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## SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

### CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

#### April 2017

#### Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for April 2017 decreased by 0.5 percent compared to the previous month.

- Clothing and Footwear index decreased by 1.1 percent.
- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index also decreased by 1.1 percent.
- Recreation and Culture index increased by 1.8 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended April 2017 was 1.4 percent.

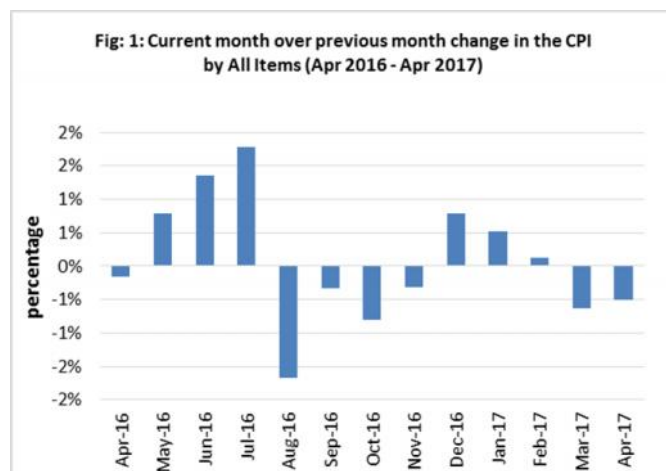
In the year to April 2017, the CPI rose 1.0 percent.

#### SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for April 2017 was 0.5 percent lower than in March 2017 and was 1.0 percent higher than April 2016.

The decrease of the Local Goods Component by 0.5 percent reflects lower prices for electricity (kwh), puletasi and local food which were also contributed to the decrease of 0.5 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

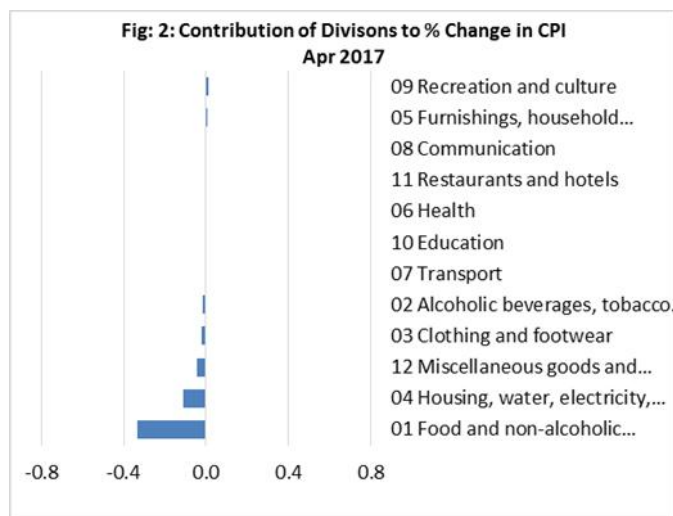
The Imported Goods Component also recorded a decrease of 0.5 percent over March 2017. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from April 2016 to April 2017.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

## Total All Divisions Contribution

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages along with Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels were the main contributors to the overall decrease of 0.5 percent in the All Divisions Consumer Price Index.



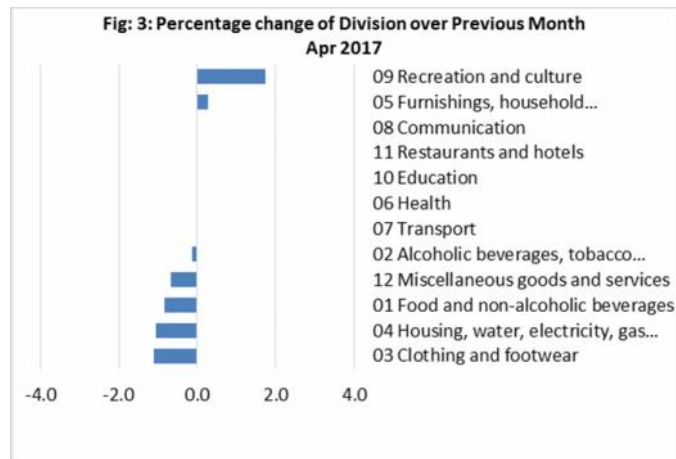
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## Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The Clothing and Footwear and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels indices both recorded decreases of 1.1 percent. Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, Miscellaneous Goods and Services and Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco indices recorded decreases of 0.8, 0.7 and 0.1 percent respectively.

On the other hand, increases were registered for Recreation and Culture with 1.8 percent and Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance index with 0.3 percent.

No changes were recorded for the Health, Transport, Communication, Education and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the April 2017 percentage change for all divisions from March 2017.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

## Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered a decrease of 0.5 percent when compared to the previous month. This decrease was mainly due to lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh), puletasi, taro, fresh fish (string), ripe banana, cucumber and taamu.

## Imported Goods Component

Decreased prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, milk, fuel (petrol), hair gel and toilet soap has resulted in the 0.5 percent decrease in the Imported Good Component.

## Clothing and Footwear Index

A decrease of 1.1 percent in the Clothing and Footwear index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for puletasi and aloha shirt.

## Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

Lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh) and kerosene is resulted in the 1.1 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index.

## Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

The 0.8 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index was mainly due to lower prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, milk, taro, fresh fish (string), ripe banana, cucumber and taamu.

## Miscellaneous Goods and Services Index

Decreased prices recorded for hair gel and toilet soap have resulted in the 0.7 percent decrease in the Miscellaneous Good and Services index.

## Recreation and Culture Index

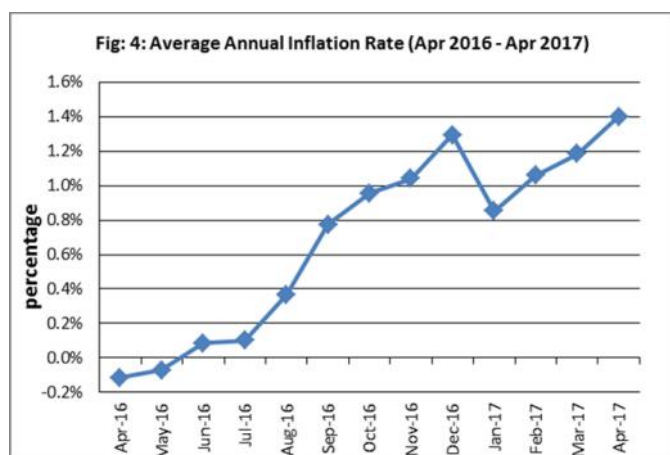
The Recreation and Culture Index recorded an increase of 1.8 percent higher due to the higher in prices recorded for LCD television.

## Underlying Indices <sup>1/</sup>

The All Items Underlying Index for April 2017 registered a decrease of 0.6 percent when compared to March 2017, and an increase of 0.6 percent when compared to April 2016. The Local and Imported component of the Underlying Index both registered decreases of 0.6 percent.

## Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended April 2017 was 1.4 percent. For the twelve months ending April 2016 the inflation rate was negative 0.1 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the average annual inflation rate (April 2016 - April 2017).



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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

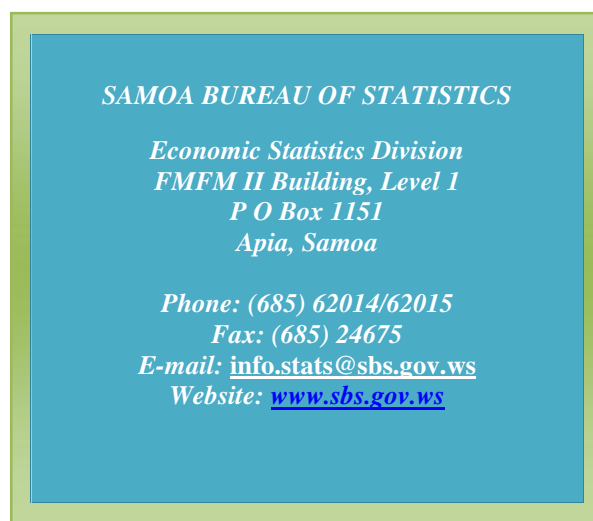
## Technical Notes:

*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.*

*<sup>1/</sup> 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: 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

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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
<b>Weights</b>	<b>1000.0</b>	<b>403.7</b>	<b>128.4</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>119.6</b>	<b>30.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>148.5</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>43.5</b>
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
Ave - 2016	101.1	103.7	102.8	98.8	92.6	99.4	99.2	101.3	100.0	95.4	101.1	99.3	100.6
2016													
April	99.5	101.9	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	105.5	99.2	93.1	99.3	96.7	106.0	100.0	94.1	102.2	100.0	101.7
August	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
September	101.3	105.0	105.7	97.5	89.1	99.5	96.7	100.0	100.0	91.6	102.2	98.0	100.6
October	100.5	103.3	105.7	97.7	88.1	99.9	101.3	99.9	100.0	91.6	102.2	98.0	99.6
November	100.2	103.0	105.8	97.7	86.0	99.1	101.3	100.4	100.0	91.6	102.2	98.0	99.7
December	101.0	103.3	105.8	97.7	86.3	98.4	101.3	105.0	100.0	90.3	102.2	98.0	99.3
2017													
January	101.5	104.5	106.0	97.6	90.0	98.5	101.3	102.0	100.0	91.6	102.2	98.0	99.1
February	101.6	102.6	106.1	97.8	91.3	98.3	94.5	108.0	100.0	87.7	96.8	98.0	99.6
March	101.0	101.2	105.8	98.6	90.9	99.6	94.5	107.5	100.3	88.5	96.8	98.0	99.3
April (a)	100.5	100.4	105.7	97.5	89.9	99.9	94.5	107.5	100.3	90.1	96.8	98.0	98.6
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.5%	-0.8%	-0.1%	-1.1%	-1.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.7%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	1.0%	-1.5%	6.0%	-2.4%	-6.1%	0.4%	-5.7%	13.0%	0.3%	-4.1%	-3.2%	-2.0%	-1.8%
<b>ALL ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX</b>													
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
<b>Weights</b>	<b>586.7</b>	<b>345.3</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>21.2</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>30.8</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>43.5</b>
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	98.8	101.9		98.3		98.7	99.2
Ave - 2016	101.7	103.2		98.8	97.5	99.4	99.0	100.2		95.0		99.3	100.6
2016													
April	100.6	101.4		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	102.7	104.7		97.9	97.6	99.4	95.7	99.8	100.0	92.6	103.5	100.0	101.5
September	102.7	104.9		97.5	97.5	99.5	95.7	100.9	100.0	90.9	103.5	98.0	100.6
October	102.7	105.0		97.7	97.7	99.9	101.8	100.9	100.0	91.0	103.5	98.0	99.6
November	102.5	104.9		97.7	94.1	99.1	101.8	100.4	100.0	91.0	103.5	98.0	99.7
December	102.2	104.6		97.7	94.1	98.4	101.8	100.0	100.0	89.6	103.5	98.0	99.3
2017													
January	102.4	105.0		97.6	94.3	98.5	101.8	101.2	100.0	91.0	103.5	98.0	99.1
February	101.9	104.4		97.8	94.1	98.3	92.7	101.1	100.0	86.8	94.8	98.0	99.6
March	101.8	104.2		98.6	94.1	99.6	92.7	101.1	100.3	87.6	94.8	98.0	99.3
April (P)	101.2	103.2		97.5	94.3	99.9	92.7	101.1	100.3	89.3	94.8	98.0	98.6
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.6%	-0.9%		-1.1%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.9%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.7%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	0.6%	1.8%		-2.4%	-3.3%	0.4%	-7.6%	1.2%	0.3%	-4.4%	-5.2%	-2.0%	-1.8%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable



Commodities	Wt	Unit	2016			2017		
			Feb	Mar	Apr	Feb	Mar	Apr (P)
<b>07 Transport</b>								
Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.18	2.07	1.96	2.52	2.56	2.54
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	380.00	380.00	380.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	1285.41	1719.50	1121.50	1548.80	1163.00	1255.40
<b>08 Communication</b>								
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.02	per minute	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.02	per mb	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.02	per minute	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.02	per mb	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
<b>09 Recreation and culture</b>								
Television (a)	2.30	LCD	1224.67	1224.67	1066.17	941.00	957.83	1007.83
Exercise Book warwick	1.44	1B4 64 paç	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.30
Laptop (a)	1.33	each	3259.00	3259.00	3083.50	2729.60	2771.60	2771.60
<b>10 Education</b>								
Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.23	Year 6	67.50	67.50	67.50	62.50	62.50	62.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.11	Year 10	49.00	49.00	49.00	48.00	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	25.50	25.50	25.50
<b>11 Restaurants and hotels</b>								
Fish & Meal	7.79	1 serve	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Curry & Meal	4.87	1 serve	3.33	3.33	3.33	3.00	3.00	3.00
Chicken & Meal (a)	4.87	1 serve	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36
Steam rice & chicken Meal (a)	4.87	1 serve	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83
<b>12 Miscellaneous goods and services</b>								
Paper Sofan deluxe ply Toilet Paper	8.52	250 sheets	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.99	0.99
Hair Gel	4.59	1124ml	5.06	5.06	5.11	5.11	5.11	5.06
Remains price for Storage of remains (a)	4.41	per day	56.67	56.67	56.67	60.00	60.00	60.00
Basic Casket (a)	4.41	each	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67
Standard Embalming (a)	4.41	1 person	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00
Toilet soap (a)	4.38	90g	1.85	1.84	1.86	1.84	1.85	1.84
Diapers (a)	4.19	5kg-10kg	13.13	13.14	13.47	10.67	10.67	10.67

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(a) : New commodity from February 2016

(P) : Provisional figures

Note : Please note unit of conversion was in pound's (lb's) but been converted into kilograms (kg)

**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
<b>Weights</b>	<b>494.7</b>	<b>269.1</b>	<b>23.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>88.6</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>34.7</b>
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
Ave - 2016	102.5	103.9	105.1	98.8	98.7	99.3	98.5	101.8		95.0			100.7
2016													
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	99.8	98.2	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	104.9	105.8	109.1	97.9	100.2	99.3	93.8	107.8		92.6			101.9
September	103.7	106.1	109.5	98.0	99.3	99.5	93.8	100.8		90.9			100.8
October	103.6	106.1	109.5	97.6	98.8	99.9	102.5	100.6		91.0			99.5
November	104.1	106.1	110.2	97.7	96.5	99.0	102.5	104.5		91.0			99.1
December	104.6	105.8	110.2	97.8	97.5	98.2	102.5	108.2		89.6			98.6
2017													
January	104.3	106.2	110.2	97.6	96.8	98.3	102.5	105.4		91.0			98.3
February	105.0	105.3	110.2	97.6	98.3	98.1	89.5	112.1		86.8			99.0
March	105.1	105.0	109.7	98.2	98.4	99.5	89.5	113.5		87.6			98.6
April (P)	104.6	104.1	110.3	98.5	98.5	99.8	89.5	112.9		89.3			97.7
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.5%	-0.8%	0.6%	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	-0.6%		1.9%			-0.9%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	5.2%	2.4%	9.6%	-1.3%	1.9%	0.4%	-10.8%	21.9%		-4.4%			-2.9%
<b>IMPORTED ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX</b>													
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
<b>Weights</b>	<b>401.2</b>	<b>269.1</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>24.2</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>34.7</b>
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
Ave - 2016	102.4	103.9		98.8	97.5	99.3	98.5	100.1		95.0			100.7
2016													
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	103.6	105.8		97.9	97.6	99.3	93.8	99.5		92.6			101.9
September	103.7	106.1		98.0	97.5	99.5	93.8	100.8		90.9			100.8
October	103.7	106.1		97.6	97.7	99.9	102.5	100.8		91.0			99.5
November	103.4	106.1		97.7	94.1	99.0	102.5	100.2		91.0			99.1
December	103.0	105.8		97.8	94.1	98.2	102.5	99.8		89.6			98.6
2017													
January	103.4	106.2		97.6	94.3	98.3	102.5	101.1		91.0			98.3
February	102.7	105.3		97.6	94.1	98.1	89.5	101.0		86.8			99.0
March	102.6	105.0		98.2	94.1	99.5	89.5	101.0		87.6			98.6
April (P)	102.0	104.1		98.5	94.3	99.8	89.5	101.0		89.3			97.7
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.6%	-0.8%		0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%		1.9%			-0.9%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	1.1%	2.4%		-1.3%	-3.3%	0.4%	-10.8%	1.1%		-4.4%			-2.9%

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 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
<b>Weights</b>	<b>505.3</b>	<b>134.6</b>	<b>104.6</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>91.3</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>59.9</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>8.8</b>
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	
Ave - 2016	99.7	102.5	102.3	98.6	90.7	100.0	100.0	100.5	100.0	100.0	101.1	99.3	
2016													
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	101.9	107.3	104.6	98.2	91.1	100.0	100.0	104.8	100.0	100.0	102.2	100.0	100.0
August	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
September	99.0	102.8	104.8	96.2	86.0	100.0	100.0	98.8	100.0	100.0	102.2	98.0	100.0
October	97.5	97.8	104.8	98.0	84.7	100.0	100.0	98.8	100.0	100.0	102.2	98.0	100.0
November	96.3	96.6	104.8	97.5	82.8	100.0	100.0	94.4	100.0	100.0	102.2	98.0	102.3
December	97.5	98.3	104.8	97.5	82.8	100.0	100.0	100.4	100.0	100.0	102.2	98.0	102.3
2017													
January	98.8	101.1	105.0	97.5	87.9	100.0	100.0	96.8	100.0	100.0	102.2	98.0	102.3
February	98.3	97.1	105.1	98.2	89.2	100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
March	97.0	93.7	104.9	99.6	88.5	100.0	100.0	98.6	100.3	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
April (P)	96.5	92.9	104.6	94.9	87.3	100.0	100.0	99.5	100.3	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.5%	-0.9%	-0.3%	-4.7%	-1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	-3.1%	-9.2%	5.1%	-5.1%	-8.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.3%	0.0%	-3.2%	-2.0%	2.3%

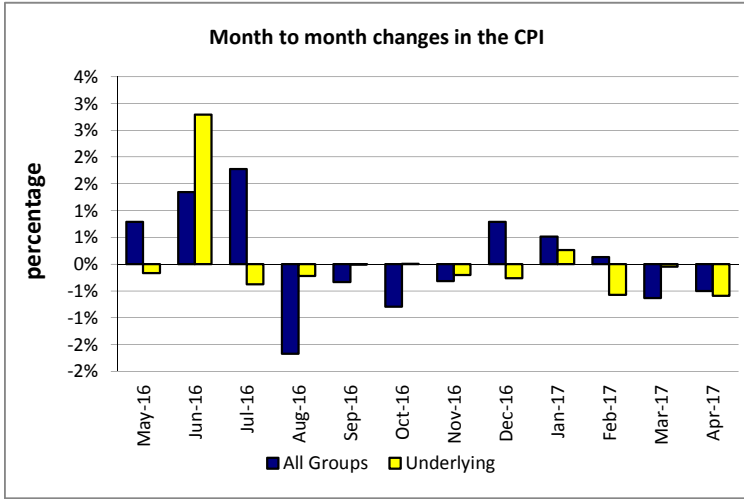
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Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
<b>Weights</b>	<b>185.5</b>	<b>76.1</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>n.a</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>8.8</b>
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	
Ave - 2016	100.3	100.6		98.6		100.0	100.0	101.0				99.3	
2016													
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	100.6	101.1		97.9		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	100.0	100.0
September	100.3	100.9		96.2		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	98.0	100.0
October	100.3	100.9		98.0		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	98.0	100.0
November	100.3	100.7		97.5		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	98.0	102.3
December	100.3	100.6		97.5		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	98.0	102.3
2017													
January	100.3	100.6		97.5		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		103.5	98.0	102.3
February	100.0	101.2		98.2		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		94.8	98.0	102.3
March	100.1	101.2		99.6		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		94.8	98.0	102.3
April (P)	99.5	100.0		94.9		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		94.8	98.0	102.3
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Apr 2017 over Mar 2017	-0.6%	-1.2%		-4.7%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Apr 2017 over Apr 2016	-0.6%	-0.2%		-5.1%		0.0%	0.0%	1.8%	0.3%		-5.2%	-2.0%	2.3%

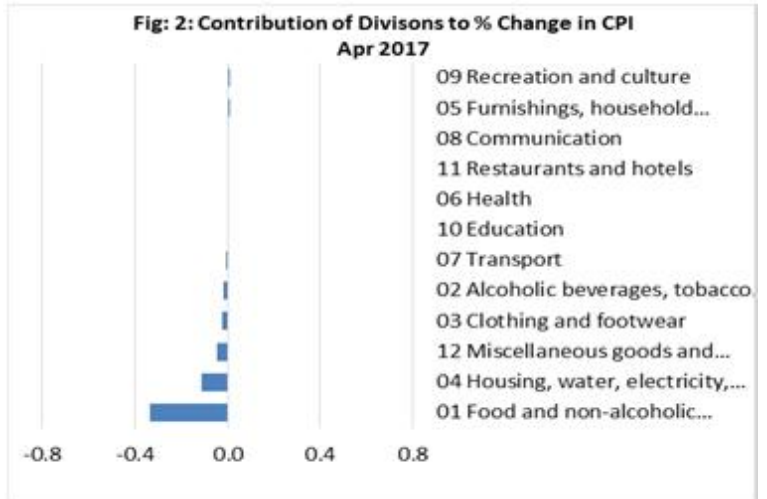
Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics  
(P): Provisional figures  
Note: n.a. Not applicable



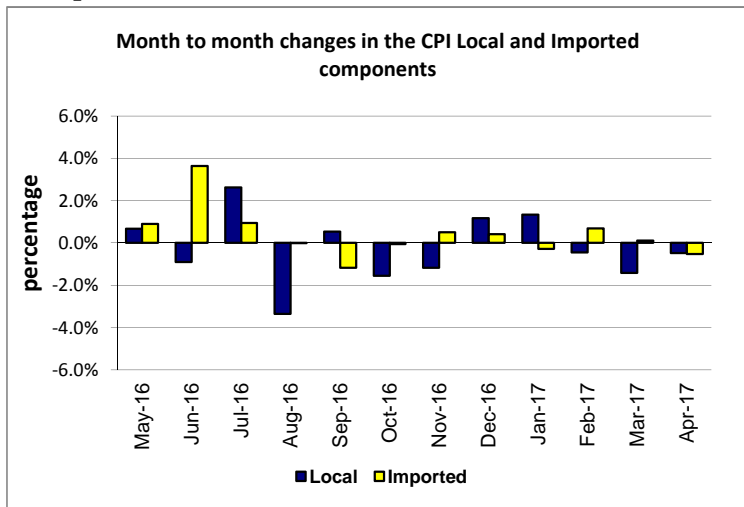
**Graph.1**



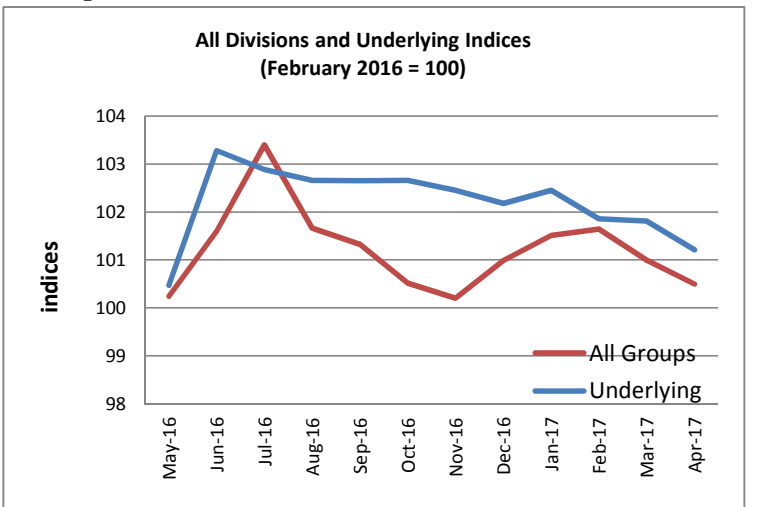
**Graph.2**



**Graph.3**



**Graph.4**



**Graph.5**

