

Barbados Statistical Service
Statistical Bulletin
Retail Price Index
February 2022
(Base: July 2001=100)

The Retail Price Index for February 2022 increased by 1.3% in comparison to January 2022, moving from 209.6 to 212.4 index points.

Amongst the major groups: Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 12.7 points or 4.4%.

Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics increased by 1.6 points or 0.8%.

Clothing and Footwear decreased by 2.0 points or 3.3%.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels decreased by 7.1 points or 4.1%.

Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance increased by 0.6 of a point or 0.4%.

Health increased by 4.4 points or 1.9%.

Transport increased by 0.6 of a point or 0.3%.

Communication remained unchanged.

Recreation and Culture decreased by 0.2 of a point or 0.2%.

Education increased by 1.4 points or 0.5%.

Restaurants and Hotels decreased by 6.5 points or 2.1%.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services increased by 2.0 points or 1.4%.

Major Group Indices By Month
Retail Price Index
(Base July 2001 = 100)
March 2021 to February 2022

MONTH	FOOD AND NON- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	HEALTH	TRANSPORT	COMMUNICATION	RECREATION AND CULTURE	EDUCATION	RESTAURANTS	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	ALL ITEMS	10000
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2021														
March	263.9	209.5	65.1	163.7	151.2	230.5	189.2	177.8	104.4	280.1	305.1	138.8	197.6	
April	258.6	209.2	65.5	165.0	150.6	230.9	193.3	177.8	104.5	280.1	298.8	138.2	196.5	
May	261.8	209.5	64.5	165.7	151.1	230.0	194.2	174.5	103.4	281.2	309.7	138.6	198.0	
June	265.4	211.0	64.9	165.9	150.4	230.0	198.6	174.5	104.9	281.2	313.9	138.6	199.9	
July	267.7	212.8	66.1	167.4	151.8	230.0	201.8	174.5	103.8	281.2	317.7	139.1	201.6	
August	275.2	209.9	64.8	168.3	150.6	233.6	207.7	174.5	104.6	281.7	310.4	140.3	204.5	
September	288.4	210.3	62.7	169.1	149.7	233.7	207.5	174.5	102.6	281.7	308.9	140.2	208.4	
October	289.6	211.4	60.9	168.6	148.8	233.6	204.1	174.5	102.1	281.7	319.7	140.3	208.4	
November	297.6	211.4	61.1	172.3	149.8	235.1	204.0	174.5	102.2	281.7	315.5	138.1	211.3	
December	300.5	211.1	62.2	174.7	151.0	235.1	203.1	174.5	103.2	281.7	305.3	138.1	212.3	
2022														
January	291.0	212.9	60.1	175.2	152.3	235.1	201.6	174.5	104.8	281.7	307.2	138.7	209.6	
February	303.7	214.5	58.1	168.1	152.9	239.5	202.2	174.5	104.6	283.1	300.7	140.7	212.4	

PLEASE NOTE, due to restrictions put in place during February 2021 to manage the COVID 19 pandemic, the collections for that month could not be completed. As a result, the index for February 2021 could not be calculated.

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES
 (Base : July 2001 = 100)
Monthly Group Movements

February 2022

Groups	Weights	% of Basket Weight	Index January 2022	Index February 2022	Change Over January 2022	
					Points	%
01. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	3011	30.1	291.0	303.7	12.7	4.4
02. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	373	3.7	212.9	214.5	1.6	0.8
03. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	332	3.3	60.1	58.1	-2.0	-3.3
04. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	1735	17.4	175.2	168.1	-7.1	-4.1
05. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	857	8.6	152.3	152.9	0.6	0.4
06. HEALTH	278	2.8	235.1	239.5	4.4	1.9
07. TRANSPORT	1338	13.4	201.6	202.2	0.6	0.3
08. COMMUNICATION	383	3.8	174.5	174.5	0.0	0.0
09. RECREATION AND CULTURE	383	3.8	104.8	104.6	-0.2	-0.2
10. EDUCATION	64	0.6	281.7	283.1	1.4	0.5
11. RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	314	3.1	307.2	300.7	-6.5	-2.1
12. MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	932	9.3	138.7	140.7	2.0	1.4
ALL ITEMS	10000	100	209.6	212.4	2.8	1.3

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Point to Point Percentage Change in the All Items Index

Month	All Items index				Percentage Change			
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	184.1	198.2	201.5	209.6	0.4	7.7	1.7	4.0
February	186.7	195.2	NA	212.4	1.1	4.6	NA	NA
March	187.5	195.5	197.6		2.1	4.3	1.1	
April	187.0	NA	196.5		3.0	NA	NA	
May	189.5	195.0	198.0		3.9	2.9	1.5	
June	189.8	194.3	199.9		3.3	2.4	2.9	
July	190.8	194.4	201.6		3.1	1.9	3.7	
August	194.5	198.2	204.5		5.5	1.9	3.2	
September	196.4	197.4	208.4		6.7	0.5	5.6	
October	197.2	199.6	208.4		6.9	1.2	4.4	
November	198.2	202.0	211.3		6.3	1.9	4.6	
December	199.7	202.1	212.3		7.2	1.2	5.0	
Annual Averages	191.7	197.4	203.6		4.1	3.0	3.1	

Averages for the Twelve Month Period

Month	Average All Items Index				Inflation			
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	184.2	192.9	197.7	204.3	3.3	4.7	2.5	3.3
February	184.4	193.6	NA	205.0	2.9	5.0	NA	NA
March	184.7	194.3	198.2		2.6	5.2	2.0	
April	185.2	NA	198.0		2.3	NA	NA	
May	185.8	195.5	198.3		2.2	5.2	1.4	
June	186.3	195.9	198.8		2.1	5.2	1.5	
July	186.7	196.2	199.5		1.9	5.1	1.7	
August	187.6	196.6	200.0		2.1	4.8	1.8	
September	188.6	196.7	201.0		2.6	4.3	2.2	
October	189.6	196.9	201.8		3.1	3.8	2.5	
November	190.6	197.2	202.7		3.6	3.5	2.8	
December	191.7	197.4	203.6		4.1	3.0	3.1	

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MONTHLY INDEX OF RETAIL PRICES

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ALL ITEMS INDEX

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