



# Consumer Price Index

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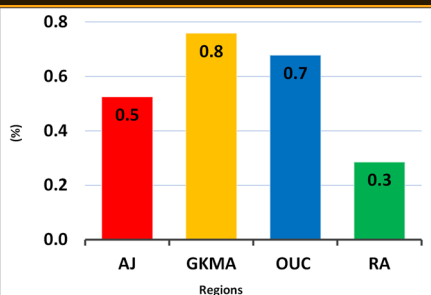
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### SEPTEMBER 2023

The inflation rate for September 2023 was 0.5 per cent. The main contributor to this upward movement was the 11.8 per cent rise in the index of the 'Education' division, due to higher tuition fees for primary level private schools. Also impacting the inflation rate was the 0.7 per cent increase in the index for the 'Transport' division mainly as a result of higher petrol prices. The index for the 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' rose by 0.1 per cent influenced by increases in the index for most classes. However, the 1.9 per cent decline in the index for the 'Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses' class tempered the overall movement of the division.

The point-to-point inflation rate as of September 2023 was 5.9 per cent.

#### INFLATION AT A GLANCE



All Jamaica	+0.5%
Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area	+0.8%
Other Urban Centres	+0.7%
Rural Areas	+0.3%

#### ALL JAMAICA MONTHLY MOVEMENTS:

MONTH	YEAR	(%)
September	2023	+0.5
August	2023	+1.0
July	2023	+1.1
June	2023	+1.0
May	2023	+0.6
April	2023	-0.4
March	2023	+0.1
February	2023	+0.5
January	2023	-0.6
December	2022	-0.0
November	2022	+0.4
October	2022	+1.5
September	2022	+1.4

Table I: All Jamaica, Divisional Indices and Movement (Base period 2019 = 100)

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES	SEPT 2023	AUG 2023	Past Month	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 23/24	Calendar Year to Date
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>132.9</b>	<b>132.2</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.5</b>
01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	147.3	147.1	0.1	9.8	5.9	7.5
02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	125.4	124.6	0.7	7.5	2.1	3.5
03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	122.8	122.1	0.6	4.9	1.7	2.9
04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	118.9	118.8	0.1	-1.9	2.5	-1.0
05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	134.7	134.3	0.3	11.0	7.6	9.1
06 HEALTH	120.2	119.8	0.3	4.7	1.6	3.3
07 TRANSPORT	119.7	118.8	0.7	-0.2	1.4	1.2
08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	102.2	102.2	0.0	2.8	5.5	2.7
09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	123.2	122.5	0.6	4.2	2.6	3.3
10 EDUCATION	140.3	125.5	11.8	15.3	11.8	11.8
11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	157.8	157.8	0.1	12.0	4.4	5.7
12 INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES	108.5	108.5	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.0
13 PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	124.8	124.3	0.4	5.0	1.8	3.0

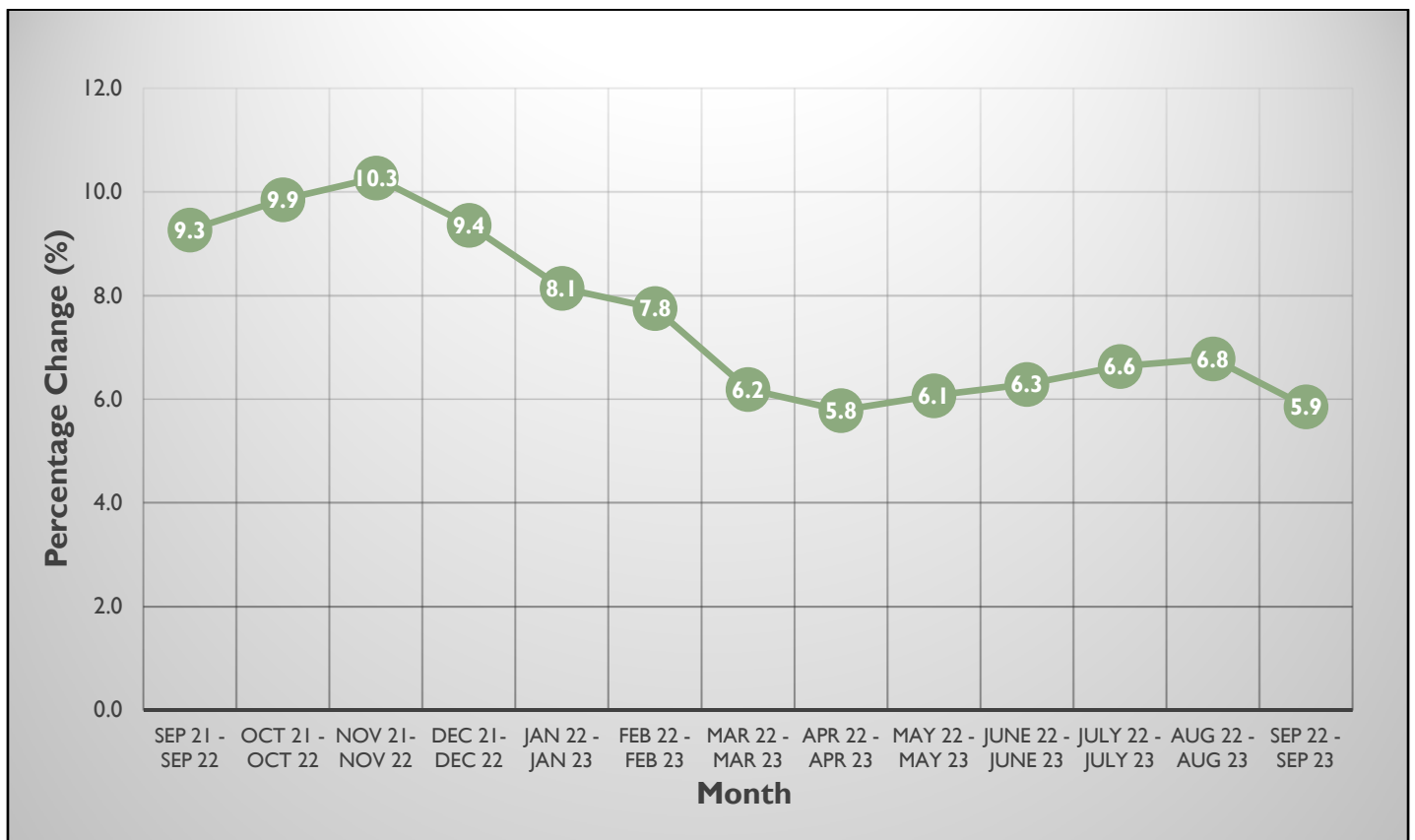
## CPI Point-to-Point, September 2023

As at September 2023, the point-to-point inflation rate was 5.9 per cent. This was 0.9 percentage points lower than the inflation rate for the prior point-to-point period due to lower prices for some agricultural products, as a result of favourable weather conditions. The chief contributors to the 5.9 per cent inflation rate were the divisions: **'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages'**, up by 9.8 per cent and **'Restaurants and Accommodation Services'** up by 12.0 per cent. These increases were, however, moderated by the 1.9 per cent fall in the index of the **'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels'** division.

The main contributor to the upward movement in the index for the division **'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages'** was the *'Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses'* class, which rose by 23.4 per cent. This was the result of higher prices for items such as yam, sweet potato, tomato, cabbage, and carrot. Also impacting the inflation rate for this division were the classes *'Cereals and cereal products'* (up by 4.6 %) and *'Meat and Other parts of slaughtered land animals'* (up by 4.2 %). Increased prices for bread, flour and rice impacted the former class, while higher prices for chicken and other meat products impacted the latter.

For the division, **'Restaurants and Accommodation Services'** the group *'Food and Beverage Serving Services'* increased by 12.0 per cent, due to higher prices for some meals consumed away from home.

The decline in the index for the **'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels'** division was influenced by the 6.3 per cent decline in the index for the class *'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels'* resulting from a fall in electricity charges.



All Jamaica, Point-to-Point Inflation Rate, September 2021 – September 2023

## CPI Division Movements, September 2023

### FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES



+0.1%

The index for the 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division increased by 0.1 per cent for September 2023, which was the lowest inflation rate for this division since March 2023. The index for the 'Food' group rose by 0.1 per cent largely attributed to increases in 'Fruits and Nuts' (3.8%), 'Ready-made foods and other food products n.e.c.' (2.2%), 'Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals' (0.3%) and 'Cereals and cereal products' (0.3%). These increases, however, were tempered by the 1.9 per cent reduction in the index of the class 'Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses'. This was due mainly to lower prices for agricultural produce especially yellow yam and tomato, due to increased rainfall. For the group 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages', the index for the classes 'Fruit and vegetable juices' and 'Coffee, Tea, Cocoa' each increased by 0.7 per cent, while 'Water, Soft drinks, and Other non-alcoholic beverages' went up by 0.4 per cent.

The point-to-point inflation rate was 9.8 per cent.

### ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS



+0.7%

The index for the 'Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics' division rose by 0.7 per cent for the review period. The two groups 'Alcoholic Beverages' and 'Tobacco' increased by 0.2 per cent and 2.0 per cent respectively. For the 'Alcoholic Beverages' group, there were increases for the classes: 'Spirits and Liquors (0.3%)', 'Wines' (0.2%) and 'Beers' (0.2%).

The point-to-point inflation rate was 7.5 per cent.

### CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR



+0.6%

There was a 0.6 per cent rise in the index for the 'Clothing and Footwear' division for September 2023. The index for the group 'Clothing' went up by 0.8 per cent, influenced mainly by the similar increase for the index of the classes: 'Clothing materials' and 'Garments'. The index for the group 'Footwear' rose by 0.2 per cent, resulting from increases in the classes: 'Shoes and other Footwear' (0.2%) and 'Cleaning repair and hire for Footwear' (0.5%).

The point-to-point inflation rate was 4.9 per cent.

### HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS



+0.1%

The inflation rate for the division 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' was 0.1 per cent for September 2023. This was largely due to increased rates for electricity, water and sewage. As a result, the index for the group 'Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services related to the Dwelling' rose by 1.1 per cent, while 'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' moved upwards by 0.2 per cent.

The point-to-point inflation rate was -1.9 per cent.

### FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE



+0.3%

The index for 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance' division increased by 0.3 per cent. There were increases in the index for all groups within this division, with 'Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance' (0.3%) being the largest contributor followed by 'Furniture, Furnishings and Loose Carpets' (0.2%) and 'Household Appliances up by (0.1%).

The point-to-point inflation rate was 11.0 per cent.

## HEALTH



+0.3%

For the third month in succession, the **'Health'** division registered a 0.3 per cent increase in its index . This was mainly impacted by a 0.3 per cent increase in the index for the group **'Medicines and Health Products'** due to higher prices for some over-the-counter and prescription drugs. Also impacting the division was the 0.9 per cent increase in the index of the group **'Outpatient Care Services'**, as a result of a rise in the fees charged by some general practitioners and dentists.

The point-to-point inflation rate was 4.7 per cent.

## TRANSPORT



0.7%

There was a 0.7 per cent increase in the index for the **'Transport'** division. This was due mainly to the 3.5 per cent increase in the index for the class **'Fuels and Lubricants for personal transport equipment'** as result of higher petrol prices.

The point-to-point inflation rate was -0.2 per cent.

## RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE



+0.6%

The index for the **'Recreation, Sport and Culture'** division increased by 0.6 per cent. This movement was impacted mainly by a 0.7 per cent increase for the group **'Newspapers, Books and Stationery'** due to increased prices for school books and stationery items.

The point-to-point inflation rate was 4.2 per cent.

## EDUCATION



+11.8%

The index for the **'Education'** division rose by 11.8 per cent. This was attributed to higher tuition fees for private schools at the primary education level for the new school year.

The point-to point inflation rate was 15.3 per cent.

## RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES



+0.1%

The index for the **'Restaurants and Accommodation Services'** division increased by 0.1 per cent. Higher prices for some meals consumed away from home was the main contributing factor to this increase.

The point-to-point inflation rate was 12.0 per cent.

## PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES



+0.4%

The index for the division **'Personal Care, Social Protection and Miscellaneous Good and Services'** increased by 0.4 per cent for the review period. This was due primarily to increased prices for some personal care products and services.

The point-to-point inflation rate was 5.0 per cent.

**TABLE II. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL JAMAICA, SEPTEMBER 2023**

<b>DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES</b>	<b>SEPT 2023 Index</b>	<b>AUG 2023 Index</b>	<b>Past Month</b>	<b>Point to Point</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 23/24</b>	<b>Calendar Year to Date</b>
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>132.9</b>	<b>132.2</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>147.3</b>	<b>147.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>
<b>01.1 FOOD</b>	<b>147.9</b>	<b>147.7</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>7.5</b>
01.1.1 Cereals and cereal products (ND)	143.0	142.7	0.3	4.6	2.2	3.0
01.1.2 Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	149.1	148.7	0.3	4.2	1.1	2.4
01.1.3 Fish and Seafood (ND)	137.5	137.2	0.2	4.7	1.5	2.6
01.1.4 Milk, other dairy products and eggs (ND)	137.5	137.1	0.3	7.0	2.0	3.8
01.1.5 Oils and Fats (ND)	144.7	144.5	0.2	3.8	1.1	2.1
01.1.6 Fruits and nuts (ND)	134.6	129.6	3.8	9.8	4.6	4.8
<b>01.1.7 Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND)</b>	<b>169.4</b>	<b>172.7</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>23.4</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>22.6</b>
<i>Tubers, Plantains and cooking Banana (Starchy Foods)</i>	<b>172.7</b>	<b>175.0</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>28.9</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>30.7</b>
<i>Vegetables</i>	<b>167.9</b>	<b>171.6</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>19.7</b>
01.1.8 Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND)	143.6	142.7	0.6	12.4	4.2	6.6
01.1.9 Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. (ND)	139.9	136.8	2.2	12.0	6.6	7.9
<b>01.2 NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>138.6</b>	<b>137.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>
01.2.1 Fruit and vegetable juices (ND)	137.9	137.0	0.7	9.7	3.2	5.6
01.2.2, 01.2.3, 01.2.4 Coffee, Tea, Cocoa	144.0	142.9	0.7	13.3	3.7	9.2
01.2.5, 01.2.6, 01.2.9 Water, Soft drinks and Other non-alcoholic beverages	<b>137.0</b>	<b>136.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b>02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS</b>	<b>125.4</b>	<b>124.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>122.8</b>	<b>122.1</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<i>03.1 CLOTHING</i>	124.2	123.2	0.8	5.3	2.1	3.2
<i>03.2 FOOTWEAR</i>	120.0	119.7	0.2	4.0	1.0	2.2
<b>04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>	<b>118.9</b>	<b>118.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>-1.0</b>
<i>04.1 ACTUAL RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	127.4	126.7	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.1
<i>04.2 IMPUTED RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	106.8	107.1	-0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
<i>04.3 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND SECURITY OF THE DWELLING</i>	130.8	130.8	0.0	4.1	0.7	3.3
<i>04.4 WATER SUPPLY AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES RELATING TO THE DWELLING</i>	114.0	112.8	1.1	0.2	-2.3	-2.3
<i>04.5 ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</i>	136.1	135.9	0.2	-6.3	7.7	-3.0
<b>05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>134.7</b>	<b>134.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<i>05.1 FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, AND LOOSE CARPETS</i>	127.0	126.8	0.2	4.5	0.8	2.8
<i>05.2 HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES</i>	125.3	125.0	0.3	5.9	1.6	3.7
<i>05.3 HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES</i>	122.0	121.9	0.1	2.9	0.6	1.3
<i>05.5 TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN</i>	119.1	118.7	0.3	4.5	1.9	3.0
<i>05.6 GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</i>	139.0	138.6	0.3	13.6	10.2	11.7
<b>06 HEALTH</b>	<b>120.2</b>	<b>119.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.3</b>
<i>06.1 MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS</i>	120.7	120.3	0.3	4.5	1.4	3.4
<i>06.2 OUTPATIENT CARE SERVICES</i>	123.2	122.1	0.9	6.5	2.3	3.3
<i>06.4 OTHER HEALTH SERVICES</i>	108.3	108.3	0.0	2.9	1.9	1.9
<b>07 TRANSPORT</b>	<b>119.7</b>	<b>118.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.2</b>
<b>08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>102.2</b>	<b>102.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE</b>	<b>123.2</b>	<b>122.5</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.3</b>
<b>10 EDUCATION</b>	<b>140.3</b>	<b>125.5</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>11.8</b>
<b>11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES</b>	<b>157.8</b>	<b>157.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>12 INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>108.5</b>	<b>108.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>13 PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>124.8</b>	<b>124.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>3.0</b>

**TABLE III. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: GREATER KINGSTON METROPOLITAN AREA, SEPTEMBER 2023**

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES	SEPT 2023 Index	AUG 2023 Index	Past Month	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 23/24	Calendar Year to Date
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>131.6</b>	<b>130.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.8</b>
<b>01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>151.1</b>	<b>150.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.7</b>
<b>01.1 FOOD</b>	<b>151.8</b>	<b>151.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>8.7</b>
01.1.1 Cereals and cereal products (ND)	144.6	144.1	0.4	5.4	2.8	3.7
01.1.2 Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	155.1	154.8	0.2	4.7	1.2	2.8
01.1.3 Fish and Seafood (ND)	143.7	143.1	0.4	6.0	2.5	3.8
01.1.4 Milk, other dairy products and eggs (ND)	138.8	138.4	0.3	7.1	2.6	4.0
01.1.5 Oils and Fats (ND)	149.3	148.8	0.3	3.7	1.7	2.4
01.1.6 Fruits and nuts (ND)	128.9	124.2	3.7	11.0	5.7	6.8
<b>01.1.7 Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND)</b>	<b>179.1</b>	<b>181.5</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>25.5</b>
<i>Tubers, Plantains and cooking Banana (Starchy Foods)</i>	<b>191.8</b>	<b>191.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>32.6</b>	<b>22.5</b>	<b>34.1</b>
<i>Vegetables</i>	<b>174.0</b>	<b>177.5</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>23.1</b>	<b>22.0</b>
01.1.8 Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND)	146.5	145.9	0.4	11.8	4.3	6.5
01.1.9 Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. (ND)	139.1	135.1	2.9	14.4	8.1	9.5
<b>01.2 NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>141.5</b>	<b>140.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>7.3</b>
01.2.1 Fruit and vegetable juices (ND)	140.6	139.3	0.9	11.9	3.7	7.0
01.2.2, 01.2.3, 01.2.4 Coffee, Tea, Cocoa	147.1	146.4	0.5	14.0	4.4	9.4
01.2.5, 01.2.6, 01.2.9 Water, Soft drinks and Other non-alcoholic beverages	141.4	140.8	0.4	11.9	3.7	6.8
<b>02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS</b>	<b>125.2</b>	<b>124.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>121.5</b>	<b>120.9</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<i>03.1 CLOTHING</i>	122.3	121.9	0.4	4.1	1.7	2.6
<i>03.2 FOOTWEAR</i>	119.9	119.3	0.6	5.1	1.5	3.3
<b>04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>	<b>114.0</b>	<b>113.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>-0.5</b>
<i>04.1 ACTUAL RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	121.2	120.8	0.3	1.4	1.4	1.4
<i>04.2 IMPUTED RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	102.5	102.1	0.4	1.3	1.3	1.3
<i>04.3 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND SECURITY OF THE DWELLING</i>	129.8	129.8	0.0	3.7	0.5	2.6
<i>04.4 WATER SUPPLY AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES RELATING TO THE DWELLING</i>	115.9	114.6	1.1	0.2	-2.3	-2.3
<i>04.5 ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</i>	135.4	135.3	0.1	-7.6	7.2	-4.1
<b>05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>137.8</b>	<b>137.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>10.1</b>
<i>05.1 FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, AND LOOSE CARPETS</i>	131.0	130.5	0.3	6.6	2.2	4.5
<i>05.2 HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES</i>	125.3	125.2	0.1	4.7	2.3	2.9
<i>05.3 HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES</i>	129.3	129.0	0.2	4.2	1.6	2.3
<i>05.5 TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN</i>	119.7	119.3	0.4	2.0	1.1	1.6
<i>05.6 GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</i>	141.0	140.4	0.4	14.4	11.1	12.4
<b>06 HEALTH</b>	<b>127.1</b>	<b>126.8</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<i>06.1 MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS</i>	130.3	130.1	0.2	4.1	1.8	3.1
<i>06.2 OUTPATIENT CARE SERVICES</i>	124.3	123.9	0.3	4.2	1.6	2.6
<i>06.4 OTHER HEALTH SERVICES</i>	100.4	100.4	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
<b>07 TRANSPORT</b>	<b>117.7</b>	<b>116.7</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.5</b>
<b>08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>99.9</b>	<b>99.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE</b>	<b>122.8</b>	<b>122.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>10 EDUCATION</b>	<b>151.6</b>	<b>132.8</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>14.3</b>
<b>11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES</b>	<b>156.1</b>	<b>156.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>
<b>12 INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>108.0</b>	<b>108.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>13 PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>126.4</b>	<b>125.9</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.4</b>

**TABLE IV. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: OTHER URBAN CENTRES, SEPTEMBER 2023**

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES	SEPT 2023 Index	AUG 2023 Index	Past Month	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 23/24	Calendar Year to Date
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>136.2</b>	<b>135.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.8</b>
<b>01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>148.3</b>	<b>147.8</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>8.4</b>
<b>01.1 FOOD</b>	<b>148.9</b>	<b>148.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>8.5</b>
01.1.1 Cereals and cereal products (ND)	143.2	142.8	0.2	4.8	2.2	3.0
01.1.2 Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	150.0	149.8	0.2	4.6	1.1	2.4
01.1.3 Fish and Seafood (ND)	139.9	139.7	0.1	4.5	1.1	2.2
01.1.4 Milk, other dairy products and eggs (ND)	137.5	137.3	0.2	6.3	1.6	3.3
01.1.5 Oils and Fats (ND)	145.9	145.7	0.1	4.3	1.2	2.4
01.1.6 Fruits and nuts (ND)	136.4	131.6	3.7	12.3	4.7	6.8
<b>01.1.7 Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND)</b>	<b>171.4</b>	<b>172.5</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>28.4</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>26.6</b>
<i>Tubers, Plantains and cooking Banana (Starchy Foods)</i>	<b>176.4</b>	<b>177.5</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>33.0</b>
<i>Vegetables</i>	<b>169.3</b>	<b>170.3</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>24.1</b>
01.1.8 Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND)	142.0	140.5	1.1	12.4	3.7	7.1
01.1.9 Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. (ND)	138.3	134.7	2.6	13.2	6.6	8.3
<b>01.2 NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>139.4</b>	<b>138.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>6.2</b>
01.2.1 Fruit and vegetable juices (ND)	142.9	141.9	0.7	9.1	3.0	5.8
01.2.2, 01.2.3, 01.2.4 Coffee, Tea, Cocoa	143.2	142.1	0.8	12.1	3.5	7.3
01.2.5, 01.2.6, 01.2.9 Water, Soft drinks and Other non-alcoholic beverages	135.1	134.7	0.3	10.2	3.4	5.8
<b>02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS</b>	<b>125.3</b>	<b>124.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.4</b>
<b>03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>126.9</b>	<b>126.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<i>03.1 CLOTHING</i>	130.4	129.2	0.9	6.3	2.3	3.8
<i>03.2 FOOTWEAR</i>	119.4	119.2	0.1	3.6	0.9	1.8
<b>04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>-1.3</b>
<i>04.1 ACTUAL RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	149.1	147.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3
<i>04.2 IMPUTED RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	124.4	125.2	-0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>04.3 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND SECURITY OF THE DWELLING</i>	129.7	129.7	0.0	5.3	0.6	4.0
<i>04.4 WATER SUPPLY AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES RELATING TO THE DWELLING</i>	113.2	112.0	1.1	0.2	-2.3	-2.3
<i>04.5 ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</i>	132.4	132.3	0.0	-7.0	7.9	-3.6
<b>05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>138.3</b>	<b>138.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>10.2</b>
<i>05.1 FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, AND LOOSE CARPETS</i>	124.7	124.5	0.1	4.2	0.5	2.5
<i>05.2 HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES</i>	125.2	124.8	0.3	6.2	1.4	3.9
<i>05.3 HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES</i>	122.5	122.5	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.9
<i>05.5 TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN</i>	111.4	111.2	0.2	4.1	1.3	2.8
<i>05.6 GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</i>	144.7	144.3	0.3	15.7	11.8	13.6
<b>06 HEALTH</b>	<b>118.6</b>	<b>118.1</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<i>06.1 MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS</i>	118.5	118.1	0.3	4.7	1.3	3.5
<i>06.2 OUTPATIENT CARE SERVICES</i>	124.7	123.3	1.2	7.5	2.6	3.6
<i>06.4 OTHER HEALTH SERVICES</i>	109.4	109.4	0.0	4.5	2.8	2.9
<b>07 TRANSPORT</b>	<b>121.0</b>	<b>120.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>103.1</b>	<b>103.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE</b>	<b>122.7</b>	<b>121.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>10 EDUCATION</b>	<b>132.4</b>	<b>119.6</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>10.7</b>
<b>11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES</b>	<b>156.4</b>	<b>156.3</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>6.0</b>
<b>12 INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>108.5</b>	<b>108.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>13 PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>124.5</b>	<b>123.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>3.0</b>

**TABLE V. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: RURAL AREAS, SEPTEMBER 2023**

DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES	SEPT 2023 Index	AUG 2023 Index	Past Month	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 23/24	Calendar Year to Date
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>132.2</b>	<b>131.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>01 - FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>144.7</b>	<b>144.9</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>01.1 FOOD</b>	<b>145.2</b>	<b>145.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>
01.1.1 Cereals and cereal products (ND)	142.1	141.8	0.2	4.0	1.9	2.6
01.1.2 Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	145.1	144.6	0.4	3.8	1.1	2.1
01.1.3 Fish and Seafood (ND)	133.4	133.2	0.2	4.2	1.2	2.2
01.1.4 Milk, other dairy products and eggs (ND)	136.8	136.3	0.4	7.2	1.9	3.8
01.1.5 Oils and Fats (ND)	141.8	141.6	0.1	3.5	0.7	1.7
01.1.6 Fruits and nuts (ND)	137.3	132.1	3.9	8.0	4.0	2.7
<b>01.1.7 Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND)</b>	<b>163.0</b>	<b>167.9</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>19.1</b>
<i>Tubers, Plantains and cooking Banana (Starchy Foods)</i>	<b>161.2</b>	<b>165.6</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>24.9</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>27.7</b>
<i>Vegetables</i>	<b>163.7</b>	<b>168.9</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>16.5</b>
01.1.8 Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND)	142.7	141.9	0.6	12.7	4.3	6.5
01.1.9 Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. (ND)	141.0	138.7	1.6	10.1	5.9	6.9
<b>01.2 NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>136.2</b>	<b>135.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>6.0</b>
01.2.1 Fruit and vegetable juices (ND)	133.6	133.0	0.4	8.4	2.9	4.4
01.2.2, 01.2.3, 01.2.4 Coffee, Tea, Cocoa	142.9	141.7	0.8	13.6	3.5	9.9
01.2.5, 01.2.6, 01.2.9 Water, Soft drinks and Other non-alcoholic beverages	134.2	133.6	0.5	8.3	3.2	4.9
<b>02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS</b>	<b>125.7</b>	<b>124.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.2</b>
<b>03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>121.6</b>	<b>120.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>
<i>03.1 CLOTHING</i>	122.2	121.1	0.9	5.3	1.3	2.4
<i>03.2 FOOTWEAR</i>	120.4	120.2	0.1	3.6	0.8	1.8
<b>04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>	<b>119.1</b>	<b>119.1</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-2.3</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>-1.2</b>
<i>04.1 ACTUAL RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	120.1	119.9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<i>04.2 IMPUTED RENTALS FOR HOUSING</i>	102.8	103.7	-0.9	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
<i>04.3 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND SECURITY OF THE DWELLING</i>	132.4	132.4	0.0	3.7	1.0	3.5
<i>04.4 WATER SUPPLY AND MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES RELATING TO THE DWELLING</i>	112.8	111.6	1.1	0.2	-2.3	-2.3
<i>04.5 ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</i>	138.4	137.9	0.3	-5.1	7.9	-2.0
<b>05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>131.5</b>	<b>131.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8.0</b>
<i>05.1 FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, AND LOOSE CARPETS</i>	126.7	126.5	0.2	3.8	0.5	2.3
<i>05.2 HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES</i>	125.3	124.9	0.3	6.3	1.4	4.0
<i>05.3 HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES</i>	117.9	117.8	0.0	2.4	0.3	1.0
<i>05.5 TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT FOR HOUSE AND GARDEN</i>	121.3	121.0	0.3	5.3	2.3	3.4
<i>05.6 GOODS AND SERVICES FOR ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</i>	135.3	134.9	0.3	12.0	8.9	10.4
<b>06 HEALTH</b>	<b>117.0</b>	<b>116.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<i>06.1 MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS</i>	116.6	116.3	0.3	4.7	1.3	3.5
<i>06.2 OUTPATIENT CARE SERVICES</i>	121.9	120.4	1.2	7.7	2.6	3.7
<i>06.4 OTHER HEALTH SERVICES</i>	113.8	113.8	0.0	4.3	2.7	2.8
<b>07 TRANSPORT</b>	<b>120.3</b>	<b>119.5</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>103.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>2.9</b>
<b>09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE</b>	<b>124.0</b>	<b>123.0</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>10 EDUCATION</b>	<b>133.1</b>	<b>121.4</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>9.6</b>
<b>11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES</b>	<b>159.8</b>	<b>159.7</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b>12 INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>109.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>13 PERSONAL CARE, SOCIAL PROTECTION AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>124.0</b>	<b>123.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>2.9</b>





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