The Anguilla Consumer Price Index (AXACPI) shows the rate at which prices of a basket of consumption goods and services change over a period of time for households within Anguilla.

The AXACPI, referenced March $2010=100.0$ for the $1^{\text {st }}$ quarter 2023 (January - March), shows that consumers paid overall, 1.1\% less for the basket of goods and services this period compared to the previous quarter; $4^{\text {th }}$ quarter 2022 (October - December 2022).

Three (3) of the twelve (12) categories during this period under review experienced a similar quarterly decline. Eight (8) categories had an inverse effect on the quarterly figure with positive changes in percentage terms and one (1) with no change.

The change from the same quarter of the previous year (March 2023 over March 2022), showed that consumers paid $8.2 \%$ more for the basket of goods and services. The 'All Items' for March 2023 stood at 119.67 from 110.65 in March 2022.

Annually, prices during this quarter compared to the same period last year showed eleven (11) of the twelve (12) categories increasing in percentage terms and one (1) category experiencing an inverse impact, negatively affected this figure.

The compilation of the AXACPI involves the collection and processing of several hundred quoted prices. The new series 2010 as referenced is a revision of the old series referenced 2001, which is necessary to take in to account the change in people's taste and for the introduction of new items on the market over the elansed time between 2001 and now.
Table 1: Consumer Price Index by Category and Weights
$\left.\begin{array}{llrrrrr}\hline \text { COICOP } & \text { Category } & \text { Weights } & \text { Mar 22 } & \text { Dec 22 } & \text { Mar 23 } & \begin{array}{c}\text { Mar 23/ } \\ \text { Dec 22 }\end{array} \\ \hline \mathbf{M a r} 23 / \\ \text { Mar 22 }\end{array}\right]$

## QUARTERLY ANALYSIS

The quarterly average change; AXACPI for the $1^{\text {st }}$ quarter of 2023 decreased by $1.1 \%$ over the previous quarter (October December 2022). A review of the twelve (12) broad categories that make up the AXACPI showed three (3) declines, eight (8) increases one (1) remaining constant over the period.

The 'Transport' category registered the largest percentage point decrease amongst the three contracting categories with $7.8 \%$ over the previous quarter. This decrease was mainly due to the decrease in the average price of the sub-categories "Fuel and lubricants for personal transport equipment" which decreased by $11.5 \%$ and "Passenger transport by air" by $10.2 \%$.


Fig 1: All Items Quarterly Change,

The 'Clothing \& Footwear' category decreased by $2.9 \%$, due to the decline in both sub-categories 'Clothing' and 'Footwear' with a decline of $1.8 \%$ and $8.0 \%$ respectively.
The smallest decline was within the 'Communication' category, which experienced a $1.1 \%$ decline. This decline was due to the decline in the average price of cell phones.
The largest quarterly increase that positively affected the overall decline was within the 'Recreation and Culture' category with $3.5 \%$. This increase was due to the 'Other recreational and cultural services' that increased by $14.5 \%$ and 'Equipment for reception, recording and reproduction of sound and pictures' by $7.5 \%$.
The 'Restaurant and Hotel' category followed with an increase of $2.7 \%$ over the quarter. This increase was due to the average increase in prices within; 'Restaurants services' with a recorded increase of $4.6 \%$. 'Accommodation Services' had an inverse effect on this category with a decline of $36.1 \%$.
The 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco' category recorded a $2.3 \%$ quarterly increase, with both sub-categories; 'Alcoholic Beverage' and 'Tobacco' increasing over their corresponding quarterly figure with $2.0 \%$ and $14.3 \%$ respectively.

The 'Miscellaneous Goods \& Services' category recorded an increase of $1.1 \%$, which was due to the increase in the subcategory 'Personal Care' of $3.1 \%$.
'Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance' category increased by $0.6 \%$ over the quarter due to the average price increase in 'Furniture and furnishings' (1.3\%), 'Household textiles' (5.9\%) and 'Household appliance'(2.6\%).
The 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' and 'Health' categories both increased by $0.2 \%$. This was due to the increase in the average prices of certain goods and pharmaceutical products.
The 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels' category recorded an increase of $0.1 \%$. This increase was due to the subcategory 'Maintenance and repairs of dwellings' (1.8\%).

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Between the new series } 2010 \text { and the old series 2001, } \\
& \text { Transport and Communication is now two separate } \\
& \text { categories. The collection of mobile phones has now been } \\
& \text { introduced to the AXACPI basket. Accommodation services } \\
& \text { are quoted from overseas (St. Maarten/Martin), according to } \\
& \text { the Household Budget Survey 2008/09, Anguillans spend } \\
& \text { most. }
\end{aligned}
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Fig2. Percentage change from same quarter of previous year

## CHANGE FROM SAMIE OUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR

The change for this quarter over the same quarter of the previous year ( $1^{\text {st }}$ quarter 2023 over $1^{\text {st }}$ quarter 2022) shows that the 'All Items' index increased at a rate of $8.2 \%$. A review of the twelve (12) categories showed eleven (11) increases and one (1) decrease.
The change from this quarter over the same quarter in 2022 showed that the 'Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco' category recorded the largest increase in percentage terms, with $20.0 \%$. This increase was mainly due to increases in the average price in both sub-categories; "Alcoholic beverages" (19.6\%) and 'Tobacco' (39.1\%).
The 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' category increased by $14.5 \%$, this was due to the increase in a number of food categories, such as 'Oil and Fats' (32.1\%), 'Fish \& seafood' (24.5\%), 'Bread and Cereals' (20.4\%), 'Mineral waters, soft drinks, fruit and vegetables juices ( $17.7 \%$ ), amongst others.
The 'Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance' category increased by $14.0 \%$, all the subcategories registered increases, notably 'Household appliances' (29.3\%) and 'Furniture and furnishings' (20.2\%).
The 'Miscellaneous Goods and Services, category increased by $13.7 \%$. This increase is due to sub-categories such as 'Personal

Care' (18.9\%) and 'Personal Effect' (10.2\%) and 'Insurance' (15.0\%)
'Restaurants and Hotels' followed with an increase of $8.2 \%$ which was due to sub-categories 'Catering Services' (10.2\%).
The 'Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuel' category recorded an increase of $7.6 \%$, mostly due to the increase in 'Electricity \& gas' (34.5\%) and 'Maintenance and repair of the dwelling (5.1\%).
The 'Clothing \& Footwear' category increased by $7.0 \%$, due to increase in 'Clothing' and 'Footwear' sub-categories of $6.7 \%$ and $8.6 \%$ respectively.
The 'Education', 'Health' and 'Recreational \& Culture' also registered positive annual changes with $5.1 \%, 4.6 \%$ and $2.3 \%$ respectively.

The 'Communication' category was the only category to negatively impact this annual change. This category registered a $1.1 \%$ decline during this period under review over the same period in 2022. This may have been due to the lower tax rate applied to communication bills from 15\% Communication tax to $13 \%$ Goods and service tax.


Fig 3: Consumer Price Index by category

## Calendar Year annual analysis

The calendar year (average index for the year) analysis shows that on average, throughout 2022, consumers paid $5.6 \%$ more for goods and services in comparison to 2021, with all twelve (12) categories experiencing increases throughout the year. This increase may have been due the introduction of a $13 \%$ Goods and Services Tax (GST), which was implemented on July 1 2022. The greatest impact in percentage terms to increase this calendar year were the categories 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages', 'Alcoholic beverage and Tobacco' and 'Restaurants and Hotels' with $10.9 \%, 10.7 \%$ and $8.7 \%$ respectively.

| Code | Description | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11.01 | FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 2.7\% | 1.7\% | 1.7\% | -0.6\% | -0.3\% | 1.2\% | 0.9\% | 2.3\% | 0.5\% | 3.2\% | 10.9\% |
| 11.02 | AlCOHol beverages, tobacco | 1.2\% | 3.8\% | 0.9\% | -0.1\% | 0.8\% | 2.1\% | 0.5\% | 3.1\% | 1.5\% | -1.4\% | 10.2\% |
| 11.03 | CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 6.4\% | 4.2\% | -4.6\% | -4.1\% | 4.0\% | -4.5\% | 3.1\% | 2.9\% | -2.2\% | -2.2\% | 6.1\% |
| 11.04 | HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS, AND OTHER FUELS | -0.2\% | -1.9\% | -0.2\% | -1.3\% | -1.8\% | -0.7\% | -0.2\% | -0.01\% | -2.5\% | 3.0\% | 6.8\% |
| 11.05 | FURNISHING, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | MAINTENANCE | 2.1\% | 0.1\% | -2.1\% | -1.0\% | 4.4\% | 0.5\% | 1.3\% | -1.1\% | -1.5\% | -1.1\% | 7.1\% |
| 11.06 | Health | 2.8\% | 7.6\% | 2.6\% | 2.9\% | -2.2\% | 1.5\% | -0.1\% | 0.5\% | -0.6\% | 6.9\% | 6.0\% |
| 11.07 | TRANSPORT | 4.9\% | 0.2\% | -1.8\% | -2.7\% | -9.0\% | 5.5\% | 1.7\% | 0.9\% | -1.3\% | 0.3\% | 3.1\% |
| 11.08 | COMMUNICATION | -2.4\% | 0.2\% | -0.7\% | 0.3\% | 9.8\% | 3.6\% | -1.4\% | 3.3\% | 0.3\% | 2.9\% | 0.5\% |
| 11.09 | RECREATION AND CULTURE | 1.9\% | -1.5\% | -1.8\% | -1.7\% | -2.1\% | 1.6\% | -5.1\% | -5.3\% | 0.8\% | 2.4\% | 4.2\% |
| 11.10 | education | 0.6\% | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 2.5\% |
| 11.11 | RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS | 0.6\% | 2.6\% | 3.2\% | 0.7\% | -0.3\% | 1.6\% | 0.5\% | 1.4\% | 5.3\% | 1.3\% | 8.7\% |
| 11.12 | MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 2.1\% | -1.0\% | 0.9\% | -0.1\% | 1.0\% | 0.9\% | 0.9\% | -1.6\% | 2.2\% | 1.0\% | 5.6\% |
|  | All Items | 1.4\% | 0.1\% | 0.26\% | -1.0\% | -0.5\% | 1.5\% | 0.2\% | 0.8\% | -0.5\% | 1.8\% | 5.6\% |

## COMPUTING INDEX CHANGE

Quarter-to-Quarter index change, the percentage change from the previous quarter (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Quarter and $1^{\text {st }}$ Quarter, 2015) is calculated:
$=\frac{Q 12016 \text { index }-Q 42015 \text { index }}{Q 42015 \text { index }} \times 100$
$=\frac{103.97-105.15}{105.15} \times 100$
$=-1.1 \%$

Quarter-to-Quarter annual index change, for the same quarter of previous year, 1st Quarter 2015 and $1^{\text {st }}$ Quarter, 2014 is calculated:
$=\frac{Q 12016 \text { index }-Q 12015 \text { index }}{Q 12015 \text { index }} \times 100$
$=\frac{103.97-106.60}{106.60} \times 100$
$=-2.5 \%$

Calendar year index change between the arithmetic average of the quarterly indexes of one year to the previous year, 2015 and 2014 is calculated:
$\frac{\text { Avg.year } 2015 \text { index }- \text { Avg.year } 2014 \text { index }}{\text { Avg year } 2014 \text { index }}$
$\mathrm{x} 100=\frac{106.11-107.16}{107.16} \times 100$
$=-1.0 \%$

|  |  |  |  |  |  | FURNISHING |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All Items | FOOD AND NON- <br> ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | ALCOHOL BEVERAG ES, TOBACCO | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CLOTHIN } \\ & \text { G AND } \\ & \text { FOOTWE } \\ & \text { AR } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS, AND OTHER FUELS | HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE household MAINTENAN CE | HEALTH | $\begin{gathered} \text { TRANSPO } \\ \text { RT } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | COMMU NICATION | RECREATI ON AND CULTURE | $\begin{aligned} & \text { EDUCATI } \\ & \text { ON } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RESTAU } \\ & \text { RANTS } \\ & \text { AND } \\ & \text { HOTELS } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | MISC. GOODS AND SERVICES |
| CHANGE FROM QUARTERLY ANALYSIS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2016 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | -1.1 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 5.4 | -1.5 | 4.6 | -6.8 | -5.0 | 0.0 | -1.6 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 0.2 |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Qtr | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.6 | 7.2 | 0.4 | 11.6 | -2.7 | 0.0 | -0.8 | 0.7 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | -0.01 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 0.4 | 0.0 | -1.1 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.0 |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | -2.6 | -0.2 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 8.8 | -1.3 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.8 |
| 2017 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | -0.3 | 0.2 | 1.2 | -2.5 | 0.1 | -0.4 | -0.0 | -4.2 | 2.4 | 1.6 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 0.3 |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Qtr | 1.9 | 0.9 | 0.9 | -0.9 | 0.2 | -0.3 | -0.3 | 9.3 | 0.1 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 5.7 | -0.1 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | -0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.7 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -2.1 | -1.1 | $-2.0$ | 0.0 | -2.6 | 0.4 |
| 2018 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{Qtr}$ | -0.6 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 1.7 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -2.1 | -1.1 | -2.0 | 0.0 | -2.6 | 0.4 |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Qtr | -0.4 | -1.7 | -0.8 | 1.1 | -0.2 | -1.6 | 0.0 | -1.3 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 | -1.1 | 0.0 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | -0.6 | 1.6 | -0.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 0.0 | -2.9 | -0.1 | -9.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | 1.3 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 5.8 | 0.6 | 0.0 | -0.8 | -3.2 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 2.2 |
| 2019 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | 0.1 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 6.0 | 0.0 | -1.1 | 4.0 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.4 | -1.1 |
| $2^{\text {nd }} Q$ tr | -0.3 | -0.4 | -0.8 | -1.2 | -1.1 | 1.7 | 0.1 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.0 | -1.3 | -2.8 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.7 | -0.1 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 5.5 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | -0.3 |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | 0.04 | -0.8 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 0.0 | -1.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.5 | 0.1 |
| 2020 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1{ }^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.8 | 0.3 | -0.3 | -0.8 | -0.5 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 4.8 | 1.5 |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Qtr | -1.4 | 1.8 | 1.3 | -3.6 | -2.4 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -5.3 | 0.0 | -1.6 | 0.0 | -1.0 | 0.8 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | 0.2 | -1.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | -1.8 | 0.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 1.1 |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | 0.04 | -1.2 | -4.5 | -2.3 | 0.3 | -0.4 | -1.6 | -1.6 | 3.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| 2021 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | 1.3 | 2.9 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 7.9 | 2.8 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.0 | -0.5 | 1.0 |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ Qtr | 1.2 | -0.3 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 7.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 0.1 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | -0.5 | 2.5 | 0.0 | -0.6 | 3.7 | -2.3 | -1.3 | -9.7 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 2.4 | -1.9 |
| $4^{\text {th }}$ Qtr | 0.03 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.7 | -0.2 | -3.5 | 0.8 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 | -3.5 |
| 2022 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ Qtr | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 5.0 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 4.5 | 2.8 |
| $2^{\text {nd }} Q$ tr | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.3 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 7.8 | 0.1 | -1.0 | 0.0 | 1.5 | -0.3 |
| $3^{\text {rd }}$ Qtr | 5.0 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 7.9 | 6.1 | 8.6 | 0.8 | 1.4 | -0.5 | -0.2 | 5.1 | 2.7 | 14.2 |
| 4th Qtr | 2.1 | 2.1 | 4.7 | 2.1 | 0.1 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 9.5 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.1 | -1.2 |
| CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ qtr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18/17 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.9 | -1.1 | 0.7 | -0.6 | 8.2 | -2.0 | -0.6 | 0.0 | 2.1 | 0.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19/18 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 1.2 | -1.0 | 0.6 | -5.2 | 3.4 | -10.3 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 1.2 |
| $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{qtr}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20/19 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 1.6 | 0.3 | -1.9 | 0.2 | -1.2 | 6.3 | -0.6 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 5.4 | -1.4 |
| $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{qtr}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $21 / 20$ | 0.2 | 2.0 | -2.3 | -4.8 | -0.6 | -1.7 | 6.2 | -2.6 | 3.5 | -1.2 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 4.3 |
| $1^{\text {st }}$ qtr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22/21 | 1.6 | 5.1 | 3.1 | 1.0 | 4.9 | 0.3 | 4.8 | -6.3 | 0.9 | 7.7 | 0.0 | 6.9 | -2.5 |

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