

Consumer Price Index, base period June 2019

March 2024

The Central Bureau of Statistics presents the most important findings for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the month of March 2024.

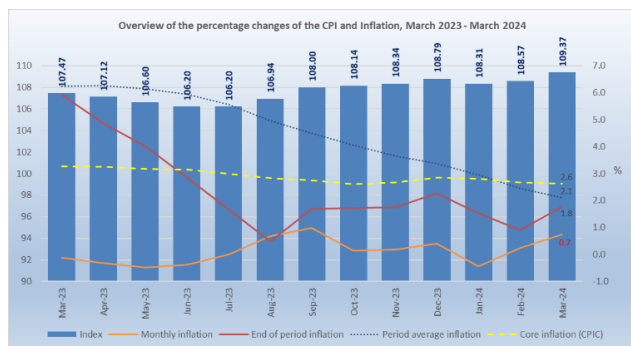


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The CPI for March 2024 (109.37), shows an increase of 0.7% compared to the index of February 2024 (108.57).

The percentage change of the CPI over the last twelve (12) months (March 2023 to March 2024) is 1.8, a decrease of 4.1 percentage points (ppts) compared to the percentage change for the same period of last year (5.9%).

The period average (last 24 months) percentage change of the CPI for the periods March 2022 to March 2023 and March 2023 to March 2024 is 2.1%, a decrease of 4.1 ppts compared to the period average percentage change over the periods March 2021 to March 2022 and March 2022 to March 2023 (6.2%).



During this month, eight (8) of the twelve (12) sectors registered increases in prices. The increases that had the greatest influence on the CPI were registered for the “Transport” (1.8%), “Recreation and culture” (2.3%) and “Clothing and footwear” (7.3%) sectors, which contributed with an effect of 0.23, 0.21 and 0.17 ppts, respectively. The increases in the remaining sectors had an effect of 0.19 ppts on the CPI of March 2024.

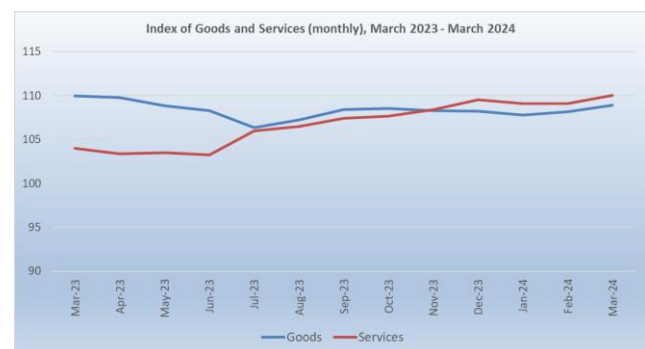
Aforementioned increases were partially offset mainly by a decrease in the index for the “Health” (-2.0%) sector, which caused an effect of -0.04 ppts. The decreases in the remaining sectors had an effect of -0.01 ppt on the CPI of March 2024.

The increase in the “Transport” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Operation of personal transport equipment” (2.4%), which contributed to an effect of 0.20 ppts. The increase in the “Recreation and culture” sector was mainly due to an increase of 5.7% in the category “Holidays”, which contributed to an effect of 0.14 ppts. The increase in the “Clothing and footwear” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Clothing” (8.9%), which contributed with an effect of 0.16 ppts.

The decrease in the “Health” sector was mainly due to a decrease in the category “Medical products, appliances and equipment” (-3.9%), which contributed to an effect of -0.06 ppts.

Consumption basket

The consumption basket of the CPI consists of 408 goods and services. Compared to February 2024, 47.8% of these products had an increase in price, causing an effect of 1.16 ppts, while 34.3% showed a decrease, contributing to an effect of -0.42 ppts and the remaining 17.9% had no change in price. The prices of goods (0.7%) and services (0.8%) increased and caused an influence of respectively, 0.39 and 0.34 ppts on the CPI of March 2024.



CPI (BASE JUN 2019 = 100)		March-2024							CPI			SUBSISTENCE LEVEL		
Month	Year	Index	Monthly	Year-to-date	End of period	Period average	Goods	Services	CPI	Energy	Food	1 adult	2 adults + 2 children	
March	2024	109.37	↑ 0.7	↑ 0.5	↑ 1.8	↑ 2.1	↑ 0.7	↑ 0.82	2.6	↑ -1.1	↓ 4.0	2,616	↑ 5,494	
February	2024	108.57	↑ 0.2	↓ -0.2	↓ 0.9	↑ 2.4	↑ 0.4	↑ 0.04	2.7	↑ 0.3	↑ 4.7	2,601	- 5,462	
March	2023	107.47	-0.1	1.0	5.9	6.2	-0.3	0.2	3.3	16.5	11.9	2,565	5,386	

Core inflation

The CPIC (core inflation) - CPI excluding the effect of energy and food – was 2.6% in March 2024. The energy index - which consists of the products: electricity, water, gasoline and diesel – was -1.1%. The food index showed an increase of 4.0%.

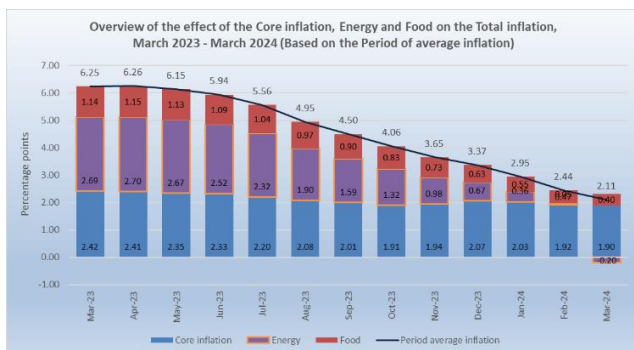
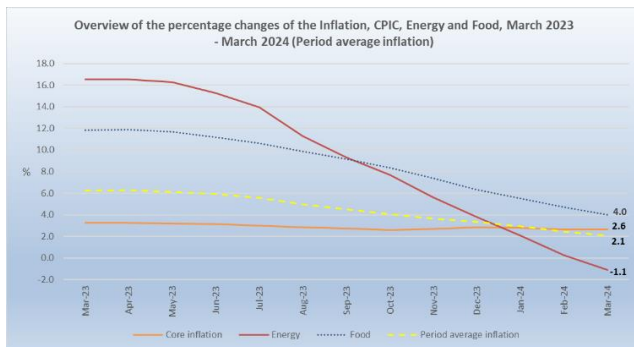
What is CPIC?

The CPIC (core inflation) is a portion of the inflation where certain items, which have volatile price movements are excluded, such as food products and energy. When calculating the core inflation, the most volatile components are eliminated from the inflation. The core inflation index is used to assess the medium and long-term trends of the general level of prices. For purposes of economic policy-making, especially monetary policy, many economists focus on the proportion of the core inflation, as this allows a more in-depth evaluation of the recent inflation developments in the economy. The annual average of the CPI is used to calculate the CPIC.

The CPIC is calculated by comparing the average index for the most recent 12-month period compared with the preceding 12-month period.

The three main uses of a CPI are:

1. a calculation method to compensate employees due to the loss of purchasing power, adjusting their salaries, with the percentage change rate of the CPI, which is known as indexation.
2. a tool used in National Accounts to adjust components of the gross domestic product (GDP) from nominal terms to real terms. (For example, by eliminating the effect of the price changes from the consumption value)
3. a means commonly used by governments and central banks to set inflation targets.



Subsistence level

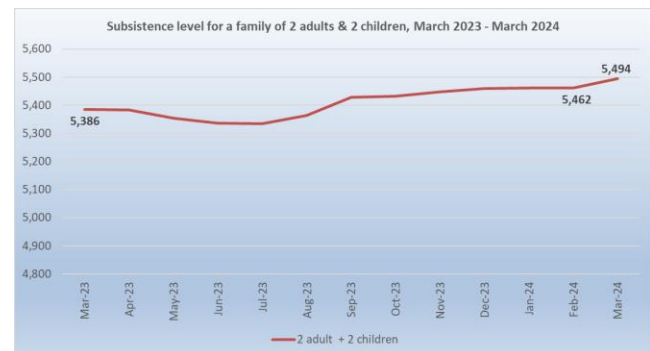
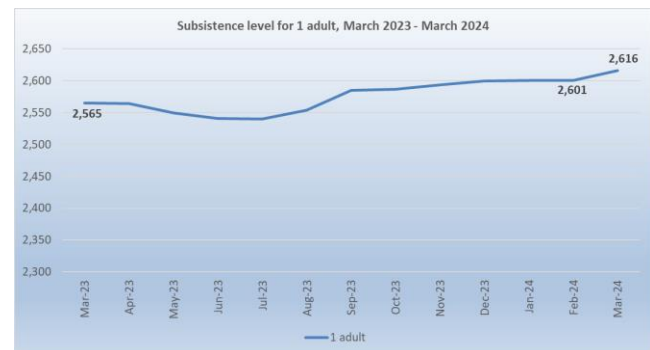
The subsistence level for a household consisting of two (2) adults and two (2) children (aged 0-15 years) (Afl. 5,494), an increase of Afl. 32 compared to February 2024 (Afl. 5,462). The subsistence level for a single adult household is Afl. 2,616, an increase of Afl. 15 compared to February 2024 (Afl. 2,601).

What is the Subsistence level and how is it adjusted?

The CBS defines the subsistence level as the minimum level of income that is perceived as necessary for a person or family to be able to function in the society in an adequate and socially acceptable manner. When the definition of subsistence level is used, it refers in reality to a "Social subsistence level" and not the literal definition "the money needed to purchase those goods and services deemed necessary for living a life free of basic deprivation" (United Nations).

A subsistence level index was created by calculating the cost of the essential resources that an average adult consumes during a month. Each month this index is adjusted, based on the prices of food, clothing, shelter, transportation, and other items in the basket.

The current subsistence level is based on the "Subsistence level 2010" report published by the CBS in December 2010, and is updated monthly according to the CPI. The reference unit used in this report is of a household consisting of two adults and two children (0 to 14 years). The total weight of such household is 2.1 (1.0 + 0.5 + 0.3 + 0.3).



The subsistence level in March 2024

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". Equivalent scales are used to adjust 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" and is monthly updated for inflation using the monthly CPI. The reference unit used in this report is a household consisting of two (2) adults and two (2) children (aged 0-14 years).

In March 2024 the monthly subsistence level for a household consisting of two (2) adults and two (2) children (aged 0-14 years) (Afl. 5,494) showed an increase of Afl. 108 compared to March 2023 (Afl. 5,386) and was mainly caused by increases of respectively, Afl. 58 and Afl. 30 in the sectors "Food and non-alcoholic beverages" and "Communications". The largest decrease in March 2024 was registered in the sector "Transport" (Afl. - 33).

Table 1 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-23	Mar-24	Change
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	2,224	2,282	58
Clothing and footwear	251	259	8
Housing	1,632	1,648	16
Household operation	114	117	3
Health	85	84	-1
Transport	357	324	-33
Communications	141	171	30
Recreation and culture	166	165	-1
Education	78	97	19
Miscellaneous goods and services	338	347	9
Total	5,386	5,494	108

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 2 Monthly Subsistence level in Aruba (in Afl.) by family size and composition, March 2024 (Base period Oct. 2010)

Period	Escala di ekivalencia				
	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-23	2,565	3,334	3,847	4,616	5,386
Apr-23	2,564	3,333	3,845	4,615	5,384
Mei-23	2,550	3,315	3,824	4,589	5,354
Jun-23	2,541	3,303	3,812	4,574	5,336
Jul-23	2,540	3,302	3,810	4,572	5,334
Aug-23	2,554	3,320	3,831	4,598	5,364
Sep-23	2,585	3,360	3,877	4,653	5,428
Oct-23	2,587	3,363	3,880	4,656	5,432
Nov-23	2,594	3,372	3,891	4,669	5,447
Dec-23	2,600	3,380	3,900	4,680	5,460
Jan-24	2,601	3,381	3,901	4,681	5,462
Feb-24	2,601	3,381	3,901	4,682	5,462
Mar-24	2,616	3,401	3,924	4,709	5,494

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

In March 2024, the monthly subsistence level for a single adult household is Afl 2,616, which represents an income deficit of Afl. 630, a decrease of Afl. 42 compared to the deficit observed one year ago (Afl. 672). This deficit is the second highest registered over a period of six (6) years for the month March.

Tabel 3 Monthly income surplus/deficit (in Afl.) for a single adult household for March, 2019 - 2024

Period	Minimum		Surplus/deficit
	1 adult	wage	
2019	2,290	1,711	-579
2020	2,300	1,815	-485
2021	2,258	1,815	-443
2022	2,372	1,815	-557
2023	2,565	1,893	-672
2024	2,616	1,986	-630

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 4 Overview of the percentage changes of the CPI and the subsistence level, March 2023 - March 2024 (Jun 2019=100)

	Mar-23	Apr-23	Mei-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24
Index CPI													
CPI (Monthly)	107.47	107.12	106.60	106.20	106.20	106.94	108.00	108.14	108.34	108.79	108.31	108.57	109.37
CPI (12-month average)	105.49	105.91	106.25	106.49	106.64	106.68	106.83	106.98	107.14	107.34	107.47	107.56	107.72
Percentage changes													
Monthly	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.4	0.0	0.7	1.0	0.1	0.2	0.4	-0.4	0.2	0.7
Year-to-date	1.0	0.7	0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.5	1.5	1.7	1.8	2.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.5
End of period	5.9	4.9	4.0	2.8	1.7	0.5	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.3	1.5	0.9	1.8
Period average	6.2	6.3	6.1	5.9	5.6	4.9	4.5	4.1	3.7	3.4	2.9	2.4	2.1
Index Goods													
Goods (Monthly)	109.96	109.78	108.82	108.30	106.36	107.25	108.42	108.51	108.29	108.24	107.77	108.18	108.91
Goods (12-month average)	107.24	107.93	108.46	108.84	108.91	108.78	108.77	108.79	108.67	108.63	108.50	108.32	108.24
Percentage changes													
Monthly	-0.3	-0.2	-0.9	-0.5	-1.8	0.8	1.1	0.1	-0.2	0.0	-0.4	0.4	0.7
Year-to-date	1.0	0.9	0.0	-0.5	-2.3	-1.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.5	-0.5	-0.4	-0.1	0.6
End of period	9.1	8.1	6.2	4.4	0.9	-1.4	-0.1	0.3	-1.3	-0.5	-1.4	-1.9	-0.9
Period average	9.5	9.7	9.6	9.3	8.6	7.5	6.6	5.7	4.6	3.8	2.8	1.7	0.9
Index Services													
Services (Monthly)	104.00	103.40	103.51	103.27	105.98	106.51	107.40	107.64	108.41	109.55	109.07	109.12	110.01
Services (12-month average)	103.05	103.09	103.17	103.23	103.47	103.75	104.13	104.46	105.00	105.55	106.05	106.49	106.99
Percentage changes													
Monthly	0.2	-0.6	0.1	-0.2	2.6	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.7	1.0	-0.4	0.0	0.8
Year-to-date	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.3	2.9	3.4	4.3	4.5	5.3	6.4	-0.4	-0.4	0.4
End of period	1.5	0.4	0.9	0.7	2.8	3.3	4.4	3.9	6.3	6.4	5.8	5.1	5.8
Period average	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.8	2.4	2.8	3.2	3.5	3.8
Indices CPIC, Energy & Food													
CPIC (12-month average)	102.73	102.98	103.20	103.41	103.53	103.68	103.86	104.05	104.36	104.73	104.98	105.18	105.44
Energy (12-month average)	114.93	115.88	116.55	116.77	116.82	116.23	116.07	116.00	115.44	114.96	114.51	113.99	113.66
Food (12-month average)	110.63	111.44	112.14	112.67	113.17	113.51	113.90	114.21	114.34	114.42	114.68	114.85	115.04
Percentage changes													
CPIC (Period average)	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6
Energy (Period average)	16.5	16.5	16.3	15.3	14.0	11.3	9.3	7.7	5.6	3.8	2.1	0.3	-1.1
Food (Period average)	11.9	11.9	11.7	11.2	10.6	9.9	9.2	8.4	7.4	6.3	5.5	4.7	4.0
Subsistence level (Monthly)													
1 adult	2,565	2,564	2,550	2,541	2,540	2,554	2,585	2,587	2,594	2,600	2,601	2,601	2,616
2 adults + 2 children	5,386	5,384	5,354	5,336	5,334	5,364	5,428	5,432	5,447	5,460	5,462	5,462	5,494
Changes in AfI													
1 adult (Monthly)	-3	-1	-14	-9	-1	14	31	2	7	6	1	0	15
1 adult (Yearly)	193	182	147	127	100	41	57	58	41	40	47	33	51
2 adults + 2 children (Monthly)	-7	-2	-30	-18	-2	30	64	4	15	13	2	0	32
2 adults + 2 children (Yearly)	406	381	308	266	210	86	119	121	85	84	99	69	108

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 5 Percentage change by sector

Sector	Weight coefficient	Effect Feb - Mar	Percentage changes			
			Monthly Feb - Mar	Year-to-date Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24	Period average Mar 22/23 - Mar 23/24
CPI	10,000.0	0.74	0.7	0.5	1.8	2.1
01. Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1,125.3	0.02	0.2	0.8	2.6	4.4
02. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	81.9	0.00	-0.4	0.3	1.0	4.0
03. Clothing and footwear	625.9	0.17	7.3	2.9	2.9	-4.1
04. Housing	2,553.3	0.00	0.0	0.2	1.0	3.9
05. Household operation	741.3	0.02	0.2	0.5	2.1	1.7
06. Health	235.8	-0.04	-2.0	-1.5	-1.4	3.0
07. Transport	1,815.4	0.23	1.8	2.1	-9.2	-6.0
08. Communications	706.3	0.04	0.5	0.3	21.1	10.0
09. Recreation and culture	891.2	0.21	2.3	-0.9	-0.5	-2.4
10. Education	83.0	0.00	0.0	0.0	24.8	16.4
11. Restaurants and hotels	373.7	0.06	1.2	1.6	5.2	6.3
12. Miscellaneous goods and services	767.0	0.05	0.44	0.16	2.6	3.0

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 6 Categories with the greatest positive effect on the CPI of March 2024

Category	Monthly change	Effect
Operation of personal transport equipment	2.4	0.20
Clothing	8.9	0.16
Holidays	5.7	0.14
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	14.4	0.13

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 7 Categories with the greatest negative effect on the CPI of March 2024

Category	Monthly change	Effect
Household appliances	-3.8	-0.09
Medical products, appliances and equipment	-3.9	-0.06
Purchase of vehicles	-0.9	-0.04
Household textiles	-3.7	-0.01
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	-0.2	-0.01

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Change in prices of crude oil, utilities, gasoline and diesel in March 2024

The prices of utilities (electricity and water), gasoline and diesel are for the greater part determined by international crude oil prices. In March 2024 the average price per barrel of crude oil (US\$ 81.01) had an increase of US\$ 4.08 (5.3%) compared to February 2024 (US\$ 76.93).

The prices of electricity and water did not change compared to February 2024. Subsequently, the average electricity price per household remained at Afl. 274.57, while the average price of water per household remained at Afl. 168.73.

In March 2024 the price of gasoline registered an increase of Afl. 10.20 cents (4.2%) and had an effect of 0.19 ppts on the CPI. The price of diesel registered an increase of Afl. 8.60 cents (3.8%) and had an effect of 0.01 ppt on the CPI of March 2024.

In March 2024, utilities, gasoline and diesel as a group, showed an increase in price of 1.2% compared to February 2024, and had an influence of 0.21 ppts on the CPI, while the remaining 404 goods and services, as a group, show an increase of 0.6% and had an effect of 0.53 ppts on the CPI.

Table 9 Effect on the CPI of March 2024 of goods and services which are dependent on crude oil prices

Category	Weight	Monthly		Yearly	
		Change	Effect	Change	Effect
Electricity	810.2	0.0	0.00	-6.8	-0.57
Gasoline	430.5	4.2	0.19	-0.8	-0.04
Water	367.3	0.0	0.00	0.0	0.00
Diesel	30.2	3.8	0.01	0.7	0.00
Total group	1,638.1	1.2	0.21	-3.4	-0.60
Remaining goods and services	8,361.9	0.6	0.53	2.9	2.37
CPI	10,000.0	0.7	0.74	1.8	1.77

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 8 Prices of crude oil, utilities, gasoline and diesel, 2023 - 2024

Month	2023							2024						
	Crude oil	Total energy charge		Electricity	Water	Gasoline	Diesel	Crude oil	Total energy charge		Electricity	Water	Gasoline	Diesel
		≤ 500 kWh	501-1000 kWh						≤ 500 kWh	501-1000 kWh				
January	78.01	38.53	39.65	294.56	168.73	243.80	246.60	73.56	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	232.90	213.60
February	76.99	38.53	39.65	294.56	168.73	262.50	260.30	76.93	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	245.40	227.80
March	73.51	38.53	39.65	294.56	168.73	257.60	234.80	81.01	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	255.60	236.40
April	79.51	38.53	39.65	294.56	168.73	262.40	231.50							
May	71.86	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	266.70	221.50							
June	70.12	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	255.90	209.10							
July	75.57	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	256.40	212.50							
August	81.34	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	268.80	225.60							
September	88.11	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	283.70	251.70							
October	85.94	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	277.90	260.80							
November	78.48	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	248.60	247.80							
December	72.61	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	237.70	227.20							
Yearly Average	77.67	36.71	37.78	281.24	168.73	260.17	235.78	77.17	35.80	36.84	274.57	168.73	244.63	225.93

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

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

² Total energy charge in Afl. cents per kWh

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

⁴ Water price in Afl. is based on an average household usage in m³

⁵ Gasoline and diesel prices in Afl. cents per liter

Change in prices of Food & catering services in March 2024

The “Food & catering services” index showed an increase of 0.2% in March 2024, after a decrease of 0.5% in February 2024. The index for “Food at home” showed an increase of 0.2% in March, as eight (8) of the eleven (11) “Food at home” indices increased in March 2024. The “Potatoes and other tubers” index registered the largest increase (1.8%) in March 2024. Furthermore, other significant increases were posted in the indices for “Non-alcoholic beverages” (0.9%), “Vegetables” (0.6%) and “Milk, cheese and eggs” (0.5%).

The largest decrease in March 2024 was registered for the index of “Fish and other seafood” (-1.2%).

The index for “Food away from home” shows an increase of 0.1% in March 2024, the same increase as in February 2024.

In March 2024, “Food at home” and “Food away from home” as a group showed an increase in price of 0.2% compared to February 2024, and had an effect of 0.03 pts on the CPI, while the remaining goods and services, as a group, experienced an increase in price of 0.8%, causing an effect of 0.71 pts on the CPI.

Table 11 Effect on the CPI of March 2024 of Food at home and Food away from home

Category	Weight	Monthly change	Effect
<i>Food at home</i>	1,087.7	0.2	0.02
<i>Food away from home</i>	429.8	0.1	0.01
<i>Total group</i>	1,517.5	0.2	0.03
<i>Remaining goods and services</i>	8,482.5	0.8	0.71
<i>CPI</i>	10,000.0	0.7	0.74

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

Table 10 Percentage change for Food & catering services

	Weight coefficient	Indices			Percentage changes			Effect	
		Mar-23	Feb-24	Mar-24	Monthly Jan - Feb	Monthly Feb - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24	Monthly Feb - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24
Food & catering services	1,517.5	114.50	117.95	118.15	-0.5	0.2	3.2	0.028	0.515
Food at home	1,087.7	113.88	116.65	116.86	-0.7	0.2	2.6	0.021	0.302
<i>Bread and cereals</i>	178.1	116.56	120.56	120.65	0.1	0.1	3.5	0.002	0.068
<i>Meat</i>	242.5	118.33	116.19	116.09	-0.1	-0.1	-1.9	-0.002	-0.051
<i>Fish and other seafood</i>	49.0	111.40	110.26	108.93	-0.4	-1.2	-2.2	-0.006	-0.011
<i>Milk, cheese and eggs</i>	135.3	124.47	126.27	126.86	-0.9	0.5	1.9	0.007	0.030
<i>Oils and fats</i>	32.2	125.71	126.04	126.37	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.001	0.002
<i>Fruit</i>	97.6	103.67	105.70	105.20	-5.0	-0.5	1.5	-0.004	0.014
<i>Potatoes and other tubers</i>	18.2	85.84	88.28	89.88	-1.7	1.8	4.7	0.003	0.007
<i>Vegetables</i>	89.1	92.73	95.89	96.49	-2.5	0.6	4.0	0.005	0.031
<i>Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery</i>	42.0	117.52	129.36	129.48	0.7	0.1	10.2	0.000	0.047
<i>Food products n.e.c.</i>	80.1	113.84	122.59	122.99	0.6	0.3	8.0	0.003	0.068
<i>Non-alcoholic beverages</i>	123.6	113.83	121.14	122.27	-0.6	0.9	7.4	0.013	0.012
Food away from home	429.8	116.07	121.24	121.41	0.1	0.1	4.6	0.007	0.213
Other goods and services	8,482.5	106.21	106.89	107.80	0.4	0.8	1.5	0.709	1.255
<i>Other goods</i>	4,735.8	109.06	106.24	107.09	0.7	0.8	-1.8	0.372	-0.866
<i>Other services</i>	3,746.7	102.61	107.72	108.70	0.0	0.9	5.9	0.337	2.122
CPI	10,000.0	107.47	108.57	109.37	0.2	0.7	1.8	0.736	1.771

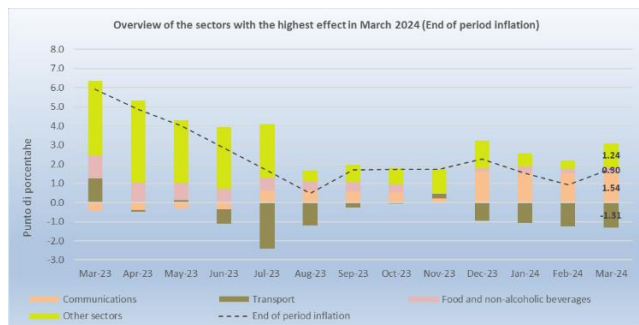
Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

CPI for the period

March 2023 – March 2024

Consumer Price Index

Over the last 12 months, the CPI increased by 1.8%. Nine (9) of the twelve (12) sectors registered increases in prices. The increases that had the greatest influence on the CPI were registered for the “Communications” (21.1%), “Food and non-alcoholic beverages” (2.6%), “Miscellaneous goods and services” (2.6%), “Housing” (1.0%), “Restaurants and hotels” (5.2%) and “Education” (24.8%) sectors, which contributed with an effect of respectively, 1.54, 0.30, 0.30, 0.27, 0.25 and 0.24 ppts. The increases in the remaining sectors had an effect of 0.26 ppts on the CPI of March 2023 - March 2024.



Aforementioned increases were partially offset, mainly by a decrease in the index for the “Transport” (-9.2%) sector, causing an effect of -1.31 ppts.

The increase in the “Communications” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Telephone and telefax services” (21.1%), which contributed to an effect of 1.48 ppts. The increase in the “Food and non-alcoholic beverages” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Food” (2.0%), which contributed to an effect of 0.20 ppts. The increase in the “Miscellaneous goods and services” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Personal care” (4.1%), which contributed to an effect of 0.16 ppts. The increase in the “Housing” sector was mainly due to an increase in the category “Maintenance and repair of the dwelling” (13.3%), which contributed to an effect of 0.68 ppts. The increase in the “Restaurants and hotels” sector was mainly due to an increase of 4.6% in the category “Catering services”, which contributed to an effect of 0.21 ppts. The increase in the “Education” sector was due to increases in the categories “Secondary education” (32.0%) and “Pre-primary and primary education” (42.9%), which contributed to an effect of respectively, 0.14 and 0.10 ppts.

The decrease in the “Transport” sector was mainly due to a decrease in the category “Purchase of vehicles” (-24.6%), which contributed to an effect of -1.32 ppts.

Consumption basket

Over the last year 55.6% of the products in the consumption basket had an increase in price, causing an effect of 4.64 ppts, while 37.7% showed a decrease, contributing to an effect of -2.87 ppts and the remaining 6.6% had no change in price. The prices of goods decreased by 0.9% and caused an influence of -0.56 ppts, while the prices of services showed an increase of 5.8% and had an influence of 2.34 ppts.

Subsistence level

Over the last 12 months, the subsistence level for a household consisting of two (2) adults and two (2) children (aged 0-15 years) registered an increase of Afl. 108, from Afl. 5,386 in March 2023 to Afl. 5,494 in March 2024. This increase was mainly due to increases in the “Food and non-alcoholic beverages” (Afl. 58) and “Communications” (Afl. 30) sectors.

Change in prices of crude oil, utilities, gasoline and diesel

The average price per barrel of crude oil registered an increase of US\$ 7.50 (10.2%) from US\$ 73.51 in March 2023 to US\$ 81.01 in March 2024.

The energy index decreased by 3.4% over the past 12 months and had an influence of -0.60 ppts. The index of “Gasoline” (-0.8%) registered a decrease over the last year, contributing with an effect of -0.04 ppts, while the index of “Diesel” registered an increase of 0.7% and had an insignificant effect on the yearly CPI. The index of “Electricity” (-6.8%) registered a decrease over the last year, contributing with an effect of -0.57 ppts, while the index of “Water” did not register any change over this period. The remaining 404 goods and services, as a group, show an increase of 2.9% and had an effect of 2.37 ppts on the CPI.

Change in prices of Food & catering services

Over the last 12 months, the “Food & catering services” increased by 3.2%. The “Food at home” index showed an increase of 2.6%, where nine (9) of the “Food at home” food groups increased over the period.

The “Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery” index increased by 10.2%, the largest increase among the “Food at home” food groups. Furthermore, other significant increases were posted in the indices for “Food products n.e.c.” (8.0%), “Non-alcoholic beverages” (7.4%), “Potatoes and other tubers” (4.7%) and “Vegetables” (4.0%). The largest decrease during this period was registered in the index for “Fish and other seafood” (-2.2%).

The index for “Food away from home” increased by 4.6% over the last 12 months.

APPENDIX 1

Monthly & Yearly Changes (%) in the Consumer Price Index for March 2024, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT coefficient	2023 Mar	2023 Dec	2024 Feb	2024 Mar	Monthly Feb - Mar	Ytd Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24 12 months	Period average Mar 22/23 - Mar 23/24 24 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1,087.7	113.88	115.99	116.65	116.86	0.2	0.8	2.6	4.4
Food	964.1	113.89	115.38	116.08	116.17	0.1	0.7	2.0	4.0
Non-alcoholic beverages	123.6	113.83	120.73	121.14	122.27	0.9	1.3	7.4	7.2
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	78.2	109.34	110.09	110.78	110.40	-0.4	0.3	1.0	4.0
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	62.2	107.60	108.28	108.82	108.32	-0.5	0.0	0.7	3.4
Tobacco	16.0	116.12	117.14	118.42	118.45	0.0	1.1	2.0	6.1
Clothing and footwear	276.8	92.09	92.15	88.32	94.80	7.3	2.9	2.9	-4.1
Clothing	212.8	93.23	93.25	89.33	97.27	8.9	4.3	4.3	-5.3
Footwear	64.0	88.29	88.50	84.94	86.59	2.0	-2.2	-1.9	0.2
Housing	2,522.2	110.48	111.36	111.64	111.62	0.0	0.2	1.0	3.9
Actual rentals for housing	666.7	105.74	106.92	107.19	107.32	0.1	0.4	1.5	1.5
Imputed rentals for housing	34.4	94.59	94.59	94.59	94.59	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	517.0	106.84	120.29	121.32	121.07	-0.2	0.6	13.3	10.1
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	463.6	120.59	121.83	121.83	121.83	0.0	0.0	1.0	6.5
Electricity, gas and other fuels	840.4	111.55	104.30	104.30	104.30	0.0	0.0	-6.5	0.5
Household operation	929.2	102.58	104.24	104.57	104.74	0.2	0.5	2.1	1.7
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	128.8	77.08	75.66	75.09	85.87	14.4	13.5	11.4	-1.8
Household textiles	58.6	74.55	68.51	70.68	68.07	-3.7	-0.6	-8.7	-7.0
Household appliances	246.0	107.89	112.65	108.83	104.66	-3.8	-7.1	-3.0	-1.6
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	17.2	78.74	60.96	57.99	56.77	-2.1	-6.9	-27.9	-20.1
Tools and equipment for house and garden	58.2	131.55	140.37	133.59	133.38	-0.2	-5.0	1.4	6.2
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	420.5	108.15	109.83	113.71	113.69	0.0	3.5	5.1	5.3
Health	223.1	103.34	103.40	103.98	101.87	-2.0	-1.5	-1.4	3.0
Medical products, appliances and equipment	152.3	100.93	101.98	102.35	98.41	-3.9	-3.5	-2.5	3.0
Out-patient services	52.4	108.58	107.85	109.01	109.20	0.2	1.3	0.6	2.8
Other treatments	7.8	102.20	100.67	101.49	101.19	-0.3	0.5	-1.0	1.3
Health products and services n.e.c.	10.5	112.85	103.87	104.30	115.90	11.1	11.6	2.7	4.1
Transport	1,257.4	122.42	108.86	109.23	111.20	1.8	2.1	-9.2	-6.0
Purchase of vehicles	442.6	130.14	100.39	99.08	98.17	-0.9	-2.2	-24.6	-10.0
Operation of personal transport equipment	763.3	120.26	115.03	117.05	119.90	2.4	4.2	-0.3	-3.2
Transport services	51.5	88.11	90.26	80.52	94.14	16.9	4.3	6.8	-16.2
Communications	849.6	92.36	111.53	111.31	111.84	0.5	0.3	21.1	10.0
Telephone and telefax equipment	43.8	70.69	78.96	74.81	85.01	13.6	7.7	20.3	9.1
Telephone and telefax services	805.8	93.54	113.30	113.30	113.30	0.0	0.0	21.1	10.0
Recreation and culture	1,013.3	99.60	100.02	96.92	99.12	2.3	-0.9	-0.5	-2.4
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	58.5	83.95	71.18	72.57	77.14	6.3	8.4	-8.1	-18.6
Other major durables for recreation and culture	20.0	90.14	94.16	102.93	104.81	1.8	11.3	16.3	-1.2
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	266.6	109.36	111.42	111.83	111.73	-0.1	0.3	2.2	3.3
Recreational and cultural services	309.1	103.12	102.10	102.13	102.16	0.0	0.1	-0.9	-0.3
Newspapers, books and stationery	43.7	85.14	90.64	76.63	85.63	11.8	-5.5	0.6	2.9
Holidays	315.4	93.42	95.35	86.16	91.07	5.7	-4.5	-2.5	-8.0
Education	98.0	105.12	131.23	131.23	131.23	0.0	0.0	24.8	16.4
Pre primary and primary education	24.0	100.00	142.86	142.86	142.86	0.0	0.0	42.9	28.6
Secondary education	43.4	110.44	145.73	145.73	145.73	0.0	0.0	32.0	20.3
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tertiary education	23.6	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education not definable by level	2.5	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1
Restaurants and hotels	442.0	115.12	119.15	119.65	121.09	1.2	1.6	5.2	6.3
Catering services	429.8	116.07	120.95	121.24	121.41	0.1	0.4	4.6	7.0
Accommodation services	12.2	81.56	55.62	63.55	109.82	72.8	97.5	34.7	-27.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	1,222.6	102.45	104.93	104.63	105.09	0.4	0.2	2.6	3.0
Personal care	427.1	101.07	105.17	104.83	105.21	0.4	0.0	4.1	5.0
Personal effects n.e.c.	106.6	97.26	108.68	106.66	110.39	3.5	1.6	13.5	10.2
Social protection	78.2	133.33	133.33	133.33	133.33	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.9
Insurance	610.7	100.36	100.46	100.46	100.46	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.2
CPI	10,000.0	107.47	108.79	108.57	109.37	0.7	0.5	1.8	2.1

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

The Period average (last 24 months) change is calculated by comparing the average index for the most recent 12-month period compared with the average index of the preceding 12-month period.

APPENDIX 2

Effect on the Consumer Price Index per sector and category for March 2024, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT coefficient	Monthly Feb - Mar	Ytd Dec - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24 12 months	Period average Mar 22/23 - Mar 23/24 24 months
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	1,087.7	0.02	0.09	0.30	0.50
Food	964.1	0.01	0.07	0.20	0.40
Non-alcoholic beverages	123.6	0.01	0.02	0.10	0.09
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	78.2	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.03
Alcoholic beverages for consumption at home	62.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02
Tobacco	16.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Clothing and footwear	276.8	0.17	0.07	0.07	-0.10
Clothing	212.8	0.16	0.08	0.08	-0.10
Footwear	64.0	0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.00
Housing	2,522.2	0.00	0.06	0.27	0.99
Actual rentals for housing	666.7	0.01	0.02	0.10	0.10
Imputed rentals for housing	34.4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Maintenance and repair of the dwelling	517.0	-0.01	0.04	0.68	0.52
Water supply and miscellaneous services relating to the dwelling	463.6	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.32
Electricity, gas and other fuels	840.4	0.00	0.00	-0.57	0.04
Household operation	929.2	0.02	0.04	0.19	0.15
Furniture, furnishings, carpets and other floor coverings	128.8	0.13	0.12	0.11	-0.02
Household textiles	58.6	-0.01	0.00	-0.04	-0.03
Household appliances	246.0	-0.09	-0.18	-0.07	-0.04
Glassware, tableware and household utensils	17.2	0.00	-0.01	-0.04	-0.02
Tools and equipment for house and garden	58.2	0.00	-0.04	0.01	0.05
Goods and services for routine household maintenance and cleaning	420.5	0.00	0.15	0.22	0.22
Health	223.1	-0.04	-0.03	-0.03	0.06
Medical products, appliances and equipment	152.3	-0.06	-0.05	-0.04	0.04
Out-patient services	52.4	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01
Other treatments	7.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Health products and services n.e.c.	10.5	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.00
Transport	1,257.4	0.23	0.27	-1.31	-0.87
Purchase of vehicles	442.6	-0.04	-0.09	-1.32	-0.50
Operation of personal transport equipment	763.3	0.20	0.34	-0.03	-0.29
Transport services	51.5	0.06	0.02	0.03	-0.08
Communications	849.6	0.04	0.02	1.54	0.77
Telephone and telefax equipment	43.8	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.03
Telephone and telefax services	805.8	0.00	0.00	1.48	0.74
Recreation and culture	1,013.3	0.21	-0.08	-0.05	-0.23
Audio-visual, photographic and information processing equipment	58.5	0.02	0.03	-0.04	-0.09
Other major durables for recreation and culture	20.0	0.00	0.02	0.03	0.00
Other recreational items and equipment; gardens and pets	266.6	0.00	0.01	0.06	0.09
Recreational and cultural services	309.1	0.00	0.00	-0.03	-0.01
Newspapers, books and stationery	43.7	0.04	-0.02	0.00	0.01
Holidays	315.4	0.14	-0.12	-0.07	-0.22
Education	98.0	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.16
Pre primary and primary education	24.0	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.06
Secondary education	43.4	0.00	0.00	0.14	0.09
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	4.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tertiary education	23.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Education not definable by level	2.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Restaurants and hotels	442.0	0.06	0.08	0.25	0.29
Catering services	429.8	0.01	0.02	0.21	0.32
Accommodation services	12.2	0.05	0.06	0.03	-0.03
Miscellaneous goods and services	1,222.6	0.05	0.02	0.30	0.35
Personal care	427.1	0.02	0.00	0.16	0.20
Personal effects n.e.c.	106.6	0.04	0.02	0.13	0.10
Social protection	78.2	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Insurance	610.7	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
CPI	10,000.0	0.74	0.54	1.77	2.11

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

APPENDIX 3

Monthly & Yearly Changes (%) and effect in the Food & catering services for March 2024, Total Population (Jun 2019 = 100)

DESCRIPTION	WEIGHT coefficient	% Change		Effect	
		Monthly Feb - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24 12 months	Monthly Feb - Mar	End of period Mar 23 - Mar 24 12 months
		Food & catering services	1,517.5	0.2	3.2
Food at home	1,087.7	0.2	2.6	0.021	0.302
Bread and cereals	178.1	0.1	3.5	0.002	0.068
Rice	23.5	-0.8	-1.7	-0.002	-0.005
Bread	72.1	0.4	4.2	0.003	0.033
Pasta products	9.2	-0.6	5.2	-0.001	0.005
Other cereals and cereal products	73.3	0.2	4.7	0.001	0.035
Meat	242.5	-0.1	-1.9	-0.002	-0.051
Bovine	67.3	0.0	-2.2	0.000	-0.016
Swine	25.5	-0.6	-5.2	-0.002	-0.015
Poultry	75.7	-0.3	-3.1	-0.002	-0.026
Other meat and meat preparations	74.0	0.2	0.8	0.002	0.006
Fish and other seafood	49.0	-1.2	-2.2	-0.006	-0.011
Fish and seafood preparations	49.0	-1.2	-2.2	-0.006	-0.011
Milk, cheese and eggs	135.3	0.5	1.9	0.007	0.030
Cheese	55.4	0.1	1.2	0.000	0.008
Eggs	16.6	2.8	-1.5	0.007	-0.004
Milk	40.0	0.0	4.2	0.000	0.018
Other milk products	23.3	-0.1	3.3	0.000	0.008
Oils and fats	32.2	0.3	0.5	0.001	0.002
Corn oil	2.8	0.4	-3.6	0.000	-0.001
Butter and margarine	9.2	-0.4	-8.1	0.000	-0.008
Other oils and fats	20.1	0.5	4.9	0.001	0.012
Fruit	97.6	-0.5	1.5	-0.004	0.014
Oranges	9.4	3.0	22.9	0.004	0.025
Bananas and plantains	19.9	5.2	-3.7	0.008	-0.006
Apples	9.3	-1.0	0.9	-0.001	0.001
Avocado	5.0	1.3	-4.7	0.000	-0.002
Grapes	9.2	7.9	17.1	0.008	0.017
Nuts	11.9	-0.1	5.0	0.000	0.005
Lemons and mandarins	6.0	-1.9	-16.0	-0.001	-0.007
Cherries and strawberries	8.8	-18.9	-5.1	-0.024	-0.006
Melons and watermelons	7.7	2.5	-5.3	0.002	-0.004
Papayas and pineapples	6.9	-2.4	-9.8	-0.001	-0.006
Other fruits and fruit products	3.5	1.4	-11.2	0.000	-0.004
Potatoes and other tubers	18.2	1.8	4.7	0.003	0.007
Potatoes	12.2	4.2	6.7	0.003	0.005
Other tubers	2.0	-2.0	6.8	-0.001	0.002
Sweet potatoes and yucca	4.0	-0.6	-0.7	0.000	0.000
Vegetables	89.1	0.6	4.0	0.005	0.031
Lettuce	6.8	30.9	-2.7	0.007	-0.001
Tomatoes	9.7	-5.6	1.1	-0.005	0.001
Onions and garlic	18.7	3.1	11.7	0.005	0.018
Celery and broccoli	15.3	-0.7	0.7	-0.001	0.001
Other vegetables	15.3	0.1	1.1	0.000	0.002
Other preserved or processed vegetables	8.4	-0.4	3.0	0.000	0.003
Frozen vegetable mixtures	14.8	-0.2	5.4	0.000	0.008
Sugar, jam, honey and other confectionery	42.0	0.1	10.2	0.000	0.047
Sugar	12.1	-0.2	23.7	0.000	0.033
Jams and jellies	2.5	-0.4	8.6	0.000	0.002
Other confectionery products	27.5	0.3	4.0	0.001	0.012
Food products n.e.c.	80.1	0.3	8.0	0.003	0.068
Other food products	80.1	0.3	8.0	0.003	0.068
Non-alcoholic beverages	123.6	0.9	7.4	0.013	0.097
Coffee and tea	20.9	0.4	9.7	0.001	0.021
Other non-alcoholic beverages	14.6	0.8	7.7	0.001	0.011
Soft and sports drinks	31.0	0.5	2.8	0.002	0.010
Fruit juices	57.1	1.4	9.3	0.009	0.055
Food away from home	429.8	0.1	4.6	0.007	0.213
Food and beverage consumption away from home	429.8	0.1	4.6	0.007	0.213
Other goods and services	8,482.5	0.8	1.5	0.709	1.255
Other goods	4,735.8	0.8	-1.8	0.372	-0.866
Other services	3,746.7	0.9	5.9	0.337	2.122
CPI	10,000	0.7	1.8	0.736	1.771

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

APPENDIX 4

Overview of the Consumer Price Index (CPI), 2023 - 2024 (Jun 2019 = 100)

	Base				YEAR: 2024				YEAR: 2023			
	Base	Base	Base	Base	CHANGE				CHANGE			
	Jun-19	Jun-19	Jun-19	Jun-19	Monthly	Year-to	Yearly	Period	Monthly	Year-to	Yearly	Period
	=100.0	=100.0	=100.0	=100.0		date	12 months	average		date	12 months	24 months
	<u>Jan.'23</u>	<u>Dec.'22</u>	<u>Jan.'24</u>	<u>Dec.'23</u>								
Total Population	106.69	106.37	108.31	108.79	-0.4	-0.4	1.5	2.9	0.3	0.3	6.6	5.8
Low Income	106.78	106.44	109.03	109.37	-0.3	-0.3	2.1		0.3	0.3	7.0	
High Income	106.63	106.32	107.96	108.48	-0.5	-0.5	1.3		0.3	0.3	6.4	
	<u>Feb.'23</u>	<u>Jan.'23</u>	<u>Feb.'24</u>	<u>Jan.'24</u>								
Total Population	107.59	106.69	108.57	108.31	0.2	-0.2	0.9	2.4	0.8	1.1	7.1	6.1
Low Income	107.69	106.78	109.29	109.03	0.2	-0.1	1.5		0.9	1.2	7.4	
High Income	107.52	106.63	108.20	107.96	0.2	-0.3	0.6		0.8	1.1	7.0	
	<u>Mar.'23</u>	<u>Feb.'23</u>	<u>Mar.'24</u>	<u>Feb.'24</u>								
Total Population	107.47	107.59	109.37	108.57	0.7	0.5	1.8	2.1	-0.1	1.0	5.9	6.2
Low Income	107.46	107.69	109.97	109.29	0.6	0.5	2.3		-0.2	1.0	6.4	
High Income	107.45	107.52	109.05	108.20	0.8	0.5	1.5		-0.1	1.1	5.7	
	<u>Apr.'23</u>	<u>Mar.'23</u>	<u>Apr.'24</u>	<u>Mar.'24</u>								
Total Population	107.12	107.47							-0.3	0.7	4.9	6.3
Low Income	107.31	107.46							-0.1	0.8	5.6	
High Income	107.00	107.45							-0.4	0.6	4.5	
	<u>May'23</u>	<u>Apr.'23</u>	<u>May'24</u>	<u>Apr.'24</u>								
Total Population	106.60	107.12							-0.5	0.2	4.0	6.1
Low Income	106.77	107.31							-0.5	0.3	4.6	
High Income	106.49	107.00							-0.5	0.2	3.7	
	<u>Jun'23</u>	<u>May'23</u>	<u>Jun'24</u>	<u>May'24</u>								
Total Population	106.20	106.60							-0.4	-0.2	2.8	5.9
Low Income	106.33	106.77							-0.4	-0.1	3.3	
High Income	106.10	106.49							-0.4	-0.2	2.6	
	<u>Jul'23</u>	<u>Jun'23</u>	<u>Jul'24</u>	<u>Jun'24</u>								
Total Population	106.20	106.20							0.0	-0.2	1.7	5.6
Low Income	107.23	106.33							0.8	0.7	3.3	
High Income	105.68	106.10							-0.4	-0.6	0.9	
	<u>Aug.'23</u>	<u>Jul'23</u>	<u>Aug.'24</u>	<u>Jul'24</u>								
Total Population	106.94	106.20							0.7	0.5	0.5	4.9
Low Income	107.89	107.23							0.6	1.4	1.3	
High Income	106.45	105.68							0.7	0.1	0.0	
	<u>Sep.'23</u>	<u>Aug.'23</u>	<u>Sep.'24</u>	<u>Aug.'24</u>								
Total Population	108.00	106.94							1.0	1.5	1.7	4.5
Low Income	108.83	107.89							0.9	2.2	2.4	
High Income	107.57	106.45							1.1	1.2	1.3	
	<u>Oct.'23</u>	<u>Sep.'23</u>	<u>Oct.'24</u>	<u>Sep.'24</u>								
Total Population	108.14	108.00							0.1	1.7	1.7	4.1
Low Income	108.91	108.83							0.1	2.3	2.5	
High Income	107.75	107.57							0.2	1.3	1.4	
	<u>Nov.'23</u>	<u>Oct.'23</u>	<u>Nov.'24</u>	<u>Oct.'24</u>								
Total Population	108.34	108.14							0.2	1.8	1.7	3.7
Low Income	109.05	108.91							0.1	2.4	2.3	
High Income	107.97	107.75							0.2	1.6	1.4	
	<u>Dec.'23</u>	<u>Nov.'23</u>	<u>Dec.'24</u>	<u>Nov.'24</u>								
Total Population	108.79	108.34							0.4	2.3	2.3	3.4
Low Income	109.37	109.05							0.3	2.7	2.7	
High Income	108.48	107.97							0.5	2.0	2.0	

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

APPENDIX 5

Prices of crude oil, utilities and gasoline, 2001 - 2024

Month	Crude oil ¹	Electricity components							
		Total energy charge ²			Fixed charge ³	Electricity ⁴	Water ⁵	Gasoline ⁶	Diesel ⁶
		≤ 500 kWh	501 - 1000 kWh	> 1001 kWh					
Average 2001	26.01	24.59	22.09	22.09	0.00	172.79	89.40	128.34	90.10
Average 2002	26.06	24.89	22.39	22.39	0.00	174.91	90.82	127.20	88.68
Average 2003	34.49	27.02	24.52	24.52	0.00	190.38	99.21	139.21	100.18
Average 2004	41.31	27.18	24.68	24.68	0.00	191.57	100.02	152.51	113.05
Average 2005	56.36	31.10	28.60	28.60	0.00	219.97	113.69	167.74	136.04
Average 2006	66.12	35.91	33.41	33.41	0.00	254.88	128.70	176.22	149.77
Average 2007	72.08	36.59	34.09	34.09	0.00	259.84	133.59	200.43	168.38
Average 2008	99.87	45.67	43.17	43.17	0.00	325.67	161.80	228.19	214.48
Average 2009	61.46	37.33	34.83	34.83	0.00	265.17	139.60	175.15	142.53
Average 2010	79.22	43.92	41.42	41.42	0.00	312.98	159.21	193.43	163.22
Average 2011	94.74	47.58	47.57	47.57	0.00	345.14	177.47	229.48	203.46
Average 2012	94.25	47.68	51.21	53.46	0.00	353.85	171.13	235.53	210.07
Average 2013	98.00	41.10	44.90	58.40	0.00	306.75	137.05	229.48	205.83
Average 2014	93.49	42.58	45.32	57.77	0.63	315.71	137.05	224.24	200.21
Average 2015	48.71	47.02	46.56	55.87	2.50	342.59	137.05	179.74	147.80
Average 2016	43.17	40.40	41.80	47.64	12.50	308.76	137.05	165.87	131.12
Average 2017	50.85	34.52	35.72	45.93	12.50	265.65	137.05	180.79	147.69
Average 2018	65.08	34.52	35.72	45.93	12.50	265.65	137.05	204.95	177.59
Average 2019	56.84	34.52	35.72	45.93	12.50	265.65	137.05	202.67	176.53
Average 2020	39.25	31.09	31.99	42.09	12.50	240.09	137.05	177.93	143.26
Average 2021	67.78	31.09	31.99	42.09	12.50	240.09	137.05	223.34	181.95
Average 2022	95.16	34.19	35.18	46.29	12.50	262.78	150.17	275.90	263.17
January-23	78.01	38.53	39.65	52.16	12.50	294.56	168.73	243.80	246.60
February-23	76.99	38.53	39.65	52.16	12.50	294.56	168.73	262.50	260.30
March-23	73.51	38.53	39.65	52.16	12.50	294.56	168.73	257.60	234.80
April-23	79.51	38.53	39.65	52.16	12.50	294.56	168.73	262.40	231.50
May-23	71.86	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	266.70	221.50
June-23	70.12	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	255.90	209.10
July-23	75.57	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	256.40	212.50
August-23	81.34	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	268.80	225.60
September-23	88.11	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	283.70	251.70
October-23	85.94	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	277.90	260.80
November-23	78.48	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	248.60	247.80
December-23	72.61	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	237.70	227.20
Average 2023	77.67	36.71	37.78	49.70	12.50	281.24	168.73	260.17	235.78
January-24	73.56	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	232.90	213.60
February-24	76.93	35.80	36.84	48.47	12.50	274.57	168.73	245.40	227.80
March-24	81.01	38.53	39.65	52.16	12.50	294.56	168.73	255.60	236.40
April-24									
May-24									
June-24									
July-24									
August-24									
September-24									
October-24									
November-24									
December-24									
Average 2024	77.17	36.71	37.78	49.70	12.50	281.24	168.73	244.63	225.93

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics Aruba

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

² Total energy charge in Afl. cents per kWh

³ Fixed charge was introduced in October 2014 at Afl. 2.50

⁴ Electricity price in Afl. is based on an average household usage of 725.5 kWh

⁵ Water price in Afl. is based on an average household usage

⁶ Gasoline and diesel prices in Afl. cents per liter

APPENDIX 6

