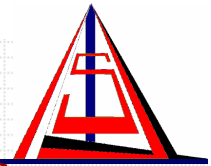




# Consumer Price Index



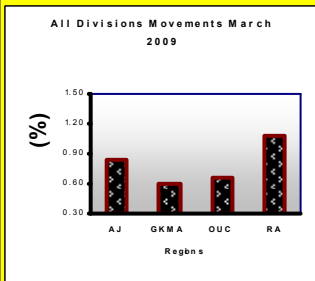
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## Inflation at a Glance:

### March 2009

<b>All Jamaica</b>	<b>+0.8%</b>
<b>Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area</b>	<b>+0.6%</b>
<b>Other Urban Centres</b>	<b>+0.7%</b>
<b>Rural Areas</b>	<b>+1.1%</b>



## All Jamaica Monthly Movements: 2008-2009

<b>March 2009</b>	<b>+0.8</b>
<b>February 2009</b>	<b>+0.8</b>
<b>January 2009</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
<b>December 2008</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>November 2008</b>	<b>-0.3</b>
<b>October 2008</b>	<b>+0.3</b>
<b>September 2008</b>	<b>+0.6</b>
<b>August 2008</b>	<b>+1.2</b>
<b>July 2008</b>	<b>+2.8</b>
<b>June 2008</b>	<b>+2.0</b>
<b>May 2008</b>	<b>+2.4</b>
<b>April 2008</b>	<b>+1.5</b>
<b>March 2008</b>	<b>+1.2</b>

## March 2009

The All Jamaica 'All Divisions' Consumer Price Index for March 2009 was **138.2**, representing a **0.8** per cent increase over the index of 137.1 recorded for the previous month. Contributing to the increase was the 4.9 per cent recorded for 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco' and the 1.4 per cent increase in the index for 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels'. In December the inflation rate was 0.0 per cent and in January it was -0.3 per cent while February recorded a 0.8 per cent upward movement.

The inflation rate recorded for the calendar year to date was 1.3 per cent. For the same period in 2008, the movement was 5.2 per cent. The rate of inflation for the 2008/2009 fiscal year was 12.4 per cent. This movement was 7.5 percentage points below the 19.9 per cent that was recorded for the corresponding period in 2008.

Table I All Jamaica 'All Divisions' and Division Indices and Movements

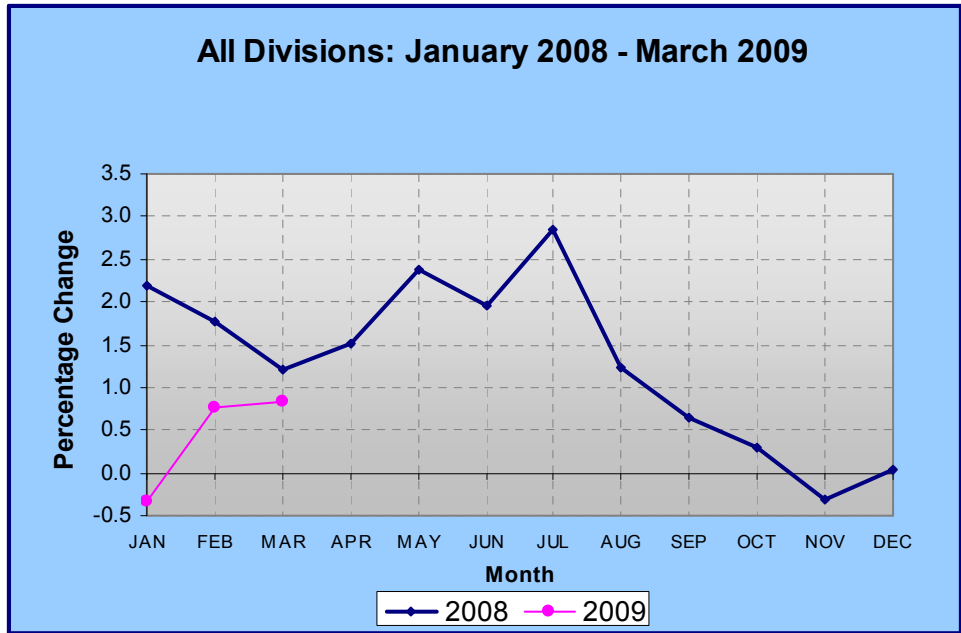
DIVISIONS, GROUPS & CLASSES	Mar 2009 Index	Feb 2009 Index	Past Month	Year to Date	Point to Point	Fiscal Year 08/09
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>137.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>12.4</b>
<b>01</b> Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	<b>156.9</b>	<b>155.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>
<b>02</b> Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	<b>156.6</b>	<b>149.3</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>29.4</b>
<b>03</b> Clothing and Footwear	<b>135.9</b>	<b>134.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>
<b>04</b> Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	<b>131.3</b>	<b>129.4</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>
<b>05</b> Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	<b>138.5</b>	<b>137.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>
<b>06</b> Health	<b>114.4</b>	<b>114.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>6.7</b>
<b>07</b> Transport	<b>117.5</b>	<b>117.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>08</b> Communication	<b>102.7</b>	<b>102.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>09</b> Recreation and Culture	<b>125.2</b>	<b>125.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>10</b> Education	<b>126.1</b>	<b>126.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>12.6</b>
<b>11</b> Restaurants and Accommodation Services	<b>133.5</b>	<b>131.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>11.6</b>
<b>12</b> Miscellaneous Goods and Services	<b>132.8</b>	<b>131.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>

**Consumer Price Index:  
Main Indicators**  
February 2009

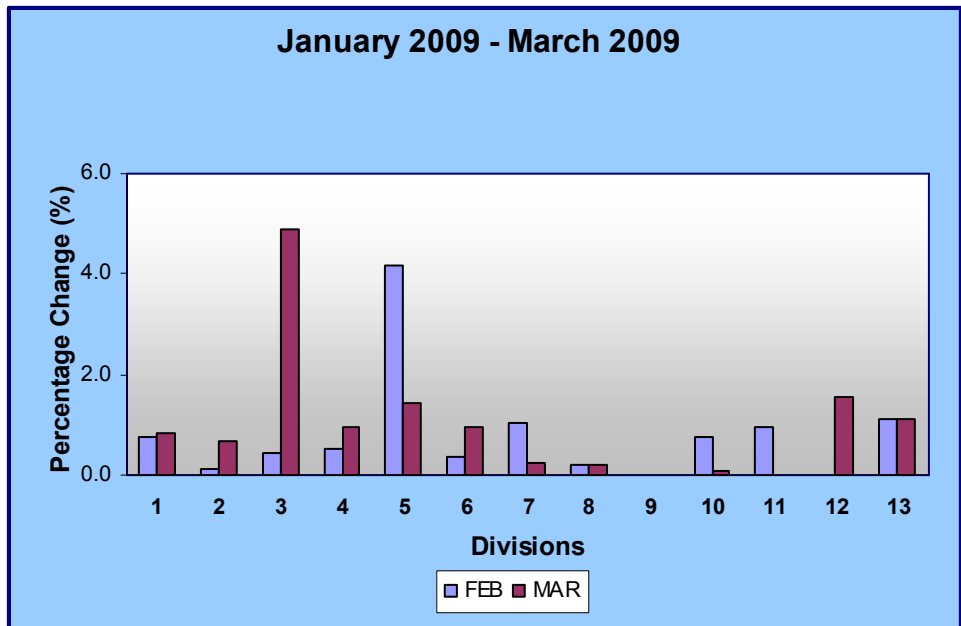
Table II

		All Jamaica	Greater KMA	Other Urban Centres	Rural Areas
<b>Month</b>	March 2009	0.8	0.6	0.7	1.1
	February 2009	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.8
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	March 2008 - March 2009	12.4	11.3	12.1	13.4
<b>Calendar Year</b>	December 2008 - March 2009	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.3

**Consumer Price Index:  
Monthly Percentage  
Change — All Jamaica**



**Consumer Price Index:  
All Jamaica Division  
Movements**



## DIVISION MOVEMENTS

### **Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages (+0.7%)**

There was a 0.7 per cent rise in the index for the division, 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' for the month of March 2009 when compared to February 2009. The two groups that make up this division, namely 'Food' and 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages' recorded increases of 0.6 per cent and 1.8 per cent respectively. The index for the classes in the division recorded the following increases; 'Bread and Cereals' (1.1 per cent), 'Meat' (1.2 per cent), 'Fish and Seafood' (1.6 per cent), 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs' (1.0 per cent) and 'Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery'.

The index for the classes 'Food Products n.e.c.', 'Coffee, Tea & Cocoa' and 'Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit & Vegetable Juices' each recorded increases of 1.8 per cent. However, a 1.2 per cent decline was recorded in the index for the class 'Vegetables and Starchy Foods' as 'Vegetables' recorded a 1.9 per cent decline.

### **Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (+4.9%)**

For the period under review there was a 4.9 per cent upward movement in the index for the division 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco'. This movement was the result of an increase in the price of some alcoholic beverages that took effect in February 2009.

### **Clothing and Footwear (+1.0 %)**

A 1.0 per cent rise was recorded in the index for the 'Clothing and Footwear' division. There was a 1.1 per cent increase in the index for the group 'Clothing' and a 0.8 per cent rise in the index for 'Footwear'.

### **Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels (+1.4%)**

The index for the division, 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' recorded a 1.4 per cent increase. All the groups in this division recorded increases with the highest increase being recorded for the group 'Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling' as it went up by 4.4 per cent. There was a 0.2 per cent rise in the index for 'Rentals for Housing', 'Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling' went up by 0.9 per cent, and 'Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' rose by 1.5 per cent.

### **Furnishings, Household Equipment & Routine Household Maintenance (+0.9%)**

There was a 0.9 per cent increase in the index for the 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance' division. The index for the groups 'Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)' and 'Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils' each recorded a 1.0 per cent increase in the index. A 1.1 per cent upward movement was recorded in the index for the groups; 'Tools and Equipment for House and Garden' and 'Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance'. The index for the groups 'Household Textiles' and 'Household Appliances' recorded increases of 0.5 and 0.3 per cent respectively.

### **Health (+0.2%)**

For the month of March 2009 there was a 0.2 per cent increase in the index for the division 'Health'. There was a 0.5 per cent upward movement in the index for the group 'Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment' while a 0.1 per cent increase was recorded in the index for 'Health Services'.

### **Transport (0.2%)**

The division 'Transport' reflected a 0.2 per cent movement in the index for the month of March 2009.

**Recreation and Culture  
(+0.1%)**

The main contributor to the 0.1 per cent upward movement in the index for the division 'Recreation and Culture' was the increase in the prices of equipment for sports and entertainment.

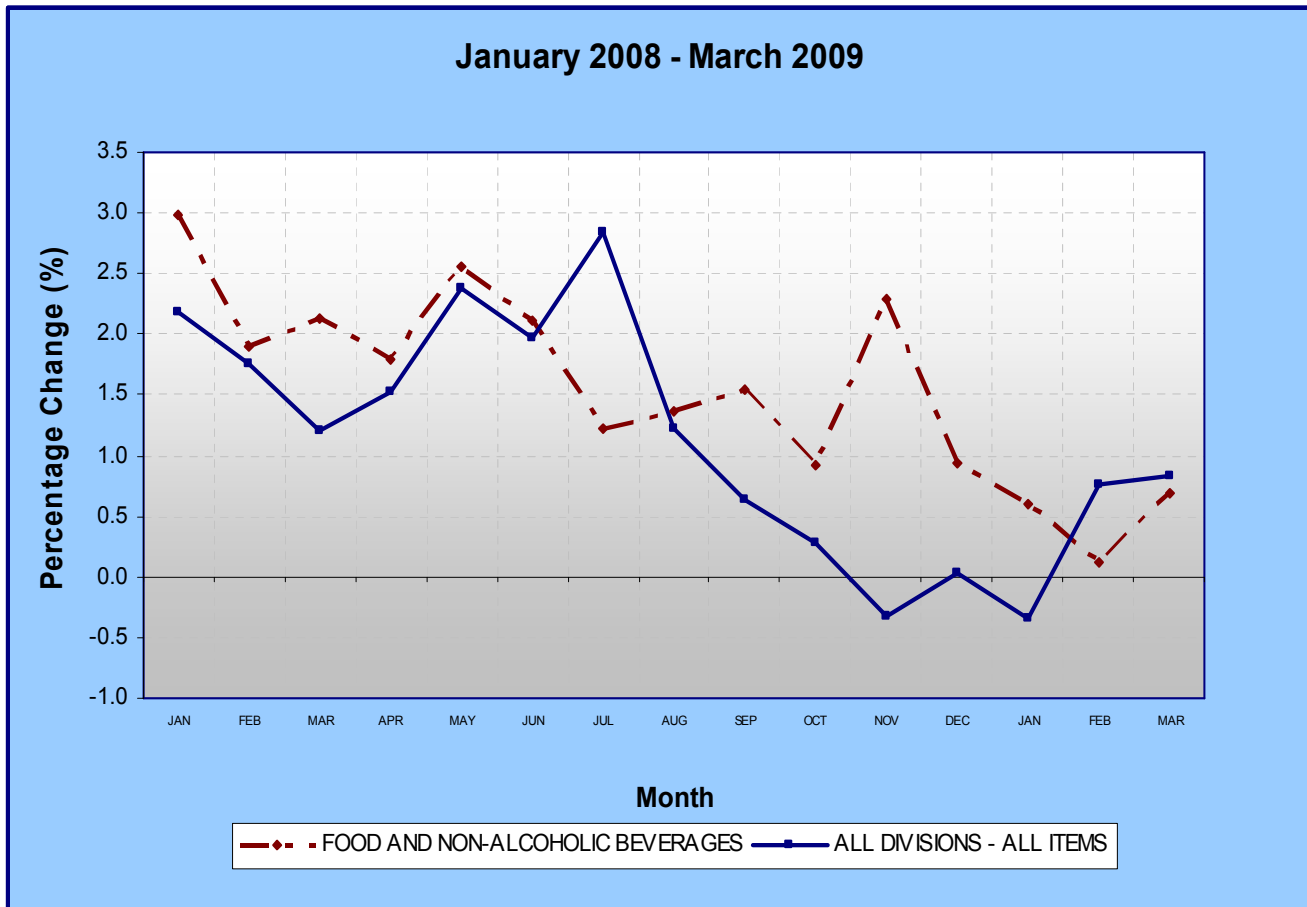
**Restaurants &  
Accommodation Services  
(+1.6%)**

Increased prices for food and drink consumed away from home contributed to the 1.6 per cent increase that was recorded in the index for the division 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services'.

**Miscellaneous Goods  
and Services  
(+1.1%)**

The index for the division Miscellaneous Goods and Services recorded a 1.1 % for the month of March 2009. This movement was largely the result of increased prices for personal care items and services.

**Consumer Price Index: All Divisions - All Items and Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages Percentage Movements**



## REGIONAL CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

### Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area (0.6%)

For the month of March 2009, the region Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area showed an inflation rate of 0.6 per cent. This was 0.1 percentage point lower than the 0.7 per cent movement obtained for the month of February 2009.

A 0.3 per cent rise was recorded in the index for the division 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages'. The two groups that make up the division recorded increases. There was a 0.2 per cent increase in the index for 'Food' while there was a 1.1 per cent advance in the index for the group, 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages'. The movement in the index for the class 'Food' was tempered by a 2.7 per cent decline in the index for 'Vegetables and Starchy Foods'.

The largest increase for the period under review was recorded in the index for 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco' (2.0 per cent). Other increases of one per cent and above occurred for the divisions, 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' (1.0 per cent), 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' (1.2 per cent) and 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services' (1.9 per cent).

For the 2008/2009 fiscal year, the region recorded an 11.3 per cent increase in the index.

### Other Urban Centres (0.7%)

The index for **Other Urban Centres (OUC)** increased by 0.7 per cent for the month of March 2009. This was 0.1 percentage point lower than the 0.8 per cent that was recorded for the period February 2009. The division 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco'

contributed most significantly with a 5.0 per cent increase which was due mainly to increases in the price for some alcoholic beverages. An increase of 0.7 per cent was recorded for the division 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' with the groups 'Food' going up by 0.7 per cent and 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages' up by 0.8 per cent. Within the group 'Food', the following classes recorded upward movements; 'Milk, Cheese and Eggs' 1.1 per cent, 'Bread and Cereals' 0.7 per cent and 'Meat' 0.8 per cent.

With the exception of the divisions 'Communication' and 'Education' which recorded no movement, all other divisions recorded increases in their index. 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' moved upward by 1.6 per cent while all the other divisions recorded increases of less than 1.0 per cent: 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance' up by 0.6 per cent, 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' 0.4 per cent, 'Health' up by 0.3 per cent, 'Clothing and Footwear' up 0.3 per cent, 'Transport' up by 0.2 per cent, and both 'Recreation and Culture' and 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services' each going up by 0.1 per cent. An inflation rate of 12.1 per cent was recorded by the region for the fiscal year 2008/2009.

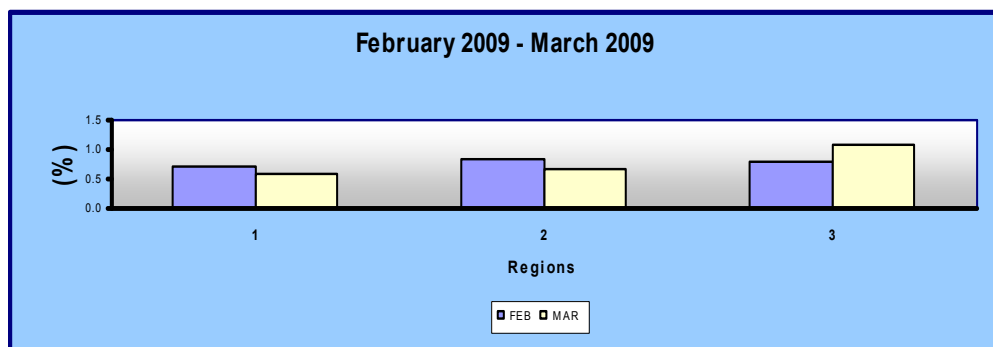
### Rural Areas (1.1%)

There was a 1.1 per cent increase in the All Divisions index for the Rural Areas, a 0.3 percentage point increase over the 0.8 per cent that was recorded in February 2009

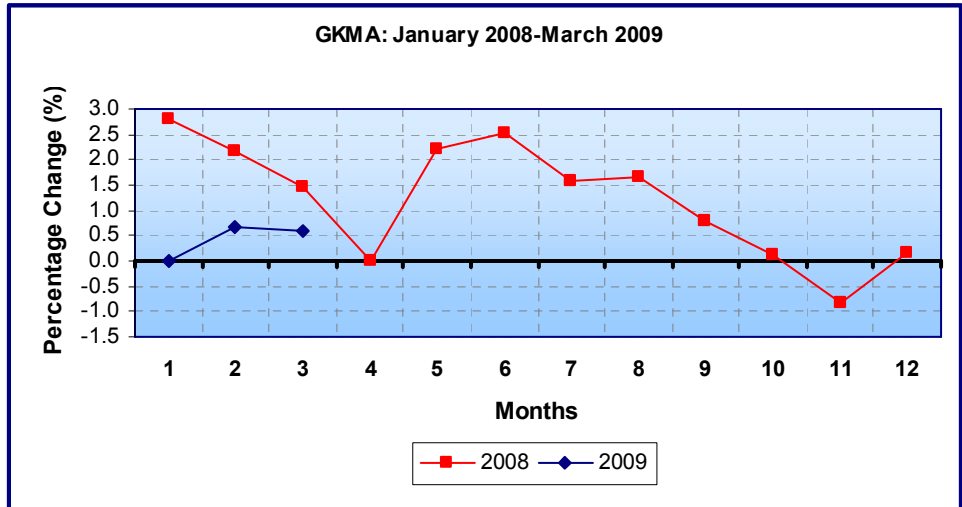
The index for the division 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' recorded a 1.0 per cent upward movement. This rise was the result of a 0.9 per cent increase in the index for the group, 'Food' and a 2.8 per cent advance in the index for 'Non-Alcoholic Beverages'.

The main contributor to the monthly movement was the 6.6 per cent rise that was recorded in the index for the division, 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco'. There were other increases of significance, namely the 1.3 per cent advance in the index for 'Clothing and Footwear' and the 1.6 per cent increase in 'Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels'. The index for the division 'Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance' advanced by 1.4 per cent while 'Restaurants and Accommodation Services' recorded an upward movement of 2.7 per cent and 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services' 1.0 per cent. The region recorded a 13.4 per cent inflation rate for the period March 2008 to March 2009.

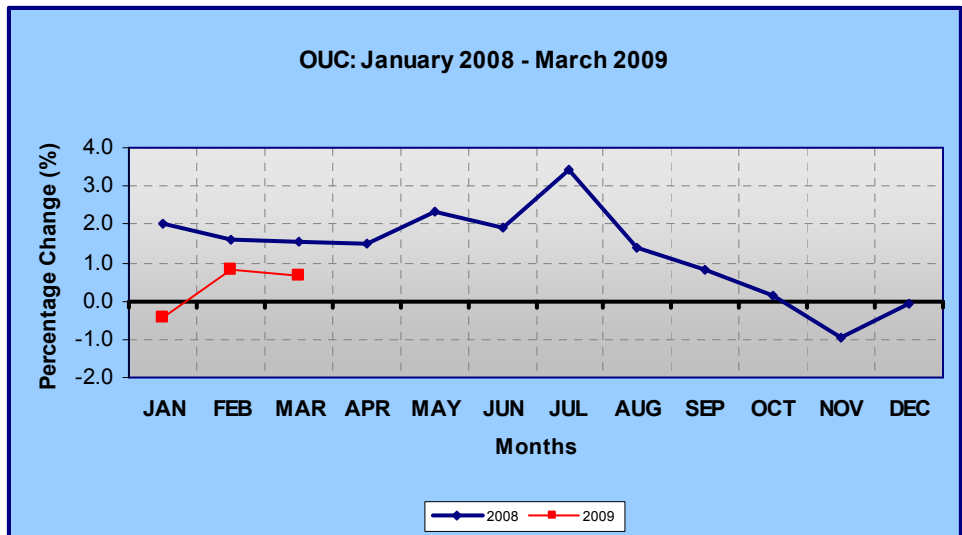
### Consumer Price Index: Regional 'All Divisions' Movements



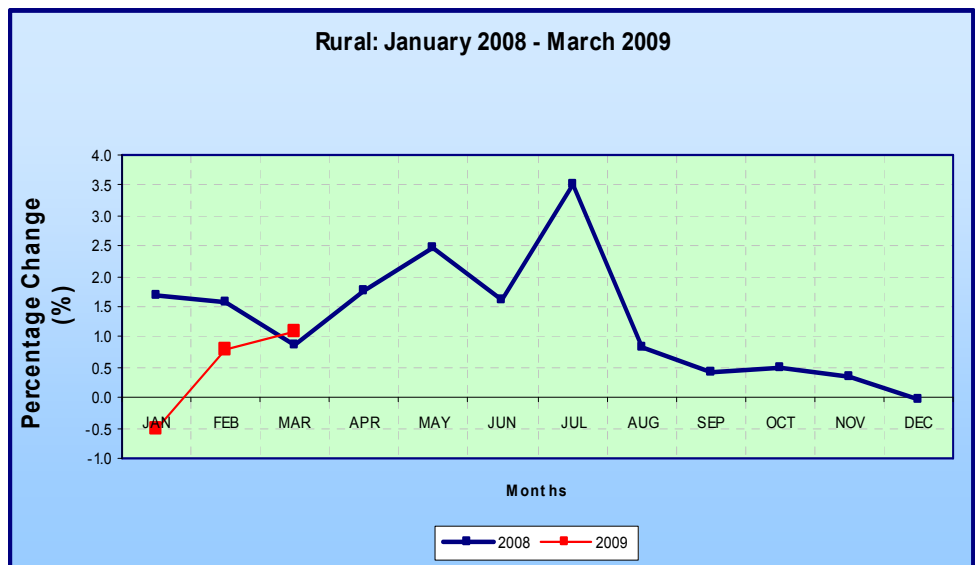
**Consumer Price Index:  
Monthly Percentage  
Change - Greater  
Kingston Metropolitan  
Area**



**Consumer Price Index:  
Monthly Percentage  
Change - Other Urban  
Centres**



**Consumer Price Index:  
Monthly Percentage  
Change - Rural Areas**



**Consumer Price Index:  
All Regions**

**Percentage Change over Past Month and Year-to-Date**

**Table III**

DIVISIONS	Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area		Other Urban Centres		Rural Areas	
	Past Month	Year to Date	Past Month	Year to Date	Past Month	Year to Date
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>01</b> Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	0.3	1.0	0.7	2.0	1.0	1.5
<b>02</b> Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	6.6	7.2
<b>03</b> Clothing and Footwear	0.8	4.3	0.3	1.6	1.3	2.6
<b>04</b> Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1.2	0.3	1.6	-1.5	1.6	-1.5
<b>05</b> Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	0.6	1.7	0.6	1.4	1.4	1.9
<b>06</b> Health	0.2	0.7	0.3	1.2	0.3	1.9
<b>07</b> Transport	0.2	1.6	0.2	-0.5	0.2	0.0
<b>08</b> Communication	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>09</b> Recreation and Culture	0.0	0.5	0.1	1.2	0.1	1.3
<b>10</b> Education	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.7	0.0	3.6
<b>11</b> Restaurants and Accommodation Services	1.0	1.3	0.4	0.6	2.7	2.8
<b>12</b> Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.9	3.8	0.1	1.1	1.0	2.8

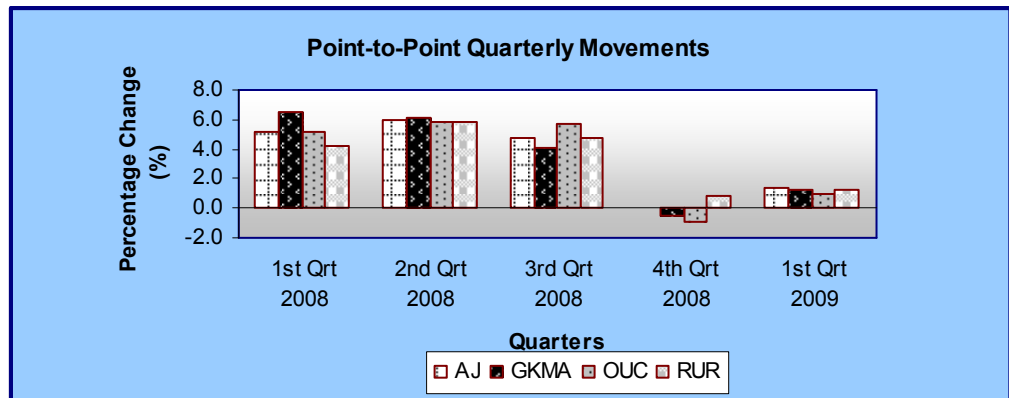
**Mean and Point-to-Point Quarterly Movements: 2008 – 2009**

**Consumer Price Index:  
All Divisions**

**Table IV**

QUARTERS	Mean				Point-to-Point			
	AJ	GKMA	OUC	RA	AJ	GKMA	OUC	RA
<b>2008</b> March	6.6	7.6	6.2	6.0	5.2	6.5	5.2	4.2
June	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.1	6.0	6.1	5.9	5.9
September	6.1	5.5	6.8	6.2	4.7	4.1	5.7	4.8
December	0.9	0.7	0.5	1.3	0.0	-0.6	-0.9	0.8
<b>2009</b> March	0.4	0.5	-0.1	0.5	1.3	1.3	1.0	1.3

**Point-to-Point Quarterly Movements: 2008– 2009**



**Consumer Price Index: All Jamaica**  
March 2009

Table V

<b>DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES</b>	<b>Mar 2009 Index</b>	<b>Feb 2009 Index</b>	<b>Past Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Point to Point</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 08/09</b>
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>137.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>12.4</b>
<b>01 Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>156.9</b>	<b>155.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>158.3</b>	<b>157.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>17.8</b>
Bread and Cereals (ND)	177.9	176.0	1.1	1.8	27.8	27.8
Meat (ND)	147.3	145.6	1.2	2.8	14.6	14.6
Fish and Seafood (ND)	141.1	138.9	1.6	2.7	14.2	14.2
Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	153.4	151.9	1.0	2.0	12.0	12.0
Oils and Fats (ND)	177.4	176.4	0.6	2.2	30.6	30.6
Fruit (ND)	139.6	138.9	0.5	-0.1	3.7	3.7
<b>Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)</b>	<b>174.5</b>	<b>176.7</b>	<b>-1.2</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>17.9</b>
Vegetables	180.8	184.3	-1.9	-3.6	24.6	24.6
Starchy Foods	158.9	158.2	0.5	2.7	0.0	3.8
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	139.1	137.5	1.1	1.6	12.0	12.0
Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	147.2	144.6	1.8	3.4	17.7	17.7
<b>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>135.7</b>	<b>133.3</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>
Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	127.8	125.6	1.8	3.5	8.7	8.7
Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	138.8	136.3	1.8	2.6	11.0	11.0
<b>02 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>156.6</b>	<b>149.3</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>29.4</b>
<b>03 Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>135.9</b>	<b>134.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>10.4</b>
Clothing	128.0	126.7	1.1	2.8	8.6	8.6
Footwear	149.8	148.5	0.8	3.2	13.1	13.1
<b>04 Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels</b>	<b>131.3</b>	<b>129.4</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>
Rentals for Housing	133.6	133.3	0.2	2.9	6.0	6.0
Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	141.5	140.3	0.9	6.5	14.9	14.9
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	144.2	138.1	4.4	0.0	41.9	41.9
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	126.6	124.6	1.5	-3.5	-2.6	-2.6
<b>05 Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	<b>138.5</b>	<b>137.2</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>11.1</b>
Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	149.6	148.1	1.0	2.9	17.6	17.6
Household Textiles	131.9	131.2	0.5	1.4	11.5	11.5
Household Appliances	136.2	135.8	0.3	1.0	8.1	8.1
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	141.3	139.9	1.0	2.6	12.1	12.1
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	135.5	134.0	1.1	1.7	9.4	9.4
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	137.2	135.7	1.1	1.6	10.2	10.2
<b>06 Health</b>	<b>114.4</b>	<b>114.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>6.7</b>
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	116.9	116.3	0.5	1.9	5.7	5.7
Health Services	113.0	112.9	0.1	1.1	7.4	7.4
<b>07 Transport</b>	<b>117.5</b>	<b>117.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>08 Communication</b>	<b>102.7</b>	<b>102.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>09 Recreation and Culture</b>	<b>125.2</b>	<b>125.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>10 Education</b>	<b>126.1</b>	<b>126.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>12.6</b>
<b>11 Restaurants and Accommodation Services</b>	<b>133.5</b>	<b>131.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>11.6</b>
<b>12 Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>132.8</b>	<b>131.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>



**Consumer Price Index: Greater Kingston Metropolitan Area**  
March 2009

Table VI

<b>DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES</b>		<b>Mar 2009 Index</b>	<b>Feb 2009 Index</b>	<b>Past Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Point to Point</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 08/09</b>
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>		<b>139.1</b>	<b>138.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>11.3</b>	<b>11.3</b>
<b>01</b>	<b>Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>161.7</b>	<b>161.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>15.8</b>
	<b>Food</b>	<b>162.4</b>	<b>162.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>
	Bread and Cereals (ND)	171.1	169.3	1.1	1.5	22.1	22.1
	Meat (ND)	157.4	156.5	0.6	2.7	17.8	17.8
	Fish and Seafood (ND)	146.4	144.0	1.7	3.4	17.9	17.9
	Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	170.5	168.0	1.4	2.4	12.8	12.8
	Oils and Fats (ND)	196.9	195.9	0.5	2.4	30.2	30.2
	Fruit (ND)	150.6	148.4	1.5	-1.1	4.0	4.0
	<b>Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)</b>	<b>169.3</b>	<b>174.0</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>10.5</b>
	Vegetables	166.0	172.1	-3.6	-6.5	14.8	14.8
	Starchy Foods	175.7	177.7	-1.1	2.0	3.3	3.3
	Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	148.5	147.0	1.1	2.3	14.2	14.2
	Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	157.1	155.4	1.1	5.0	16.7	16.7
	<b>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>148.9</b>	<b>147.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>13.1</b>
	Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	137.7	135.0	2.0	2.5	9.0	9.0
	Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	152.7	151.4	0.9	1.7	14.4	14.4
<b>02</b>	<b>Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>166.9</b>	<b>163.6</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>32.9</b>
<b>03</b>	<b>Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>156.1</b>	<b>154.9</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>16.2</b>
	Clothing	132.3	131.3	0.8	3.4	9.7	9.7
	Footwear	199.2	197.6	0.8	5.4	24.9	24.9
<b>04</b>	<b>Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels</b>	<b>129.4</b>	<b>127.8</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>7.0</b>
	Rentals for Housing	125.9	125.9	0.0	3.7	8.7	8.7
	Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	150.5	148.4	1.4	8.1	18.8	18.8
	Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	145.4	139.3	4.4	0.0	41.9	41.9
	Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	126.5	124.7	1.5	-3.8	-3.3	-3.3
<b>05</b>	<b>Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	<b>144.1</b>	<b>143.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>12.3</b>
	Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	147.5	147.4	0.0	0.6	14.3	14.3
	Household Textiles	134.1	133.8	0.2	2.1	10.6	10.6
	Household Appliances	141.4	140.3	0.8	2.3	8.0	8.0
	Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	146.9	145.4	1.1	3.1	17.2	17.2
	Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	130.2	129.1	0.8	2.0	7.7	7.7
	Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	144.8	143.7	0.7	1.8	12.8	12.8
<b>06</b>	<b>Health</b>	<b>111.8</b>	<b>111.7</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>7.6</b>
	Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	109.9	109.6	0.3	1.5	5.4	5.4
	Health Services	113.2	113.1	0.1	0.2	9.2	9.2
<b>07</b>	<b>Transport</b>	<b>108.6</b>	<b>108.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>
<b>08</b>	<b>Communication</b>	<b>102.9</b>	<b>102.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>09</b>	<b>Recreation and Culture</b>	<b>120.6</b>	<b>120.6</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>6.1</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Education</b>	<b>120.7</b>	<b>120.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Restaurants and Accommodation Services</b>	<b>136.9</b>	<b>135.5</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>140.4</b>	<b>137.9</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>14.6</b>

**Consumer Price Index: Other Urban Centres**  
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Table VII

<b>DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES</b>	<b>Mar 2009 Index</b>	<b>Feb 2009 Index</b>	<b>Past Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Point to Point</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 08/09</b>
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>137.3</b>	<b>136.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>12.1</b>
<b>01 Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>153.0</b>	<b>152.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>17.1</b>	<b>17.1</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>154.8</b>	<b>153.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>17.7</b>
Bread and Cereals (ND)	180.7	179.3	0.7	1.7	30.6	30.6
Meat (ND)	139.7	138.6	0.8	2.6	11.7	11.7
Fish and Seafood (ND)	133.4	132.8	0.5	2.1	13.7	13.7
Milk, Cheese and eggs (ND)	149.8	148.2	1.1	2.4	12.6	12.6
Oils and Fats (ND)	173.8	173.2	0.4	2.4	29.7	29.7
Fruit (ND)	148.2	148.4	-0.2	0.7	0.3	0.3
Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	<b>168.2</b>	<b>167.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>17.4</b>
Vegetables	173.9	172.7	0.7	2.3	22.9	22.9
Starchy Foods	156.6	156.2	0.2	0.0	6.6	6.6
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	136.4	135.9	0.4	0.9	12.0	12.0
Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	145.4	144.4	0.7	3.1	21.8	21.8
<b>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>130.1</b>	<b>129.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>
Coffee, tea and Cocoa (ND)	123.8	122.9	0.7	3.1	8.5	8.5
Mineral waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	132.1	131.0	0.8	2.7	8.1	8.1
<b>02 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>146.9</b>	<b>139.8</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>23.0</b>
<b>03 Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>119.4</b>	<b>119.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>
Clothing	116.2	115.6	0.5	1.6	5.6	5.6
Footwear	124.8	124.6	0.1	1.5	7.2	7.2
<b>04 Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels</b>	<b>134.9</b>	<b>132.7</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>
Rentals for Housing	148.0	147.3	0.5	1.6	2.0	2.0
Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	138.3	137.4	0.7	6.1	13.6	13.6
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	143.2	137.0	4.4	0.0	41.9	41.9
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	126.9	124.7	1.7	-4.2	-2.4	-2.4
<b>05 Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	<b>137.9</b>	<b>137.0</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>11.5</b>
Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	155.5	153.7	1.2	4.0	18.9	18.9
Household Textiles	133.8	133.1	0.6	1.8	13.9	13.9
Household Appliances	134.1	134.0	0.1	0.3	8.2	8.2
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	126.6	126.1	0.4	2.8	11.0	11.0
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	125.5	125.1	0.3	0.6	6.8	6.8
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	136.3	135.5	0.6	1.1	10.6	10.6
<b>06 Health</b>	<b>115.0</b>	<b>114.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	116.4	116.0	0.4	0.8	5.6	5.6
Health Services	114.1	113.9	0.2	1.5	6.5	6.5
<b>07 Transport</b>	<b>122.2</b>	<b>122.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>
<b>08 Communication</b>	<b>102.0</b>	<b>102.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>09 Recreation and Culture</b>	<b>125.9</b>	<b>125.9</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<b>10 Education</b>	<b>130.5</b>	<b>130.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>17.7</b>
<b>11 Restaurants and Accommodation Services</b>	<b>140.0</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>13.2</b>
<b>12 Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>128.2</b>	<b>128.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>11.9</b>

**Consumer Price Index: Rural Areas**  
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Table VIII

<b>DIVISIONS, GROUPS AND CLASSES</b>	<b>Mar 2009 Index</b>	<b>Feb 2009 In- dex</b>	<b>Past Month</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	<b>Point to Point</b>	<b>Fiscal Year 08/09</b>
<b>ALL DIVISIONS - ALL ITEMS</b>	<b>138.0</b>	<b>136.5</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>13.4</b>
<b>01 Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>155.5</b>	<b>154.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>18.5</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>157.1</b>	<b>155.7</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>19.1</b>
Bread and Cereals (ND)	180.3	178.1	1.2	2.0	29.6	29.6
Meat (ND)	143.8	141.4	1.7	3.1	13.5	13.5
Fish and Seafood (ND)	141.0	138.4	1.9	2.5	12.3	12.3
Milk, Cheese and Eggs (ND)	144.5	143.7	0.5	1.6	11.1	11.1
Oils and Fats (ND)	169.5	168.3	0.7	2.1	31.1	31.1
Fruit (ND)	120.2	120.9	-0.6	1.2	5.6	5.6
Vegetables and Starchy Foods (ND)	<b>181.5</b>	<b>183.3</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>
Vegetables	196.4	200.3	-1.9	-4.1	33.3	33.3
Starchy Foods	148.0	145.2	2.0	4.6	2.8	2.8
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery (ND)	135.7	133.7	1.5	1.6	11.0	11.0
Food Products n.e.c. (ND)	142.1	138.4	2.7	2.6	16.7	16.7
<b>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>131.2</b>	<b>127.6</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>9.8</b>
Coffee, Tea and Cocoa (ND)	124.7	122.2	2.0	4.1	8.6	8.6
Mineral Waters, Soft Drinks, Fruit and Vegetable Juices (ND)	134.1	130.1	3.1	3.2	10.3	10.3
<b>02 Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</b>	<b>154.6</b>	<b>145.1</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>29.6</b>
<b>03 Clothing and Footwear</b>	<b>131.8</b>	<b>130.2</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>8.6</b>
Clothing	130.2	128.4	1.4	2.9	9.0	9.0
Footwear	134.8	133.3	1.1	2.2	7.8	7.8
<b>04 Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels</b>	<b>131.2</b>	<b>129.1</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>-1.5</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Rentals for Housing	147.5	146.5	0.7	1.8	2.3	2.3
Maintenance and Repair of Dwelling	138.1	137.2	0.6	5.7	13.2	13.2
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Related to the Dwelling	143.2	137.2	4.4	0.0	41.9	41.9
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	126.5	124.6	1.5	-3.0	-2.3	-2.3
<b>05 Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	<b>134.5</b>	<b>132.7</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>9.9</b>
Furniture and Furnishings (including Floor Coverings)	149.0	146.5	1.7	4.2	19.8	19.8
Household Textiles	129.7	128.9	0.6	0.8	10.9	10.9
Household Appliances	132.8	132.7	0.1	0.3	8.1	8.1
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	142.4	140.8	1.1	2.2	9.1	9.1
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	138.0	136.2	1.3	1.8	10.0	10.0
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	131.6	129.5	1.6	1.8	7.8	7.8
<b>06 Health</b>	<b>115.7</b>	<b>115.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.5</b>
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	121.7	120.9	0.7	2.6	5.9	5.9
Health Services	112.5	112.5	0.0	1.5	6.8	6.8
<b>07 Transport</b>	<b>121.3</b>	<b>121.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>12.6</b>
<b>08 Communication</b>	<b>103.0</b>	<b>103.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>09 Recreation and Culture</b>	<b>128.3</b>	<b>128.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>15.7</b>
<b>10 Education</b>	<b>130.4</b>	<b>130.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>17.6</b>
<b>11 Restaurants and Accommodation Services</b>	<b>127.7</b>	<b>124.3</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>
<b>12 Miscellaneous Goods and Services</b>	<b>129.6</b>	<b>128.3</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>12.8</b>



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