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## SAMOA BUREAU OF STATISTICS

# CONSUMER PRICE INDEX September 2017

### Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for September 2017 decreased by 0.7 percent compared to the previous month.

- Transport index decreased by 3.3 percent influenced by lower airline fares as Samoa Airways enters the market selling tickets servicing travel between Apia, New Zealand and Australia in the month under review.
- Communication index increased by 1.6 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended September 2017 was 0.9 percent.

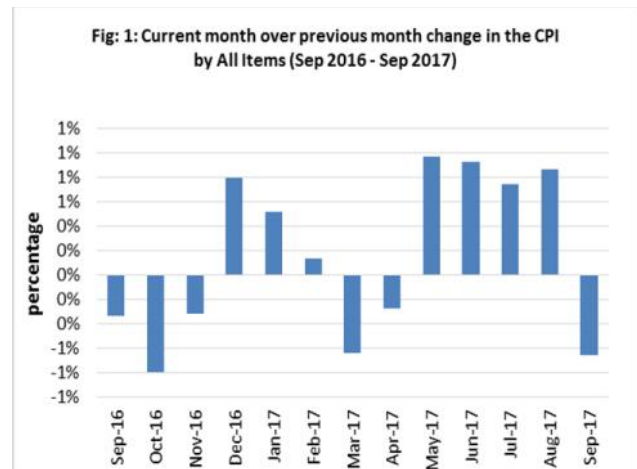
In the year to September 2017, the CPI rose 2.3 percent.

### SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for September 2017 was 0.7 percent lower than in August 2017 and was 2.3 percent higher than September 2016.

The decrease of the Local Goods Component by 1.4 percent reflects lower prices for airline fare and local food which were also contributed to the decrease of 0.7 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

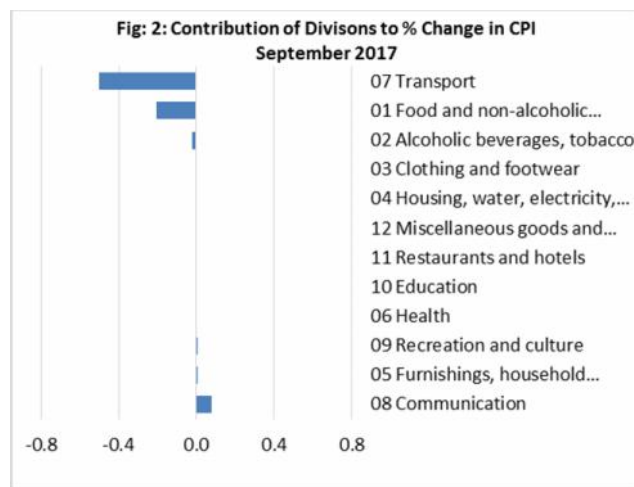
The Imported Goods Component recorded no change from the previous month. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from September 2016 to September 2017.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

## Total All Divisions Contribution

Transport along with Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages were the main contributors to the overall decrease of 0.7 percent in the All Divisions Consumer Price Index.



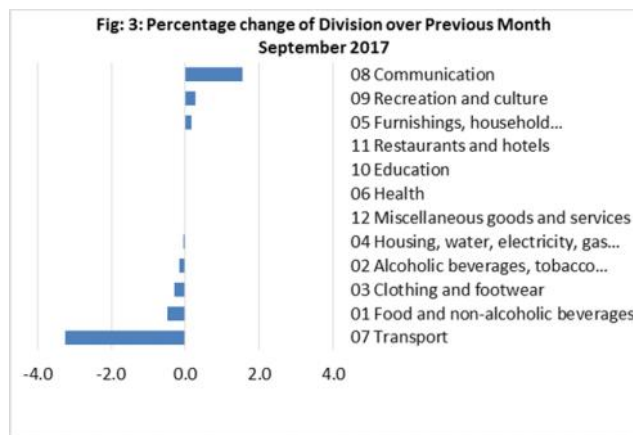
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## Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The 0.7 percent decrease in the Overall Index was mainly due to a decrease of 3.3 percent in the Transport index. The Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, Clothing and Footwear and Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco indices showed decreases of 0.5, 0.3 and 0.1 percent respectively.

On the contrary, increases were recorded for other divisions namely Communication with 1.6 percent, while Recreation and culture and Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance indices registered slight increases of 0.3 and 0.2 percent.

No changes were recorded for the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels, Health, Education, Restaurants and Miscellaneous Goods and Services indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the September 2017 percentage change for all divisions from August 2017.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

## Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered a decrease of 0.7 percent when compared to the previous month. This decrease was mainly due to lower prices recorded for airline fare, fresh fish (piece), chinese cabbage, koko samoa, cucumber, tomato, taamu and head cabbage.

## Imported Goods Component

The Imported Good Component remained the same from the previous month.

## Transport Index

A decrease of 3.3 percent in the Transport index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia).

## Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

The 0.5 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index was mainly due to lower prices recorded for raw sugar, rice, fresh fish (piece), chinese cabbage, koko samoa, cucumber, tomato, taamu and head cabbage.

## Communication Index

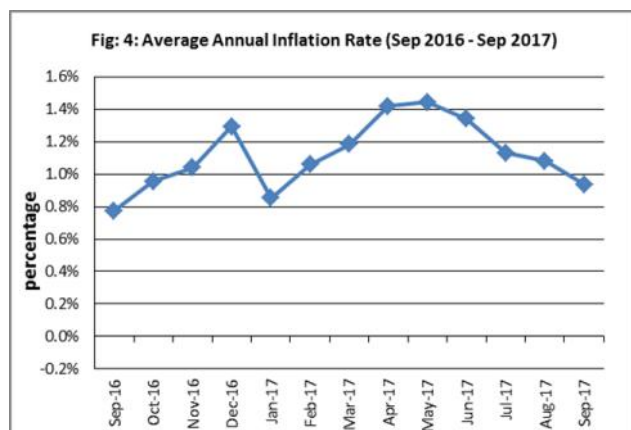
Higher prices recorded for internet (data bundles) is resulted in the 1.6 percent increase in the Communication index.

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

The All Items Underlying Index for September 2017 remained unchanged when compared to August 2017, and an increase of 2.8 percent when compared to September 2016. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered a decrease of 0.1 percent, while Local Items Underlying Index recorded an increase of 0.4 percent.

## Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended September 2017 was 0.9 percent. For the twelve months ending September 2016 the inflation rate was 0.8 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the average annual inflation rate (September 2016 - September 2017).



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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

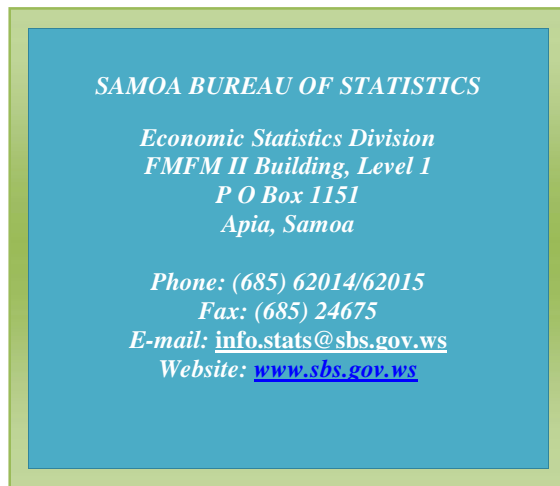
## Technical Notes:

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: 11<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 9<sup>th</sup> November 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													
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	100.7	100.4	107.5	97.5	89.9	99.9	94.5	107.5	100.3	90.1	96.8	98.0	98.6
May	101.7	102.1	107.6	98.5	91.2	99.7	95.3	108.0	100.3	90.1	97.8	98.0	98.2
June	102.6	103.8	107.4	97.0	92.8	99.3	95.3	109.0	100.3	90.4	97.8	98.3	97.5
July	103.4	106.5	108.2	95.0	94.7	99.1	95.3	105.0	100.3	90.4	97.8	98.3	97.4
August	104.3	107.8	108.5	95.4	94.1	99.1	95.3	107.9	100.3	91.7	97.8	98.3	97.2
September (P)	103.6	107.2	108.3	95.1	94.0	99.2	95.3	104.3	101.8	92.0	97.8	98.3	97.1
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	-0.7%	-0.5%	-0.1%	-0.3%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	-3.3%	1.6%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	2.3%	2.2%	2.5%	-2.4%	5.5%	-0.3%	-1.5%	4.4%	1.8%	0.4%	-4.3%	0.3%	-3.4%
<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	95.4	92.1	92.1	102.0
Ave - 2015	102.5	103.5		98.7	101.7	99.7	99.8	101.9	98.3	98.3	98.7	98.7	99.2
Ave - 2016	101.7	103.2		98.8	97.5	99.4	99.0	100.2	95.0	95.0	99.3	99.3	100.6
2016													
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	101.2	103.2		97.5	94.3	99.9	92.7	101.2	100.3	89.3	94.8	98.0	98.6
May	101.9	104.1		98.5	94.3	99.7	93.8	103.7	100.3	89.3	96.5	98.0	98.2
June	103.6	107.2		97.0	94.4	99.3	93.8	103.7	100.3	89.7	96.5	98.3	97.5
July	104.5	108.9		95.0	94.4	99.1	93.8	103.7	100.3	89.7	96.5	98.3	97.4
August	105.5	110.7		95.4	94.3	99.1	93.8	103.3	100.3	91.1	96.5	98.3	97.2
September (P)	105.6	110.5		95.1	93.7	99.2	93.8	103.3	101.8	91.4	96.5	98.3	97.1
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	0.0%	-0.1%		-0.3%	-0.7%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	2.8%	5.3%		-2.4%	-4.0%	-0.3%	-2.0%	2.4%	1.8%	0.5%	-6.8%	0.3%	-3.4%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable



Commodities	Wt	Unit	2016			2017		
			Jul	Aug	Sep	Jul	Aug	Sep (P)
<b>07 Transport</b>								
Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.37	2.40	2.18	2.41	2.35	2.37
Taxi Fare PO Motoootua 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	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	1799.30	1163.90	1175.05	1181.60	2385.65	1219.35
<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	0.25
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	1044.50	1082.83	1016.17	966.00	1007.83	1007.83
Exercise Book warwick	1.44	1B4 64 pag	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.37	1.37	1.37
Laptop (a)	1.33	each	3217.00	2896.80	2956.80	2771.60	2771.60	2808.60
<b>10 Education</b>								
Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.23	Year 6	72.50	72.50	72.50	62.50	62.50	62.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.11	Year 10	48.00	48.00	48.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
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	9.08	9.08	9.08
Curry & Meal	4.87	1 serve	3.33	3.33	3.00	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	0.94	0.94	0.95
Hair Gel	4.59	1124ml	5.26	5.30	5.14	4.94	4.91	4.84
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	1.83	1.81	1.83	1.84	1.84	1.83
Diapers (a)	4.19	5kg-10kg	13.49	13.34	13.33	10.47	10.27	10.04

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													
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	104.6	104.1	110.3	98.5	98.5	99.8	89.5	112.9		89.3			97.7
May	104.6	105.3	108.6	98.2	97.9	99.6	91.1	110.3		89.3			97.1
June	107.0	109.5	108.9	95.9	98.2	99.2	91.1	111.7		89.7			96.3
July	107.7	111.6	110.1	95.7	97.6	99.0	91.1	109.2		89.7			96.1
August	108.5	113.9	110.5	96.3	96.9	98.9	91.1	107.1		91.1			95.9
September (P)	108.6	113.7	110.2	95.9	96.8	99.1	91.1	107.8		91.4			95.8
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	0.0%	-0.2%	-0.2%	-0.4%	-0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.7%		0.3%			0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	4.7%	7.2%	0.7%	-2.0%	-2.5%	-0.4%	-2.9%	7.0%		0.5%			-4.9%
<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
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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													
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March	102.6	105.0		98.2	94.1	99.5	89.5	101.0		87.6			98.6
April	102.0	104.1		98.5	94.3	99.8	89.5	101.2		89.3			97.7
May	102.9	105.3		98.2	94.3	99.6	91.1	104.0		89.3			97.1
June	105.5	109.5		95.9	94.4	99.2	91.1	104.0		89.7			96.3
July	106.9	111.6		95.7	94.4	99.0	91.1	104.0		89.7			96.1
August	108.4	113.9		96.3	94.3	98.9	91.1	103.5		91.1			95.9
September (P)	108.3	113.7		95.9	93.7	99.1	91.1	103.5		91.4			95.8
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	-0.1%	-0.2%		-0.4%	-0.7%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%		0.3%			0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	4.4%	7.2%		-2.0%	-4.0%	-0.4%	-2.9%	2.8%		0.5%			-4.9%

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													
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	97.0	92.9	106.9	94.9	87.3	100.0	100.0	99.5	100.3	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
May	98.9	95.8	107.4	99.3	89.2	100.0	100.0	104.4	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.0	102.3
June	98.4	92.6	107.1	99.7	91.1	100.0	100.0	105.1	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
July	99.2	96.4	107.7	93.0	93.8	100.0	100.0	98.9	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
August	100.1	95.5	108.0	93.2	93.2	100.2	100.0	109.0	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
September (P)	98.8	94.3	107.9	93.1	93.2	100.2	100.0	99.2	101.8	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	-1.4%	-1.3%	-0.1%	-0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-9.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	-0.3%	-8.3%	2.9%	-3.2%	8.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.4%	1.8%	0.0%	-4.3%	0.3%	2.3%

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<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													
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	99.5	100.0		94.9		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		94.8	98.0	102.3
May	99.7	99.9		99.3		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.0	102.3
June	99.5	99.3		99.7		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
July	99.3	99.3		93.0		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
August	99.3	99.3		93.2		100.2	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
September (P)	99.7	99.3		93.1		100.2	100.0	101.8	101.8		96.5	98.3	102.3
<b>Percentage Change (P)</b>													
Sep 2017 over Aug 2017	0.4%	0.0%		-0.2%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sep 2017 over Sep 2016	-0.6%	-1.6%		-3.2%		0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%		-6.8%	0.3%	2.3%

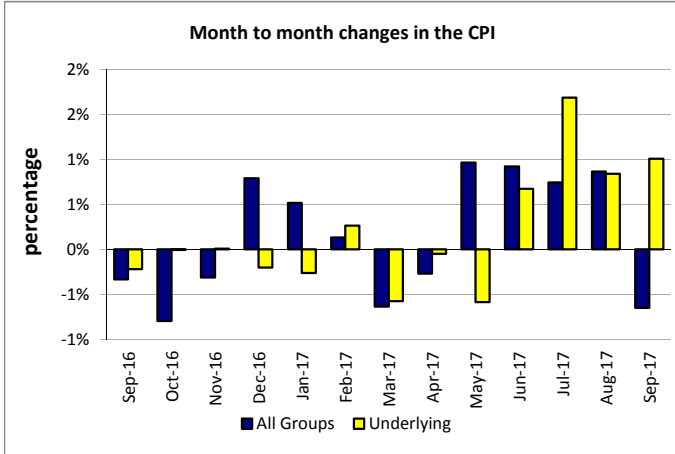
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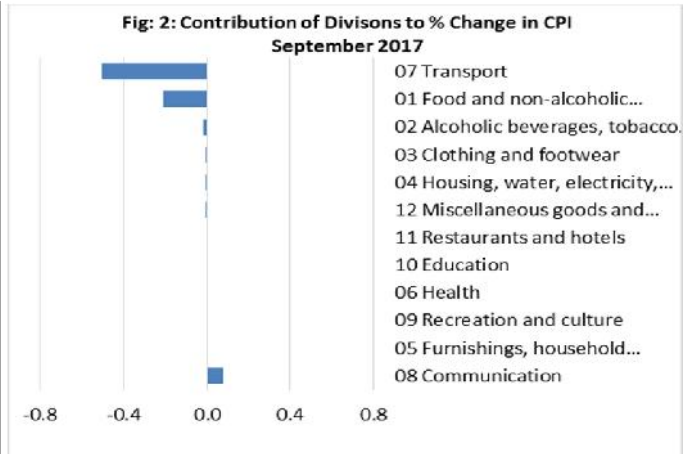
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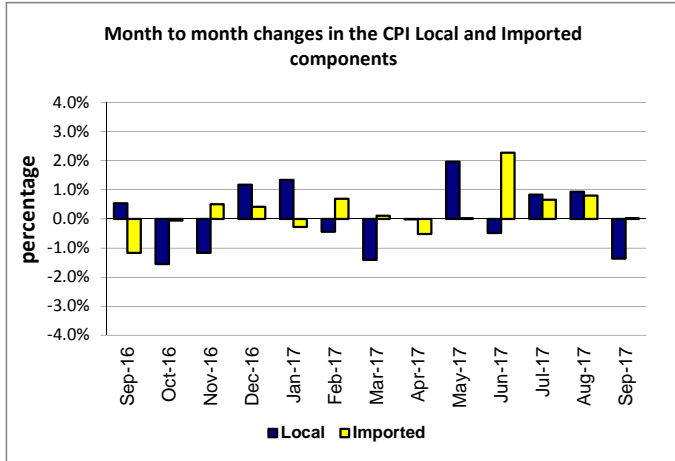
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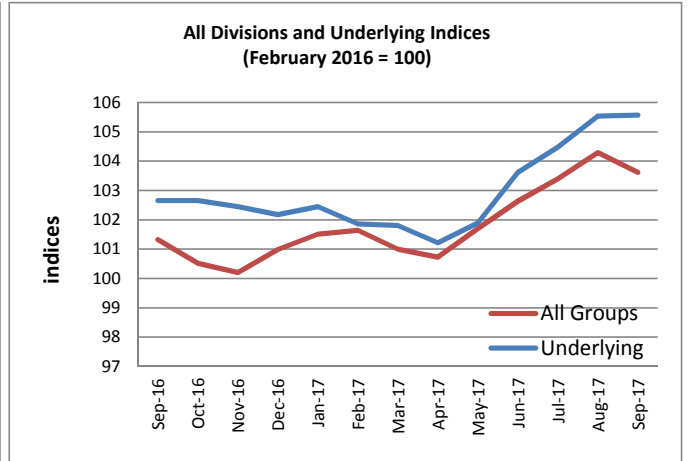
**Graph.2**



**Graph.3**



**Graph.4**



**Graph.5**

