

Barbados Statistical Service
Statistical Bulletin
Retail Price Index
May 2025
(Base: July 2018=100)

The Retail Price Index for May 2025 increased by 0.3% over April 2025, moving up from 112.3 to 112.6 index points.

Amongst the divisions:	Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 1.2 points or 1.0%.
	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics decreased by 0.6 of a point or 0.5%.
	Clothing and Footwear decreased by 0.1 of a point or 0.1%.
	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels decreased by 1.3 points or 1.2%.
	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance decreased by 0.4 of a point or 0.3%.
	Health increased by 2.2 points or 1.8%.
	Transport did not change.
	Communication increased by 0.3 of a point or 0.2%.
	Recreation and Culture increased by 0.1 of a point or 0.1%.
	Education did not change.
	Restaurants and Hotels increased by 1.0 point or 0.8%.
	Miscellaneous Goods and Services increased by 2.0 points or 1.7%.

(Base: July 2018=100)
Division Indices
May 2025

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 AND HOTELS	MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	ALL ITEMS
Weight	2193	241	266	1547	546	361	1353	432	399	970	922	770	10000
2024													
May	118.7	109.0	95.6	108.6	117.9	121.4	123.1	119.4	106.4	80.6	115.2	114.5	112.1
June	118.8	108.0	94.9	108.9	117.3	121.4	125.5	119.4	108.3	80.6	117.3	114.5	112.7
July	119.8	108.7	95.2	108.6	116.6	121.5	121.9	119.3	107.6	80.6	117.7	114.3	112.4
August	119.7	109.4	95.4	108.4	114.2	121.3	122.2	119.3	106.7	80.7	117.6	114.9	112.3
September	119.9	110.6	94.3	108.0	113.4	121.3	122.8	119.3	106.4	80.7	117.8	115.2	112.3
October	120.8	111.3	94.2	107.7	113.2	121.4	122.2	119.3	105.5	80.7	118.4	115.5	112.4
November	120.7	111.4	94.1	107.5	113.7	121.4	122.0	119.2	105.8	80.7	118.4	114.7	112.3
December	121.0	111.3	93.9	107.6	113.6	121.4	119.0	119.2	105.8	80.7	118.1	114.7	112.0
2025													
January	121.7	111.8	93.9	108.0	116.3	121.5	117.5	119.1	105.7	80.7	118.1	114.7	112.1
February	121.2	112.2	93.2	108.4	114.8	121.8	117.3	121.8	102.8	80.7	118.1	117.7	112.2
March	119.8	111.6	95.8	108.2	115.2	121.8	117.4	121.8	103.0	80.7	124.8	118.2	112.6
April	119.9	110.2	93.8	108.1	115.2	121.6	117.8	121.6	102.0	80.7	122.0	118.3	112.3
May	121.1	109.6	93.7	106.8	114.8	123.8	117.8	121.9	102.1	80.7	123.0	120.3	112.6

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Monthly Division Movements

May 2025

Divisions	Weights	% of Basket Weight	Index April 2025	Index May 2025	Change Over April 2025	
					Points	%
01. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	2193	21.9	119.9	121.1	1.2	1.0
02. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	241	2.4	110.2	109.6	-0.6	-0.5
03. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	266	2.7	93.8	93.7	-0.1	-0.1
04. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	1547	15.5	108.1	106.8	-1.3	-1.2
05. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	546	5.5	115.2	114.8	-0.4	-0.3
06. HEALTH	361	3.6	121.6	123.8	2.2	1.8
07. TRANSPORT	1353	13.5	117.8	117.8	0.0	0.0
08. COMMUNICATION	432	4.3	121.6	121.9	0.3	0.2
09. RECREATION AND CULTURE	399	4.0	102.0	102.1	0.1	0.1
10. EDUCATION	970	9.7	80.7	80.7	0.0	0.0
11. RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	922	9.2	122.0	123.0	1.0	0.8
12. MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	770	7.7	118.3	120.3	2.0	1.7
ALL ITEMS	10000	100.0	112.3	112.6	0.3	0.3

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

Point to Point Percentage Change in the All Items Index

Month	All Items Index						Percentage Change				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	101.7	101.8	104.2	108.0	111.4	112.1	0.1	2.4	3.6	3.1	0.6
February	102.0	NA	104.6	109.1	112.5	112.2	NA	NA	4.3	3.1	-0.3
March	101.8	101.9	105.5	110.0	112.1	112.6	0.1	3.5	4.3	1.9	0.4
April	NA	102.0	106.3	109.9	112.1	112.3	NA	4.2	3.4	2.0	0.2
May	100.8	101.6	108.1	110.5	112.1	112.6	0.8	6.4	2.2	1.4	0.4
June	100.3	102.0	108.4	110.9	112.7		1.7	6.3	2.3	1.6	
July	100.7	102.6	109.0	111.1	112.4		1.9	6.2	1.9	1.2	
August	101.1	103.4	108.4	111.5	112.3		2.3	4.8	2.9	0.7	
September	101.1	103.6	107.9	111.6	112.3		2.5	4.2	3.4	0.6	
October	101.5	103.8	107.7	111.9	112.4		2.3	3.8	3.9	0.4	
November	101.2	104.0	108.2	111.3	112.3		2.8	4.0	2.9	0.9	
December	101.7	104.1	108.1	111.6	112.0		2.4	3.8	3.2	0.4	
Annual Averages	101.3	102.8	107.2	110.6	112.2	112.4	1.5	4.3	3.2	1.5	0.1

Averages for the Twelve Month Period

Month	Average All Item Index						Inflation				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	100.8	101.3	103.0	107.5	110.9	112.3	0.5	1.7	4.4	3.2	1.3
February	101.0	NA	103.1	107.9	111.2	112.2	NA	NA	4.6	3.1	0.9
March	101.1	101.2	103.4	108.3	111.4	112.3	0.1	2.2	4.7	2.9	0.8
April	NA	101.3	103.8	108.6	111.5	112.3	NA	2.5	4.6	2.7	0.7
May	101.2	101.4	104.3	108.8	111.7	112.3	0.1	2.9	4.2	2.7	0.5
June	101.1	101.5	104.9	109.0	111.8		0.4	3.3	3.9	2.6	
July	101.1	101.7	105.4	109.1	111.9		0.6	3.7	3.6	2.6	
August	101.1	101.9	105.8	109.4	112.0		0.8	3.9	3.4	2.4	
September	101.1	102.1	106.2	109.7	112.1		1.0	4.0	3.3	2.1	
October	101.2	102.3	106.5	110.1	112.1		1.1	4.1	3.3	1.8	
November	101.2	102.6	106.9	110.3	112.2		1.3	4.2	3.2	1.7	
December	101.3	102.8	107.2	110.6	112.2		1.5	4.3	3.2	1.4	

PLEASE NOTE, due to restrictions put in place during April 2020 and February 2021 to manage the COVID 19 pandemic, the collections for these months could not be completed. As a result, the indices for April 2020 and February 2021 could not be calculated.

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

