

**Table 4: Monthly Movements in the cost of a Sample Basket of Basic Food Items
Feb-11**

ITEMS	UNIT	January 2011		February 2011		% change	\$ value change
		Unit Cost	Total Cost	Unit Cost	Total Cost	Total Cost	Total Cost
3 pks Rice	2kg	16.07	48.21	16.24	48.72	1.1	0.51
1 sack Flour	10kg	58.08	58.08	58.93	58.93	1.5	0.85
2 pks Granulated Sugar	1800g	17.15	34.30	17.92	35.84	4.5	0.32
4 lbs Sugar (brown)	454g	3.29	13.16	3.37	13.48	2.4	0.32
4pks Milk UHT	1litre	9.73	38.92	9.73	38.92	0.0	0.00
1pk Powdered Milk	800g	45.08	45.08	45.09	45.09	0.0	0.01
4 pks Evaporated Milk	250mL	5.79	23.16	5.83	23.32	0.7	0.16
1 box Tea Bags	50	15.32	15.32	15.31	15.31	(0.1)	-0.01
2 pks Milo	300g	17.81	35.62	18.06	36.12	1.4	0.50
1 pkt Coffee	385g	23.38	23.38	23.46	23.46	0.3	0.08
4 tins Sardines	125g	6.60	26.40	6.56	26.24	(0.6)	-0.16
2 dozen Eggs	Doz	15.83	31.66	15.88	31.76	0.3	0.10
4 lbs Split Peas	454g	2.97	11.88	2.94	11.76	(1.0)	-0.12
2 lbs Red Beans	454g	6.83	13.66	6.83	13.66	0.0	0.00
2 lbs Black-eye Peas	454g	5.55	11.10	5.70	11.40	2.7	0.30
2 lbs Lentils	454g	4.88	9.76	4.81	9.62	(1.4)	-0.14
5 lbs Cheese	454g	18.98	94.90	19.02	95.10	0.2	0.20
2 Golden Ray	250(240)g	8.21	16.42	8.20	16.40	(0.1)	-0.02
4 Blue Band	250(240)g	5.78	23.12	5.69	22.76	(1.6)	-0.36
4 pks Macaroni	400g	4.61	18.44	4.57	18.28	(0.9)	-0.16
2 lbs Smoked Herring	454g	11.43	22.86	11.45	22.90	0.2	0.04
3 lbs Salted Fish	454g	21.36	64.08	21.33	63.99	(0.1)	-0.09

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1 Soya Oil	2 Litre	29.03	29.03	28.88	28.88	(0.5)	-0.15
1 pk Baking Powder	455g	8.47	8.47	8.60	8.60	1.5	0.13
2 pks Curry Powder	85g	5.92	11.84	5.93	11.86	0.2	0.02
10 lb Potato	454g	2.86	28.60	2.93	29.30	2.4	0.70
3 lbs Onion	454g	2.94	8.82	3.02	9.06	2.7	0.24
3 lbs Garlic	454g	13.04	39.12	12.81	38.43	(1.8)	-0.69
4 lbs Fish	454g	10.13	40.52	10.27	41.08	1.4	0.56
16 lbs Chicken (4)*	454g	7.66	122.56	7.95	127.20	3.8	4.64
5 lbs Beef	454g	19.50	97.50	18.75	93.75	(3.8)	-3.75
5 lbs Pork	454g	18.82	94.10	18.93	94.65	0.6	0.55
2 lbs Pig Tails	454g	14.30	28.60	14.56	29.12	1.8	0.52
2 bt Mauby	750mL	9.93	19.86	9.96	19.92	0.3	0.06
4 tins Orange Juice	19 oz	8.92	35.68	8.89	35.56	(0.3)	-0.12
8 tins Chicken Vienna Sausage	141g	3.94	31.52	3.73	29.84	(5.3)	0.02
2 pkts Crix	10 oz	9.92	19.84	9.96	19.92	0.4	0.08
4 lbs Cabbage	454g	5.17	20.68	3.16	12.64	(38.9)	-8.04
4 bundles Patchoi	bdl	6.91	27.64	6.04	24.16	(12.6)	-3.48
6 bundles Bodi	bdl	5.21	31.26	4.67	28.02	(10.4)	-3.24
4 lbs Plantain	454g	7.31	29.24	6.29	25.16	(14.0)	-4.08
4 lbs Sweet Potato	454g	5.88	23.52	5.42	21.68	(7.8)	-1.84
4lbs Green Fig	454g	2.70	10.80	2.89	11.56	7.0	0.76
8 lbs Tomatoes (medium)	454g	10.96	87.68	10.56	84.48	(3.6)	-3.20
5 lbs Pumpkin	454g	2.85	14.25	2.56	12.80	(10.2)	-1.45
4 bundles Dasheen Bush	bdl	5.58	22.32	5.21	20.84	(6.6)	-1.48
4 lbs Melongene	454g	6.31	25.24	5.68	22.72	(10.0)	-2.52
4 head Lettuce	head	6.22	24.88	6.65	26.60	6.9	1.72

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2 pkt Carrots	pack	5.18	10.36	5.78	11.56	11.6	1.20
4 Dry Coconuts	each	5.36	21.44	4.90	19.60	(8.6)	-1.84
4 lbs Banana (ripe)	454g	5.31	21.24	5.40	21.60	1.7	0.36
1doz. Oranges	each	1.06	12.72	0.97	11.64	(8.5)	-1.08
1 bt Dishwashing Liquid	750 ml	11.00	11.00	10.61	10.61	(3.5)	-0.39
1 pkt Soap Powder	975g	19.76	19.76	20.30	20.30	2.7	0.54
1 pkt Toilet Soap (3)	each	13.41	13.41	13.64	13.64	1.7	0.23
2 Tubes Toothpaste	100 ml	10.02	20.04	10.15	20.30	1.3	0.26
Average % Change							
TOTAL - Sample Basket		1743.05			1720.14	-1.31	-22.91

* Average Dressed Weight Prices
on the Live Market