

Barbados Statistical Service  
Statistical Bulletin  
Retail Price Index  
**March 2026**  
(Base: July 2018=100)

The Retail Price Index for March 2026 increased by 0.5% over February 2026, moving up from 113.7 to 114.3 index points.

Amongst the divisions:

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages increased by 1.2 point or 1.0%.

Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics recorded no change.

Clothing and Footwear increased by 0.4 of a point or 0.4%.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels increased by 1.5 point or 1.4%.

Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance increased by 0.3 of a point or 0.3%.

Health increased by 0.2 of a point or 0.2%.

Transport increased by 1.1 point or 0.9%.

Communication recorded no change.

Recreation and Culture decreased by 0.4 of a point or 0.4%

Education recorded no change.

Restaurants and Hotels decreased by 0.1 of a point or 0.1%

Miscellaneous Goods and Services decreased by 0.3 of a point or 0.2%.

**Retail Price Index**  
(Base: July 2018=100)  
Division Indices  
March 2026

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
<b>2025</b>													
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
June	121.7	110.6	93.6	106.5	114.3	123.9	120.8	121.6	103.1	80.7	125.1	120.3	113.4
July	121.7	110.7	92.6	107.3	114.3	123.8	120.6	121.4	103.1	80.7	126.1	120.3	113.5
August	121.5	110.1	92.6	108.0	114.4	127.3	119.7	121.2	101.9	82.6	125.5	121.0	113.7
September	121.4	110.4	90.8	107.9	113.7	127.3	119.4	121.2	102.4	82.6	125.5	121.1	113.6
October	122.3	110.6	91.4	108.1	113.7	127.5	119.9	121.2	105.3	82.6	124.9	121.3	114.0
November	122.7	109.9	90.9	108.0	113.7	127.7	120.2	121.2	105.2	82.6	124.9	122.3	114.2
December	123.0	109.6	91.0	107.5	112.9	127.7	118.0	121.1	105.3	82.6	124.9	122.3	113.8
<b>2026</b>													
January	122.9	109.6	89.2	107.5	113.1	127.7	117.9	121.0	104.5	82.6	123.4	122.4	113.6
February	123.4	110.7	89.6	107.2	114.4	127.7	117.6	121.0	105.0	82.6	124.7	120.8	113.7
March	124.6	110.7	90.0	108.7	114.7	127.9	118.7	121.0	104.6	82.6	124.6	120.5	114.3

Source: Barbados Statistical Service

**RETAIL PRICE INDEX**  
**(Base : July 2018 = 100)**

**Monthly Division Movements**  
**March 2026**

Divisions	Weights	% of Basket Weight	Index February 2026	Index March 2026	Change Over February 2026	
					Points	%
01. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	2193	21.9	123.4	124.6	1.2	1.0
02. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND NARCOTICS	241	2.4	110.7	110.7	0.0	0.0
03. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	266	2.7	89.6	90.0	0.4	0.4
04. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	1547	15.5	107.2	108.7	1.5	1.4
05. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	546	5.5	114.4	114.7	0.3	0.3
06. HEALTH	361	3.6	127.7	127.9	0.2	0.2
07. TRANSPORT	1353	13.5	117.6	118.7	1.1	0.9
08. COMMUNICATION	432	4.3	121.0	121.0	0.0	0.0
09. RECREATION AND CULTURE	399	4.0	105.0	104.6	-0.4	-0.4
10. EDUCATION	970	9.7	82.6	82.6	0.0	0.0
11. RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS	922	9.2	124.7	124.6	-0.1	-0.1
12. MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	770	7.7	120.8	120.5	-0.3	-0.2
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>10000</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>113.7</b>	<b>114.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>

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**Point to Point Percentage Change in the All Items Index**

Month	All Items Index						Percentage Change				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	101.8	104.2	108.0	111.4	112.1	113.6	2.4	3.6	3.1	0.6	1.3
February	NA	104.6	109.1	112.5	112.2	113.7	NA	4.3	3.1	-0.3	1.3
March	101.9	105.5	110.0	112.1	112.6	114.3	3.5	4.3	1.9	0.4	1.5
April	102.0	106.3	109.9	112.1	112.3		4.2	3.4	2.0	0.2	
May	101.6	108.1	110.5	112.1	112.6		6.4	2.2	1.4	0.4	
June	102.0	108.4	110.9	112.7	113.4		6.3	2.3	1.6	0.6	
July	102.6	109.0	111.1	112.4	113.5		6.2	1.9	1.2	1.0	
August	103.4	108.4	111.5	112.3	113.7		4.8	2.9	0.7	1.2	
September	103.6	107.9	111.6	112.3	113.6		4.2	3.4	0.6	1.2	
October	103.8	107.7	111.9	112.4	114.0		3.8	3.9	0.4	1.4	
November	104.0	108.2	111.3	112.3	114.2		4.0	2.9	0.9	1.7	
December	104.1	108.1	111.6	112.0	113.8		3.8	3.2	0.4	1.6	
<b>Annual Averages</b>	<b>102.8</b>	<b>107.2</b>	<b>110.6</b>	<b>112.2</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>113.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.6</b>

**Averages for the Twelve Month Period**

Month	Average All Item Index						Inflation				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	101.3	103.0	107.5	110.9	112.3	113.3	1.7	4.4	3.2	1.3	0.9
February	NA	103.1	107.9	111.2	112.2	113.4	NA	4.6	3.1	0.9	1.1
March	101.2	103.4	108.3	111.4	112.3	113.5	2.2	4.7	2.9	0.8	1.1
April	101.3	103.8	108.6	111.5	112.3		2.5	4.6	2.7	0.7	
May	101.4	104.3	108.8	111.7	112.3		2.9	4.2	2.7	0.5	
June	101.5	104.9	109.0	111.8	112.4		3.3	3.9	2.6	0.5	
July	101.7	105.4	109.1	111.9	112.5		3.7	3.6	2.6	0.5	
August	101.9	105.8	109.4	112.0	112.6		3.9	3.4	2.4	0.5	
September	102.1	106.2	109.7	112.1	112.7		4.0	3.3	2.1	0.5	
October	102.3	106.5	110.1	112.1	112.9		4.1	3.3	1.8	0.7	
November	102.6	106.9	110.3	112.2	113.0		4.2	3.2	1.7	0.7	
December	102.8	107.2	110.6	112.2	113.2		4.3	3.2	1.5	0.9	

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**

