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August 2025

The Consumer Price Index increased by 0.2 percent for the month of August similar to the increase of 0.2 percent for the month of July 2025 (*see table 3*).

During the month of August 2025, the “All Items” index was registered at 130.6 in comparison to 130.3 for the month of July 2025. Two (2) groups recorded an increase during the month; “Transport” (1.0%), and “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (0.5%). Four (4) groups recorded a decrease during the period; “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics” (0.2%), “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” (0.2%), “Recreation and Culture” (0.2%), and “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” (0.1%). Six (6) groups remained unchanged, “Clothing and Footwear”, “Health”, “Communication”, “Education” and “Hotels and Restaurants” and “Miscellaneous Goods and Services”.

The “Transport” group index recorded the largest increase of 1.0 percent. This was on account of increases in the price of brake fluid (6.3%), and passenger airfare from St. Vincent and the Grenadines to destinations such as: London (69.1%), Trinidad and Tobago (22.5%), and Antigua and Barbuda (14.7%).

Increased prices for food items such as frozen pigtail (10.9%), dasheen (7.4%), sweet potatoes (7.5%), eddoes (5.6%) and tannia (5.7%) were responsible for the 0.5 percent increase in the “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” index.

Meanwhile, the index for the group “Alcohol and Narcotics” fell by 0.2 percent due to a reduction in the cost of cigarettes (3.14%).

The group index “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” registered a 0.2 percent downward movement as a result of a reduction in the price of electricity consumption charge by 0.8 percent.

Similarly, the downward movement of 0.2 percent in the group index for Recreation and Culture” occurred due to a decrease in the price of an English textbook (11.2%).

Correspondingly, the “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” index fell by 0.1 percent due mainly to a decrease of 0.5 percent in the price for powdered detergent.

The point-to-point inflation rate stood at 1.6 percent for the month of August 2025 compared to 2.7 percent for the month of August 2024. The groups that represented the largest increases during the period were, “Education” (5.6%), “Miscellaneous Goods and Services” (5.4%), “Hotels and Restaurants” (3.8%), “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (3.7%) and “Clothing and Footwear” (2.2%).

The consumer price index increased by 0.2 percent for August 2025. The point-to-point inflation rate stood at 1.6 percent due to relative price changes during the month of August 2025 compared with the same period in the previous year.

Table 1
Average Retail Price of Selected Items

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average Price EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		August 2025	July 2025		
INCREASED					
Pigtail - Frozen	1lb	8.44	7.61	0.83	10.9
Sweet Potatoes	1lb	4.90	4.56	0.34	7.5
Dasheen	1lb	3.18	2.96	0.22	7.4
Tannia	1lb	5.17	4.89	0.28	5.7
Eddoes	1lb	4.69	4.44	0.25	5.6
Coffee	100g, bottle	29.13	27.73	1.40	5.0
Onion	1lb	3.84	3.66	0.18	4.9
Tea - Black	25 Pkt	8.36	8.21	0.15	1.8
Corned Beef	340g, tin	11.16	10.96	0.20	1.8
Bleach	950ml, bottle	5.89	5.71	0.18	3.2
Brake Fluid	12oz, bottle	12.20	10.42	1.78	17.1
Passenger airfare from St. Vincent and the Grenadines to:					
<i>London</i>	1 Month	5922.90	3503.20	2419.70	69.1
<i>Trinidad and Tobago</i>	One Way	688.73	562.40	126.33	22.5
<i>Antigua and Barbuda</i>	One Way	877.11	769.05	108.06	14.1
<i>Grenada</i>	One Way	321.11	301.52	19.59	6.5
<i>Barbados</i>	One Way	583.60	548.18	35.42	6.5
<i>New York</i>	1 Month	1813.56	1708.69	104.87	6.1
Dog Food - Canned	625g, tin	15.55	15.42	0.13	0.8
DECREASED					
Canola Oil	1.42L, bottle	26.25	28.70	-2.45	-8.5
Kidney Beans	1lb	8.16	8.77	-0.61	-7.0
Corn - Whole Kernel	432g, tin	5.47	5.68	-0.21	-3.7
Cigarette	10 Pkt	4.40	4.54	-0.14	-3.1
Detergent - Powder	500g, pk	5.86	5.83	0.03	0.5
Electricity Consumption Charge	150kWh	151.37	152.58	-1.21	-0.8
Oil Filter	Each	43.35	65.00	-21.65	-33.3
Spark Plug	Each	16.20	25.00	-8.80	-35.2
English Textbook	Each	82.59	93.79	-11.20	-11.9

Table 2.1
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
August 2025 Compared With August 2024

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		August 2025	August 2024		
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES					
Rice - Loose	1lb	2.33	2.36	-0.04	-1.51
Rice - Packaged	2kg	10.65	9.81	0.83	8.49
Flour - Loose	1 lb	1.88	1.93	-0.05	-2.55
Flour - Packaged (white)	2kg	9.03	9.26	-0.22	-2.42
Flour - Packaged (wholewheat)	2kg	9.47	9.62	-0.15	-1.53
Cornflakes	510g Box	16.54	16.07	0.47	2.91
Bread - Large Sandwich Loaf (white)	Each	5.53	5.42	0.12	2.20
Bread- Small Loaf, white	5 pk	2.99	2.91	0.08	2.70
Bread - Large Sandwich Loaf (whole wheat)	Each	6.26	6.26	0.00	0.00
Crix - salted crackers, White	288g (3 pk)	6.57	6.57	0.00	0.00
Pasta - Elbows	340 g	5.92	5.85	0.07	1.21
Beef - Fresh	1 lb	14.00	12.00	2.00	16.67
Pigtail - salted	1 lb	10.78	10.24	0.54	5.28
Chicken - Leg Quarters	1 lb	4.03	3.86	0.17	4.50
Chicken - Backs	1 lb	2.73	2.73	0.00	0.09
Chicken - Wings	1 lb	6.48	6.57	-0.09	-1.30
Turkey Wings	1 lb	6.12	5.08	1.05	20.61
Luncheon Meat (pork)	340 g	9.64	9.66	-0.02	-0.22
Corned beef	340g	9.65	9.44	0.21	2.20
Fish - Fresh (Deep Sea)	1 lb	12.00	12.00	0.00	0.00
Fish - Fresh (Jacks)	1 lb	6.67	6.67	0.00	0.00
Fish - Fresh (Robin)	1 lb	6.67	6.67	0.00	0.00
Codfish	1 lb	15.10	14.60	0.50	3.40
Sardine in soya oil	106g Tin	6.13	5.73	0.40	6.91
Milk - Evaporated	410g Tin	4.19	4.11	0.08	1.95
Powdered milk - full cream	1 lb	9.08	8.21	0.87	10.64
Eggs	1 Doz	13.69	13.21	0.47	3.59
Margarine	445g Tub	13.87	13.52	0.36	2.63
Soya bean oil	1Litre	14.89	15.62	-0.73	-4.69
Coconut oil	750ml Bottle	40.63	39.95	0.68	1.69
Bananas (ripe)	1 lb	2.62	1.84	0.79	42.85
Limes	1 lb	8.00	4.82	3.18	65.98
Tomatoes	1 lb	8.08	6.09	1.98	32.54
Sweet Potatoes	1 lb	4.90	4.33	0.56	13.01
Yams	1 lb	4.64	4.81	-0.17	-3.50
Sugar - Brown (loose)	1 lb	2.38	2.32	0.06	2.75
Sugar - White (loose)	1 lb	2.73	2.68	0.05	1.96
Ice cream	1 Litre Tub	19.06	18.06	1.00	5.54
Tomato Ketchup	750ml Bottle	10.37	10.15	0.21	2.10
Orange Juice	1 Litre box	9.76	9.42	0.35	3.67
Vitamalt	310 ml Bottle	5.85	5.87	-0.03	-0.48

Table 2.2
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
August 2025 Compared With August 2024

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		August 2025	August 2024		
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO & NARCOTICS					
Rum - Local (White)	750 ml Bot.	46.38	46.38	0.00	0.00
Beer - Local	280 ml Bot.	5.08	5.00	0.08	1.51
Cigarettes	Pkt. (10)	4.40	4.47	-0.07	-1.48
Table wine (local)	26 oz Bot.	37.70	34.54	3.16	9.14
Vodka	750ml Bot.	53.60	53.46	0.15	0.27
CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR					
Textile material - Cotton	1Yd.	16.07	16.07	0.00	0.00
Textile material - Tetrex	1Yd.	13.44	12.95	0.49	3.79
Men's Shirts - Long Sleeve	Each	79.80	79.48	0.32	0.40
Men's Jeans (long)	Pair	64.95	69.76	-4.81	-6.90
Men's Shoes -Formal	Pair	144.50	130.00	14.50	11.15
Women's Shoes - Formal	Pair	79.00	79.00	0.00	0.00
Women's Blouse	Each	44.95	44.95	0.00	0.00
School shirt - white, size 10	Each	18.82	17.45	1.37	7.82
School overall , navy blue, size 8	Each	49.95	49.95	0.00	0.00
HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY					
GAS AND OTHER FUELS					
Rent :					
Unfurnished House - 2 Bedrooms	Month	785.00	785.00	0.00	0.00
Unfurnished House - 3 Bedrooms	Month	750.00	750.00	0.00	0.00
Furnished Apartment - 2 Bedrooms	Month	812.50	812.50	0.00	0.00
Water - Consumption Charge	5000 Gallons	35.00	35.00	0.00	0.00
Electricity Consumption Charge	300 KWH	306.73	291.82	14.91	5.11
Cooking Gas	20 Lb. Cyl.	39.70	37.95	1.75	4.61
FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD					
EQUIPMENT AND HOUSEHOLD					
MAINTENANCE					
Bed - queen size	Each	2545.82	2,436.83	109.00	4.47
Sheets - queen size, 300 thread count, 100% cotton	Each	196.33	194.95	1.38	0.71
Dinner forks	Each	5.95	6.93	-0.98	-14.14
Powder detergent	500g Pk	5.65	5.24	0.41	7.85
Toilet tissue, 280 sheets per roll	1 Roll	1.56	1.56	0.00	0.00

Table 2.3
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
August 2025 Compared With August 2024

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		August 2025	August 2024		
HEALTH					
Doctor's Fee - Gynaecologist	Visit	100.00	80.00	20.00	25.00
Doctor's Fee - General Practitioner	Visit	60.00	60.00	0.00	0.00
Blood test - CBC	Test	27.39	27.39	0.00	0.00
Drugs for Hypertension	Month supply	6.69	6.79	-0.10	-1.54
Drug for Diabetes	Month supply	5.10	5.10	0.00	0.00
Dental Care	Visit	149.47	149.47	0.00	0.00
TRANSPORT					
Petrol - Unleaded	Gallon	15.12	15.91	-0.79	-4.97
Vehicle License (car) - not exd. 3000 lbs	Year	765.00	765.00	0.00	0.00
Bus Fare - Mesopotamia	1-Way	3.50	3.50	0.00	0.00
Boat Fare - Bequia	1-Way	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00
Parking fees	1 Hour	2.50	2.50	0.00	0.00
Airfare - SVG to Barbados	1-Way	583.60	616.84	-33.24	-5.39
COMMUNICATION					
Fixed Line Domestic Rate - peak	1 Minute	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.00
Telephone - Consumption Charge	226 Units	18.08	18.08	0.00	0.00
Mobile to Mobile - domestic (off network)	1 Minute	1.02	1.02	0.00	0.00
Internet	1 month	125.00	125.00	0.00	0.00
Cable TV charges (basic)	1 month	69.00	69.00	0.00	0.00
RECREATION AND CULTURE					
Television 43 " (smart TV)	Each	1,397.24	1,396.38	0.86	0.06
Tablet - 10.1"	Each	355.63	341.52	14.11	4.13
Laptop Computer - 8 GB	Each	1,678.17	1,612.10	66.07	4.10
Dog Food (Canned)	375 g Tin	14.70	14.00	0.70	5.00
Carnival costume and Band Fees (Adult)	Each	600.00	600.00	0.00	0.00
Mathematics textbook	Each	94.93	88.17	6.76	7.67
Newspapers	Each	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.00

Table 2.4
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
August 2025 Compared With August 2024

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		August 2025	August 2024		
EDUCATION					
Pre-Primary - Private	Month	330.00	312.50	17.50	5.60
Primary School Fee - Private	Term	1400.00	1400.00	0.00	0.00
Secondary School Fee - Private	Term	150.00	150.00	0.00	0.00
Tertiary Education Tuition - undergraduate, social sciences	Annual	8412.03	8276.48	135.55	1.64
Private tutor	Per Session	32.50	20.00	12.50	62.50
HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS					
Pizza, pepperoni	Each	23.30	21.75	1.55	7.13
Chicken Lunch - regular	Each	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00
Fish Lunch - regular	Each	20.00	20.00	0.00	0.00
Fast Food - 2 Pc Chicken and Fries	Each	26.75	26.75	0.00	0.00
Roti - Beef	Each	16.12	13.96	2.16	15.46
School meals - Bread and Chicken	Each	4.33	4.33	0.00	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES					
Women's Hairdressing (Relaxer)	Visit	77.46	72.46	5.00	6.90
Men's Haircut, Regular	Visit	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00
Disposable diapers, Medium, 22pcs	1 pack	22.35	22.31	0.05	0.20
Toothpaste	170g Tube	15.76	15.10	0.67	4.41
Roll -on	75ml bottle	7.64	6.93	0.72	10.37
Sanitary napkins, regular, with wings	10 per pack	8.14	8.35	-0.21	-2.51
Toilet Soap	110g	5.49	5.20	0.29	5.55
Elderly care Services	Month	1800.00	1800.00	0.00	0.00
Day care services (children < 2 years)	Month	360.00	275.00	85.00	30.91
Health Insurance - Group (family) ≥3 Persons	Month	307.00	307.00	0.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Insurance - 3rd party	Annual	471.67	471.49	0.17	0.04

Table 3
The Consumer Price Index by Main Groups
January 2010 = 100

	Groups	Weight	July 2025	August 2025	August 2024	Percentage Change Over Previous:	
						Month July	Year August
01.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	163.3	164.1	158.2	0.5	3.7
02.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	139.3	139.0	138.0	-0.2	0.7
03.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	115.2	115.2	112.7	0.0	2.2
04.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	106.9	106.7	105.6	-0.2	1.0
05.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	141.7	141.6	139.5	-0.1	1.5
06.	Health	1.79	126.7	126.7	126.3	0.0	0.3
07.	Transport	11.84	144.6	146.1	149.5	1.0	-2.3
08.	Communication	9.41	114.1	114.1	114.8	0.0	-0.6
09.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	118.6	118.4	120.0	-0.2	-1.3
10.	Education	1.32	120.9	120.9	114.5	0.0	5.6
11.	Hotels and Restaurants	1.87	150.1	150.1	144.6	0.0	3.8
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	124.4	124.4	118.0	0.0	5.4
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	130.3	130.6	128.6	0.2	1.6

Chart 1. COICOP Groups Percentage Change for August 2025

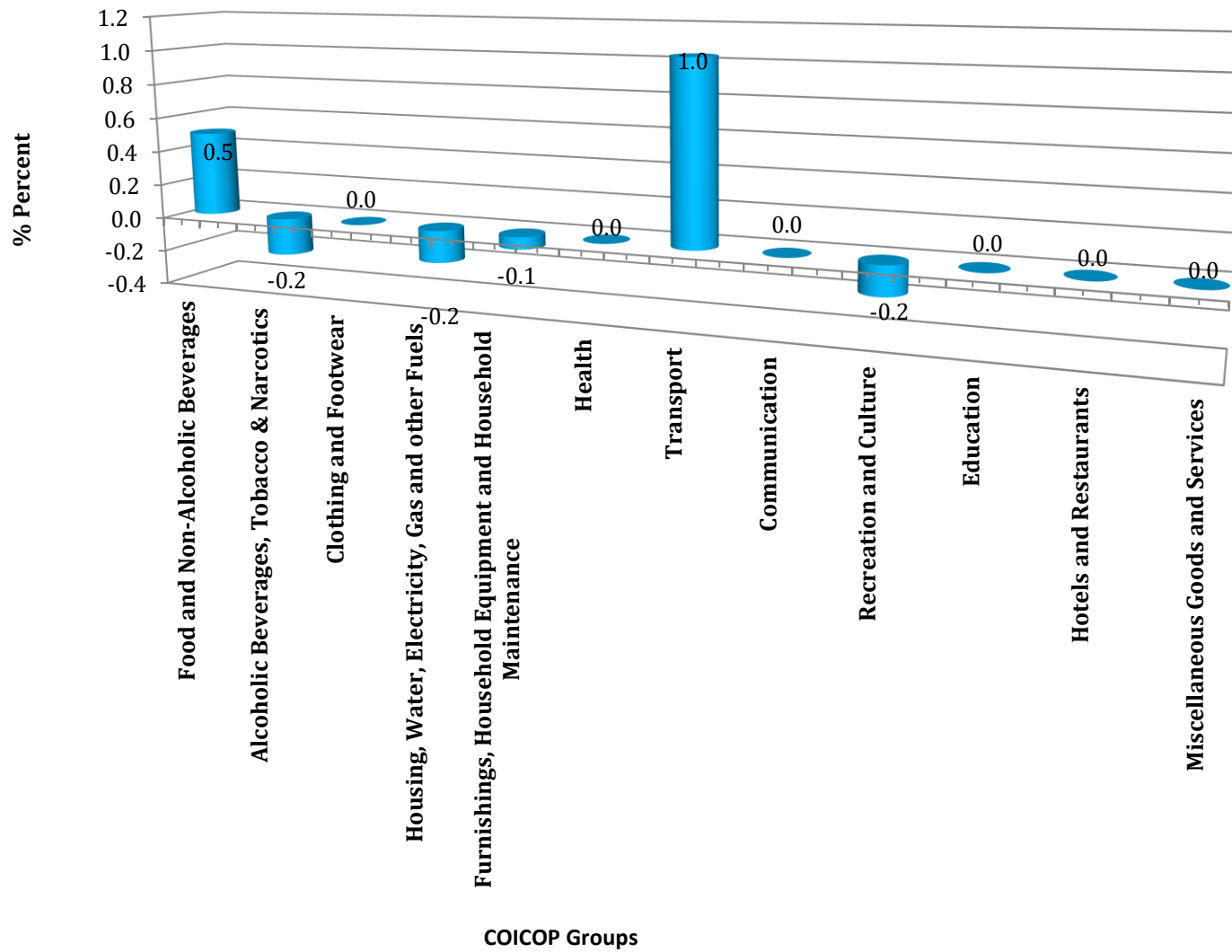


Table 4
The Consumer Price Index by Main Groups
January 2010 = 100
Contribution to Change

	Groups	Weight	July 2025	August 2025	Percentage Change	Cost Weight		Change in Cost Weight	% Contribution to Change
						July 2025	August 2025		
1.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	163.3	164.1	0.5	3,577.90	3,595.43	17.5	58.4
2.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	139.3	139.0	-0.2	539.09	537.93	-1.2	-3.9
3.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	115.2	115.2	0.0	370.94	370.94	0.0	0.0
4.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	106.9	106.7	-0.2	3,213.41	3,207.40	-6.0	-20.0
5.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	141.7	141.6	-0.1	933.80	933.14	-0.7	-2.2
6.	Health	1.79	126.7	126.7	0.0	226.79	226.79	0.0	0.0
7.	Transport	11.84	144.6	146.1	1.0	1,712.06	1,729.82	17.8	59.2
8.	Communication	9.41	114.1	114.1	0.0	1,073.68	1,073.68	0.0	0.0
9.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	118.6	118.4	-0.2	451.87	451.10	-0.8	-2.5
10.	Education	1.32	120.9	120.9	0.0	159.59	159.59	0.0	0.0
11.	Hotels and Restaurants	1.87	150.1	150.1	0.0	280.69	280.69	0.0	0.0
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	124.4	124.4	0.0	536.16	536.16	0.0	0.0
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	130.3	130.6	0.2	13,030.00	13,060.00	30.0	100.0

TABLE 5
Monthly Index - 2025
January 2010 = 100

Groups	All Items	Food & Non- Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages Tobacco & Narcotics	Clothing & Footwear	Housing Water Electricity Gas and Fuels	Furnishings Household Equipment & Household Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communi- cation	Recreation & Culture	Education	Hotels & Restaurants	Miscell- aneous 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	129.6	163.2	138.5	113.6	106.6	138.7	124.9	142.7	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.7	123.8
February	129.4	163.3	138.6	113.6	106.5	138.2	127.4	140.4	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.4	123.8
March	129.3	163.2	139.1	113.8	105.6	140.5	126.5	140.7	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.4	123.7
April	129.8	163.1	138.8	113.2	108.0	141.4	126.8	140.2	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.4	123.9
May	129.8	163.1	139.2	113.2	106.7	141.5	126.8	142.6	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.4	123.8
June	130.0	162.8	139.2	113.9	107.4	141.5	126.8	142.7	114.1	118.6	120.9	148.4	123.9
July	130.3	163.3	139.3	115.2	106.9	141.7	126.7	144.6	114.1	118.6	120.9	150.1	124.4
August	130.6	164.1	139.0	115.2	106.7	141.6	126.7	146.1	114.1	118.4	120.9	150.1	124.4