

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX 2010 = 100

APRIL 2015 Rev

Code	Description	WEIGHTS	Apr 2015	Apr 2014	Apr 2013	Mar 2015	%CHANGE		
							Apr 2015/ Apr 2014	Apr 2014/ Apr 2013	Apr 2015/ Mar 2015
0	ALL PRODUCTS	100.00	107.00	107.96	109.75	106.83	-0.89	-1.63	0.16
11.01	FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	20.35	117.15	114.69	114.30	117.19	2.15	0.34	-0.04
11.02	ALCOHOL BEVERAGES, TOBACCO & NARCOTICS	1.83	122.98	121.29	115.53	122.88	1.40	4.99	0.09
11.03	CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	3.66	100.49	101.64	103.81	100.49	-1.13	-2.09	0.00
11.04	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS & OTHER FUELS	29.05	102.85	106.34	106.35	103.34	-3.28	-0.01	-0.47
11.05	FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT & ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	4.50	108.49	110.01	112.06	108.62	-1.38	-1.83	-0.12
11.06	HEALTH	1.94	130.07	126.30	125.72	129.86	2.98	0.47	0.17
11.07	TRANSPORT	18.72	109.42	111.97	109.14	108.10	-2.28	2.59	1.22
11.08	COMMUNICATION	10.03	90.96	90.96	114.77	90.96	0.00	-20.74	0.00
11.09	RECREATION AND CULTURE	2.71	106.65	106.37	102.11	106.65	0.26	4.17	0.00
11.10	EDUCATION	0.83	122.33	118.43	113.99	122.33	3.29	3.90	0.00
11.11	RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	1.81	107.25	107.25	104.90	107.25	0.00	2.24	0.00
11.12	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	4.59	105.94	104.30	103.87	104.20	1.57	0.42	1.67

The above table shows a computation of the Consumer Price Index for the month of April 2015 with changes for the previous month March 2015 and the corresponding month of last year April 2014. The overall index moved from 106.83 index points in March 2015 to 107.00 index points in April 2015 representing an increase of 0.16%. An examination of the following subgroups revealed the following.

The major group "Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages" which has the second highest weight share decreased marginally by 0.04% resulting from price decrease in the price of Pasta Products by 0.04%, Beef 0.66%, Pork 1.36%, Poultry 0.08%, Preserved Fish 0.03%, Preserved Milk 1.47%, Butter 0.42%, Cooking Oil 0.22% and Potatoes 1.84%. Despite these decreases several price increases were observed within this major group for example Cereal 0.10%, Bakery Products 0.42%, Fresh Fish 0.80%, Cheese 0.55%, Eggs 3.75%, Fresh Fruits 0.35%, Fresh Vegetables 0.71%, Jams 1.32% and Hot Beverages 0.33%. "Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels" declined by 0.47% as the price of Electricity and Cooking Gas fell by 0.23% and 6.69% respectively. "Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance" also recorded a decline of 0.12% resulting from a reduction in the price of Household Glass Utensils and Non-Durable House Goods of 1.58% and 0.12% respectively.

"Alcohol Beverages and Tobacco" increased by 0.09% due to an increase in price of Spirits and Wine of 0.16% and 0.27% respectively. "Health" increased by 0.17% due to a price increase of Pharmaceutical Products of 0.32%. "Transport" increased by 1.22% as a result of a price increase in Motor Vehicle Fuel of 7.27%. "Miscellaneous Goods and Services increased by 1.67% due to an increase in the price of Personal Care Products of 3.36%. The other groups remained relatively constant.

Relative to the corresponding month of last year the Consumer Price Index moved from 107.96 index points in April 2014 to 107.00 index points in April 2015 representing a decline of 0.89%. The major group recorded the following decreases: "Clothing and Footwear" 1.13%, "Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels" 3.28%, "Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance" 1.38%, and "Transport" 2.28%. The following items contributed to these decreases:- Men's Clothing 2.32%, Women's Clothing 3.79%, Men's Footwear 0.23%, Rental for Housing 0.36%, Electricity 9.31%, Cooking Gas which includes the twenty pound cylinder 18.93%, Bedroom Furniture 0.75%, Living-room and Dining-room Furniture 13.20%, and Motor Vehicle Fuel 17.49%.

All the other groups recorded increases between 0.26% and 3.29% resulting price increase in the following items- Rice 0.87%, Beef and Veal 6.98%, Pork 4.96%, Mutton 3.02%, Poultry 3.52%, Delicatessen and other Meat preparations 1.64%, Fresh Fish 3.74%, Preserved Milk 0.99%, Cheese 11.58%, Butter 1.96% Margarine 2.89%, Fresh Fruit 7.82%, Fresh Vegetables 6.11%, Potatoes 2.30%, Jams 11.66%, Spirits 2.13%, Tobacco 3.16%, Pharmaceutical Products 5.02%, Medical Services 2.23%, Books 6.18% resulting from an increase in the price of Mathematics books for Primary Schools and Drafting Books for Secondary Schools, Pre-primary and Primary Education 2.12% and Tertiary Education 3.84% and Personal Care Products 3.16%.

Accordingly, the inflation rate for the month of April is negative 0.89%. This can be compared to a decrease of 1.63% for the same period in 2014.

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