.1	2.9	0.5
	Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	358.5	357.8	0.2	1.9	3.6	0.6
	Oils and Fats (ND)	401.1	400.3	0.2	2.2	6.0	0.6
	Fruit (ND)	538.5	533.1	1.0	5.3	14.5	2.8
	Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	724.2	721.4	0.4	6.4	16.3	1.2
	Vegetables	876.9	874.7	0.3	8.9	17.5	1.3
	Starchy Foods	425.2	421.4	0.9	-2.8	11.4	0.5
	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	401.7	399.7	0.5	1.7	4.6	0.8
	Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	388.0	385.1	0.7	1.8	6.4	1.4
	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	306.0	305.0	0.3	1.5	3.4	0.5
	Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	331.6	329.1	0.7	2.3	4.7	1.0
	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	297.1	296.7	0.1	1.2	2.9	0.3
02	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	358.2	356.6	0.4	1.0	1.8	0.7
03	Clothing and Footwear	280.8	280.3	0.2	1.0	1.9	0.3
	Clothing	249.2	249.0	0.1	1.0	1.8	0.2
	Footwear	337.9	337.0	0.3	1.0	2.0	0.4
04	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	239.0	232.1	3.0	0.6	5.4	1.7
	Rentals for Housing	203.8	203.7	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1
	Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	299.3	297.2	0.7	3.6	4.7	0.7
	Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	314.6	314.2	0.1	-4.0	5.8	-1.4
	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	249.8	233.5	7.0	2.3	10.1	4.3
05	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	271.8	271.1	0.2	1.1	5.6	0.6
	Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	255.0	254.3	0.3	0.8	2.0	0.4
	Household Textiles	230.0	229.6	0.2	0.5	1.6	0.3
	Household Appliances	243.3	240.3	1.2	1.6	3.9	1.3
	Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	247.8	247.8	0.0	0.3	1.3	0.1
	Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	238.4	238.1	0.1	0.7	2.3	0.2
	Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	285.3	285.1	0.1	1.1	7.0	0.6
06	Health	135.4	135.3	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.2
	Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	146.3	146.1	0.1	1.1	1.9	0.5
	Health Services	127.9	127.9	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
07	Transport	227.9	227.1	0.4	1.9	2.2	0.8
08	Communication	79.0	79.0	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.1
09	Recreation and Culture	185.4	185.2	0.1	0.7	1.4	0.1
10	Education	204.8	204.8	0.0	2.1	3.7	0.0
11	Restaurants and Accommodation Services	203.2	203.0	0.1	0.6	1.4	0.1
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	253.3	253.1	0.1	1.4	2.5	0.3

Table VI. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: OTHER URBAN CENTRES, MAY 2019

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES		MAY 2019 INDEX	APR 2019 INDEX	PAST MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	POINT TO POINT	FISCAL YEAR 19/20
All Divisions - All Items		257.4	255.3	0.8	1.5	5.1	0.8
01	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	310.6	309.0	0.5	1.9	7.0	0.7
	Food	315.2	313.5	0.5	1.9	7.3	0.7
	Bread and Cereals (ND)	294.7	294.4	0.1	0.6	2.2	0.2
	Meat (ND)	257.4	257.1	0.1	1.0	2.9	0.3
	Fish and Seafood (ND)	250.5	250.2	0.1	0.8	1.9	0.2
	Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	306.7	306.3	0.1	0.8	1.8	0.2
	Oils and Fats (ND)	331.1	330.8	0.1	1.5	3.7	0.6
	Fruit (ND)	505.2	503.1	0.4	2.7	9.0	0.7
	Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	416.6	410.4	1.5	4.4	20.8	1.6
	Vegetables	469.8	461.2	1.9	7.5	25.8	2.2
	Starchy Foods	308.3	306.9	0.5	-4.0	7.8	-0.3
	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	306.7	305.5	0.4	1.5	4.7	0.4
	Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	287.4	286.8	0.2	1.4	3.0	0.4
	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	252.7	252.0	0.3	1.3	2.6	0.5
	Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	273.8	273.5	0.1	1.6	2.6	0.5
	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	246.2	245.3	0.4	1.2	2.6	0.5
02	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	314.8	314.0	0.3	1.2	2.3	0.5
03	Clothing and Footwear	239.5	238.6	0.4	1.3	3.0	0.6
	Clothing	257.5	256.6	0.4	1.4	3.2	0.7
	Footwear	209.2	208.5	0.4	1.1	2.4	0.5
04	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	267.9	258.8	3.5	0.9	7.2	1.9
	Rentals for Housing	259.3	258.5	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
	Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	276.2	274.3	0.7	3.2	4.4	0.7
	Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	316.6	316.1	0.1	-4.0	5.8	-1.4
	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	260.2	244.5	6.4	2.2	11.3	3.7
05	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	257.5	256.9	0.2	0.9	4.6	0.4
	Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	261.6	260.8	0.3	1.4	2.6	0.4
	Household Textiles	261.6	261.0	0.2	1.1	2.4	0.2
	Household Appliances	271.0	268.8	0.8	2.3	4.5	1.4
	Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	234.6	234.2	0.1	1.1	2.9	0.3
	Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	212.8	212.5	0.1	0.8	1.4	0.2
	Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	255.4	255.2	0.1	0.5	5.4	0.2
06	Health	156.0	155.9	0.0	0.6	1.3	0.1
	Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	163.9	163.9	0.0	0.6	1.6	0.1
	Health Services	151.4	151.3	0.0	0.6	1.1	0.2
07	Transport	219.2	218.1	0.5	1.8	2.0	0.9
08	Communication	65.9	65.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
09	Recreation and Culture	206.9	206.8	0.1	0.7	1.5	0.1
10	Education	201.8	201.8	0.0	1.0	4.6	0.0
11	Restaurants and Accommodation Services	220.1	219.7	0.2	0.6	1.7	0.2
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	245.4	244.8	0.3	1.3	2.3	0.4

Table VII. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: RURAL AREAS, MAY 2019

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES		MAY 2019 INDEX	APR 2019 INDEX	PAST MONTH	YEAR TO DATE	POINT TO POINT	FISCAL YEAR 19/20
All Divisions - All Items		237.7	235.6	0.9	1.1	3.7	1.0
01	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	279.6	277.9	0.6	1.1	4.4	1.1
	Food	282.5	280.7	0.6	1.1	4.5	1.2
	Bread and Cereals (ND)	291.3	290.5	0.3	0.6	2.2	0.4
	Meat (ND)	246.2	245.2	0.4	1.2	2.9	0.6
	Fish and Seafood (ND)	270.6	269.9	0.2	0.8	1.3	0.3
	Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	286.8	286.4	0.1	0.7	1.2	0.3
	Oils and Fats (ND)	305.1	304.2	0.3	1.0	2.6	0.5
	Fruit (ND)	304.9	303.6	0.4	2.8	7.3	0.8
	Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	313.0	306.8	2.0	1.9	14.1	4.3
	Vegetables	341.7	333.6	2.4	3.9	16.3	6.5
	Starchy Foods	248.6	246.7	0.8	-3.8	7.6	-1.9
	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	305.0	303.5	0.5	1.7	3.9	0.7
	Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	270.5	270.8	-0.1	0.3	2.3	0.0
	Non-Alcoholic Beverages	237.1	236.8	0.1	1.3	2.7	0.5
	Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	265.9	265.6	0.1	1.5	2.6	0.4
	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	223.8	223.5	0.1	1.2	2.8	0.6
02	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	299.8	299.2	0.2	1.4	2.1	0.6
03	Clothing and Footwear	234.1	233.6	0.2	1.2	2.4	0.5
	Clothing	223.5	223.0	0.2	1.3	2.7	0.6
	Footwear	252.5	251.7	0.3	1.1	2.0	0.3
04	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	258.5	247.4	4.5	1.4	7.7	2.7
	Rentals for Housing	257.5	256.8	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3
	Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	275.5	274.3	0.4	3.7	5.2	0.9
	Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	314.7	314.2	0.1	-4.0	5.8	-1.4
	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	250.3	235.2	6.4	2.1	9.6	3.9
05	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	229.7	229.2	0.2	0.8	4.0	0.4
	Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	251.8	250.7	0.4	1.7	2.6	0.6
	Household Textiles	186.8	186.6	0.1	0.9	2.3	0.2
	Household Appliances	259.1	257.3	0.7	2.0	4.2	1.2
	Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	219.1	218.9	0.1	0.8	1.9	0.3
	Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	206.1	205.9	0.1	0.8	1.8	0.4
	Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	226.4	226.2	0.1	0.4	4.7	0.2
06	Health	157.0	156.9	0.0	0.6	1.4	0.2
	Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	171.1	171.0	0.1	0.7	2.0	0.3
	Health Services	149.3	149.3	0.0	0.5	1.0	0.2
07	Transport	205.7	204.6	0.6	1.1	1.3	0.9
08	Communication	58.0	58.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
09	Recreation and Culture	200.4	200.2	0.1	0.5	1.1	0.2
10	Education	203.2	203.2	0.0	1.0	4.6	0.0
11	Restaurants and Accommodation Services	188.1	188.0	0.1	1.0	1.9	0.2
12	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	229.9	229.7	0.1	0.8	2.0	0.3



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