

## Consumer Price Index, base period December 2006

### March 2014

*The Central Bureau of Statistics presents the most important findings for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the month of March 2014.*

The CPI for March 2014 is 117.11, an increase of 0.2% compared to the index of February 2014 (116.83) and accumulating an increase of 0.1% up to and including March of this year. The percentage change of the CPI over the last 12 months (March 2013 to March 2014) is -0.4, an increase of 3.1 percentage points (ppts) compared to the percentage change for the same period of last year (-3.5).

The period average percentage change of the CPI for the period March 2013 - March 2014 is -1.6, virtually no change compared to the period average percentage change over the period March 2012 - March 2013 (-1.6).

During this month, five of the twelve sectors registered increases in prices. The increases which had the greatest influence on the CPI were registered for the "Transport" sector (1.6%), "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" sector (0.3%) and "Restaurants and hotels" (0.9%), causing an effect of 0.30, 0.04 and 0.04 ppts, respectively. The increases in the remaining sectors had a total effect of 0.02 ppts on the CPI of March 2014.

Aforementioned increases were partially offset mainly by decreases in the indices for the "Clothing and footwear" sector (-1.9%) and "Recreation and culture" sector (-0.7%), which had an influence of respectively, -0.10 and -0.06 ppts. The decreases in the remaining sectors had a total effect of -0.01 ppt on the CPI of March 2014.

The increase in the "Transport" sector was mainly due to increases in the categories "Operation of personal transport equipment" (1.8%) and "Transport services" (9.8%), which contributed to an effect of 0.17 and 0.13 ppts, respectively. The increase in the "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" sector was mainly caused by an increase in the category "Food" (0.3%), which contributed to an effect of 0.04 ppts. The increase in the "Restaurants and hotels" sector was mainly caused by an increase in the category "Catering services" (0.7%), which contributed to an effect of 0.03 ppts.

The decrease in the "Clothing and footwear" sector was mainly due to a decrease of 1.8% in the category "Clothing", which contributed to an effect of -0.08 ppts. The decrease in the "Recreation and culture" sector was mainly caused by a decrease in the category "Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets" (-0.8%), which contributed to an effect of -0.03 ppts.

The consumption basket of the CPI consists of 452 goods and services. Compared to February 2014, 35.9% of these products had an increase in price, causing an effect of 0.63 ppts, while 32.5% showed a decrease, contributing to an effect of -0.39 ppts and the remaining 31.6% had no change in price. The prices of goods increased by 0.1% and caused an influence of 0.07 ppts. The prices of services show an increase of 0.5% and had an influence of 0.17 ppts.

The CPIC (core inflation) - CPI excluding the effect of energy and food - registered in March 2014 an increase of 0.2%, which is 0.5 ppts higher compared to the percentage change for the same period of last year (-0.3%). The energy index - which consists of the products: electricity, water, gasoline and diesel - registered a decrease of 8.2%, which is 1.7 ppts lower compared to the percentage change for the same period of last year (-6.5%). The food index shows a decrease of 0.1%, which is 1.3 ppts lower compared to the percentage change for the same period of last year (1.2%).

The subsistence level for a household consisting of two adults and two children (aged 0-14 years) in March 2014 is Afl. 4,273, while for a single adult household the amount is Afl. 2,035.

April 10, 2014



CPI (BASE DEC 2006 = 100)		
Index	↑	117.11
Monthly	↑	0.2
Year-to-date	↑	0.1
End of period	↓	-0.4
Period average	↓	-1.6
Goods	↑	0.1
Services	↑	0.5

CPIC		
CPIC	↑	0.2
Energy	↓	-8.2
Food	↓	-0.1

SUBSISTENCE LEVEL <small>in Afl.</small>		
1 adult	↑	2,035
2 adults + 2 children	↑	4,273

CPIC: CPI excluding the effect of energy and food.

Energy: Electricity, water, gasoline and diesel.

SUBSISTENCE LEVEL: The minimum level of income which is perceived necessary to achieve an adequate standard of living.

Table 1 Overview percentage change of the CPI

	Mar-13	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13	Nov-13	Dec-13	Jan-14	Feb-14	Mar-14
<b>Index</b>	117.56	117.61	117.17	117.44	117.35	117.50	117.54	117.00	116.62	116.94	116.54	116.83	117.11
<i>Monthly</i>	-0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.0	-0.5	-0.3	0.3	-0.3	0.2	0.2
<i>Year-to-date</i>	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.1	-0.2	0.1	-0.3	-0.1	0.1
<i>End of period</i>	-3.5	-3.5	-3.8	-3.1	-2.8	-1.1	-1.5	-1.9	-0.4	0.1	-0.2	-0.7	-0.4
<i>Period average</i>	-1.6	-2.1	-2.5	-2.8	-3.1	-3.0	-2.9	-2.9	-2.7	-2.4	-2.1	-1.9	-1.6
<i>Goods</i>	0.2	-0.1	-0.5	0.2	-0.3	0.3	0.0	-0.8	-0.7	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.1
<i>Services</i>	-0.6	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	-1.5	0.5	0.5
<i>CPIC</i>	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
<i>Energy</i>	-6.5	-8.5	-10.3	-11.8	-13.3	-13.0	-13.1	-13.5	-12.6	-11.6	-10.4	-9.3	-8.2
<i>Food</i>	1.2	0.9	0.5	0.3	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1
<i>1 adult</i>	2,039	2,038	2,033	2,037	2,032	2,034	2,034	2,030	2,027	2,033	2,029	2,033	2,035
<i>2 adults + 2 children</i>	4,281	4,280	4,269	4,278	4,267	4,271	4,271	4,263	4,257	4,269	4,260	4,270	4,273

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 2 Percentage change by sector

Sector	Weight coefficient	Effect Feb - Mar	Percentage changes			
			Monthly Feb - Mar	Year-to-date Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 13 - Mar 14	Period average Mar 13 - Mar 14
<b>CPI</b>	<b>10,000.0</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-1.6</b>
<i>01. Food and non-alcoholic beverages</i>	1,125.3	0.04	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.1
<i>02. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco</i>	81.9	0.00	0.0	0.8	1.0	6.7
<i>03. Clothing and footwear</i>	625.9	-0.10	-1.9	-0.5	-3.3	-6.2
<i>04. Housing</i>	2,553.3	0.00	0.0	0.1	0.2	-4.8
<i>05. Household operation</i>	741.3	0.00	0.0	-1.0	-2.0	-1.7
<i>06. Health</i>	235.8	0.02	1.0	1.5	0.5	-0.1
<i>07. Transport</i>	1,815.4	0.30	1.6	3.9	-0.5	-0.2
<i>08. Communications</i>	706.3	0.00	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.3
<i>09. Recreation and culture</i>	891.2	-0.06	-0.7	-7.9	-3.4	0.7
<i>10. Education</i>	83.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>11. Restaurants and hotels</i>	373.7	0.04	0.9	1.6	3.0	1.7
<i>12. Miscellaneous goods and services</i>	767.0	0.00	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.7

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 3 Categories with the greatest positive effect on the CPI of March 2014

Category	Monthly change	Effect
<i>Operation of personal transport equipment</i>	1.8	0.17
<i>Transport services</i>	9.8	0.13
<i>Food</i>	0.3	0.04
<i>Catering services</i>	0.7	0.03

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 4 Categories with the greatest negative effect on the CPI of March 2014

Category	Monthly change	Effect
<i>Clothing</i>	-1.8	-0.08
<i>Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets</i>	-0.8	-0.03
<i>Newspapers, books and stationery</i>	-2.4	-0.02

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

## Change in prices of crude oil, utilities, gasoline and diesel in March 2014

The prices of utilities (electricity and water), gasoline and diesel are for the greater part determined by international crude oil prices. In March 2014 the average price per barrel of crude oil (US\$ 100.76) had a decrease of US\$ 0.16 (-0.2%) compared to February 2014 (US\$ 100.92).

Fuel surcharge for a usage of electricity up to 500 kWh did not change in March 2014, it stayed at Afl. 24.60 cents per kWh. Fuel surcharge for a usage of electricity between 501 - 1000 kWh did not change in March 2014, it stayed at Afl. 30.90 cents per kWh. The prices of electricity and water did not change compared to February 2014. Subsequently, the average electricity price per household remained at Afl. 306.75, while the average price of water per household remained at Afl. 137.05.

In March 2014 the price of gasoline increased by Afl. 0.06 (2.7%) causing an effect of 0.17 ppts on the CPI. The price of diesel registered an increase of Afl. 0.03 (1.6%) and had an effect of 0.01 ppt on the CPI of March 2014.

In March 2014, utilities, gasoline and diesel as a group show an increase in price of 0.9% compared to February 2014, and had an influence of 0.18 ppts on the CPI, while the remaining 448 goods and services, as a group, experienced an increase of 0.1% in price, causing an effect of 0.06 ppts on the CPI.

Table 6 Effect on the CPI of March 2014 of goods and services which are dependent on crude oil prices

Category	Weight	Monthly change	Effect
Electricity	721.0	0.0	0.00
Gasoline	530.6	2.7	0.17
Water	437.4	0.0	0.00
Diesel	21.8	1.6	0.01
Total group	1,710.8	0.9	0.18
Remaining goods and services	8,289.2	0.1	0.06
CPI	10,000.0	0.2	0.24

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 5 Prices of crude oil, utilities, gasoline and diesel, 2013 - 2014

Month	2013							2014						
	Crude oil	Fuel surcharge ≤ 500 kWh	Fuel surcharge 501-1000 kWh	Electricity	Water	Gasoline	Diesel	Crude oil	Fuel surcharge ≤ 500 kWh	Fuel surcharge 501-1000 kWh	Electricity	Water	Gasoline	Diesel
January	94.04	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	218.80	206.40	95.07	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	219.50	205.80
February	96.21	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	227.80	210.40	100.92	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	220.30	204.80
March	93.00	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	242.00	218.80	100.76	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	226.30	208.10
April	91.86	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	239.50	209.00							
May	94.39	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	231.40	201.60							
June	95.77	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	232.40	200.10							
July	104.53	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	228.90	197.60							
August	106.30	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	239.40	204.20							
September	106.61	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	237.80	208.30							
October	101.23	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	223.50	207.60							
November	94.42	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	217.10	204.50							
December	97.61	24.60	30.90	306.75	137.05	215.10	201.50							

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

<sup>1</sup> Average West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil price per barrel in US\$ (Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration)

<sup>2</sup> Fuel surcharge in Afl. cents per kWh

<sup>3</sup> Electricity price in Afl. is based on an average household usage of 725.5 kWh

<sup>4</sup> Water price in Afl. is based on an average household usage

<sup>5</sup> Gasoline and diesel prices in Afl. cents per liter

## Change in prices of Food & catering services in March 2014

The “Food & catering services” index shows an increase of 0.4% in March 2014, after an increase of 0.3% in February 2014. The index for “Food at home” shows an increase of 0.3% in March, as seven of the eleven “Food at home” indices increased in March 2014. The “Vegetables” index registered the largest increase (1.5%) in March and was mainly caused by an increase of 7.1% in the index for “Onions”. Furthermore, increases of 0.9%, 0.8% and 0.7% were posted in the indices for “Fish and other seafood”, “Milk, cheese and eggs” and “Potatoes and other tubers”, respectively. The “Fruit” index registered the largest decrease (-0.4%), followed by a decrease of 0.3% in the index for “Oils and fats”.

Over the last 12 months the “Food & catering services” index has increased by 1.0%. The “Food at home” index shows an increase of 0.5%. The “Milk, cheese and eggs” index increased by 3.9%, the largest increase among the “Food at home” food groups, while the “Vegetables” index shows the largest decrease (7.9%).

The index for “Food away from home” shows an increase of 0.7% in March, after an increase of 0.2% in February 2014 and has increased by 3.0% over the last 12 months.

In March 2014, “Food at home” and “Food away from home” as a group show an increase in price of 0.4% compared to February 2014, and had an influence of 0.07 pts on the CPI, while the remaining goods and services, as a group, experienced an increase in price of 0.2%, causing an effect of 0.17 pts on the CPI.

Table 8 Effect on the CPI of March 2014 of Food at home and Food away from home

Category	Weight	Monthly change	Effect
<i>Food at home</i>	1,125.3	0.3	0.04
<i>Food away from home</i>	367.5	0.7	0.03
<i>Total group</i>	1,492.8	0.4	0.07
<i>Remaining goods and services</i>	8,507.2	0.2	0.17
<i>CPI</i>	10,000.0	0.2	0.24

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 7 Percentage change for Food & catering services

	Weight coefficient	Indices			Percentage changes		
		Mar-13	Feb-14	Mar-14	Monthly Jan - Feb	Monthly Feb - Mar	End of period Mar 13 - Mar 14
<b>Food &amp; catering services</b>	<b>1,492.8</b>	<b>138.08</b>	<b>138.95</b>	<b>139.51</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Food at home</b>	<b>1,125.3</b>	<b>142.20</b>	<b>142.40</b>	<b>142.85</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<i>Bread and cereals</i>	205.2	126.48	130.00	129.91	-0.3	-0.1	2.7
<i>Meat</i>	229.8	145.53	147.19	147.89	0.2	0.5	1.6
<i>Fish and other seafood</i>	56.4	128.38	129.85	131.01	0.2	0.9	2.0
<i>Milk, cheese and eggs</i>	140.0	138.12	142.34	143.46	1.1	0.8	3.9
<i>Oils and fats</i>	31.6	159.04	155.88	155.36	-0.3	-0.3	-2.3
<i>Fruit</i>	72.0	218.68	213.60	212.65	2.0	-0.4	-2.8
<i>Potatoes and other tubers</i>	18.5	132.59	131.93	132.80	-3.4	0.7	0.2
<i>Vegetables</i>	75.7	182.06	165.19	167.64	0.5	1.5	-7.9
<i>Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery</i>	49.6	114.21	111.20	111.09	0.3	-0.1	-2.7
<i>Food products n.e.c.</i>	82.7	120.08	123.72	123.79	0.6	0.1	3.1
<i>Non-alcoholic beverages</i>	163.9	130.93	131.24	131.39	0.0	0.1	0.3
<b>Food away from home</b>	<b>367.5</b>	<b>125.45</b>	<b>128.39</b>	<b>129.27</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>3.0</b>

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

## The subsistence level in March 2014

The subsistence level is the minimum level of income which is perceived necessary to achieve an adequate standard of living in a given country. The subsistence level is usually determined by estimating the cost of all the essential resources that an average adult consumes in one month or year. This is commonly called a basic needs index, and varies according to the price of food, clothing, housing, transport and other items in the "basket". Equivalence scales are used to adjust for the assumed standard of living, of households of different sizes and composition. The scale assigns a weight of 1.0 for the first adult and 0.5 for each additional adult in the household (aged 15+) and a weight of 0.3 for each child (aged 0-14 years). The subsistence level is based on figures of the report "Bestaansminimum 2010" published by the CBS in November 2010 and is monthly updated for inflation using the monthly CPI. The reference unit used in this report is a household consisting of two adults and two children (aged 0-14 years).

Table 9: Monthly subsistence level in Aruba (in Afl.) by sector for a family of 2 adults and 2 children (aged 0-14 years)

Sector	Absolute		
	Mar-13	Mar-14	Change
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1,524	1,531	7
Clothing and footwear	260	252	-8
Housing	1,364	1,367	3
Household operation	134	132	-2
Health	68	69	1
Transport	263	262	-1
Communications	123	124	1
Recreation and culture	183	177	-6
Education	63	63	0
Miscellaneous goods and services	298	298	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,281</b>	<b>4,273</b>	<b>-8</b>

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

In March 2014 the subsistence level for a household consisting of two adults and two children (aged 0-14 years) (Afl. 4,273) shows a decrease of Afl. 8 compared to March 2013 (Afl. 4,281) and was mainly caused by a decline of Afl. 8 in the "Clothing and footwear" sector.

Table 10: Subsistence level in Aruba (in Afl.) by family size and composition, March 2014 (Base period Oct. 2010)

Period	Equivalence scales				
	1	1.3	1.5	1.8	2.1
	1 adult	1 adult + 1 child	2 adults	2 adults + 1 child	2 adults + 2 children
Mar-13	2,039	2,650	3,058	3,669	4,281
Apr-13	2,038	2,650	3,057	3,669	4,280
May-13	2,033	2,643	3,049	3,659	4,269
Jun-13	2,037	2,648	3,056	3,667	4,278
Jul-13	2,032	2,642	3,048	3,658	4,267
Aug-13	2,034	2,644	3,051	3,661	4,271
Sep-13	2,034	2,644	3,051	3,661	4,271
Oct-13	2,030	2,639	3,045	3,654	4,263
Nov-13	2,027	2,635	3,041	3,649	4,257
Dec-13	2,033	2,643	3,049	3,659	4,269
Jan-14	2,029	2,637	3,043	3,652	4,260
Feb-14	2,033	2,643	3,050	3,660	4,270
Mar-14	2,035	2,645	3,052	3,663	4,273

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

In March 2014 the subsistence level for a single adult household is Afl 2,035, which represents an income deficit of Afl. 398, a decrease of Afl. 4 compared to the deficit observed one year ago (Afl. 402). This deficit is the lowest registered over a period of five years for the month March.

Table 11: Monthly income surplus/deficit (in Afl.) for a single adult household for March, 2010 - 2014

Period	Minimum		Surplus/deficit
	1 adult	wage	
2010	1,991	1,543	-448
2011	2,017	1,543	-474
2012	2,122	1,605	-517
2013	2,039	1,637	-402
2014	2,035	1,637	-398

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

**APPENDIX 1**
**Monthly & Yearly Changes (%) in the Consumer Price Index for March 2014, Total Population (Dec 2006 = 100)**

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT coefficient	2013 Mar	2013 Dec	2014 Jan	2014 Mar	Monthly Feb - Mar	Ytd Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 13 - Mar 14	Period average Mar 13 - Mar 14
<b>Food and non-alcoholic beverages</b>	<b>1,125.3</b>	<b>142.20</b>	<b>142.00</b>	<b>141.90</b>	<b>142.85</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Food	961.4	144.12	143.86	143.73	144.80	0.3	0.7	0.5	-0.1
Non-alcoholic beverages	163.9	130.93	131.13	131.20	131.39	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.9
<b>Alcoholic beverages and tobacco</b>	<b>81.9</b>	<b>138.30</b>	<b>138.55</b>	<b>139.76</b>	<b>139.66</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	59.3	116.78	117.16	117.94	117.64	-0.1	0.4	0.7	0.7
Tobacco	22.6	194.72	194.62	196.96	197.40	0.0	1.4	1.4	17.5
<b>Clothing and footwear</b>	<b>625.9</b>	<b>95.40</b>	<b>92.71</b>	<b>93.87</b>	<b>92.22</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-3.3</b>	<b>-6.2</b>
Clothing	550.4	95.57	93.16	94.79	93.47	-1.8	0.3	-2.2	-6.2
Footwear	75.5	94.17	89.44	87.21	83.12	-2.6	-7.1	-11.7	-6.2
<b>Housing</b>	<b>2,553.3</b>	<b>130.34</b>	<b>130.43</b>	<b>130.43</b>	<b>130.60</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-4.8</b>
Actual rentals for housing	854.2	143.03	144.78	144.99	145.41	0.1	0.4	1.7	1.7
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	444.6	103.35	100.54	100.13	100.31	-0.4	-0.2	-2.9	-0.3
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	505.7	119.95	119.95	119.95	119.95	0.0	0.0	0.0	-11.0
Electricity, gas and other fuels	748.8	138.89	138.89	138.89	138.89	0.0	0.0	0.0	-9.6
<b>Household operation</b>	<b>741.3</b>	<b>98.91</b>	<b>97.92</b>	<b>96.84</b>	<b>96.96</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-2.0</b>	<b>-1.7</b>
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	142.1	67.66	61.10	60.30	60.77	0.7	-0.5	-10.2	-9.7
Household textiles	69.5	122.89	116.12	108.08	107.34	-0.3	-7.6	-12.7	-11.3
Household appliances	111.3	69.08	72.83	71.08	69.69	-1.2	-4.3	0.9	-0.6
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	31.8	78.43	73.14	73.57	75.68	-2.6	3.5	-3.5	-5.3
Tools and equipment for house and garden	40.0	86.71	87.74	87.09	92.01	1.1	4.9	6.1	5.8
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	346.6	119.79	120.87	121.10	121.00	0.1	0.1	1.0	1.7
<b>Health</b>	<b>235.8</b>	<b>94.13</b>	<b>93.20</b>	<b>93.00</b>	<b>94.64</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-0.1</b>
Medical products, appliances and equipment	140.3	99.55	98.03	97.66	100.22	1.4	2.2	0.7	-0.3
Out-patient services	57.2	81.36	81.36	81.36	81.36	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other health products and services	38.3	93.40	93.19	93.29	94.05	0.6	0.9	0.7	0.6
<b>Transport</b>	<b>1,815.4</b>	<b>122.03</b>	<b>116.84</b>	<b>118.52</b>	<b>121.39</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.2</b>
Purchase of vehicles	811.4	107.41	106.79	108.72	108.73	0.0	1.8	1.2	2.6
Operation of personal transport equipment	840.1	140.96	130.66	132.39	136.85	1.8	4.7	-2.9	-2.3
Transport services	163.8	97.39	95.75	95.90	104.86	9.8	9.5	7.7	-0.7
<b>Communications</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>86.83</b>	<b>87.12</b>	<b>87.55</b>	<b>87.42</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Postal services	6.1	116.13	116.00	116.00	116.00	0.0	0.0	-0.1	4.8
Telephone and telefax equipment	29.6	20.36	27.27	28.63	25.51	2.9	-6.4	25.3	3.5
Telephone and telefax services	670.6	89.49	89.49	89.89	89.89	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.2
<b>Recreation and culture</b>	<b>891.2</b>	<b>111.78</b>	<b>117.26</b>	<b>108.91</b>	<b>108.01</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-7.9</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	123.8	84.48	88.77	87.55	83.10	-0.8	-6.4	-1.6	-6.3
Other major durables for recreation and culture	19.2	65.92	51.20	51.20	51.38	-0.2	0.4	-22.1	-11.0
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	260.1	139.55	141.46	141.41	139.75	-0.8	-1.2	0.1	3.0
Recreational and cultural services	335.0	100.43	100.90	101.41	101.32	0.0	0.4	0.9	-2.5
Newspapers, books and stationery	82.1	98.87	92.78	92.74	90.51	-2.4	-2.4	-8.5	-2.6
Holidays	71.0	138.56	201.75	96.71	102.25	-2.1	-49.3	-26.2	16.9
<b>Education</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>116.61</b>	<b>116.61</b>	<b>116.61</b>	<b>116.61</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Pre primary and primary education	30.4	109.07	109.07	109.07	109.07	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Secondary education	25.2	116.94	116.94	116.94	116.94	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	129.44	129.44	129.44	129.44	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tertiary education	10.4	126.23	126.23	126.23	126.23	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
Education not definable by level	12.4	121.64	121.64	121.64	121.64	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Restaurants and hotels</b>	<b>373.7</b>	<b>125.16</b>	<b>126.92</b>	<b>127.51</b>	<b>128.91</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>1.7</b>
Catering services	367.5	125.45	127.72	128.10	129.27	0.7	1.2	3.0	1.6
Accommodation services	6.2	107.56	80.05	92.64	107.79	16.3	34.6	0.2	5.8
<b>Miscellaneous goods and services</b>	<b>767.0</b>	<b>100.76</b>	<b>100.92</b>	<b>100.97</b>	<b>100.77</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Personal care	262.0	112.93	114.25	114.33	113.94	0.0	-0.3	0.9	1.6
Personal effects n.e.c.	67.3	117.26	111.29	111.11	110.48	-0.7	-0.7	-5.8	-2.2
Social protection	28.7	132.55	132.55	132.55	132.55	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Insurance	289.1	85.12	85.12	85.12	85.12	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Financial services n.e.c.	26.9	94.98	96.49	96.76	96.65	0.2	0.2	1.8	1.8
Other services n.e.c.	93.0	94.98	96.49	96.76	96.65	0.2	0.2	1.8	1.8
<b>CPI</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>117.56</b>	<b>116.94</b>	<b>116.54</b>	<b>117.11</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-1.6</b>

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

## APPENDIX 2

## Effect on the Consumer Price Index per sector and category for March 2014 (Dec 2006 = 100)

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT coefficient	Monthly Feb - Mar	Ytd Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 13 - Mar 14	Period average Mar 13 - Mar 14
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1,125.3	0.04	0.08	0.06	0.01
Food	961.4	0.04	0.08	0.06	-0.01
Non-alcoholic beverages	163.9	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	81.9	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.06
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	59.3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tobacco	22.6	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.06
Clothing and footwear	625.9	-0.10	-0.03	-0.17	-0.33
Clothing	550.4	-0.08	0.01	-0.10	-0.29
Footwear	75.5	-0.01	-0.04	-0.07	-0.04
Housing	2,553.3	0.00	0.04	0.06	-1.40
Actual rentals for housing	854.2	0.02	0.05	0.17	0.17
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	444.6	-0.01	-0.01	-0.11	-0.01
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	505.7	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.63
Electricity, gas and other fuels	748.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.93
Household operation	741.3	0.00	-0.06	-0.12	-0.11
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	142.1	0.00	0.00	-0.08	-0.08
Household textiles	69.5	0.00	-0.05	-0.09	-0.09
Household appliances	111.3	-0.01	-0.03	0.01	0.00
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	31.8	-0.01	0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Tools and equipment for house and garden	40.0	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	346.6	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.06
Health	235.8	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.00
Medical products, appliances and equipment	140.3	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.00
Out-patient services	57.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other health products and services	38.3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transport	1,815.4	0.30	0.71	-0.10	-0.04
Purchase of vehicles	811.4	0.00	0.13	0.09	0.19
Operation of personal transport equipment	840.1	0.17	0.44	-0.29	-0.22
Transport services	163.8	0.13	0.13	0.10	-0.01
Communications	706.3	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.02
Postal services	6.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telephone and telefax equipment	29.6	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Telephone and telefax services	670.6	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.01
Recreation and culture	891.2	-0.06	-0.70	-0.29	0.06
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	123.8	-0.01	-0.06	-0.01	-0.06
Other major durables for recreation and culture	19.2	0.00	0.00	-0.02	-0.01
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	260.1	-0.03	-0.04	0.00	0.09
Recreational and cultural services	335.0	0.00	0.01	0.03	-0.07
Newspapers, books and stationery	82.1	-0.02	-0.02	-0.06	-0.02
Holidays	71.0	-0.01	-0.60	-0.22	0.13
Education	83.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pre primary and primary education	30.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Secondary education	25.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tertiary education	10.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education not definable by level	12.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restaurants and hotels	373.7	0.04	0.06	0.12	0.07
Catering services	367.5	0.03	0.05	0.12	0.06
Accommodation services	6.2	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous goods and services	767.0	0.00	-0.01	0.00	0.04
Personal care	262.0	0.00	-0.01	0.02	0.04
Personal effects n.e.c.	67.3	0.00	0.00	-0.04	-0.01
Social protection	28.7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance	289.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Financial services n.e.c.	26.9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other services n.e.c.	93.0	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
CPI	10,000	0.24	0.14	-0.38	-1.63

