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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX May 2018

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for May 2018 increased by 1.9 percent compared to the previous month.

- The Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index increased by 3.9 percent due to effective customs duty added for selected imported meat products.
- The continue increase of oil prices internationally in May 2018 has pushed local fuel prices up as reflected in the 1.5 percent increase in the Transport index.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended May 2018 was 3.3 percent.

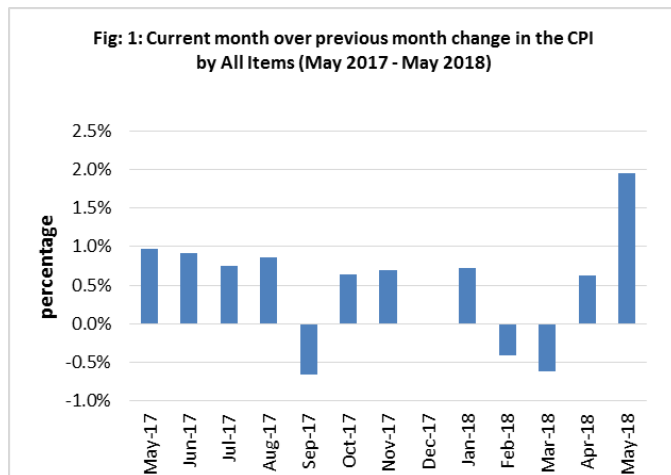
In the year to May 2018, the CPI rose 5.6 percent.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for May 2018 was 1.9 percent higher than in April 2018, and was 5.6 percent higher than May 2017.

The increase of the Imported Goods component by 2.9 percent from the previous month was due to higher prices for imported food, spirit and fuel which were also the main contributors to the increase of 1.9 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

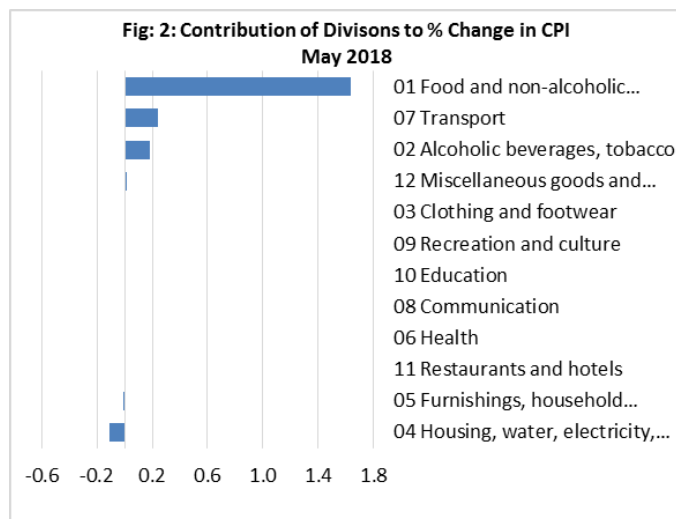
The Local Goods Component registered an increase of 1.0 percent from the previous month. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from May 2017 to May 2018.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total All Divisions Contribution

As depicted in Fig 2, Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages, Transport and Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco divisions were the main contributors to the overall increase of 1.9 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.



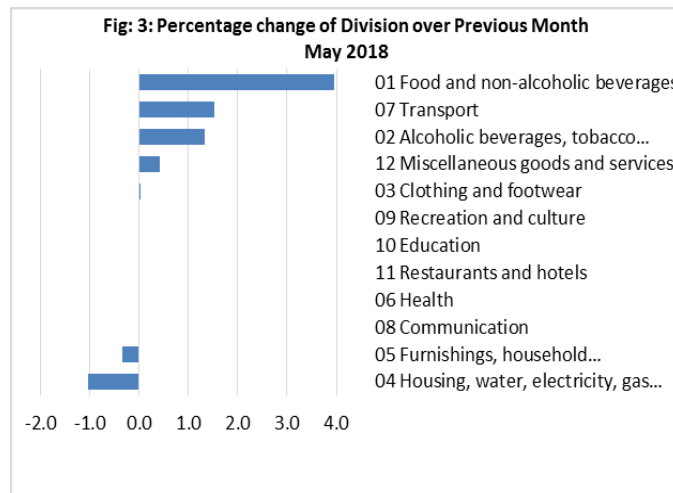
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Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The increases recorded for the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index from the previous month registered 3.9 percent, Transport index with 1.5 percent, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco index with 1.3 percent and Miscellaneous Good and Services index with 0.4 percent.

On the contrary, slight decreases were registered for Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index with 1.0 percent and Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance with 0.3 percent respectively.

No changes were recorded for the Clothing and Footwear, Health, Communication, Recreation and Culture, Education and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the May 2018 percentage change for all divisions from April 2018.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Imported Goods Component

The Imported Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered an increase of 2.9 percent when compared to the previous month. This increase was mainly due to higher prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, raw sugar, mutton neck, spirit and fuel (petrol and diesel).

Local Goods Component

Increased prices recorded for local food and airline fare have resulted in the 1.0 percent increase in the Local Good Component.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

An increase of 3.9 percent in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index was a reflection of the higher prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, raw sugar, taro, fresh fish (large), koko samoa, ripe banana, mutton neck, coconut and head cabbage.

Transport Index

Higher prices recorded for fuel (petrol and diesel) and airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia) is reflected in the 1.5 percent increase in the Transport Index.

Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco Index

The Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco index recorded an increase of 1.3 percent higher due to the rise in prices recorded for beer, spirit and kava.

Miscellaneous Goods and Services Index

Higher prices recorded for hair gel and tooth paste is resulted in the 0.4 percent increase in the Miscellaneous Good and Services index.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

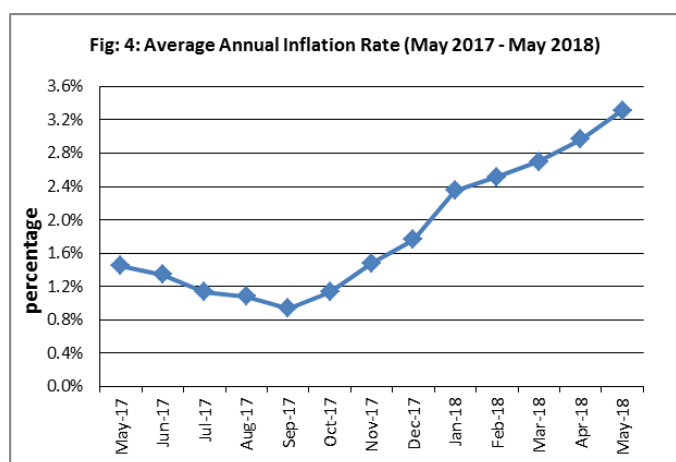
Decreased prices recorded for electricity (kwh) is reflected in the 1.0 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index.

Underlying Indices ^{1/}

The All Items Underlying Index for May 2018 registered an increase of 2.1 percent when compared to April 2018, and an increase of 4.9 percent when compared to May 2017. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered an increase of 3.1 percent, while Local Items Underlying Index recorded a decrease of 0.1 percent.

Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended May 2018 was 3.3 percent. For the twelve months ending May 2017 the inflation rate was 1.4 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the average annual inflation rate (May 2017 - May 2018).



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.

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The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 10th July 2018.

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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 - 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
Ave - 2017	102.9	105.1	107.6	96.6	92.2	99.1	95.6	107.3	101.2	90.7	97.9	98.3	98.1
2017													
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	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
October	104.3	108.1	108.5	95.3	90.5	98.9	95.3	108.1	103.7	92.0	97.8	98.6	98.1
November	105.0	108.0	108.7	95.7	94.7	98.9	95.3	109.8	103.4	92.0	97.8	98.6	97.7
December	105.0	108.4	108.7	95.8	92.7	98.3	95.3	110.6	103.4	92.0	97.8	98.6	97.6
2018													
January	105.7	108.6	110.3	95.7	93.0	98.3	95.3	113.5	103.4	91.7	97.8	98.6	97.5
February	105.3	108.2	110.6	94.7	90.9	98.6	95.3	111.3	103.4	92.9	111.6	98.6	97.6
March	104.7	106.8	110.9	94.6	89.4	99.0	95.3	112.0	103.4	92.9	111.6	98.6	96.8
April	105.3	107.9	111.1	95.0	90.7	98.8	95.3	111.9	103.4	93.2	111.6	98.6	97.5
May (P)	107.4	112.1	112.5	95.0	89.8	98.4	95.3	113.6	103.4	93.2	111.6	98.6	97.9
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over Apr 2018	1.9%	3.9%	1.3%	0.0%	-1.0%	-0.3%	0.0%	1.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
May 2018 over May 2017	5.6%	9.8%	4.5%	-3.5%	-1.6%	-1.2%	0.0%	5.2%	3.1%	3.5%	14.1%	0.6%	-0.3%

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 - 2015	102.5	103.5		98.7	101.7	99.7	99.8	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
Ave - 2017	104.1	107.9		96.6	93.8	99.1	94.2	104.2	101.2	90.0	96.7	98.3	98.1
2017													
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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
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November	107.2	112.5		95.7	92.8	98.9	93.8	111.4	103.4	91.4	96.5	98.6	97.7
December	106.7	111.8		95.8	92.6	98.3	93.8	109.9	103.4	91.4	96.5	98.6	97.6
2018													
January	105.4	109.5		95.7	92.5	98.3	93.8	112.3	103.4	91.0	96.5	98.6	97.5
February	105.8	109.3		94.7	94.1	98.6	93.8	112.1	103.4	92.4	115.6	98.6	97.6
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April	104.6	107.3		95.0	92.9	98.8	93.8	112.5	103.4	92.7	115.6	98.6	97.5
May (P)	106.9	111.1		95.0	93.1	98.4	93.8	112.5	103.4	92.7	115.6	98.6	97.9
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over Apr 2018	2.1%	3.5%		0.0%	0.3%	-0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
May 2018 over May 2017	4.9%	6.7%		-3.5%	-1.2%	-1.2%	0.0%	8.5%	3.1%	3.8%	19.7%	0.6%	-0.3%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note: n.a. Not applicable

■ Revised Figure

Table 2. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2017			2018		
			Mar	Apr	May	Mar	Apr	May (P)
01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages								
Leg Quarters Chicken	62.2	kg	3.36	3.27	3.43	3.73	3.73	4.30
Raw Sugar	21.3	kg	3.01	2.98	2.93	3.00	2.88	2.90
Bread	17.2	loaf	1.72	1.65	1.65	1.70	1.68	1.68
Corned Beef (a)	15.9	12 oz	8.25	8.25	8.27	8.22	8.22	8.17
Taro	15.2	kg	1.53	1.27	1.40	1.91	2.09	2.38
Re-packed medium grain rice	13.4	kg	3.19	3.16	3.17	3.24	3.24	3.22
Prepacked medium grain rice (a)	13.4	907g	3.18	3.18	3.17	3.00	3.08	3.08
Canned fish betw een \$3.00 and \$3.99 Natural Oil	12.7	15 oz	3.45	3.46	3.48	3.49	3.52	3.53
Bongo	10.2	20grms	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.83	0.83	0.84
Keke Saina Biscuits (a)	9.2	pkt 10	6.25	6.25	6.36	6.50	6.54	6.54
Tip Top Ice Cream (a)	9.2	2 ltr	14.78	14.95	14.95	15.03	15.07	14.93
Ramen maggie	9.0	85gms	1.16	1.14	1.14	1.12	1.12	1.12
Fish (Piece)	7.9	kg	11.03	14.44	14.16	17.35	19.40	18.75
Butter Anchor	7.7	454g	12.36	12.41	12.47	13.46	13.46	13.46
Round Pancake (a)	7.5	sml	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Mutton Flaps	6.6	kg	16.81	17.12	17.36	20.80	20.74	20.81
Canned fish \$4:00 or over N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	4.81	4.82	4.86	4.77	4.84	4.84
Canned fish under \$3.00 in N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	2.52	2.47	2.50	2.53	2.52	2.47
Wings Turkey	6.3	kg	4.10	4.51	4.62	6.61	5.65	5.50
Fish (string)	6.0	kg	8.94	7.95	9.94	9.97	10.02	9.99
Fish (large)	6.0	kg	13.99	14.42	16.35	15.90	16.53	17.35
02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics								
Lager Beer	37.9	355 mls	3.45	3.43	3.45	3.54	3.56	3.63
Pall Mall Filter Cigarettes (Red)	24.3	20 rolls	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.60	12.60	12.60
Pall Mall Menthol Cigarettes (Green)	24.3	20 rolls	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.60	12.60	12.60
Beer (a)	16.3	330 mls	3.31	3.33	3.31	3.34	3.34	3.34
Winfield Tobacco (a)	12.6	packet	14.68	14.68	14.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
03 Clothing and footwear								
Uniform le Faitaga College boys	4.3	size 8-10	33.00	33.00	33.00	31.33	31.33	31.33
Uniform Pa'ave (a)	3.7	size 7	33.33	33.33	33.33	32.67	32.67	32.67
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels								
Electricity / Cashpower / kw h 1- 100 / total cost per t	50.6	kw h	0.67	0.67	0.62	0.59	0.62	0.60
Reservoir treated Water	28.5	15-40 m3	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40
Liquid gas	15.8	9kg	59.50	59.50	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00
Government house Rent	12.2	2 b/room	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
05 Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance								
Washing powder (a)	6.3	200g	1.87	1.87	1.87	1.81	1.82	1.82
Soap yellow Washing soap	5.9	bar	2.81	2.82	2.75	2.98	2.93	2.88
Mosquito coil	4.4	10 coil	1.30	1.35	1.38	1.18	1.18	1.18
06 Health								
Amoxicillin mg Tablets (a)	2.5	500 mg	6.67	6.67	6.83	6.83	6.83	6.83
Hospital Charge	1.1	night	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50

07 Transport

Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.56	2.54	2.44	2.69	2.63	2.67
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	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	1163.00	1255.40	1864.00	1057.20	1305.77	1544.53

08 Communication

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	0.25	0.25	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

09 Recreation and culture

Television (a)	2.30	LCD	957.83	1007.83	1007.83	966.00	966.00	966.00
Exercise Book w arw ick	1.44	1B4 64 pa	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.45	1.45	1.45
Laptop (a)	1.33	each	2771.60	2771.60	2771.60	2952.60	2998.60	2998.60

10 Education

Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.23	Year 6	62.50	62.50	62.50	82.50	82.50	82.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.11	Year 10	48.00	48.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00
Fees Tertiary NUS registration School Fees	3.79	registratio	292.00	292.00	292.00	320.00	320.00	320.00
Fees Secondary Y Examination Fees (a)	3.61	Y12-13	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50

11 Restaurants and hotels

Fish & Chip Meal	7.79	1 serve	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.17	9.17	9.17
Curry & Chopsuey Meal	4.87	1 serve	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Chicken & Chips 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

12 Miscellaneous goods and services

Paper Sofan deluxe ply Toilet Paper	8.52	250 sheet	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.98	1.00	1.00
Hair Gel	4.59	1124ml	5.11	5.06	4.99	4.31	4.31	4.39
Remains price for Storage of remains (a)	4.41	per day	60.00	60.00	60.00	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	1.84	1.83	1.85	1.86
Diapers (a)	4.19	5kg-10kg	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.97	9.97	9.97

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
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 - 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
Ave - 2017	107.3	110.1	110.0	97.0	97.6	98.9	91.7	111.2		90.0			97.1
2017													
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	108.6	113.7	110.2	95.9	96.8	99.1	91.1	107.8		91.4			95.8
October	110.4	115.7	110.2	96.3	96.5	98.7	91.1	112.1		91.4			97.0
November	111.3	115.9	110.5	96.7	97.5	98.8	91.1	115.7		91.4			96.5
December	110.9	115.0	110.5	96.5	97.6	98.0	91.1	116.3		91.4			96.4
2018													
January	110.3	112.1	110.5	96.9	98.7	98.0	91.1	121.6		91.0			96.3
February	110.0	111.8	110.3	95.5	99.9	98.4	91.1	120.5		92.4			96.4
March	108.8	109.5	110.7	95.4	99.8	98.8	91.1	121.2		92.4			95.4
April	108.4	109.4	110.7	95.5	99.2	98.5	91.1	119.3		92.7			96.3
May (P)	111.6	114.3	114.9	95.6	99.3	98.1	91.1	120.7		92.7			96.8
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over	2.9%	4.5%	3.8%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.4%	0.0%	1.1%		0.0%			0.5%
Apr 2018													
May 2018 over	6.7%	8.5%	5.8%	-2.7%	1.5%	-1.5%	0.0%	9.3%		3.8%			-0.4%
May 2017													
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 - 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
Ave - 2017	106.0	110.1		97.0	93.8	98.9	91.7	104.5		90.0			97.1
2017													
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	108.3	113.7		95.9	93.7	99.1	91.1	103.5		91.4			95.8
October	109.8	115.7		96.3	92.6	98.7	91.1	107.2		91.4			97.0
November	110.3	115.9		96.7	92.8	98.8	91.1	112.8		91.4			96.5
December	109.5	115.0		96.5	92.6	98.0	91.1	111.1		91.4			96.4
2018													
January	107.7	112.1		96.9	92.5	98.0	91.1	113.3		91.0			96.3
February	107.5	111.8		95.5	94.1	98.4	91.1	112.6		92.4			96.4
March	105.9	109.5		95.4	93.3	98.8	91.1	112.6		92.4			95.4
April	105.9	109.4		95.5	92.9	98.5	91.1	113.1		92.7			96.3
May (P)	109.2	114.3		95.6	93.1	98.1	91.1	113.1		92.7			96.8
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over	3.1%	4.5%		0.0%	0.3%	-0.4%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%			0.5%
Apr 2018													
May 2018 over	6.1%	8.5%		-2.7%	-1.2%	-1.5%	0.0%	8.7%		3.8%			-0.4%
May 2017													

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
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 - 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	
Ave - 2017	98.6	95.0	107.1	95.7	90.6	100.1	100.0	101.6	101.2	100.0	97.9	98.3	102.3
2017													
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	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
October	98.2	93.0	108.1	92.7	88.7	100.3	100.0	102.2	103.7	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
November	98.8	92.2	108.3	93.1	93.8	100.3	100.0	101.2	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
December	99.2	95.0	108.3	93.8	91.3	100.3	100.0	102.2	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
2018													
January	101.3	101.6	110.3	92.6	91.3	100.3	100.0	101.5	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
February	100.7	101.0	110.7	92.8	88.1	100.3	100.0	97.7	103.4	100.0	111.6	98.6	102.3
March	100.6	101.2	110.9	92.8	86.2	100.3	100.0	98.3	103.4	100.0	111.6	98.6	102.3
April	102.3	104.9	111.1	93.7	88.1	100.3	100.0	100.8	103.4	100.0	111.6	98.6	102.3
May (P)	103.2	107.8	112.0	93.7	86.8	100.3	100.0	103.1	103.4	100.0	111.6	98.6	102.3
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over	1.0%	2.7%	0.8%	0.0%	-1.4%	0.0%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Apr 2018													
May 2018 over	4.4%	12.5%	4.3%	-5.7%	-2.7%	0.3%	0.0%	-1.3%	3.1%	0.0%	14.1%	0.6%	0.0%
May 2017													
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 - 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	
Ave - 2017	99.9	100.1		95.7		100.1	100.0	101.8	101.2		96.7	98.3	102.3
2017													
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	99.7	99.3		93.1		100.2	100.0	101.8	101.8		96.5	98.3	102.3
October	100.6	100.1		92.7		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.7		96.5	98.6	102.3
November	100.6	100.3		93.1		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
December	100.5	100.1		93.8		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
2018													
January	100.6	100.2		92.6		100.3	100.0	105.7	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
February	102.0	100.4		92.8		100.3	100.0	108.6	103.4		115.6	98.6	102.3
March	102.0	100.3		92.8		100.3	100.0	108.6	103.4		115.6	98.6	102.3
April	101.9	100.0		93.7		100.3	100.0	108.6	103.4		115.6	98.6	102.3
May (P)	101.8	99.8		93.7		100.3	100.0	108.6	103.4		115.6	98.6	102.3
Percentage Change (P)													
May 2018 over	-0.1%	-0.2%		0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Apr 2018													
May 2018 over	2.1%	-0.1%		-5.7%		0.3%	0.0%	6.7%	3.1%		19.7%	0.6%	0.0%
May 2017													

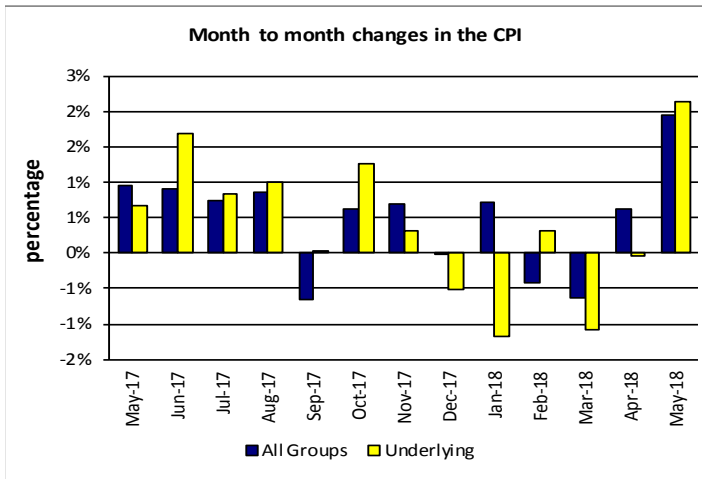
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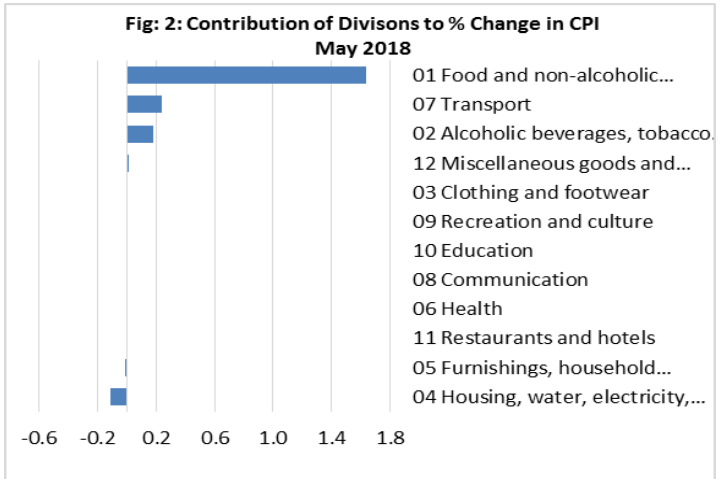
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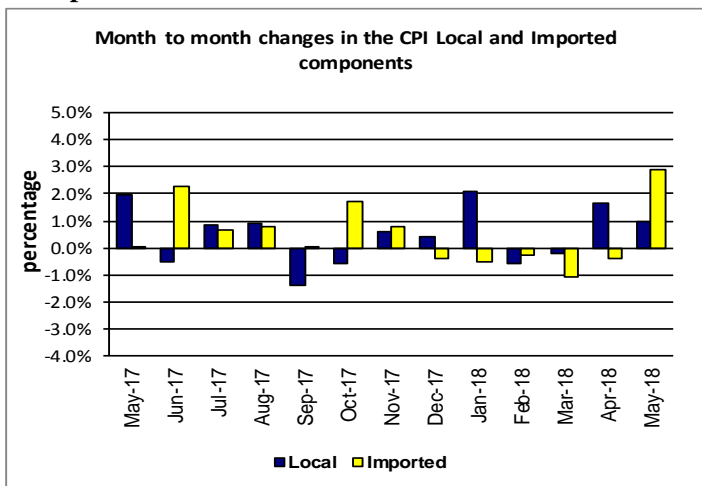
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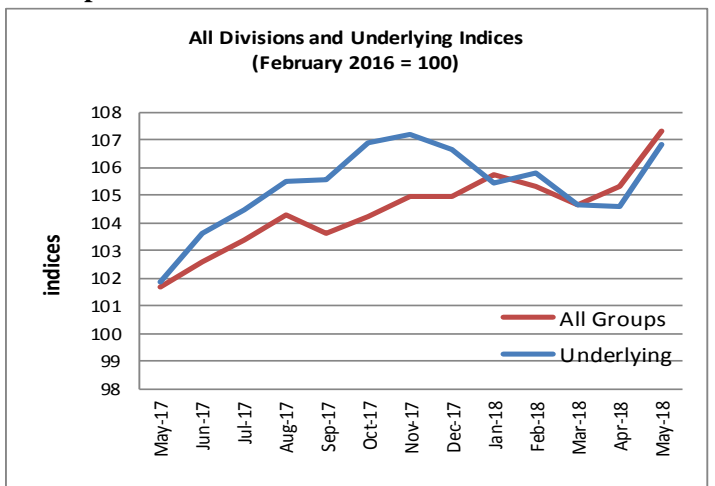
Graph.2



Graph.3



Graph.4



Graph.5

