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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX August 2015

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for August 2015 decreased by 2.5 percent compared to the previous month.

- The Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index decreased by 2.8 percent, driven down by lower prices for market staples.
- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index also decreased by 6.2 percent.
- Transport index decreased by 4.4 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended August 2015 was 2.1 percent.

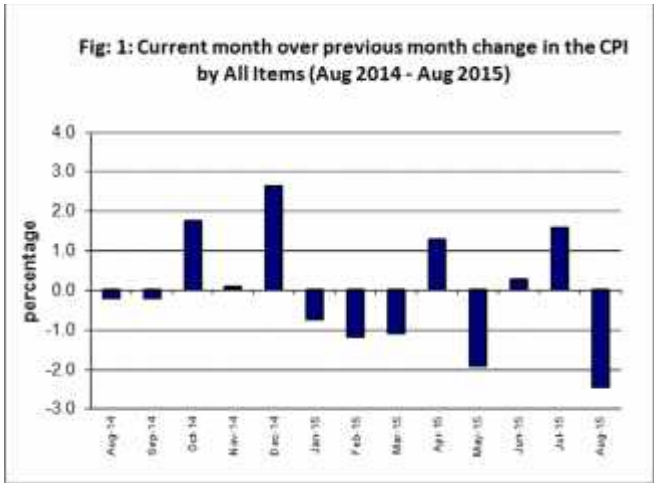
In the year to August 2015, the CPI remained the same.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for August 2015 was 2.5 percent lower than in July 2015 and remained unchanged when compared with August 2014.

The decrease of the Local Goods component by 3.6 percent reflects lower prices for local food, airline fare and electricity (kwh) which were also the main contributors to the decrease of 2.5 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

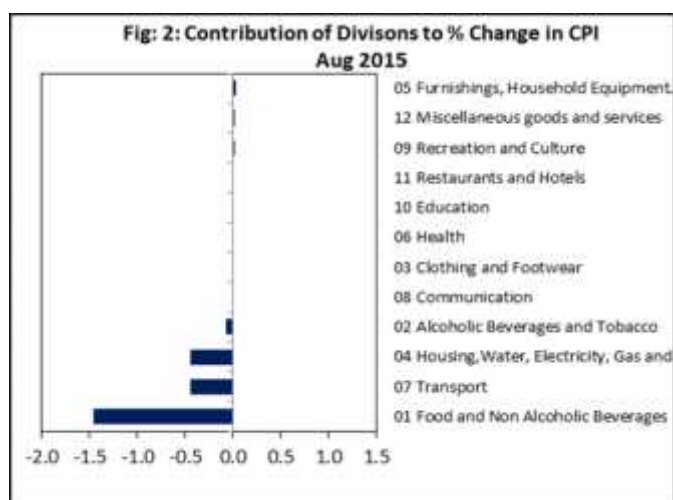
The Imported Goods Component also recorded a decrease of 0.5 percent over July 2015. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by All Divisions from August 2014 to August 2015.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total All Divisions Contribution

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, Transport along with Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels divisions were the main contributors to the overall decrease of 2.5 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.



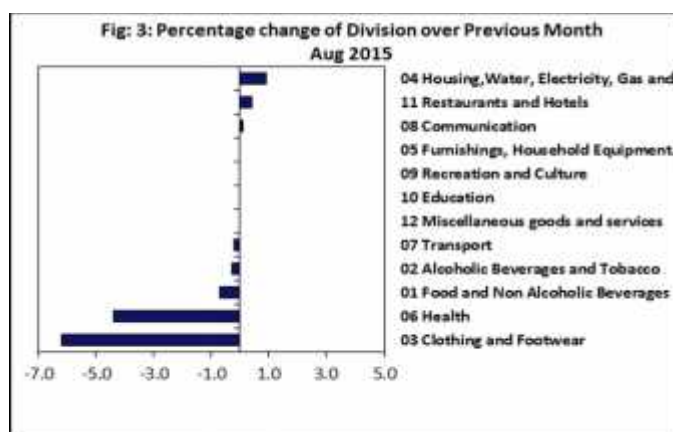
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Consumer Price Index (% Change)

Decreases recorded month on month for the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index with 2.8 percent, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index with 6.2 percent, Transport index with 4.4 percent, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco index with 0.7 percent, Clothing and Footwear index with 0.3 and Communication index with 0.2 percent.

On the other hand, Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance index recorded an increase of 0.9 percent. Miscellaneous Goods and Services increase of 0.4 percent. Recreation and Culture index recorded a slight increase of 0.1 percent.

No changes were recorded for the Health, Education and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the August 2015 percentage change for all divisions from July 2015.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered a decrease of 3.6 percent when compared to the previous month. This decrease was mainly due to lower prices recorded for taro, taamu, banana, breadfruit, Chinese cabbage, tomato, airline fare and electricity (kwh).

Imported Goods Component

Decreased prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, mutton flap and vodka have resulted in the 0.5 percent decrease in the Imported Goods Component.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

Lower prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, mutton flap, taro, taamu, banana, breadfruit, Chinese cabbage, tomato is reflected in the 2.8 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index.



Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

The 6.2 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index was a result of the lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh).

Transport Index

A decrease of 4.4 percent in the Transport index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for fuel airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia).

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco Index

Decreased prices recorded for vodka (nip) have resulted in the 0.7 percent decrease in the Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco index.

Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance Index

The 0.9 percent increase in the Furnishing, Household, Equipment and Maintenance Index

was a result of the higher prices recorded for sheeting material and nails.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services Index

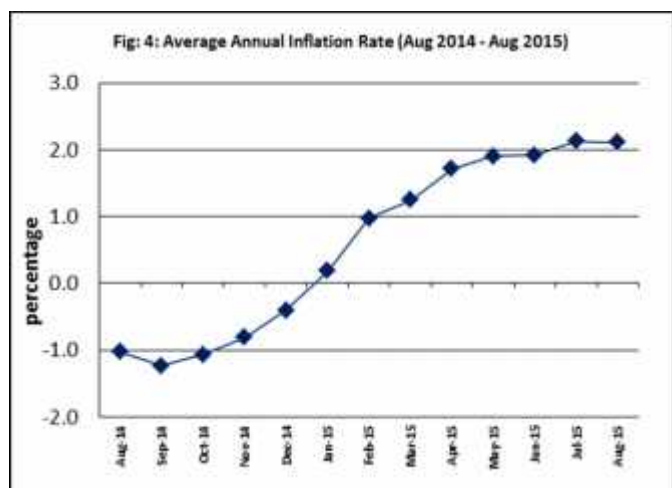
Higher prices recorded for toilet paper and tooth paste is reflected in the 0.4 percent increase in the Miscellaneous Good and Services index.

Underlying Indices ^{1/}

The All Items Underlying Index for August 2015 registered a decrease of 0.6 percent when compared to July 2015, and a decrease of 5.2 percent when compared to August 2014. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered a decrease of 0.8 percent while the Local Items Underlying Index reported no change from the previous month.

Average Annual Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended August 2015 was 2.1 percent. For the twelve months ending August 2014 the inflation rate was negative 1.0 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the Average annual inflation rate (Aug 2014 - Aug 2015).



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/} 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 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 9th October 2015.

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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 - 2012	107.9	110.3	107.8	113.1	108.9	100.4	96.0	111.2	100.0	98.0	101.6	100.0	100.9
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
2014													
August	107.4	105.3	114.8	119.2	110.9	99.9	109.2	118.7	100.0	99.0	101.6	109.4	98.5
September	107.2	104.8	114.8	119.2	113.0	100.5	110.6	118.0	100.0	99.0	101.6	109.4	98.5
October	109.1	108.0	114.8	119.2	113.1	100.6	110.5	121.2	100.0	98.9	101.6	109.4	96.4
November	109.2	108.3	114.8	119.2	113.2	100.4	110.5	120.1	100.0	98.9	101.6	109.4	96.3
December	112.1	115.7	114.3	119.2	113.0	100.4	110.6	112.8	100.0	98.9	101.6	109.4	96.3
2015													
January	111.3	112.5	116.6	112.6	113.0	100.6	110.4	119.9	100.0	98.9	103.4	109.4	96.1
February	110.0	112.7	116.6	112.2	112.2	100.2	110.4	106.1	100.0	99.1	103.4	109.4	96.2
March	108.8	111.4	116.6	118.7	107.7	100.2	110.4	100.8	100.0	99.1	103.4	118.7	96.2
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 (P)	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

Percentage Change (P)

Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	-2.5	-2.8	-0.7	-0.3	-6.2	0.9	0.0	-4.4	-0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	0.0	3.6	-1.0	-0.3	-14.5	2.1	2.0	-6.0	-0.2	0.2	1.8	8.5	-3.0

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 - 2012	104.3	105.3		113.1	101.7	100.4	95.4	100.1		86.8		100.0	100.9
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
2014													
August	107.1	109.0		119.2	99.8	99.9	95.3	95.6		88.1		109.4	98.5
September	106.8	108.4		119.2	100.0	100.5	96.9	95.6		88.1		109.4	98.5
October	106.2	107.8		119.2	100.4	100.6	96.8	95.6		87.6		109.4	96.4
November	106.1	107.7		119.2	101.0	100.4	96.8	95.6		87.6		109.4	96.3
December	105.8	107.2		119.2	101.1	100.4	96.9	96.4		87.6		109.4	96.3
2015													
January	105.9	107.7		112.6	101.1	100.6	96.6	96.4		87.6		109.4	96.1
February	106.1	108.0		112.2	99.3	100.2	96.6	96.4		89.5		109.4	96.2
March	105.6	106.7		118.7	98.2	100.2	96.6	96.4		89.5		118.7	96.2
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 (P)	101.5	100.9		118.8	99.4	102.0	97.9	93.0		91.9		118.7	95.5

Percentage Change (P)

Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	-0.6	-1.0		-0.3	0.2	0.9	0.1	0.0		2.7		0.0	0.4
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	-5.2	-7.5		-0.3	-0.4	2.1	2.6	-2.7		4.3		8.6	-3.1

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P): Provisional figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable

Table 2. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Weight	Unit	2014			2015		
			Jun	Jul	Aug	Jun	Jul	Aug (P)
<i>Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages</i>								
Chicken Leg Quarters	41.8	lb	1.89	1.91	1.95	1.49	1.49	1.41
Taro	41.2	lb	0.62	0.65	0.71	0.93	0.91	0.87
Rice short grain	26.5	lb	1.64	1.66	1.67	1.56	1.55	1.52
Mutton (Pure Flap)	25.5	lb	9.20	8.91	8.94	8.82	7.69	7.44
Canned fish Natural Oil (b)	25.1	15oz	3.31	3.25	3.48	3.43	3.48	3.50
Bread	22.3	loaf	1.83	1.83	1.83	1.77	1.77	1.77
Canned fish Tomato Sauce (b)	22.1	15oz	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.88	2.93	2.99
Taamu	18.9	lb	1.40	1.04	1.07	1.83	2.47	2.09
Sugar Brown	18.7	lb	1.31	1.34	1.30	1.04	1.09	1.05
Fish (piece)	14.5	lb	5.57	4.96	6.28	6.47	7.25	8.10
Canned Beef (b)	13.7	12oz	13.21	12.95	12.91	12.66	12.70	12.69
Mineral Water	12.4	500mls	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Chicken Wings (a)	12.0	lb	3.80	4.15	4.15	3.41	3.50	3.74
Fish (string)	11.7	lb	3.74	4.18	4.28	4.40	4.44	4.65
Koko Samoa	11.5	sml cup	5.14	5.14	5.14	4.93	4.93	4.71
Biscuits Sky Flakes (a)	11.0	850g	14.40	14.40	14.10	15.03	15.03	14.28
Bananas	10.5	lb	0.38	0.32	0.33	0.50	0.55	0.50
Fish (large)	10.2	lb	7.71	7.74	7.52	6.67	8.00	8.50
Milk unskimmed UHT (b)	9.9	ltr	4.13	4.28	4.22	4.11	4.15	4.19
Butter Anchor	9.4	lb	10.85	10.92	10.92	10.98	10.98	10.90
Soft Drink Coke	9.2	750mls	3.63	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.54
Ramen Maggie	8.8	85g	1.08	1.08	1.12	1.08	1.08	1.08
Flour	6.8	lb	1.14	1.17	1.17	1.05	1.04	1.03
Yam	6.3	lb	1.50	1.14	1.27	1.45	1.56	1.53
Oil Cooking oil (a)	5.8	500mls	6.65	6.65	6.65	5.75	5.75	5.55
Taro Leaves	5.5	lb	1.89	2.23	2.51	3.64	2.75	2.85
Coconuts	5.1	lb	0.33	0.31	0.29	0.25	0.25	0.26
Chinese Cabbage	5.0	lb	1.98	1.73	1.23	2.27	1.91	1.52
Salted Beef	4.9	lb	5.92	5.92	5.92	6.78	6.89	6.89
Eggs	4.3	doz	5.90	5.87	5.87	5.94	5.94	5.94
Stewing beef	4.3	lb	5.58	5.58	5.78	6.14	6.08	6.08
Breadfruit	4.2	lb	0.43	0.52	0.30	0.70	0.67	0.54
<i>Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</i>								
Cigarettes (b)	41.70	20rolls	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.86	9.86	9.86
Beer Vailima	32.3	355mls	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.54	4.53
Spirit Volka nip	6.3	nip	10.33	10.33	10.33	9.67	8.33	7.33
Spirit whisky nip	6.3	nip	10.33	10.33	10.33	9.67	8.33	8.33
<i>Clothing and Footwear</i>								
School Uniform	5.4	each	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.00
le Solosolo	2.1	2yds	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.55	7.55	7.55
Jandals soft rubber	2.1	10.5	8.18	8.18	8.18	8.43	8.43	8.43
Jandals hard rubber	1.6	8	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25
<i>Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels</i>								
Electricity	56.9	kwh	1.05	1.05	1.05	0.87	0.91	0.83
Roofing iron	5.2	12ft	52.00	53.47	53.60	55.07	55.07	54.80
Cement	4.4	40kg	22.88	22.88	22.88	23.25	23.38	23.35
Natural gas	3.5	20lb	75.45	75.45	75.45	69.90	69.90	69.90
Kerosene	2.1	ltr	2.79	2.88	2.88	2.19	2.30	2.33
<i>Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</i>								
Washing powder (b)	6.00	200g	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.50	1.50	1.50
Washing soap	4.3	bar	2.90	2.90	2.90	2.97	2.97	2.97
Refridgerator	3.7	331ltrs	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00	2900.00
Sheeting material	3.3	yd	13.95	13.95	13.95	12.95	12.95	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	144.33	144.33	144.33	141.67	141.67	141.67
Mosquito coil	2.0	box	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.28	1.28	1.28

Commodities	Weight	Unit	2014			2015		
			Jun	Jul	Aug	Jun	Jul	Aug (P)
Health								
Paracetamol	3.7	20tablet	1.75	1.80	1.80	1.83	1.83	1.83
Magnesium Trisillicate	3.6	120mls	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.60	7.63	7.67
Cough Mixture	3.6	100mls	9.40	9.40	9.90	9.85	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	3.02	3.12	3.15	2.48	2.65	2.73
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	1813.20	1877.35	1368.00	1903.60	2389.30	1389.50
Air Fares Fagalii-Pago	7.8	return	380.00	380.00	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	215.00	215.00	215.00	212.50	197.50	197.50
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	3.06	3.14	3.11	2.42	2.54	2.56
Car Registration 1500-2000 cc	2.0	ann rate	290.00	290.00	290.00	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	5.35	5.35	5.35
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	5.10	5.10	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	265.00	265.00	265.00	292.00	292.00	292.00
Restaurants								
Meal (Fish & Chips)	11.0	1 serve	9.00	9.00	9.00	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	1.07	1.09	1.09	1.01	1.01	1.01
Diapers (16kg & over)	7.2	24pkt	37.73	37.73	37.80	37.82	37.82	37.82
Toilet Paper	3.6	roll	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.88	0.88	0.90

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(a) : New commodity from August 2010

(b) : Average price across all brands

(P) : Provisional figures

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 - 2012	106.7	105.7	113.9	110.6	103.8	102.1	95.1	118.6		76.7			100.9
Ave - 2013	106.9	106.2	112.1	110.9	101.7	103.0	95.2	119.7		77.0			100.7
Ave - 2014 2014	108.2	108.2	113.4	110.0	101.7	102.3	94.0	120.8		78.2			98.4
August	109.6	110.0	115.2	109.6	101.8	101.9	95.0	122.8		78.9			98.5
September	109.4	109.3	115.2	109.6	102.1	102.8	96.7	124.1		78.9			98.5
October	109.0	108.9	115.2	109.7	102.6	102.8	96.6	122.9		78.1			96.4
November	108.4	108.6	115.2	109.6	102.7	102.5	96.6	119.7		78.1			96.3
December 2015	107.3	108.1	112.2	109.6	102.0	102.5	96.7	114.2		78.1			96.3
January	107.3	108.8	112.2	109.5	101.9	102.7	96.4	110.1		78.1			96.1
February	105.8	108.9	112.2	108.8	98.3	102.2	96.4	97.4		81.5			96.2
March	103.6	107.2	112.2	108.9	95.9	102.2	96.4	88.1		81.5			96.2
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 (P)	100.2	99.5	96.2	108.6	98.5	104.5	95.9	106.8		85.7			95.5
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	-0.5	-1.2	-3.7	-0.5	0.4	1.2	0.1	2.6		5.1			0.5
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	-8.6	-9.5	-16.5	-0.9	-3.2	2.5	1.0	-13.0		8.6			-3.1
IMPORTED 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	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 - 2012	104.9	105.7		110.6	101.4	102.1	95.1	122.0		76.7			100.9
Ave - 2013	105.0	106.2		110.9	98.9	103.0	95.2	113.2		77.0			100.7
Ave - 2014 2014	106.2	108.2		110.0	98.7	102.3	94.0	107.4		78.2			98.4
August	107.6	110.0		109.6	98.9	101.9	95.0	107.2		78.9			98.5
September	107.2	109.3		109.6	99.1	102.8	96.7	107.1		78.9			98.5
October	106.8	108.9		109.7	99.6	102.8	96.6	107.2		78.1			96.4
November	106.6	108.6		109.6	100.2	102.5	96.6	107.1		78.1			96.3
December 2015	106.2	108.1		109.6	100.3	102.5	96.7	109.6		78.1			96.3
January	106.7	108.8		109.5	100.3	102.7	96.4	109.6		78.1			96.1
February	106.7	108.9		108.8	98.3	102.2	96.4	109.6		81.5			96.2
March	105.4	107.2		108.9	97.2	102.2	96.4	109.6		81.5			96.2
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 (P)	99.6	99.5		108.6	98.4	104.5	95.9	98.6		85.7			95.5
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	-0.8	-1.2		-0.5	0.2	1.2	0.1	0.1		5.1			0.5
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	-7.4	-9.5		-0.9	-0.5	2.5	1.0	-8.0		8.6			-3.1

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 - 2012	108.8	115.8	106.5	117.3	110.3	95.9	100.0	104.2	100.0	98.8	101.6	100.0	
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	
2014													
July	106.6	100.8	114.7	135.5	113.5	94.5	170.0	120.7	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
August	105.7	99.8	114.7	135.5	113.5	94.5	170.0	114.9	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
September	105.7	99.6	114.7	135.5	116.2	94.5	170.0	112.3	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
October	109.2	106.9	114.7	135.5	116.2	95.0	170.0	119.7	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
November	109.7	107.8	114.7	135.5	116.2	95.0	170.0	120.4	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
December	115.6	124.6	114.7	135.5	116.2	95.0	170.0	111.5	100.0	99.8	101.6	109.4	
2015													
January	114.4	117.0	117.5	117.9	116.2	95.0	170.0	129.0	100.0	99.8	103.4	109.4	
February	113.1	117.2	117.5	117.9	116.2	95.0	170.0	114.2	100.0	99.8	103.4	109.4	
March	112.6	116.4	117.5	135.5	111.1	95.0	170.0	112.5	100.0	99.8	103.4	118.7	
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 (P)	112.7	120.4	117.4	136.2	93.7	95.5	177.5	116.0	99.8	99.8	103.4	118.7	
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	-3.6	-4.4	-0.2	0.0	-8.0	0.0	0.0	-9.6	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	6.6	20.7	2.4	0.5	-17.4	1.0	4.4	1.0	-0.1	0.0	1.8	8.6	
LOCAL 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	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 - 2012	102.5	103.9		117.3	105.2	95.9	100.0	90.5		100.0		100.0	
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	
2014													
July	105.5	105.4		135.5	111.6	94.5	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
August	105.7	105.7		135.5	111.6	94.5	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
September	105.6	105.5		135.5	111.6	94.5	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
October	104.5	103.7		135.5	111.6	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
November	104.8	104.2		135.5	111.5	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
December	104.7	104.0		135.5	111.5	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
2015													
January	103.5	103.6		117.9	111.5	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
February	104.2	104.8		117.9	111.5	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		109.4	
March	106.5	104.9		135.5	111.5	95.0	100.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
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 (P)	107.4	106.0		136.2	112.3	95.5	125.0	90.5		100.0		118.7	
Percentage Change (P)													
Aug 2015 over Jul 2015	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0		0.0	
Aug 2015 over Aug 2014	1.6	0.3		0.5	0.6	1.1	25.0	0.0		0.0		8.5	

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

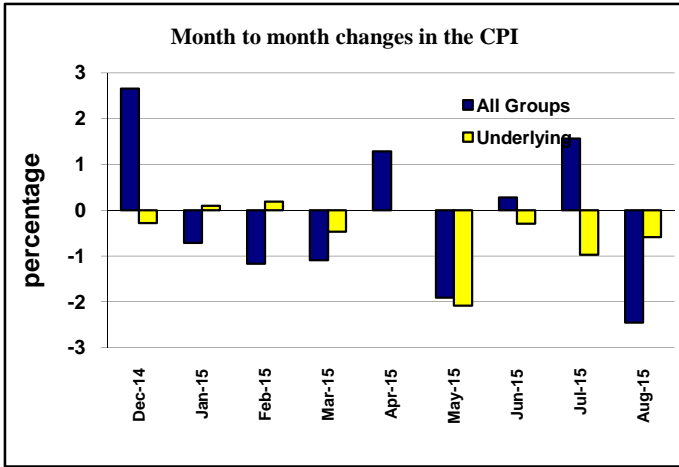
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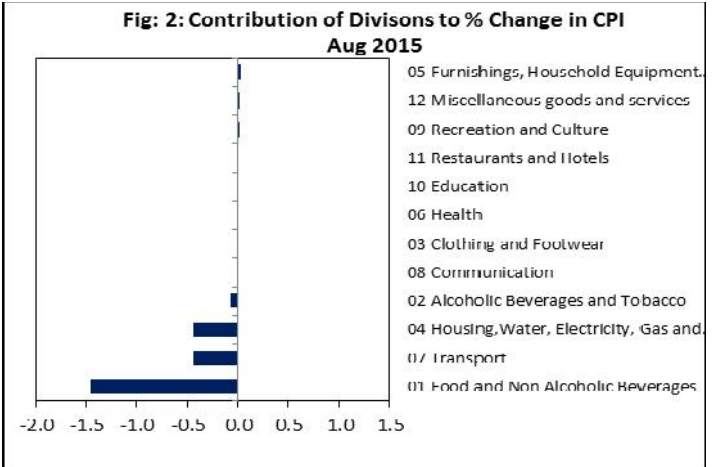
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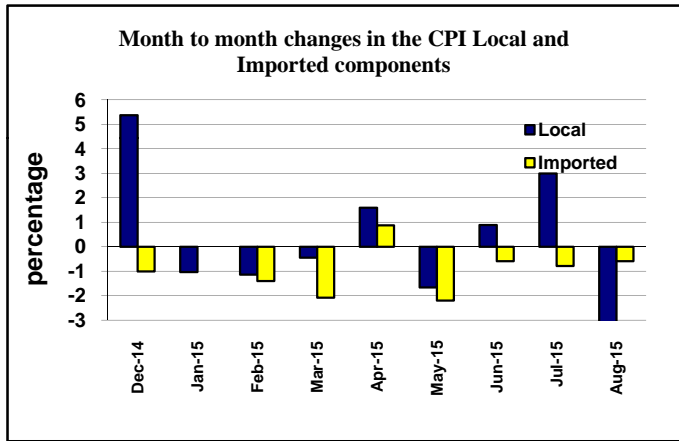
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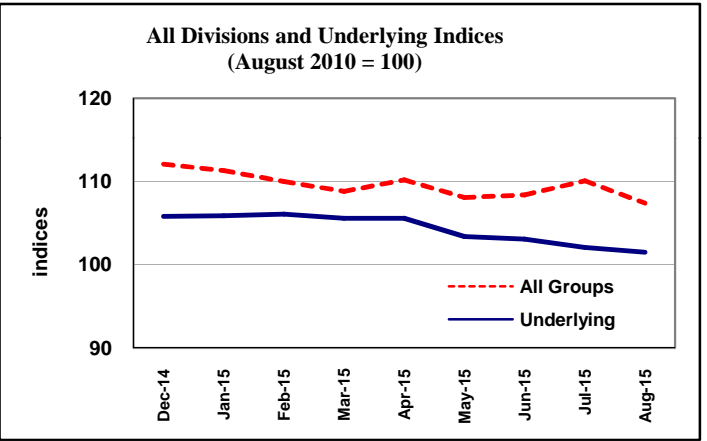
Graph.2



Graph.3



Graph.4



Graph 5

