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The November Consumer Price Index Bulletin released by the Statistical Institute of Jamaica reveals that the All Jamaica "All Group" Consumer Price Index for November 2001 was 1456.0 an increase of 0.1 per cent. This compares with 0.8 percent for October and 0.8 percent for September. The rate of inflation for the calendar year to date is 8.4 per cent, a 1.6 per cent above the 6.8 per cent for the corresponding period in 2000. Inflation for the fiscal year to date is 6.7 per cent.

A look at the regional indices shows increases for two regions " Kingston Metropolitan Area 0.3 per cent "Other Towns 0.1 per cent and 'Rural Areas' decrease by 0.2 per cent. For the month of November all the groups recorded higher indices than in November except 'Fuel and Other Household Supplies' and 'Transportation'. The index for the group 'Food and Drink" showed a 0.1 per cent increase, due to the increase prices for items in the sub-groups 'Dairy Products Oils and Fats' and 'Meat Poultry and Fish'.

The Consumer Price Index Bulletin further outlines additional information and may be obtained from our Distribution Office of the Statistical Institute of Jamaica 9 Swallowfield Road, Kingston 5.