



Import Price Index

March 2026 Quarter

(Base Period: March 2018 Quarter=100.0)

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Highlights of the quarter

(March 2026 quarter compared to December 2025 quarter)

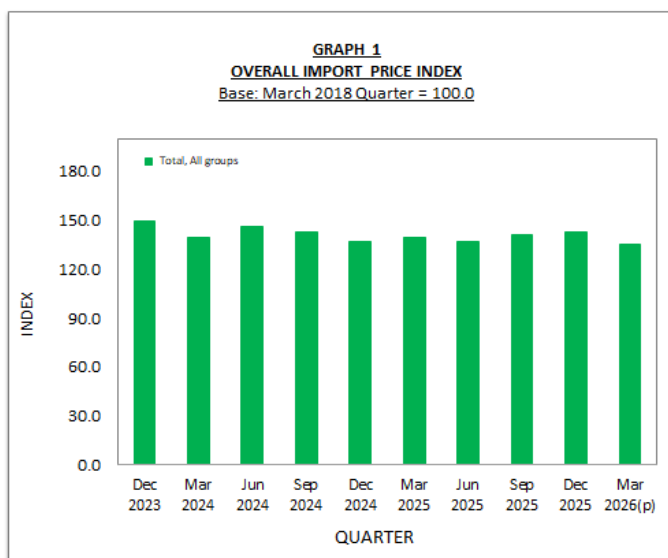
- The Import Price Index fell 5.2% from the December 2025 quarter.
- Food and beverage products recorded the largest decrease (down 10.2%).

Overview

The Import Price Index for the March 2026 quarter decreased by 5.2% compared with the December 2025 quarter, mainly driven by a 10.2% fall in the price of food and beverages. Prices for animal products also declined by 7.6% and mineral products by 3.2%. When compared to the March 2025 quarter, the import price index fell by 3.1%.

The overall import price index for the four quarters ending March 2026 decreased by 1.9% compared to the four quarters ending March 2025.

(See table 1 & 2 and graph 1).

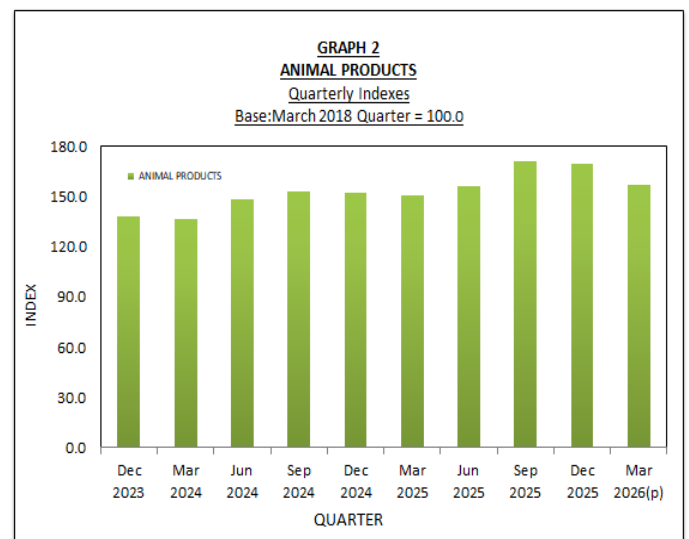


HS Section 1: Animal Products fell by 7.6%

The import price index for Live Animal Products in the March 2026 quarter reduced by 7.6% from the previous quarter. This reduction was driven by lower prices of meat products (down by 7.9%) and dairy products (down by 6.6%). On the other hand, the live animals and animal products index increased by 3.9% when compared to the March 2025 quarter.

The four quarters ending March 2026 showed an increase of 8.0% in the overall index for live animals and animal products over the four quarters ending March 2025.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 2).

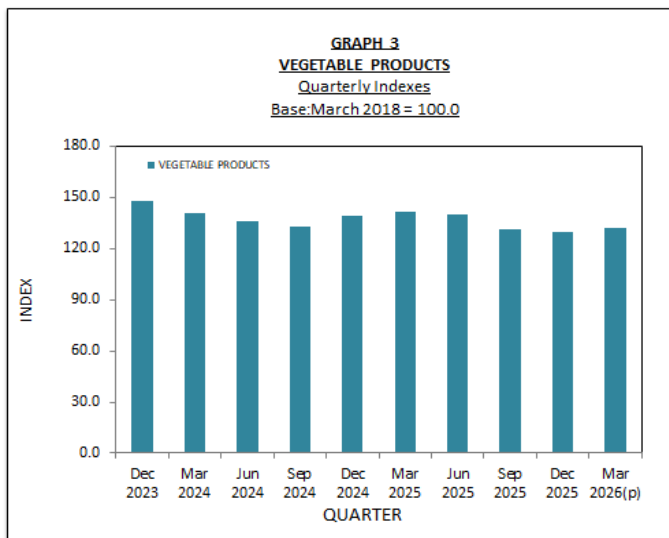


HS Section 2: Vegetable Products rose by 1.7%

The import price index for Vegetable Products in the March 2026 quarter rose by 1.7% over the previous quarter. This increase was driven by higher import prices of vegetable products such as potatoes (up by 63.6%) and onions (up by 20.9%). When compared to the same quarter last

year, the vegetable products index decreased by 6.5%

The overall index in the four quarters ending March 2026 fell 2.8% compared to the four quarters ending March 2025. (See tables 1 & 2 and graph 3).

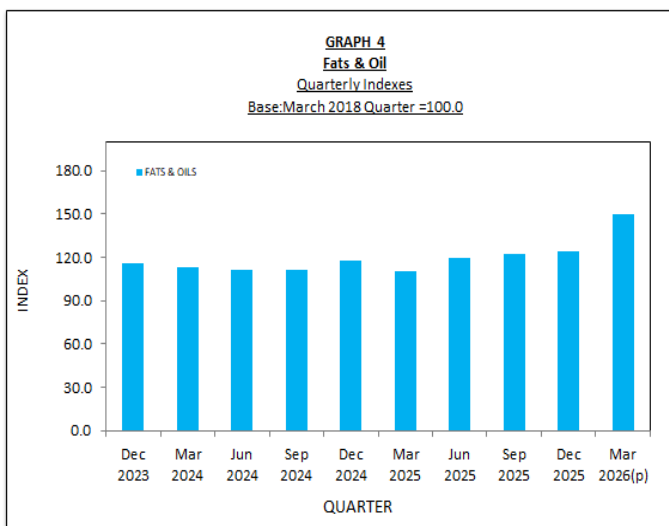


HS Section 3: Fats & Oils rose by 20.8%

The import price index for animal and vegetable fats and oil products increased by 20.8% in the March 2026 quarter, reflecting higher import prices of sunflower oil (up by 31.6%), margarine (up by 9.2%), and vegetable oils (up by 5.9%). In addition, the animal and vegetable oils index increased by 36.2% when compared to the corresponding quarter last year.

The four quarters ending March 2026 increased by 14.3% when compared to the four quarters ending March 2025.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 4).

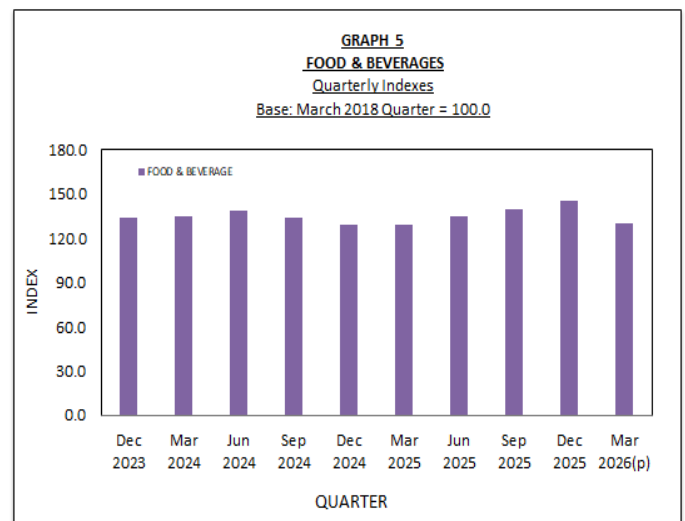


HS Section 4: Food & Beverage fell 10.2%%

The import price index for food and beverage products fell 10.2% compared to the previous quarter. This was driven by the lower import prices of canned meat products (down 23.1%) and sugar (down 4.5%). In comparison with the corresponding quarter of 2025, the food and beverage index rose by 1.3%.

Furthermore, the overall index for the year ending March 2026 increased by 3.5% compared to the same period ending March 2025.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 5).



HS Section 5: Mineral Products fell by 3.2%

The import price index for mineral products fell by 3.2% in the March 2026 quarter from the December 2025 quarter. This reduction was driven by lower prices of petroleum oils (down 3.9%). Furthermore, the mineral products index fell by 9.8% when compared to the March 2025 quarter.

For the year ending March 2026, the index fell by 10.4% compared to the year ending March 2025.

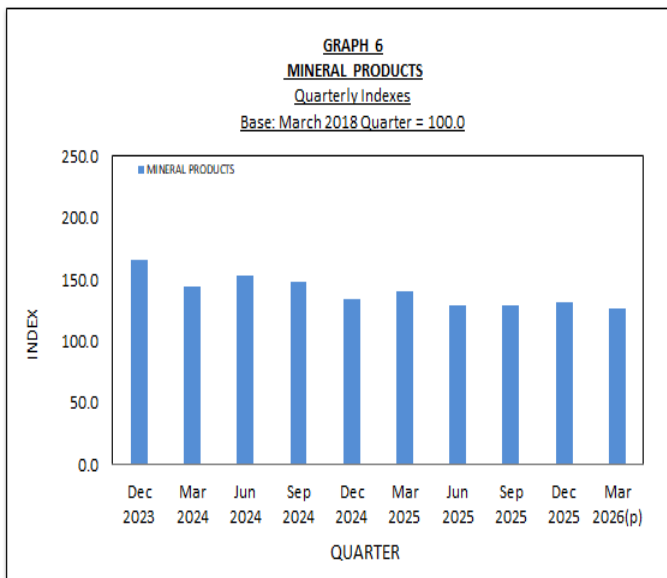
(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 6).

Technical Notes

The Import Price Index (MPI) measures changes in the cost, insurance, and freight (CIF) prices of imports of merchandise into Samoa. It is a fixed weight index with March 2018 quarter = 100.0 and is calculated on a quarterly basis using the International Harmonized System of Trade Classification (HS). The items included in the index were selected based on their significance to the total imports.

The scope of the MPI covers the following sections of the International Harmonized System of Trade Classification (HS): 1. Live Animals: Animal Products, 2. Vegetable Products, 3. Animal or Vegetable fats and oils, 4. Food and Beverages, and 5. Mineral Products. The index represents 50 percent of total Imports.

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IMPORT PRICE INDEX

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Table 1

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Weight 2018	2023	2024				2025				2026	% Change		
			Dec 2023	Mar 2024	Jun 2024	Sep 2024	Dec 2024	Mar 2025	Jun 2025	Sep 2025	Dec 2025	Mar 2026(p)	Mar 26 / Dec 25	Mar 26 /Mar 25	Annual % Change
I	ANIMAL PRODUCTS	100.0	137.9	136.7	148.6	152.9	152.6	150.9	156.1	170.8	169.7	156.8	-7.6	3.9	8.0
2	Meat	69.1	149.5	146.9	162.5	170.1	166.3	162.5	168.0	187.0	182.1	167.7	-7.9	3.2	6.6
4	Dairy	30.9	111.9	113.9	117.6	114.3	121.9	125.0	129.5	134.5	141.8	132.5	-6.6	6.0	12.4
II.	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS	100.0	148.0	141.1	135.8	133.1	139.0	141.4	140.1	131.4	130.0	132.2	1.7	-6.5	-2.8
7	Vegetables	23.1	163.7	148.8	122.6	111.8	100.3	122.7	119.7	87.2	81.4	116.2	42.6	-5.3	-11.6
10	Cereals	41.4	154.7	151.7	153.5	154.1	172.4	171.1	166.8	164.8	165.1	158.8	-3.8	-7.2	0.7
11	Milled products	35.5	130.0	123.9	123.8	122.3	125.0	118.8	122.3	121.3	120.6	111.6	-7.5	-6.1	-2.9
III.	FATS & OILS	100.0	115.9	112.8	111.3	111.5	118.0	110.1	119.2	122.0	124.2	150.0	20.8	36.2	14.3
15	Fats & oils	100.0	115.9	112.8	111.3	111.5	118.0	110.1	119.2	122.0	124.2	150.0	20.8	36.2	14.3
IV.	FOOD & BEVERAGE	100.0	133.8	134.3	138.4	133.7	129.3	128.5	134.2	139.2	145.1	130.2	-10.2	1.3	3.5
16	Canned Meats	35.5	135.9	133.5	133.9	130.7	124.6	126.7	137.1	149.0	172.7	132.7	-23.1	4.7	14.7
17	Sugars	20.7	97.1	100.2	98.0	92.8	90.6	86.5	89.4	96.2	85.2	81.4	-4.5	-5.9	-4.3
19	Pastrycook's Products	43.8	149.4	151.0	161.2	155.5	151.4	149.8	153.0	151.6	151.0	151.3	0.2	1.0	-1.8
V.	MINERAL PRODUCTS	100.0	165.7	143.8	153.6	147.4	133.9	140.6	128.7	129.3	131.0	126.8	-3.2	-9.8	-10.4
27	Mineral fuels	100.0	165.7	143.8	153.6	147.4	133.9	140.6	128.7	129.3	131.0	126.8	-3.2	-9.8	-10.4
	Total, All groups	500.0	149.3	139.1	146.3	143.1	137.1	139.5	137.0	140.8	142.6	135.1	-5.2	-3.1	-1.9

Source: Samoa Bureau Statistics (Economics Division)

(P) Provisional figures

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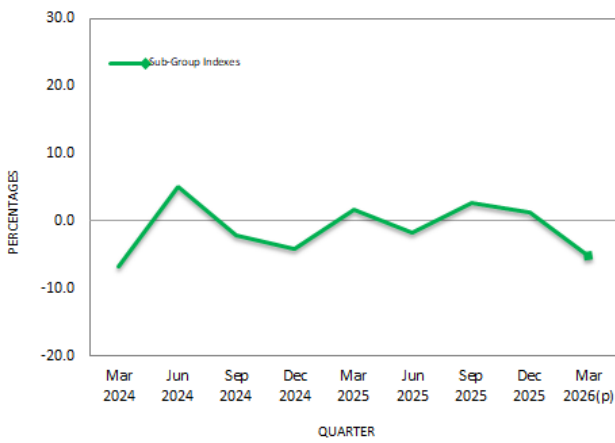
Table 2

Codes and Description	Weight 2018	2023	2024				2025				2026
		Dec 2023	Mar 2024	Jun 2024	Sep 2024	Dec 2024	Mar 2025	Jun 2025	Sep 2025	Dec 2025	Mar 2026(p)
I. ANIMAL PRODUCTS											
02 Meat	100.0	149.5	146.9	162.5	170.1	166.3	162.5	168.0	187.0	182.1	167.7
0204 Sheep	16.0	97.1	101.9	106.4	110.4	103.7	102.2	111.2	119.0	134.1	143.1
0207 Poultry	84.0	159.5	155.5	173.2	181.5	178.2	174.0	178.8	200.0	191.3	172.4
04 Dairy	100.0	111.9	113.9	117.6	114.3	121.9	125.0	129.5	134.5	141.8	132.5
0401 Liquid Milk	50.2	122.1	123.9	125.1	120.6	129.6	120.8	127.0	124.3	142.6	131.6
0402 Powder Mil	17.0	107.6	108.8	96.8	97.0	110.2	109.3	111.0	121.9	120.5	100.0
0405 Butter	22.2	102.1	104.8	124.8	123.8	126.1	162.0	166.3	169.3	178.9	175.2
0406 Cheese	10.6	91.4	94.1	100.8	92.1	95.3	92.8	94.6	130.7	94.0	99.5
II. VEGETABLE PRODUCTS											
07 Vegetables	100.0	163.7	148.8	122.6	111.8	100.3	122.7	119.7	87.2	81.4	116.2
0701 Potatoes	49.9	140.0	147.0	129.5	118.0	101.5	124.7	116.4	85.5	83.0	135.8
0703 Onions	50.1	187.2	150.6	115.6	105.6	99.1	120.7	122.9	88.8	79.9	96.6
10 Cereals	100.0	154.7	151.7	153.5	154.1	172.4	171.1	166.8	164.8	165.1	158.8
1006 Rice	100.0	154.7	151.7	153.5	154.1	172.4	171.1	166.8	164.8	165.1	158.8
11 Milled prods.	100.0	130.0	123.9	123.8	122.3	125.0	118.8	122.3	121.3	120.6	111.6
1101 Wheat	100.0	130.0	123.9	123.8	122.3	125.0	118.8	122.3	121.3	120.6	111.6
III. FATS & OILS											
15 Fats & oils	100.0	115.9	112.8	111.3	111.5	118.0	110.1	119.2	122.0	124.2	150.0
1512 Sunflower Oil	47.8	124.3	119.7	120.5	120.0	132.1	113.8	127.0	126.7	143.2	188.5
1515 Vegetable oils	20.1	137.2	129.4	122.0	129.8	131.8	138.4	145.8	137.8	136.6	144.7
1517 Margarine	32.1	89.9	92.3	90.9	87.3	88.5	87.0	90.7	105.0	88.0	96.1
IV. FOOD, BEVERAGES & TOBACCO											
16 Meat, fish	100.0	135.9	133.5	133.9	130.7	124.6	126.7	137.1	149.0	172.7	132.7
1601 Sausages	18.3	151.0	148.0	141.2	141.8	141.9	151.9	147.4	229.8	323.3	144.5
1602 Corned Beef	9.6	113.0	115.4	113.9	113.4	114.9	109.1	119.7	107.9	105.3	109.8
1604 Canned fish	72.1	135.1	132.2	134.6	130.1	121.4	122.6	136.7	133.9	143.4	132.7
17 Sugars	100.0	97.1	100.2	98.0	92.8	90.6	86.5	89.4	96.2	85.2	81.4
1701 Cane, beet	100.0	97.1	100.2	98.0	92.8	90.6	86.5	89.4	96.2	85.2	81.4
19 Pastrycook's Products	100.0	149.4	151.0	161.2	155.5	151.4	149.8	153.0	151.6	151.0	151.3
1902 Pasta	46.9	155.5	151.3	148.6	150.2	133.6	134.4	137.8	135.6	132.2	129.4
1905 Bread	53.1	144.0	150.7	172.4	160.3	167.1	163.5	166.4	165.7	167.7	170.6
V. MINERAL PRODUCTS											
27 Mineral fuels	100.0	165.7	143.8	153.6	147.4	133.9	140.6	128.7	129.3	131.0	126.8
2710 Petroleum oils	93.8	159.9	137.7	148.4	138.9	117.0	125.1	124.6	121.9	124.1	119.2
2711 Petroleum gases	6.2	253.9	234.8	232.1	274.3	387.2	374.6	191.1	240.2	235.2	241.0

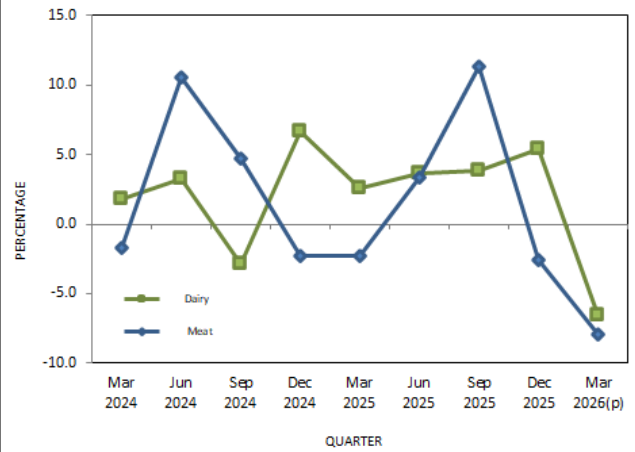
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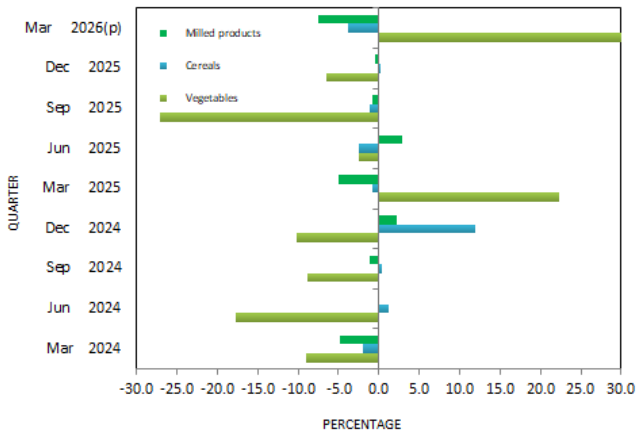
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Overall Quarterly Changes
 Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



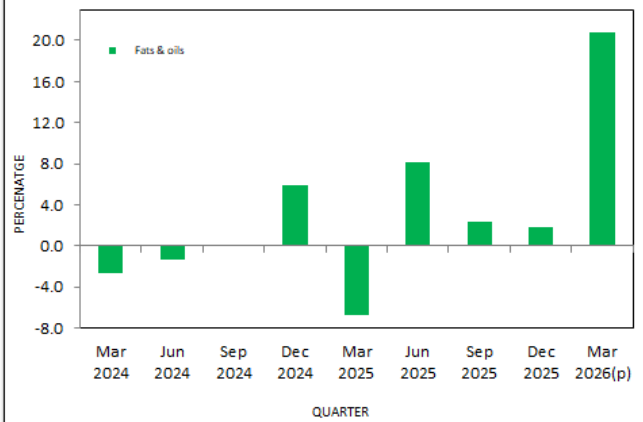
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ANIMAL PRODUCTS
 Quarterly Percentage Change
 Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



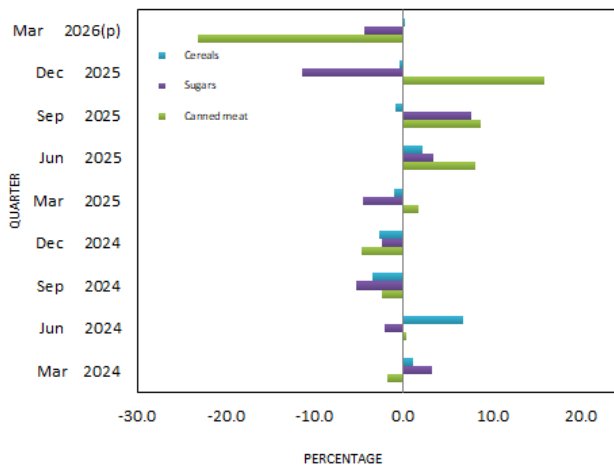
GRAPH 9
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS
 Quarterly Percentage Change
 Base: March 2018 = 100.0



GRAPH 10
Fats & Oil
 Quarterly Percentage Change
 Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



GRAPH 11
FOOD & BEVERAGES
 Quarterly Percentage Change
 Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



GRAPH 12
MINERAL PRODUCTS
 Quarterly Percentage Change
 Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0

