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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
April 2016

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for April 2016 increased by 2.7 percent compared to the previous month.

- The Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index increased by 5.7 percent.
- Transport index decreased by 3.1 percent.
- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index also decreased by 1.5 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended April 2016 was 0.2 percent.

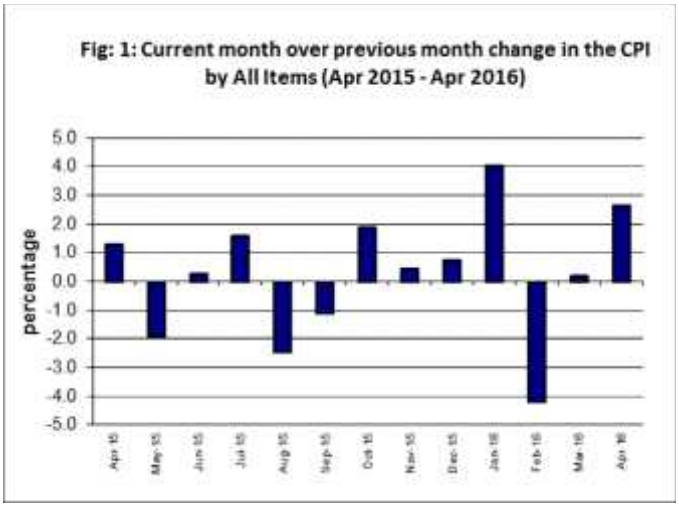
In the year to April 2016, the CPI rose 1.8 percent.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for April 2016 was 2.7 percent higher than March 2016, and was 1.8 percent higher than April 2015.

The increase of the Local Goods component by 3.5 percent from the previous month was due to higher prices for market staples, which was also the main contributor to the increase of 2.7 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

The Imported Goods Component recorded an increase of 1.2 percent compared to the previous month. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from April 2015 to April 2016.



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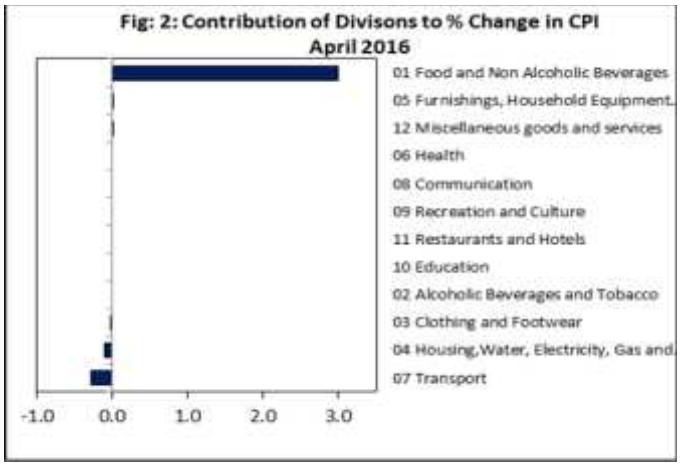
Total All Divisions Contribution

The Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages division, with a positive contribution of 3.0 percent, was the main contributor to the overall increase of 2.7 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.

On the other hand, there were offsetting contributions from Transport division with 0.3 percent and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels division with 0.1 percent respectively.



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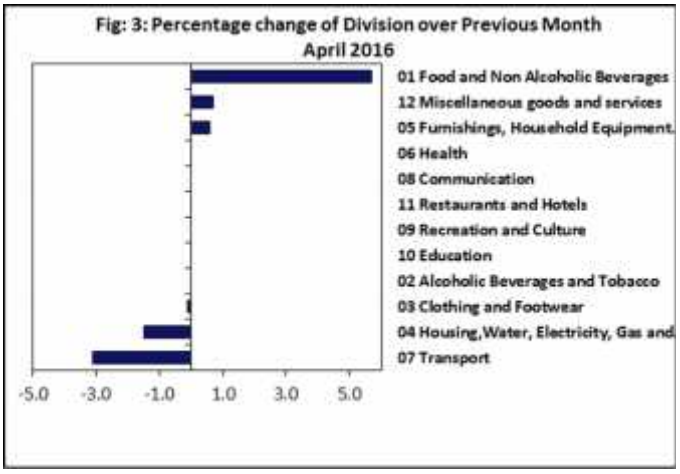
Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The increase recorded month on month for the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index with 5.7 percent, Miscellaneous goods and services index with 0.7 percent and Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance index with 0.6 percent.

On the other hand, decreases were recorded for Transport with 3.1 percent, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels with 1.5 percent and Clothing and Footwear with 0.1 percent.

No changes were recorded for the Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, Health, Communication, Recreation and culture, Education and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the April 2016 percentage change for all divisions from March 2016.



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Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered an increase of 3.5 percent when compared to the previous month. This increase was mainly due to higher prices recorded for taro, taamu, fresh fish (piece and string), koko samoa, banana, breadfruit and tomato.

Imported Goods Component

Increased prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, rice and mutton flap have resulted in the 1.2 percent increase in the Imported Good Component.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

Higher prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, rice and mutton flap, taro, taamu, fresh fish (piece and string), koko samoa, banana, breadfruit and tomato is reflected in the 5.7 percent increase in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services Index

Higher prices recorded for diapers and hair gel is reflected in the 0.7 percent increase in the Miscellaneous Good and Services index.

Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance Index

The Furnishing, Household, Equipment and Maintenance Index recorded an increase of 0.6 percent higher due to the rise in prices recorded for batteries (AA), tea towel and bath towel.

Transport Index

A decrease of 3.1 percent in the Transport index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia).

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

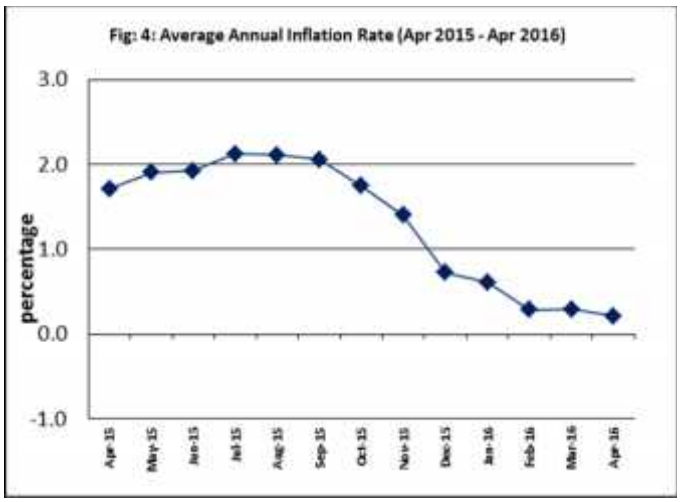
The 1.5 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index was a result of the lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh).

Underlying Indices [1/]

The All Items Underlying Index for April 2016 registered an increase of 1.1 percent when compared to March 2016, and a decrease of 4.5 percent when compared to April 2015. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered an increase of 1.4 percent, while Local Items Underlying Index also recorded an increase of 0.3 percent.

Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended April 2016 was 0.2 percent. For the twelve months ending April 2015 the inflation rate was 1.7 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the Average annual inflation rate (April 2015 - April 2016).



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The attached Tables and Graphs provide the user with more detailed analysis

Technical Notes:

The Consumer Price (CPI) measures the rate of inflation for Samoa. It is designed to measure the change in prices for the goods purchased by households in Samoa. The CPI measures the change in prices by comparing the prices for a basket of goods and services at the collection period with the price for the same goods in a base period.

The basket of goods that is priced is based on the average expenditures of households as recorded in the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES). The HIES survey identifies how much households spend on different items. The more households spend on an item on average, the more important it is to the price index, and the higher the weight in the index.

[1/] Quarterly movements in the 'headline' CPI series can be volatile. This volatility reflects price changes in particular items that may be due, among other factors, to fluctuations in commodity markets and agricultural conditions, policy changes, or seasonal or infrequent price resetting.

Underlying inflation is a measure of inflation that excludes certain items that face volatile price movements. Underlying inflation eliminates products that can have temporary price shocks because these shocks can diverge from the overall trend of inflation and give a false measure of inflation.

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The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 14th June 2016.

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Table 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.
(Base Period : Average Prices August 2010 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***1000***	***502***	***97***	***17***	***78***	***31***	***16***	**97**	**58**	**34**	**31**	**15**	**24**
Ave - 2013	108.6	111.1	110.8	113.5	107.2	101.4	96.1	111.8	100.0	98.5	101.6	101.6	100.7
Ave - 2014	108.1	107.3	114.2	117.8	110.8	100.2	108.4	117.2	100.0	99.0	101.6	109.4	98.4
Ave - 2015	108.9	110.9	116.1	117.5	102.7	101.0	111.2	110.0	99.9	99.1	103.4	117.2	95.7
2015													
April	110.2	112.8	115.0	119.3	108.1	100.3	111.4	109.3	100.0	99.1	103.4	118.7	95.7
May	108.1	107.9	115.1	119.4	108.1	100.2	111.6	113.3	100.0	99.1	103.4	118.7	95.4
June	108.4	110.3	116.2	119.1	97.7	100.9	112.2	111.3	100.0	99.1	103.4	118.7	95.1
July	110.1	112.3	114.5	119.2	101.1	101.1	111.4	116.7	100.0	99.1	103.4	118.7	95.1
August	107.4	109.1	113.7	118.8	94.8	102.0	111.4	111.6	99.8	99.2	103.4	118.7	95.5
September	106.2	105.8	116.6	117.9	94.7	102.0	111.4	113.4	99.8	99.2	103.4	118.7	95.5
October	108.2	109.5	116.6	116.9	101.4	101.9	111.4	109.8	99.8	99.2	103.4	118.7	95.8
November	108.7	111.3	117.9	118.0	101.6	101.2	111.4	104.6	99.8	99.2	103.4	118.7	96.0
December	109.5	114.6	118.0	117.6	91.9	101.5	111.4	103.4	99.8	99.2	103.4	118.7	95.9
2016													
January	113.9	121.0	119.1	117.8	100.5	101.4	111.4	106.6	99.9	99.2	103.4	118.7	98.0
February	109.1	113.2	118.9	119.1	96.9	101.3	111.4	101.2	99.9	99.2	103.4	118.7	96.5
March	109.3	114.2	118.3	119.4	92.2	101.0	111.4	101.9	99.9	99.2	103.4	118.7	96.4
April (P)	112.2	120.7	118.3	119.3	90.8	101.6	111.4	98.7	99.9	99.2	103.4	118.7	97.1
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	2.7	5.7	0.0	-0.1	-1.5	0.6	0.0	-3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	1.8	7.0	2.9	0.0	-16.0	1.3	0.0	-9.7	-0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.5

ALL ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***480***	***348***	***n.a.***	***17***	***17***	***31***	***14***	***13***	***n.a.***	***2***	***n.a.***	***15***	***24***
Ave - 2013	104.7	106.0		113.5	99.4	101.4	95.5	97.4		87.0		101.6	100.7
Ave - 2014	105.9	107.4		117.8	99.6	100.2	94.4	95.7		87.7		109.4	98.4
Ave - 2015	103.4	103.6		117.5	99.2	101.0	97.6	94.8		90.3		117.1	95.7
2015													
April	105.6	106.6		119.3	99.1	100.3	97.8	97.6		89.5		118.7	95.7
May	103.4	103.5		119.4	99.1	100.2	98.1	97.6		89.5		118.7	95.4
June	103.1	103.1		119.1	99.0	100.9	98.8	94.9		89.5		118.7	95.1
July	102.1	101.9		119.2	99.2	101.1	97.8	93.0		89.5		118.7	95.1
August	101.5	100.9		118.8	99.4	102.0	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	95.5
September	101.4	100.8		117.9	99.6	102.0	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	95.5
October	102.1	101.9		116.9	98.5	101.9	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	95.8
November	101.9	101.6		118.0	99.1	101.2	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	96.0
December	101.5	101.0		117.6	99.0	101.5	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	95.9
2016													
January	101.4	100.8		117.8	98.5	101.4	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	98.0
February	100.9	100.1		119.1	97.5	101.3	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	96.5
March	99.8	98.7		119.4	95.1	101.0	97.9	94.6		91.9		118.7	96.4
April (P)	100.9	100.1		119.3	95.9	101.6	97.9	94.6		91.9		118.7	97.1
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	1.1	1.4		-0.1	0.8	0.6	0.0	0.0		0.0		0.0	0.7
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	-4.5	-6.1		0.0	-3.2	1.3	0.0	-3.1		2.6		0.0	1.5

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics
(P): Provisional figures
Note: n.a. Not applicable

Table 2. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Weight	Unit	2015			2016		
			Feb	Mar	Apr	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)
Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages								
Chicken Leg Quarters	41.8	lb	2.03	2.06	2.00	1.19	1.23	1.36
Taro	41.2	lb	0.93	0.97	0.88	1.09	1.05	1.37
Rice short grain	26.5	lb	1.47	1.54	1.51	1.42	1.40	1.45
Mutton (Pure Flap)	25.5	lb	9.14	8.70	9.04	7.56	7.01	7.16
Canned fish Natural Oil (b)	25.1	15oz	3.32	3.30	3.33	3.43	3.43	3.43
Bread	22.3	loaf	1.74	1.74	1.74	1.73	1.70	1.73
Canned fish Tomato Sauce (b)	22.1	15oz	2.96	2.88	2.88	2.86	2.90	3.04
Taamu	18.9	lb	1.73	1.67	1.75	2.71	2.59	3.28
Sugar Brown	18.7	lb	1.26	1.11	1.11	1.24	1.10	1.14
Fish (piece)	14.5	lb	8.00	7.44	7.73	8.20	8.51	6.87
Canned Beef (b)	13.7	12oz	12.86	12.82	12.77	12.60	12.53	13.08
Mineral Water	12.4	500mls	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.82	1.90	1.88
Chicken Wings (a)	12.0	lb	3.43	3.35	3.37	3.78	3.83	3.78
Fish (string)	11.7	lb	5.22	4.15	4.51	5.00	4.80	4.86
Koko Samoa	11.5	sml cup	5.14	5.14	5.00	4.71	4.71	5.43
Biscuits Sky Flakes (a)	11.0	850g	14.33	14.33	14.33	15.70	16.18	16.18
Bananas	10.5	lb	0.37	0.36	0.45	0.59	0.50	0.59
Fish (large)	10.2	lb	6.21	7.05	6.48	7.36	7.46	6.73
Milk unskimmed UHT (b)	9.9	ltr	4.11	4.13	4.17	3.95	3.75	3.93
Butter Anchor	9.4	lb	10.98	11.00	10.98	11.72	11.72	11.72
Soft Drink Coke	9.2	750mls	3.59	3.59	3.54	3.70	3.74	3.79
Ramen Maggie	8.8	85g	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.06	1.04	1.04
Flour	6.8	lb	1.05	1.05	1.07	1.07	1.01	0.99
Yam	6.3	lb	1.76	1.79	1.79	1.83	1.76	1.82
Oil Cooking oil (a)	5.8	500mls	6.60	6.60	5.75	5.78	5.78	4.78
Taro Leaves	5.5	lb	2.86	2.70	2.19	3.24	4.00	2.97
Coconuts	5.1	lb	0.26	0.26	0.27	0.25	0.27	0.30
Chinese Cabbage	5.0	lb	3.08	2.23	2.35	2.73	3.61	3.42
Salted Beef	4.9	lb	6.61	6.61	6.63	7.14	7.14	7.14
Eggs	4.3	doz	5.59	5.59	5.94	5.86	5.86	5.86
Stewing beef	4.3	lb	6.14	6.14	6.14	6.19	6.19	6.09
Breadfruit	4.2	lb	0.23	0.38	0.69	0.29	0.66	0.85
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco								
Cigarettes (b)	41.70	20rolls	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.29	10.29	10.29
Beer Vailima	32.3	355mls	4.54	4.54	4.26	4.69	4.61	4.61
Spirit Volka nip	6.3	nip	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.33	7.33	7.33
Spirit whisky nip	6.3	nip	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Clothing and Footwear								
School Uniform	5.4	each	29.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
Ie Solosolo	2.1	2yds	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.48	7.48	7.48
Jandals soft rubber	2.1	10.5	8.18	8.23	8.40	8.72	8.88	8.88
Jandals hard rubber	1.6	8	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25
Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels								
Electricity	56.9	kwh	1.05	1.00	1.00	0.87	0.82	0.80
Roofing iron	5.2	12ft	53.60	53.60	55.60	54.80	51.60	51.60
Cement	4.4	40kg	23.00	23.13	23.13	23.35	22.60	23.25
Natural gas	3.5	20lb	70.80	69.90	69.90	65.50	63.00	63.00
Kerosene	2.1	ltr	2.30	2.03	2.22	1.72	1.52	1.58
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance								
Washing powder (b)	6.00	200g	1.51	1.51	1.51	1.52	1.52	1.53
Washing soap	4.3	bar	2.93	2.93	2.97	2.87	2.80	2.82
Refridgerator	3.7	331ltrs	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00
Sheeting material	3.3	yd	12.95	12.95	12.95	13.95	13.95	13.95
Sefe 3 sheves (a)	2.7	48*48	515.00	515.00	515.00	515.00	515.00	515.00
Kerosene stove 2 burners	2.0	each	141.67	141.67	141.67	144.33	144.33	144.33
Mosquito coil	2.0	box	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.40	1.40	1.38
Health								
Paracetamol	3.7	20tablet	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.83

Commodities	Weight	Unit	2015			2016		
			Feb	Mar	Apr	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)
Magnesium Trisillicate	3.6	120mls	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67
Cough Mixture	3.6	100mls	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.40
Hospital Charge	2.1	per night	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Transport								
Petrol	39.1	ltr	2.42	2.16	2.39	2.18	2.07	2.07
Labour charge car repair	9.1	min crg	51.67	51.67	51.67	51.67	51.67	51.67
Air Fares Apia-Auckland-Apia	7.8	return	1268.20	1115.95	1826.10	1285.41	1719.50	1121.50
Air Fares Fagalii-Pago	7.8	return	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00
Bus Fares Apia-Motootua Hosp	3.7	per trip	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30
Bus Fares Apia-Malua	3.7	per trip	2.60	2.60	2.60	2.60	2.60	2.60
Bus Fares Apia-Falefa	3.7	per trip	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.70
Car Tyre 205/70R(14)	3.7	size 14	220.00	220.00	230.00	197.50	207.50	207.50
Taxi Fares PO-Motootua Hosp	3.3	per trip	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80
Taxi Fares Po-Malua	3.3	per trip	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30
Taxi Fares PO-Falefa	3.3	per trip	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20
Diesel	2.8	ltr	2.50	2.24	2.40	2.00	1.79	1.84
Car Registration 1500-2000 cc	2.0	ann rate	352.00	352.00	352.00	352.00	352.00	352.00
Boat Fares Mulifanua-Salelologa	1.3	one way	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Communication								
Telephone local call	23.6	1 min	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
Telephone NZ call	10.6	3 mins	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55
Telephone USA call	10.6	3 mins	5.35	5.35	5.35	5.37	5.37	5.37
Telephone Rental	10.6	monthly	24.15	24.15	24.15	24.15	24.15	24.15
Internet Prepaid Rates (a)	2.6	30 mins	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.90	4.90	4.90
PO Box rental (small box)	0.2	ann rate	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00	80.00
Recreation and Culture								
National Lotto (a)	23.6	ticket	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Tattslotto	3.8	ticket	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50
News Paper Samoa Observer	2.7	each	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Education								
School Fees Primary	10.5	Yr 4	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
School Fees Secondary	8.1	Yr 10	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
School Fees Primary	7.6	Yr 8	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
School Fees (NUS registration)	5.1	tertiary	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00
Restaurants								
Meal (Fish & Chips)	11.0	1 serve	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Meal (Pinati)	3.7	1 serve	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Miscellaneous goods and services								
Toilet soap	7.6	90g	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.03	1.03	1.04
Diapers (16kg & over)	7.2	24pkt	37.90	37.90	37.75	38.02	38.02	38.15
Toilet Paper	3.6	roll	0.90	0.90	0.88	0.90	0.90	0.90

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(a) : New commodity from August 2010

(b) : Average price across all brands

Table 3. IMPORTED GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

(Base Period : Average Prices August 2010 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***424.8***	***272.0***	***17.1***	***10.9***	***17.5***	***22.7***	***12.8***	***46.8***	***n.a.***	***1.3***	***n.a.***	***n.a.***	***23.7***
Ave - 2013	106.9	106.2	112.1	110.9	101.7	103.0	95.2	119.7		77.0			100.7
Ave - 2014	108.2	108.2	113.4	110.0	101.7	102.3	94.0	120.8		78.2			98.4
Ave - 2015	102.1	103.1	105.4	108.4	97.7	103.2	96.4	99.5		82.9			95.7
2015													
April	104.5	107.0	112.2	109.8	97.7	102.1	97.7	96.5		81.5			95.7
May	102.2	102.8	112.2	109.9	97.7	102.0	98.0	100.6		81.5			95.4
June	101.6	102.3	109.7	109.1	97.5	103.0	97.0	98.8		81.5			95.1
July	100.8	100.7	99.9	109.2	98.2	103.2	95.9	104.1		81.5			95.1
August	100.2	99.5	96.2	108.6	98.5	104.5	95.9	106.8		85.7			95.5
September	99.7	99.3	96.2	107.2	98.1	104.4	95.9	102.9		85.7			95.5
October	100.0	100.9	96.2	105.6	96.0	104.4	95.9	98.0		85.7			95.8
November	100.0	100.3	102.3	107.3	96.9	104.0	95.9	98.1		85.7			96.0
December	99.1	99.9	103.0	106.7	96.2	104.2	95.9	92.9		85.7			95.9
2016													
January	98.7	99.2	103.7	107.0	95.8	104.2	95.9	92.2		85.7			98.0
February	97.7	98.7	102.3	109.0	93.6	104.1	95.9	87.3		85.7			96.5
March	96.0	96.8	103.7	109.5	90.2	104.1	95.9	83.6		85.7			96.4
April (P)	97.2	98.5	103.7	109.3	91.3	104.8	95.9	83.7		85.7			97.1
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	1.2	1.7	0.0	-0.2	1.2	0.7	0.0	0.1		0.0			0.7
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	-6.9	-7.9	-7.5	-0.4	-6.6	2.6	-1.8	-13.2		5.1			1.5

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Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***362.8***	***272.0***	***n.a.***	***10.9***	***15.4***	***22.7***	***12.8***	***4.0***	***n.a.***	***1.3***	***n.a.***	***n.a.***	***23.7***
Ave - 2013	105.0	106.2		110.9	98.9	103.0	95.2	113.2		77.0			100.7
Ave - 2014	106.2	108.2		110.0	98.7	102.3	94.0	107.4		78.2			98.4
Ave - 2015	102.3	103.1		108.4	98.2	103.2	96.4	104.4		82.9			95.7
2015													
April	105.3	107.0		109.8	98.1	102.1	97.7	113.9		81.5			95.7
May	102.2	102.8		109.9	98.1	102.0	98.0	113.9		81.5			95.4
June	101.7	102.3		109.1	98.0	103.0	97.0	104.9		81.5			95.1
July	100.4	100.7		109.2	98.2	103.2	95.9	98.5		81.5			95.1
August	99.6	99.5		108.6	98.4	104.5	95.9	98.6		85.7			95.5
September	99.4	99.3		107.2	98.6	104.4	95.9	98.6		85.7			95.5
October	100.5	100.9		105.6	97.5	104.4	95.9	98.6		85.7			95.8
November	100.1	100.3		107.3	98.0	104.0	95.9	98.6		85.7			96.0
December	99.8	99.9		106.7	98.0	104.2	95.9	98.6		85.7			95.9
2016													
January	99.4	99.2		107.0	97.4	104.2	95.9	98.6		85.7			98.0
February	99.0	98.7		109.0	96.3	104.1	95.9	98.6		85.7			96.5
March	97.5	96.8		109.5	93.6	104.1	95.9	104.1		85.7			96.4
April (P)	98.9	98.5		109.3	94.5	104.8	95.9	104.0		85.7			97.1
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	1.4	1.7		-0.2	1.0	0.7	0.0	-0.1		0.0			0.7
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	-6.1	-7.9		-0.4	-3.6	2.6	-1.8	-8.7		5.1			1.5

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P): Provisional figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable

Table 4. LOCAL GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base Period : Average Prices August 2010 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***575.2***	***229.8***	***79.6***	***6.4***	***60.6***	***8.6***	***3.0***	***50.3***	***58.2***	***32.7***	***31.3***	***14.7***	***n.a.***
Ave - 2013	109.8	116.9	110.5	117.9	108.8	97.1	100.0	104.4	100.0	99.4	101.6	101.6	
Ave - 2014	108.1	106.4	114.4	131.1	113.4	94.6	170.0	113.9	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
Ave - 2015	114.0	120.0	118.4	133.0	104.1	95.1	174.4	119.8	99.9	99.8	103.4	117.1	
2015													
April	114.4	119.7	115.6	135.5	111.1	95.5	170.0	121.3	100.0	99.8	103.4	118.7	
May	112.5	114.0	115.7	135.5	111.1	95.5	170.0	125.1	100.0	99.8	103.4	118.7	
June	113.5	119.7	117.6	136.2	97.8	95.5	177.5	123.0	100.0	99.8	103.4	118.7	
July	116.9	125.9	117.6	136.2	101.9	95.5	177.5	128.4	100.0	99.8	103.4	118.7	
August	112.7	120.4	117.4	136.2	93.7	95.5	177.5	116.0	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
September	111.0	113.5	121.0	136.2	93.7	95.5	177.5	123.1	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
October	114.3	119.8	121.0	136.2	102.9	95.5	177.5	120.6	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
November	115.2	124.3	121.2	136.2	102.9	93.9	177.5	110.7	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
December	117.2	131.9	121.2	136.2	90.7	94.2	177.5	113.3	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
2016													
January	125.1	146.8	122.4	136.2	101.9	93.9	177.5	119.9	99.9	99.8	103.4	118.7	
February	117.6	130.4	122.4	136.2	97.8	93.9	177.5	114.2	99.9	99.8	103.4	118.7	
March	119.1	134.7	121.4	136.2	92.7	92.8	177.5	118.9	99.9	99.8	103.4	118.7	
April (P)	123.2	146.9	121.4	136.2	90.7	93.0	177.5	112.5	99.9	99.8	103.4	118.7	
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	3.5	9.1	0.0	0.0	-2.2	0.3	0.0	-5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	7.7	22.7	5.0	0.5	-18.3	-2.6	4.4	-7.2	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	

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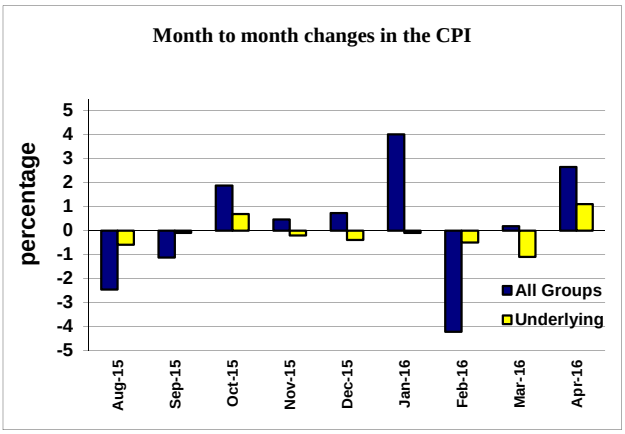
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	***117.4***	***75.5***	***n.a.***	***6.4***	***1.2***	***8.6***	***0.9***	***9.1***	***n.a.***	***1.0***	***n.a.***	***14.7***	***n.a.***
Ave - 2013	103.8	105.5		117.9	105.9	97.1	100.0	90.5		100.0		101.6	
Ave - 2014	105.0	104.8		131.1	111.5	94.6	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
Ave - 2015	106.6	105.5		133.0	112.0	95.1	114.6	90.5		100.0		117.1	
2015													
April	106.8	105.3		135.5	111.5	95.5	100.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
May	107.3	106.1		135.5	111.5	95.5	100.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
June	107.4	105.9		136.2	112.3	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
July	107.4	106.0		136.2	112.3	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
August	107.4	106.0		136.2	112.3	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
September	107.5	106.2		136.2	112.3	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
October	107.1	105.5		136.2	112.0	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
November	107.5	106.3		136.2	113.4	93.9	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
December	106.9	105.3		136.2	111.6	94.2	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
2016													
January	107.7	106.5		136.2	113.4	93.9	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
February	106.8	105.2		136.2	113.4	93.9	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
March	106.9	105.5		136.2	113.4	92.8	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
April (P)	107.2	105.8		136.2	113.4	93.0	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
						Percentage Change (P)							
Apr 2016 over Mar 2016	0.3	0.3		0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0		0.0		0.0	
Apr 2016 over Apr 2015	0.4	0.5		0.5	1.7	-2.6	25.0	0.0		0.0		0.0	

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics
(P): Provisional figures
Note: n.a. Not applicable

Graph.1



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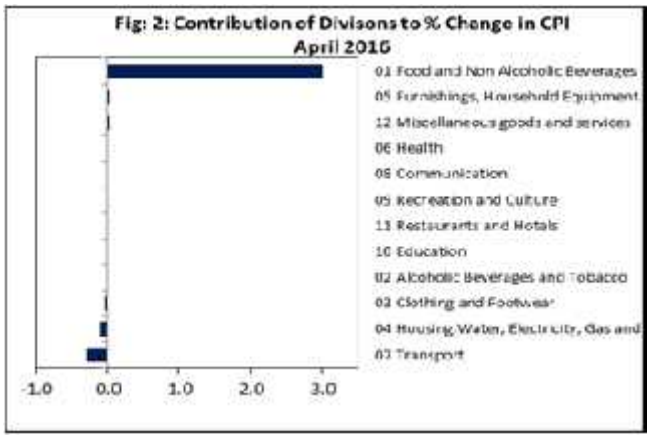

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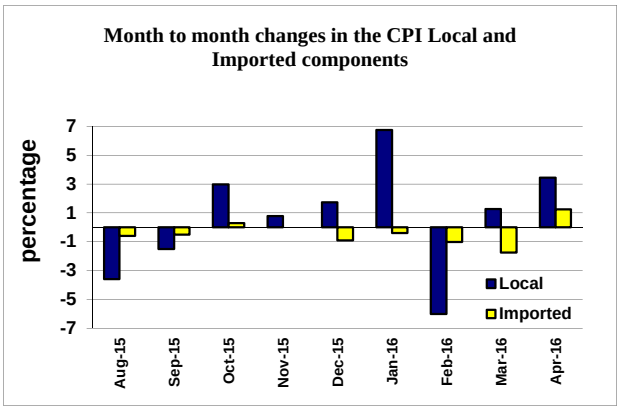

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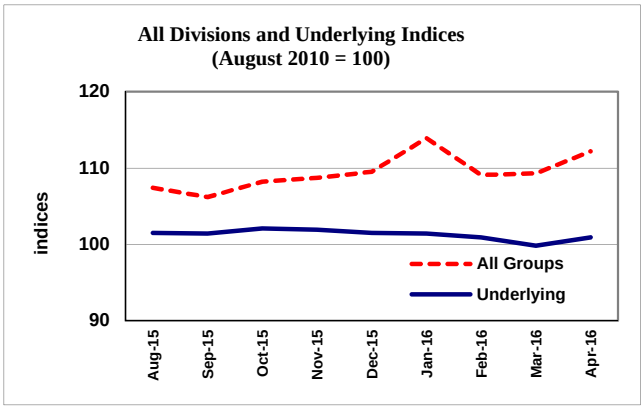

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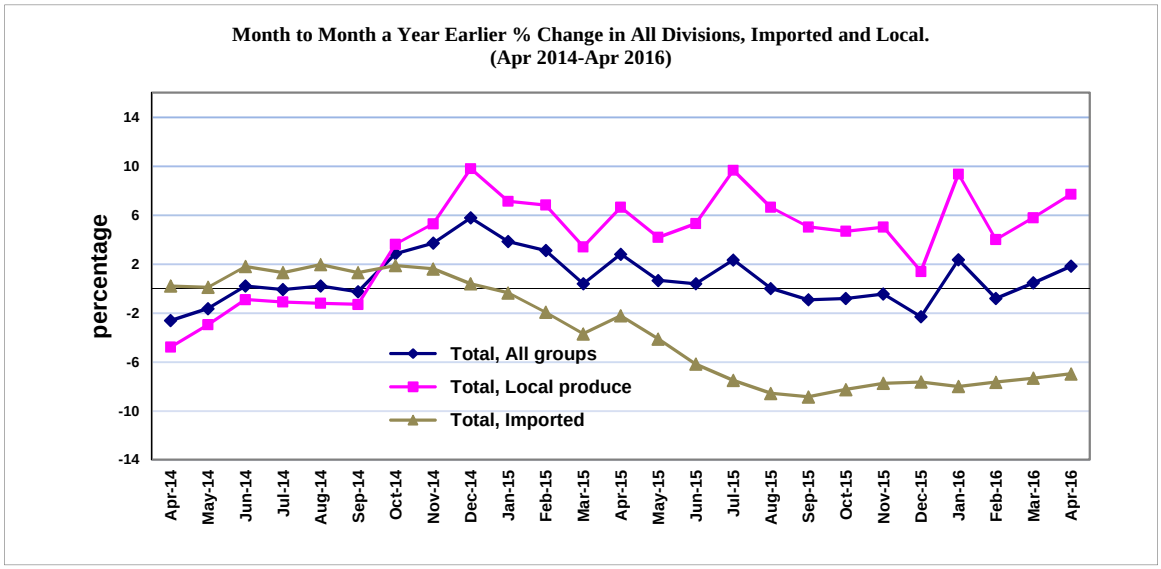

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