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July 2026

The Consumer Price Index recorded an increase of 1.1 percent for the month of July 2026, similar to the change recorded for the month of June 2026 (*see table 3*).

During the month of July 2026, the “All Items” index was registered at 134.1, compared to 132.6 in June 2026. Eight (8) of the twelve major CPI groups registered price increases during the month; “Transport” (4.5%), “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels” (1.3%), “Health” (1.0%), “Clothing and Footwear” (0.6%), “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics” (0.5%), “Miscellaneous Goods and Services” (0.5%), “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (0.4%) and “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” (0.4%). One (1) group recorded a decrease; “Recreation and Culture” (0.2%). Three (3) groups remain unchanged; “Communication”, “Education” and “Hotels and Restaurants”.

The “Transport” group index registered the largest growth of 4.5 percent. This was due to higher prices for petrol (8.2%), diesel fuel (6.1%) and passenger airfare from St. Vincent and the Grenadines to several destinations, namely: St. Lucia (56.5%), Trinidad and Tobago (44.6%), Miami (27.0%), London (19.7%), Antigua and Barbuda (17.3%) and Grenada (14.1%).

The index for “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels” recorded an increase of 1.3 percent as a result of an increase in the cost of electricity (7.6%). This higher cost for electricity resulted from an increase in the fuel surcharge rate, which moved from 73.78 cents per kilowatt hour for the month of June 2026 to 83.20 cents per kilowatt hour for the month of July 2026.

“Health” rose by 1.0 percent due to an increase in the price of drugs used for the treatment of hypertension (26.6%) and antihistamines (11.8%).

“Clothing and Footwear” grew by 0.6 percent as a result of an increase in the price of girl’s school blouses (29.7%), boy’s school shirts (25.0%) and men’s long sleeve shirts (7.6%).

The upward movement of 0.5 percent in the group index for “Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics” was due mainly to an increase in the price of imported beer (4.6%) and whiskey (4.2%).

Similarly, “Miscellaneous Goods and Services” index increased by 0.5 percent due to a 31.3 percent increase in the price of sanitary napkins and a 5.8 percent increase in the price of toothpaste.

The 0.4 percent increase in the group index for “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” was fuelled mainly by higher prices for several food items, including; limes (56.3%), imported pineapples (25.1%), paw paw (24.8%), red seedless grapes (18.7%), pigeon peas (17.6%), cabbage (14.1%), chicken vienna sausage (14.0%), cucumber (11.5%), pumpkin (9.5%), deep sea fish (8.3%), gala apple (6.9%), cocoa powder (6.9%), sardine in soya oil (4.8%) and tomato ketchup (3.6%).

The 0.4 percent growth in the “Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance” index was due mainly to a 17.0 percent increase in the price of bleach.

Meanwhile, “Recreation and Culture” index decreased by 0.2 percent. This is due to an 8.7 percent decline in the price of canned dog food.

The Point-to-Point Inflation Rate stood at 2.9 percent for the month of July 2026, compared to 0.7 percent for the month of July 2025. The groups recording the largest increases during the period were, “Transport” (7.6%), “Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels” (4.8%), “Clothing and Footwear” (4.7%), “Miscellaneous Goods and Services” (4.7%), “Recreation and Culture” (2.0%) and “Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages” (1.3%).

The consumer price index increased by 1.1 percent for July 2026. The point-to-point inflation rate stood at 2.9 percent due to relative price changes during the month of July 2026 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
		July 2026	June 2026		
INCREASED					
Limes	Lb	10.00	6.40	3.60	56.3
Pineapple - imported	Lb	10.08	8.06	2.02	25.1
Paw Paw	Lb	4.13	3.31	0.82	24.8
Red seedless grapes	Lb	20.66	17.41	3.25	18.7
Pigeon peas	425g, Tin	8.70	7.40	1.30	17.6
Cabbage	Lb	7.03	6.16	0.87	14.1
Chicken vienna sausage	140g, Tin	3.51	3.08	0.43	14.0
Cucumber	Lb	5.83	5.23	0.60	11.5
Pumpkin	Lb	4.96	4.53	0.43	9.5
Deep sea fish	Lb	13.00	12.00	1.00	8.3
Cocoa powder	115g, Tin	20.83	19.48	1.35	6.9
Gala apple	Lb	7.44	6.96	0.48	6.9
Sardine in soya oil	106g, Tin	5.72	5.46	0.26	4.8
Tomato ketchup	750ml, Bottle	11.20	10.81	0.39	3.6
Beer - imported	275ml, Bottle	4.77	4.56	0.21	4.6
Whiskey	750ml Bottle	78.32	75.14	3.18	4.2
School blouse, girl's, white	Each	24.95	19.23	5.72	29.7
School shirt, boy's, white	Each	24.95	19.96	4.99	25.0
Men's long sleeve shirt	Each	91.98	85.48	6.50	7.6
Electricity	150 kWh	199.80	185.67	14.13	7.6
Bleach	950ml, Bottle	7.30	6.24	1.06	17.0
Hypertensive drugs, 5mg	28 Tablets	5.66	4.47	1.19	26.6
Antihistamine, 10mg	20 Tablets	30.00	26.83	3.17	11.8
Petrol, unleaded	1 Gal	18.31	16.92	1.39	8.2
Diesel fuel	1 Gal	17.40	16.40	1.00	6.1
Passenger airfare from St. Vincent and the Grenadines to:					
<i>St. Lucia</i>	One Way	1057.44	675.84	381.60	56.5
<i>Trinidad & Tobago</i>	One Way	784.37	542.56	241.81	44.6
<i>Miami</i>	One Month	3063.25	2411.60	651.65	27.0
<i>London</i>	One Month	3751.60	3133.40	618.20	19.7
<i>Antigua & Barbuda</i>	One Way	1005.34	857.09	148.25	17.3
<i>Grenada</i>	One Way	492.23	431.35	60.88	14.1
Sanitary napkins	24pcs	21.00	16.00	5.00	31.3
Toothpaste	170g, Each	17.20	16.25	0.95	5.8
DECREASED					
Sweet potatoes	Lb	4.04	5.11	-1.08	-21.1
Evaporated milk	405g, Tin	4.28	4.80	-0.52	-10.8
Tomatoes, local	Lb	8.66	9.43	-0.77	-8.2
Mayonaise	375ml, Bottle	12.09	13.09	-1.00	-7.6
Luncheon meat, chicken	340g, Tin	9.00	9.27	-0.27	-2.9
Passenger airfare from St. Vincent and the Grenadines to:					
<i>Toronto</i>	One Month	3694.41	3828.31	-133.90	-3.5
Dog Food, canned	375g, Tin	13.42	14.70	-1.28	-8.7

Table 2.1
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
July 2026 Compared With July 2025

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		July 2026	July 2025		
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES					
Rice - Loose	1lb	2.29	2.33	-0.04	-1.53
Rice - Packaged	2kg	10.16	10.65	-0.48	-4.53
Flour - Loose	1 lb	1.88	1.88	0.00	0.00
Flour - Packaged (white)	2kg	8.93	9.03	-0.10	-1.08
Flour - Packaged (wholewheat)	2kg	9.55	9.47	0.08	0.84
Cornflakes	510g Box	16.03	16.65	-0.62	-3.73
Bread - Large Sandwich Loaf (white)	Each	5.53	5.42	0.12	2.20
Bread- Small Loaf, white	5 pk	2.99	2.99	0.00	0.00
Bread - Large Sandwich Loaf (whole wheat)	Each	6.26	6.26	0.00	0.00
Crix - salted crackers, White	288g (3 pk)	6.58	6.57	0.02	0.26
Pasta - Elbows	340 g	5.57	5.92	-0.36	-5.99
Beef - Fresh	1 lb	15.00	14.00	1.00	7.14
Pigtail - salted	1 lb	10.96	10.78	0.18	1.67
Chicken - Leg Quarters	1 lb	3.96	4.03	-0.07	-1.81
Chicken - Backs	1 lb	2.77	2.73	0.04	1.51
Chicken - Wings	1 lb	6.38	6.48	-0.10	-1.51
Turkey Wings	1 lb	7.42	6.12	1.30	21.20
Luncheon Meat (pork)	340 g	9.98	9.64	0.34	3.51
Corned beef	340g	9.79	9.60	0.19	1.99
Fish - Fresh (Deep Sea)	1 lb	13.00	12.00	1.00	8.33
Fish - Fresh (Jacks)	1 lb	6.67	6.67	0.00	0.00
Fish - Fresh (Robin)	1 lb	6.84	6.67	0.17	2.55
Codfish	1 lb	20.11	15.10	5.01	33.18
Sardine in soya oil	106g Tin	5.45	6.13	-0.68	-11.08
Milk - Evaporated	410g Tin	4.05	4.20	-0.15	-3.47
Powdered milk - full cream	1 lb	8.89	8.96	-0.07	-0.79
Eggs	1 Doz	12.25	13.30	-1.05	-7.88
Margarine	445g Tub	14.36	13.87	0.49	3.55
Soya bean oil	1Litre	15.09	14.95	0.14	0.94
Coconut oil	750ml Bottle	43.75	40.63	3.12	7.68
Bananas (ripe)	1 lb	2.16	2.65	-0.49	-18.33
Limes	1 lb	10.00	8.00	2.00	25.00
Tomatoes	1 lb	8.66	8.08	0.58	7.20
Sweet Potatoes	1 lb	4.04	4.56	-0.52	-11.46
Yams	1 lb	4.93	4.64	0.29	6.27
Sugar - Brown (loose)	1 lb	2.37	2.38	-0.01	-0.38
Sugar - White (loose)	1 lb	2.76	2.73	0.03	0.94
Ice cream	1 Litre Tub	19.06	19.06	0.00	0.00
Tomato Ketchup	750ml Bottle	11.20	10.36	0.84	8.10
Orange Juice	1 Litre box	9.89	9.76	0.12	1.26
Vitamalt	310 ml Bottle	5.85	5.85	0.00	0.00

Table 2.2
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
July 2026 Compared With July 2025

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		July 2026	July 2025		
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO & NARCOTICS					
Rum - Local (White)	750 ml Bot.	47.04	46.38	0.66	1.43
Beer - Local	280 ml Bot.	5.08	5.08	0.00	0.00
Cigarettes	Pkt. (10)	4.38	4.54	-0.16	-3.43
Table wine (local)	26 oz Bot.	35.59	37.70	-2.11	-5.59
Vodka	750ml Bot.	56.09	53.60	2.49	4.64
CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR					
Textile material - Cotton	1Yd.	16.07	16.07	0.00	0.00
Textile material - Tetrex	1Yd.	13.44	13.44	0.00	0.00
Men's Shirts - Long Sleeve	Each	91.98	79.80	12.18	15.26
Men's Jeans (long)	Pair	71.45	64.95	6.50	10.01
Men's Shoes -Formal	Pair	145.50	144.50	1.00	0.69
Women's Shoes - Formal	Pair	80.50	79.00	1.50	1.90
Women's Blouse	Each	53.95	44.95	9.00	20.02
School shirt - white, size 10	Each	24.95	18.82	6.14	32.61
School overal , navy blue, size 8	Each	55.08	49.95	5.13	10.27
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	403.60	309.16	94.44	30.55
Cooking Gas	20 Lb. Cyl.	39.70	39.70	0.00	0.00
FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD					
EQUIPMENT AND HOUSEHOLD					
MAINTENANCE					
Bed - queen size	Each	2555.99	2545.82	10.17	0.40
Sheets - queen size, 300 thread count, 100% cotton	Each	144.95	196.33	-51.38	-26.17
Dinner forks	Each	5.95	5.95	0.00	0.00
Powder detergent	500g Pk	5.44	5.83	-0.39	-6.69
Toilet tissue, 280 sheets per roll	1 Roll	1.73	1.56	0.17	11.20

Table 2.3
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
July 2026 Compared With July 2025

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		July 2026	July 2025		
HEALTH					
Doctor's Fee - Gynaecologist	Visit	100.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
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	5.90	6.69	-0.79	-11.76
Drug for Diabetes	Month supply	4.65	5.10	-0.45	-8.84
Dental Care	Visit	156.50	149.47	7.03	4.70
TRANSPORT					
Petrol - Unleaded	Gallon	18.31	15.12	3.19	21.10
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	645.09	548.18	96.91	17.68
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	1,408.45	1,397.24	11.21	0.80
Tablet - 10.1"	Each	358.54	355.63	2.91	0.82
Laptop Computer - 8 GB	Each	1,691.99	1,678.17	13.82	0.82
Dog Food (Canned)	375 g Tin	13.42	14.70	-1.28	-8.71
Carnival costume and Band Fees (Adult)	Each	675.00	600.00	75.00	12.50
Mathematics textbook	Each	105.77	94.93	10.84	11.41
Newspapers	Each	1.50	1.50	0.00	0.00

Table 2.4
Average Retail Price of Selected Items
July 2026 Compared With July 2025

Items	Unit of Quantity	Average EC\$		Change in Price	Percentage Change in Price
		July 2026	July 2025		
EDUCATION					
Pre-Primary - Private	Month	330.00	330.00	0.00	0.00
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	8547.84	8412.03	135.81	1.61
Private tutor	Per Session	32.50	32.50	0.00	0.00
HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS					
Pizza, pepperoni	Each	23.30	23.30	0.00	0.00
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	16.12	0.00	0.00
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	77.46	0.00	0.00
Men's Haircut, Regular	Visit	15.00	15.00	0.00	0.00
Disposable diapers, Medium, 22pcs	1 pack	23.16	22.35	0.80	3.59
Toothpaste	170g Tube	17.20	15.76	1.44	9.15
Roll -on	75ml bottle	10.56	7.64	2.92	38.17
Sanitary napkins, regular, with wings	10 per pack	8.20	8.14	0.06	0.74
Toilet Soap	110g	5.79	5.49	0.31	5.61
Elderly care Services	Month	2000.00	1800.00	200.00	11.11
Day care services (children < 2 years)	Month	360.00	360.00	0.00	0.00
Health Insurance - Group (family) ≥3 Persons	Month	307.00	307.00	0.00	0.00
Motor Vehicle Insurance - 3rd party	Annual	508.67	471.67	37.00	7.84

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

	Groups	Weight	June 2026	July 2026	July 2025	Percentage Change Over Previous:	
						Month June	Year July
01.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	164.8	165.4	163.3	0.4	1.3
02.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	139.4	140.1	139.3	0.5	0.6
03.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	119.9	120.6	115.2	0.6	4.7
04.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	110.6	112.0	106.9	1.3	4.8
05.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	141.4	142.0	141.7	0.4	0.2
06.	Health	1.79	125.4	126.7	126.7	1.0	0.0
07.	Transport	11.84	148.9	155.6	144.6	4.5	7.6
08.	Communication	9.41	114.6	114.6	114.1	0.0	0.4
09.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	121.2	120.9	118.6	-0.2	2.0
10.	Education	1.32	120.4	120.4	120.9	0.0	-0.4
11.	Hotels and Restaurants	1.87	151.8	151.8	150.1	0.0	1.2
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	129.6	130.2	124.4	0.5	4.7
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	132.6	134.1	130.3	1.1	2.9

Chart 1. COICOP Groups Percentage Change for July 2026

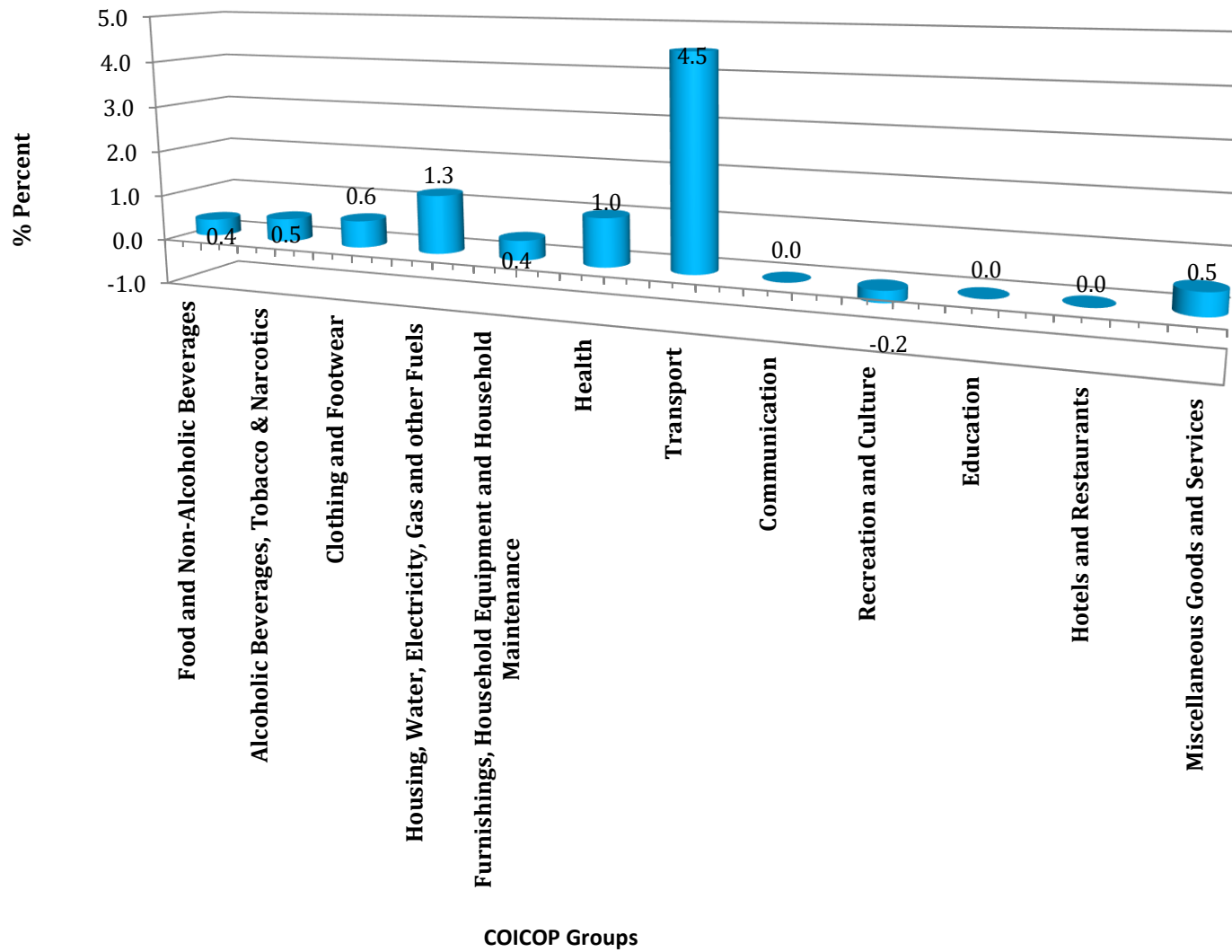


Table 4
The Consumer Price Index by Main Groups
January 2010 = 100
Contribution to Change

	Groups	Weight	June 2026	July 2026	Percentage Change	Cost Weight		Change in Cost Weight	% Contribution to Change
						June 2026	July 2026		
1.	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	21.91	164.8	165.4	0.4	3,610.77	3,623.91	13.1	8.8
2.	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Narcotics	3.87	139.4	140.1	0.5	539.48	542.19	2.7	1.8
3.	Clothing and Footwear	3.22	119.9	120.6	0.6	386.08	388.33	2.3	1.5
4.	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	30.06	110.6	112.0	1.3	3,324.64	3,366.72	42.1	28.1
5.	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Household Maintenance	6.59	141.4	142.0	0.4	931.83	935.78	4.0	2.6
6.	Health	1.79	125.4	126.7	1.0	224.47	226.79	2.3	1.6
7.	Transport	11.84	148.9	155.6	4.5	1,762.98	1,842.30	79.3	52.9
8.	Communication	9.41	114.6	114.6	0.0	1,078.39	1,078.39	0.0	0.0
9.	Recreation and Culture	3.81	121.2	120.9	-0.2	461.77	460.63	-1.1	-0.8
10.	Education	1.32	120.4	120.4	0.0	158.93	158.93	0.0	0.0
11.	Hotels and Restaurants	1.87	151.8	151.8	0.0	283.87	283.87	0.0	0.0
12.	Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.31	129.6	130.2	0.5	558.58	561.16	2.6	1.7
	ALL ITEMS	100.00	132.6	134.1	1.1	13,260.00	13,410.00	150.0	100.0

TABLE 5
Monthly Index - 2026
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	130.4	162.4	141.2	117.1	109.6	140.3	128.8	139.1	114.6	118.8	120.4	151.8	126.1
February	130.7	163.2	141.3	117.1	109.0	141.5	127.0	140.2	114.6	119.0	120.4	151.8	127.7
March	130.0	163.3	139.8	117.1	107.4	141.3	127.7	138.8	114.6	119.1	120.4	151.8	127.5
April	130.6	163.2	139.3	117.0	109.4	141.2	125.4	139.5	114.6	119.1	120.4	151.8	129.1
May	131.1	164.0	139.2	117.3	109.0	141.1	125.4	142.6	114.6	121.2	120.4	151.8	129.2
June	132.6	164.8	139.4	119.9	110.6	141.4	125.4	148.9	114.6	121.2	120.4	151.8	129.6
July	134.1	165.4	140.1	120.6	112.0	142.0	126.7	155.6	114.6	120.9	120.4	151.8	130.2