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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

August 2016

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for August 2016 decreased by 1.7 percent compared to the previous month.

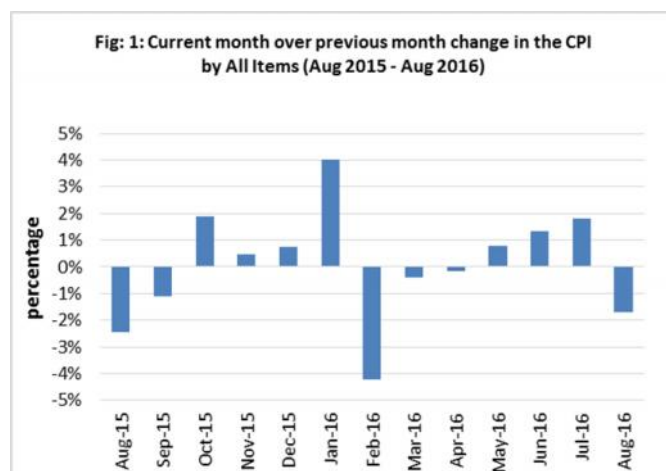
- Electricity prices in August 2015 mark a record low when compared with the past thirteen years. Drop in electricity tariff is due to combination of Renewable Energy development, drop in fuel price and improve in operations efficiencies', reflecting in the 9.2 percent decline in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index and contributed the most to the decline of the All Item Index.
- Transport also decreased by 1.6 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended August 2016 was 0.4 percent.

In the year to August 2016, the CPI rose 3.3 percent.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for August 2016 was 1.7 percent lower than in July 2016 and was 3.3 percent higher than August 2015.

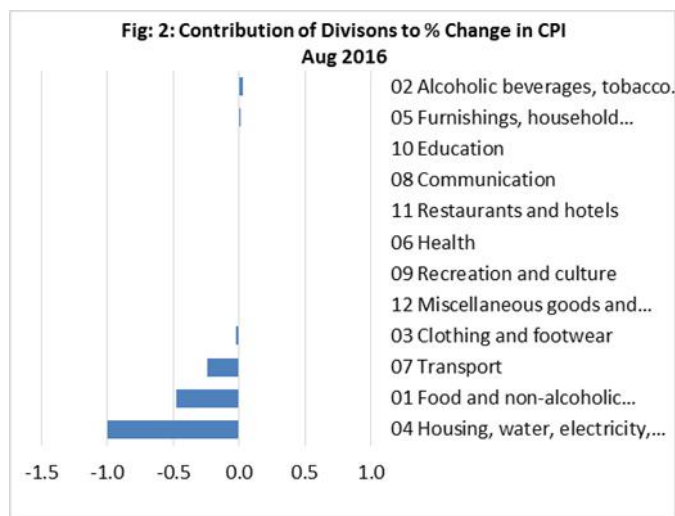
The Local Goods Component registered a decrease of 3.4 percent, while Imported Component recorded no change from the previous month. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from August 2015 to August 2016.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total All Divisions Contribution

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels, Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages along with Transport divisions were the main contributors to the overall decrease of 1.7 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.



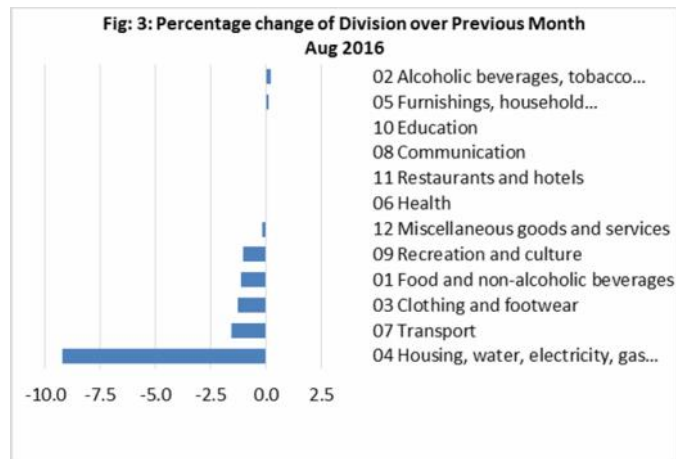
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Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The decreases recorded for the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index from the previous month registered 9.2 percent, Transport index with 1.6 percent, Clothing and Footwear index with 1.3 percent, Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index with 1.1 percent, Recreation and Culture with 1.0 percent and Miscellaneous Goods and Services with 0.2 percent.

On the other hand, slight increases were recorded for Alcoholic Beverages with 0.2 percent and Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance index with 0.1 percent respectively.

No changes were recorded for the Health, Communication, Education and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the August 2016 percentage change for all divisions from July 2016.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered a decrease of 3.4 percent when compared to the previous month. This decrease was mainly due to lower prices recorded for electricity, taro, chinese cabbage, ripe banana, green banana, tomato, head cabbage and airline fare.

Imported Goods Component

The Imported Good Component recorded no change from the previous month.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

Lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh) is resulted in the 9.2 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index.

Transport Index

A decrease of 1.6 percent in the Transport index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia).

Clothing and Footwear Index

Decreased prices recorded for cotton print (ie solosolo) and aloha shirt is reflected in the 1.3 percent decrease in the Clothing and Footwear index.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

Lower prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, rice, milk, taro, chinese cabbage, ripe banana, green banana, tomato, head cabbage is resulted in the 1.1 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index.

Recreation and Culture Index

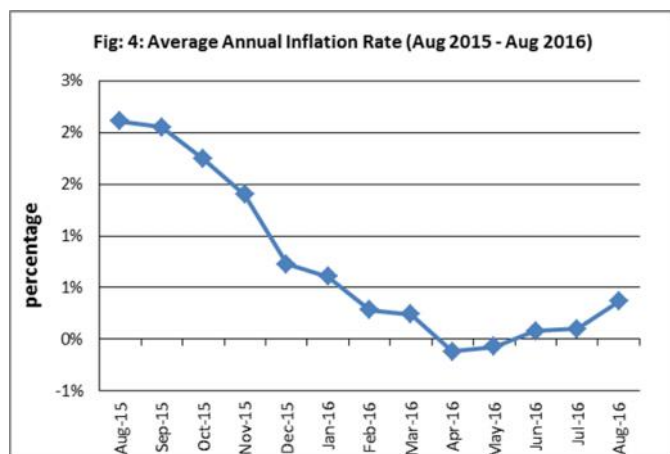
The 1.0 percent decrease in the Recreation and Culture Index was a result of the lower prices recorded for laptop.

Underlying Indices ^{1/}

The All Items Underlying Index for July 2016 registered a decrease of 0.2 percent when compared to July 2016, and an increase of 2.0 percent when compared to August 2015. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered a decrease of 0.3 percent, while the Local Items Underlying Index recorded no change from the previous month.

Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended August 2016 was 0.4 percent. For the twelve months ending August 2015 the inflation rate was 2.1 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the average annual inflation rate (August 2015 - August 2016).



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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

Technical Notes:

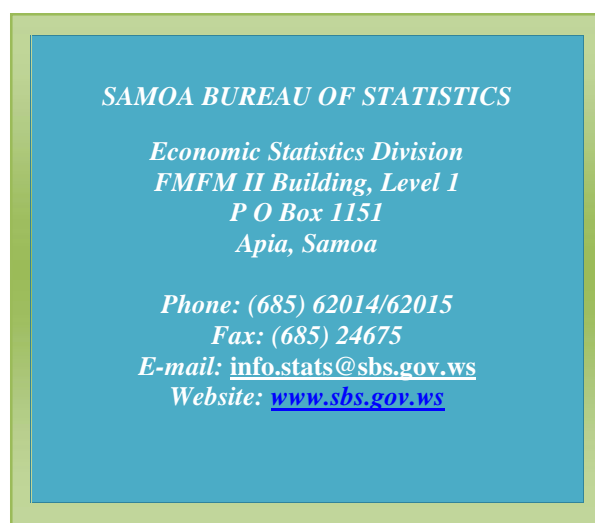
The Consumer Price (CPI) measures the rate of inflation for Samoa. It is designed to measure the change in prices for the goods purchased by households in Samoa. The CPI measures the change in prices by comparing the prices for a basket of goods and services at the collection period with the price for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



Date of release: 9th September 2016.

The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 12th October 2016.

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Table 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.
(Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	1000.0	403.7	128.4	21.2	119.6	30.8	4.6	148.5	51.5	6.1	19.7	22.4	43.5
Ave - 2013	99.5	98.1	93.2	95.3	110.6	100.1	86.3	110.4	100.1	99.3	98.3	85.6	104.3
Ave - 2014	99.1	94.8	96.1	98.9	114.3	98.9	97.3	115.8	100.1	99.7	98.3	92.2	101.9
Ave - 2015	99.8	97.9	97.7	98.6	106.0	99.7	99.9	108.7	100.0	99.9	100.0	98.7	99.2
2015													
August	98.4	96.4	95.6	99.7	97.8	100.7	100.0	110.3	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.0
September	97.3	93.5	98.1	99.0	97.7	100.7	100.0	112.1	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.0
October	99.2	96.7	98.1	98.2	104.6	100.6	100.0	108.5	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.3
November	99.6	98.3	99.2	99.1	104.9	99.9	100.0	103.4	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.5
December	100.4	101.2	99.2	98.7	94.8	100.2	100.0	102.2	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.4
2016													
January	104.4	106.9	100.2	98.9	103.7	100.1	100.0	105.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.6
February	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
March	99.6	100.6	99.7	99.7	96.7	100.1	100.2	98.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9
April	99.4	101.8	99.8	99.9	95.8	99.5	100.2	95.1	100.0	93.9	100.0	100.0	100.5
May	100.2	102.3	99.8	99.8	94.7	98.4	98.0	99.8	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.2
June	101.6	105.9	99.8	99.2	92.9	98.5	98.0	100.7	100.0	98.3	100.0	100.0	102.1
July	103.4	106.5	105.8	99.2	93.1	99.3	96.7	106.0	100.0	94.1	102.2	100.0	101.7
August (P)	101.7	105.2	106.0	97.9	84.5	99.4	96.7	104.3	100.0	93.2	102.2	100.0	101.5
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2016	-1.7%	-1.1%	0.2%	-1.3%	-9.2%	0.1%	0.0%	-1.6%	0.0%	-1.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.2%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	3.3%	9.2%	10.8%	-1.8%	-13.6%	-1.3%	-3.3%	-5.4%	0.1%	-6.8%	2.2%	0.0%	2.6%
ALL ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX													
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	586.7	345.3	n.a	21.2	24.2	30.8	3.5	26.4	51.5	5.6	12.3	22.4	43.5
Ave - 2013	103.8	105.9		95.3	101.9	100.0	97.6	104.8		94.7		85.6	104.3
Ave - 2014	105.0	107.3		98.9	102.2	98.9	96.5	102.9		95.4		92.1	102.0
Ave - 2015	102.5	103.5		98.7	101.7	99.7	99.8	101.9		98.3		98.7	99.2
2015													
August	100.6	100.8		99.8	101.9	100.7	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	99.0
September	100.5	0.0		99.1	102.2	100.7	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	99.0
October	101.2	101.8		98.2	101.0	100.6	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	99.2
November	101.0	101.5		99.1	101.6	99.9	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	99.5
December	100.7	100.9		98.8	101.5	100.1	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	99.4
2016													
January	100.6	100.7		99.0	101.0	100.1	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	101.5
February	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
March	100.2	100.5		99.7	97.4	100.1	100.3	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9
April	100.6	101.3		99.9	97.5	99.5	100.3	100.0	100.0	93.4	100.0	100.0	100.5
May	100.5	101.0		99.8	97.6	98.4	97.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.2
June	103.3	105.7		99.2	97.9	98.5	97.4	100.2	100.0	98.2	100.0	100.0	102.1
July	102.9	105.0		99.2	97.5	99.3	95.7	100.4	100.0	93.7	103.5	100.0	101.7
August (P)	102.7	104.7		97.9	97.6	99.4	95.7	99.8	100.0	92.6	103.5	100.0	101.5
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2016	-0.2%	-0.2%		-1.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	-0.6%	0.0%	-1.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.2%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	2.0%	3.9%		-1.9%	-4.2%	-1.2%	-4.3%	-0.2%	n.a	-7.4%	n.a	0.0%	2.5%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

: Revised figures

Note : n.a. Not applicable

Table 2. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2015			2016		
			June	July	Aug	June	July	Aug (P)
01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages								
Leg Quarters Chicken	62.2	lb	2.20	1.34	1.34	1.67	1.62	1.60
Raw Sugar	21.3	1 lb	1.04	1.05	1.05	1.17	1.23	1.20
Bread	17.2	loaf	1.70	1.76	1.76	1.78	1.82	1.80
Corned Beef (a)	15.9	12 oz				8.58	8.55	8.67
Taro	15.2	1 lb	0.93	0.91	0.87	1.42	1.53	1.31
Re-packed medium grain rice	13.4	1 lb	1.50	1.47	1.47	1.59	1.61	1.60
Prepacked medium grain rice (a)	13.4	2 lb				3.57	3.47	3.42
Canned fish between \$3.00 and \$3.99 Natural Oil	12.7	15 oz	3.02	3.92	3.92	3.29	3.27	3.39
Bongo	10.2	20grms	0.60	0.68	0.68	0.81	0.81	0.81
Keke Saina Biscuits (a)	9.2	pkt 10				6.08	6.00	6.08
Tip Top Ice Cream (a)	9.2	2 ltr				14.87	14.73	14.73
Ramen maggie	9.0	85gms	1.10	1.08	1.08	1.11	1.10	1.10
Fish (Piece)	7.9	lb	6.47	7.25	7.22	5.77	6.89	7.32
Butter Anchor	7.7	1lb	12.00	10.82	10.82	11.71	11.84	11.84
Round Pancake (a)	7.5	sml				0.15	0.15	0.15
Mutton Flaps	6.6	lb	9.90	7.10	7.10	6.72	6.91	6.94
Canned fish \$4:00 or over N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	4.48	4.58	4.58	4.47	4.76	4.82
Canned fish under \$3.00 in N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	3.13	3.57	3.57	3.20	3.14	3.31
Wings Turkey	6.3	lb	2.70	2.97	2.97	2.73	2.68	2.65
Fish (string)	6.0	lb	3.90	3.11	3.11	2.53	2.22	2.09
Fish (large)	6.0	lb	4.40	4.44	4.76	4.13	4.04	4.48
02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics								
Lager Beer	37.9	355 mls	3.23	3.24	3.24	3.38	3.43	3.46
Pall Mall Filter Cigarettes (Red)	24.3	20 rolls	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	11.50	11.50
Pall Mall Menthol Cigarettes (Green)	24.3	20 rolls	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	11.50	11.50
Beer (a)	16.3	330 mls				3.20	3.31	3.31
Winfield Tobacco (a)	12.6	packet				12.90	14.60	14.60
03 Clothing and footwear								
Uniform Ie Faitaga College boys	4.3	size 8-10	34.00	31.50	31.50	33.00	33.00	33.00
Uniform Pa'ave (a)	3.7	size 7				33.67	33.67	33.67
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels								
Electricity / Cashpower / kwh 1- 100 / total cost per unit / local	50.6	kwh	0.82	0.80	0.77	0.73	0.73	0.55
Reservoir treated Water	28.5	15-40 m3	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40
Liquid gas	15.8	20 lb	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00	63.00
Government house Rent	12.2	2 b/room	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance								
Washing powder (a)	6.3	200g				1.86	1.88	1.87
Soap yellow Washing soap	5.9	bar	3.00	2.90	2.90	2.86	2.82	2.77
Mosquito coil	4.4	12 coil	1.20	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.45	1.45
06 Health								
Amoxicillin mg Tablets (a)	2.5	500 mg				7.28	6.87	6.87
Hospital Charge	1.1	night	10.00	30.00	30.00	22.50	22.50	22.50

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2015			2016		
			June	July	Aug	June	July	Aug (P)
			07 Transport					
Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.48	2.73	2.73	2.19	2.37	2.40
Taxi Fare PO Motootua Hosp	8.2	per trip	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80
Taxi Fares PO Malua	8.2	per trip	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30
Taxi Fares PO Falefa	8.2	per trip	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20
Air Fares Fagalii Pago Fagalii	6.8	return trip	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00	395.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	2359.40	1874.00	1389.50	1382.40	1799.30	1163.90
08 Communication								
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.02	per minute				0.45	0.45	0.45
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.02	per mb				0.20	0.20	0.20
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.02	per minute				0.44	0.44	0.44
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.02	per mb				0.20	0.20	0.20
09 Recreation and culture								
Television (a)	2.30	LCD				1132.00	1044.50	1082.83
Exercise Book warwick	1.44	1B4 64 paç	1.13	1.38	1.33	1.30	1.30	1.30
Laptop (a)	1.33	each				3439.00	3217.00	2896.80
10 Education								
Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.23	Year 6				67.50	72.50	72.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.11	Year 10				49.00	48.00	48.00
Fees Tertiary NUS registration School Fees	3.79	registration	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00
Fees Secondary Y Examination Fees (a)	3.61	Y12-13				25.50	25.50	25.50
11 Restaurants and hotels								
Fish & Meal	7.79	1 serve	10.00	8.90	8.90	9.00	9.00	9.00
Curry & Meal	4.87	1 serve	3.00	3.50	3.50	3.33	3.33	3.33
Chicken & Meal (a)	4.87	1 serve				9.36	9.36	9.36
Steam rice & chicken Meal (a)	4.87	1 serve				4.83	4.83	4.83
12 Miscellaneous goods and services								
Paper Sofan deluxe ply Toilet Paper	8.52	250 sheets	1.00	0.90	0.90	1.01	0.99	0.99
Hair Gel	4.59	1124ml	4.30	3.80	3.80	5.27	5.26	5.30
Remains price for Storage of remains (a)	4.41	per week				56.67	56.67	56.67
Basic Casket (a)	4.41	each				1966.67	1966.67	1966.67
Standard Embalming (a)	4.41	1 person				1500.00	1500.00	1500.00
Toilet soap (a)	4.38	90g				1.83	1.83	1.81
Diapers (a)	4.19	5kg-10kg				13.49	13.49	13.34

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(a) : New commodity from February 2016

(P) : Provisional figures

Table 3. IMPORTED GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	494.7	269.1	23.8	15.2	28.3	26.9	2.5	88.6	<i>n.a</i>	5.6	<i>n.a</i>	<i>n.a</i>	34.7
Ave - 2013	109.5	107.6	109.6	101.7	108.7	98.9	99.2	137.1		89.9			104.3
Ave - 2014	110.7	109.6	110.8	100.9	108.7	98.2	98.0	138.3		91.3			102.0
Ave - 2015	104.5	104.5	103.0	99.5	104.5	99.1	100.5	114.0		96.8			99.2
2015													
August	102.6	100.8	94.0	99.7	105.3	100.3	100.0	122.4		100.0			99.0
September	102.0	100.6	94.0	98.4	104.9	100.3	100.0	117.8		100.0			99.0
October	102.4	102.2	94.0	96.9	102.6	100.2	100.0	112.3		100.0			99.2
November	102.3	101.6	100.0	98.4	103.6	99.8	100.0	112.4		100.0			99.5
December	101.4	101.2	100.7	97.9	102.8	100.1	100.0	106.4		100.0			99.4
2016													
January	101.1	100.5	101.4	98.2	102.4	100.1	100.0	105.7		100.0			101.5
February	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0			100.0
March	99.4	100.7	100.0	99.7	96.1	100.1	100.4	95.8		100.0			99.8
April	99.4	101.7	100.7	99.8	96.7	99.4	100.4	92.6		93.4			100.6
May	100.3	101.2	100.7	99.8	98.0	98.2	96.2	98.4		100.0			101.5
June	103.9	107.1	100.8	99.6	98.8	98.3	96.2	100.5		98.2			102.6
July	104.9	106.1	109.1	99.6	99.6	99.2	93.8	106.8		93.7			102.1
August (P)	104.9	105.8	109.1	97.9	100.2	99.3	93.8	107.8		92.6			101.9
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2016	0.0%	-0.3%	-0.1%	-1.7%	0.7%	0.2%	0.0%	1.0%		-1.1%			-0.2%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	2.2%	4.9%	16.0%	-1.7%	-4.8%	-1.0%	-6.2%	-11.9%		-7.4%			2.9%
IMPORTED ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX													
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	401.2	269.1	<i>n.a</i>	15.2	24.2	26.9	2.5	23.0	<i>n.a</i>	5.6	<i>n.a</i>	<i>n.a</i>	34.7
Ave - 2013	106.1	107.6		101.7	102.7	98.9	99.2	114.8		89.9			104.3
Ave - 2014	107.3	109.6		100.9	102.5	98.2	98.0	108.9		91.3			102.0
Ave - 2015	103.4	104.5		99.5	102.0	99.1	100.5	105.9		96.8			99.2
2015													
August	100.6	100.8		99.7	102.2	100.3	100.0	100.0		100.0			99.0
September	100.5	100.6		98.4	102.4	100.3	100.0	100.0		100.0			99.0
October	101.6	102.2		96.9	101.2	100.2	100.0	100.0		100.0			99.2
November	101.2	101.6		98.4	101.8	99.8	100.0	100.0		100.0			99.5
December	100.8	101.2		97.9	101.8	100.1	100.0	100.0		100.0			99.4
2016													
January	100.5	100.5		98.2	101.1	100.1	100.0	100.0		100.0			101.5
February	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0			100.0
March	100.3	100.7		99.7	97.4	100.1	100.4	100.0		100.0			99.8
April	100.9	101.7		99.8	97.5	99.4	100.4	100.0		93.4			100.6
May	100.7	101.2		99.8	97.6	98.2	96.2	100.0		100.0			101.5
June	104.7	107.1		99.6	97.9	98.3	96.2	100.0		98.2			102.6
July	103.9	106.1		99.6	97.5	99.2	93.8	100.2		93.7			102.1
August (P)	103.6	105.8		97.9	97.6	99.3	93.8	99.5		92.6			101.9
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2016	-0.3%	-0.3%		-1.7%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	-0.7%		-1.1%			-0.2%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	3.0%	4.9%		-1.7%	-4.5%	-1.0%	-6.2%	-0.5%		-7.4%			2.9%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

■ : Revised figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable

Table 4. LOCAL GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
(Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	505.3	134.6	104.6	6.0	91.3	3.9	2.2	59.9	51.5	0.4	19.7	22.4	8.8
Ave - 2013	93.3	89.6	90.3	86.6	111.2	103.4	56.3	91.4	100.1	99.6	98.2	85.6	
Ave - 2014	91.9	81.5	93.4	96.3	115.9	100.8	95.8	99.8	100.1	100.0	98.2	92.1	
Ave - 2015	96.9	92.0	96.7	97.6	106.4	101.3	98.2	104.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	98.7	
2015													
August	95.8	92.3	95.9	100.0	95.8	101.7	100.0	101.6	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	
September	94.4	87.0	98.9	100.0	95.8	101.7	100.0	107.8	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	
October	97.2	91.8	98.9	100.0	105.2	101.7	100.0	105.6	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	
November	98.0	95.3	99.0	100.0	105.2	100.0	100.0	96.9	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	
December	99.7	101.2	99.0	100.0	92.7	100.3	100.0	99.2	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	
2016													
January	106.3	112.6	100.0	100.0	104.2	100.0	100.0	105.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
February	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
March	99.8	100.4	99.6	99.6	96.8	100.0	100.0	103.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
April	99.5	102.2	99.6	100.0	95.5	100.0	100.0	98.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
May	100.2	104.6	99.6	100.0	93.6	100.0	100.0	101.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
June	99.3	103.5	99.5	98.2	91.1	100.0	100.0	100.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
July	102.0	107.3	105.0	98.2	91.1	100.0	100.0	104.8	100.0	100.0	102.2	100.0	100.0
August (P)	98.5	104.2	105.3	97.9	79.6	100.0	100.0	99.2	100.0	100.0	102.2	100.0	100.0
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2016	-3.4%	-2.9%	0.3%	-0.3%	-12.6%	0.0%	0.0%	-5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	2.8%	12.9%	9.8%	-2.1%	-16.9%	-1.7%	0.0%	-2.4%	0.1%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	

LOCAL ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	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	185.5	76.1	n.a	6.0	n.a	3.9	1.0	3.4	51.5	n.a	12.3	22.4	8.8
Ave - 2013	97.2	100.3		86.6	93.4	103.4	80.0	100.0		100.0		85.6	
Ave - 2014	98.3	99.7		96.3	98.3	100.8	80.0	100.0		100.0		92.1	
Ave - 2015	99.9	100.3		97.6	98.8	101.3	91.7	100.0		100.0		98.7	
2015													
August	100.6	100.8		100.0	99.0	101.7	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
September	100.7	101.0		100.0	99.0	101.7	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
October	100.3	100.3		100.0	98.8	101.7	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
November	100.7	101.1		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
December	100.1	100.2		100.0	98.4	100.3	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
2016													
January	100.8	101.3		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0		100.0	
February	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
March	99.9	99.8		99.6		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0
April	100.1	100.2		100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0
May	100.1	100.2		100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0
June	100.3	100.8		98.2		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		100.0	100.0	100.0
July	100.7	101.1		98.2		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	100.0	100.0
August (P)	100.6	101.1		97.9		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	100.0	100.0
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2016 over Jul 2015	0.0%	-0.1%		-0.3%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Aug 2016 over Aug 2015	0.0%	0.3%		-2.1%		-1.7%	0.0%	1.8%	n.a		n.a	0.0%	n.a

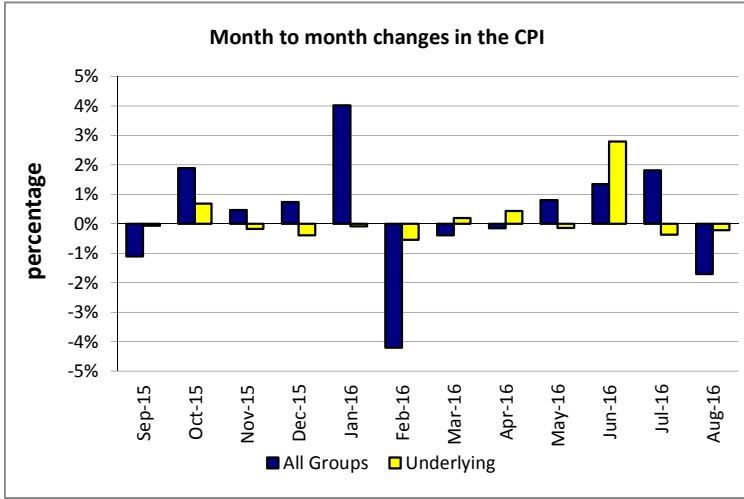
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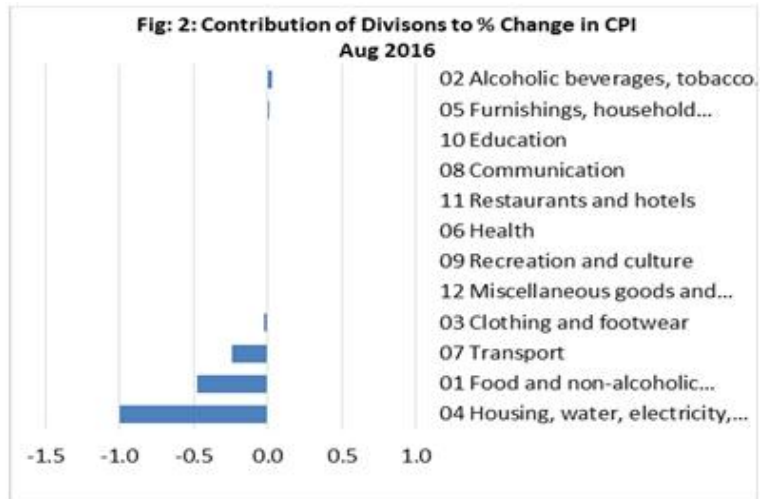
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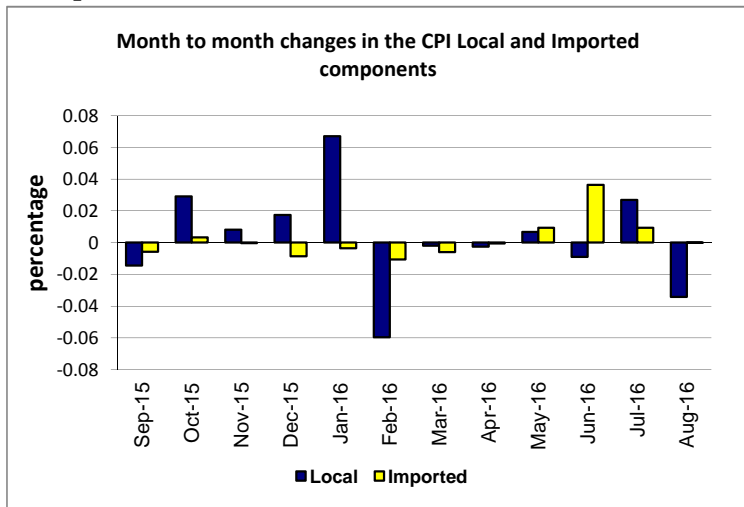
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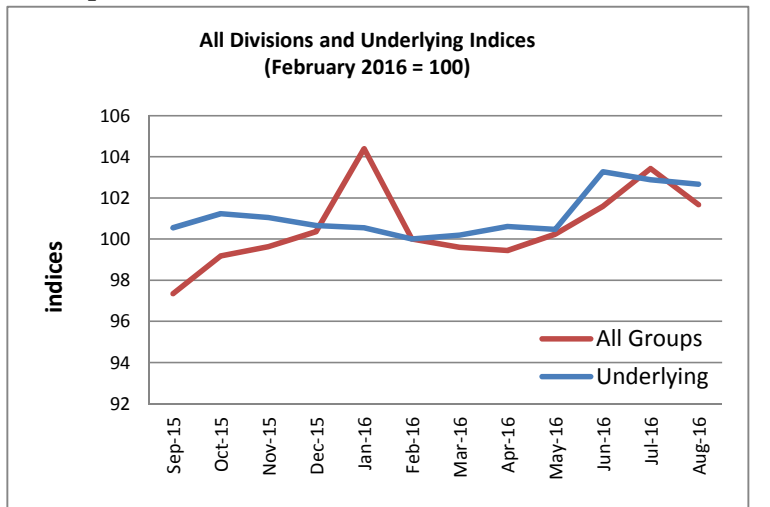
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Graph.4



Graph.5

