

MEDIA STATEMENT

IMPACT OF THE REBASING AND RE-WEIGHTING OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) ON INFLATION-LINKED GOVERNMENT BONDS

The National Treasury has assessed the impact of rebasing and re-weighting the CPI, and the changes that will need to be made to the Government's inflation-linked bonds.

On the 16th February 2022, Statistics South Africa provided the historic data of the rebased CPI (with Dec 2021 = 100) from December 2021 backwards.

The National Treasury has replaced the existing index data for calculation purposes with the new rebased data until December 2021, and further with the new rebased and re-weighed CPI from January 2022.

Calculated on the original respective issue dates, the new base inflation indices are as follows (15 digits apply):

- R197 33.1501370909466
- 12025 62.5024695408588
- R210 45.4951597843470
- 12029 78.1513052759275
- 12033 73.3170965571644
- R202 39.1493204312236
- 12038 62.5024695408588
- 12046 66.3146796194299
- 12050 62.5600058085514

These base indices are calculated in such a way that the capital value of the bonds is the same before and after the indices were rebased.

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