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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AUGUST 2020

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for August 2020 increased by 0.7 percent compared to the previous month.

- The continued increase of oil prices internationally in August 2020 has pushed local fuel prices up as reflected in the 3.0 percent increase in the Transport index.
- Recreation and culture index also increased by 0.8 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended August 2020 was 0.9 percent.

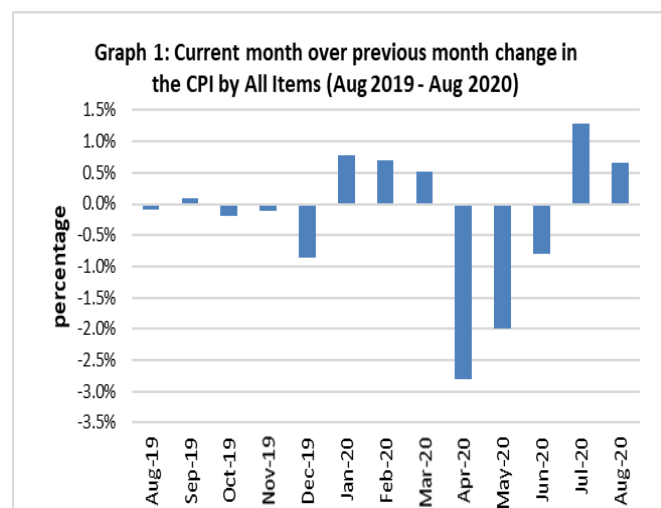
The CPI fell 2.8 percent from August 2019.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for August 2020 was 0.7 percent higher than in July 2020, and was 2.8 percent lower than August 2019.

The increase of the Imported Goods component by 1.1 percent from the previous month was due to higher prices for fuel, laptop, washing soap and imported food which also contributed to the increase of 0.7 percent in the All Items Consumer Price Index.

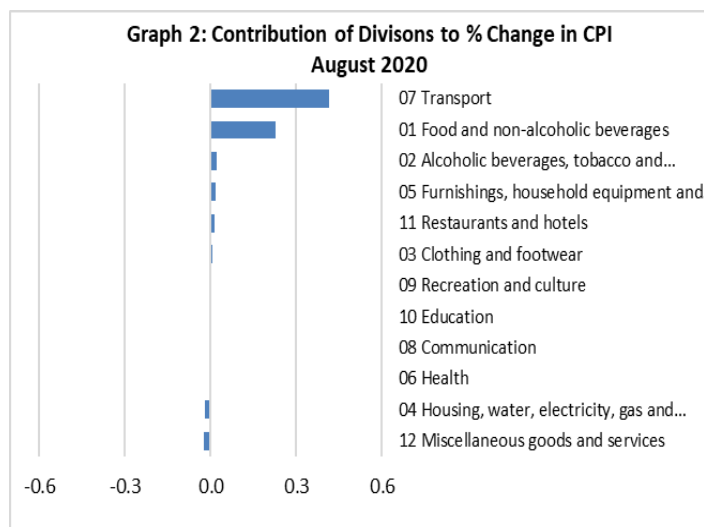
The Local Goods Component also registered an increase of 0.2 percent from the previous month. Graph 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by all Divisions from August 2019 to August 2020.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total All Divisions Contribution

As depicted in Graph 2, Transport and Food divisions were the main contributors to the overall increase of 0.7 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.



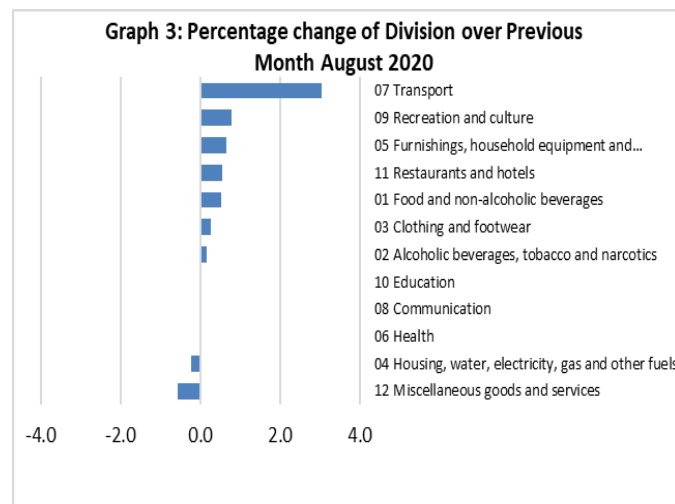
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Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The increase recorded month on month for the Transport index with 3.0 percent, Recreation and Culture index with 0.8 percent, Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance index with 0.6 percent, Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index with 0.5 percent, Restaurants index with 0.5 percent, Clothing and Footwear index with 0.3 percent and Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco index with 0.1 percent.

On the contrary, Miscellaneous Goods and Services index recorded a decrease of 0.6 percent and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels also registered a decrease of 0.2 percent respectively.

No changes were recorded for the Health, Communication and Education indices. Graphically presented in Graph 3 is the August 2020 percentage change for all divisions from July 2020.



Source : Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Imported Goods Component

The Imported Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered an increase of 1.1 percent when compared to the previous month. This increase was mainly due to higher prices recorded for fuel (petrol, diesel and kerosene), imported food, laptop, washing soap and futon mattress.

Local Goods Component

Increased prices recorded for local food and meal (chicken & chip) have resulted in the 0.2 percent increase in the Local Good Component.

Transport Index

Higher prices recorded for fuel (petrol and diesel) is reflected in the 3.0 percent increase in the Transport Index.

Recreation and Culture Index

The Recreation and Culture index recorded an increase of 0.8 percent higher, due to the rise in price recorded for laptop.

Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance Index

The 0.6 percent increase in the Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance index was a result of the higher prices recorded for washing soap and futon mattress.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

An increase of 0.5 percent in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index was a reflection of the higher prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, taro, rice, fresh fish (piece, string and large), salted beef, stewing beef, koko samoa, mutton neck, tomato and taamu.

Restaurants Index

Increased prices recorded for meal (chicken & chip) is reflected in the 0.5 percent increase in the Restaurants index

Miscellaneous Goods and Services Index

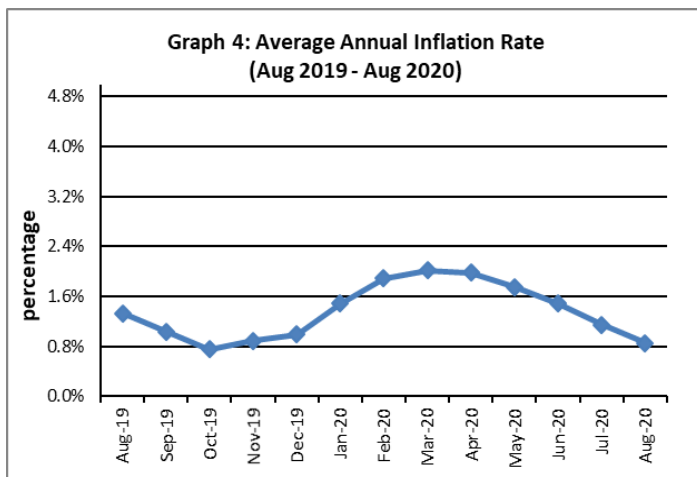
Lower prices recorded for hair gel and toilet soap is reflected in the 0.6 percent decrease in the Miscellaneous Good and Services index.

Underlying Indices ^{1/}

The All Items Underlying Index for August 2020 registered an increase of 0.3 percent when compared to July 2020, and a decrease of 0.7 percent when compared to August 2019. The Imported Items Underlying Index registered an increase of 0.3 percent, while Local Items Underlying Index also recorded an increase of 0.2 percent.

Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended August 2020 slowed to 0.9 percent. For the twelve months ending August 2019 the inflation rate was 1.3 percent. Presented in Graph 4 is the average annual inflation rate (August 2019 – August 2020).



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 9th October 2020.

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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
<i>Weights</i>	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
<i>Ave - 2017</i>	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
<i>Ave - 2018</i>	107.2	111.0	112.3	95.3	91.0	98.0	97.0	115.0	103.3	92.6	110.4	99.0	97.8
<i>Ave - 2019</i>	108.3	112.1	116.8	93.8	95.0	96.4	100.0	111.3	104.2	88.7	113.5	103.3	97.8
<i>2019</i>													
<i>August</i>	110.1	116.0	117.7	92.2	97.9	97.0	100.1	109.4	104.3	87.1	114.9	103.4	97.9
<i>September</i>	110.1	115.3	117.5	92.1	98.1	97.3	100.1	112.3	104.3	87.1	114.9	103.4	97.5
<i>October</i>	109.9	114.6	117.7	92.3	98.1	96.8	100.1	112.6	104.3	87.1	114.9	103.4	97.5
<i>November</i>	109.8	113.2	117.5	93.0	97.8	97.3	100.1	115.5	104.3	89.5	114.9	103.4	97.4
<i>December</i>	108.9	112.3	117.3	93.4	97.7	96.8	100.1	111.1	104.3	89.5	114.9	108.3	98.2
<i>2020</i>													
<i>January</i>	109.7	112.7	119.7	93.3	99.1	96.8	100.1	112.6	104.2	89.5	114.9	108.3	98.0
<i>February</i>	110.5	115.1	119.3	93.5	97.3	97.6	100.1	113.0	104.2	89.5	114.9	108.3	97.7
<i>March</i>	111.0	117.1	119.3	93.5	96.6	97.7	100.1	111.8	104.2	89.5	114.9	108.3	97.9
<i>April</i>	107.9	113.2	118.9	93.5	86.3	98.1	100.1	109.8	104.2	88.0	114.9	108.3	98.8
<i>May</i>	105.8	110.5	118.9	93.5	86.0	98.8	100.1	102.3	104.2	88.0	114.9	108.3	99.7
<i>June</i>	104.9	110.6	119.1	93.5	85.4	98.5	97.6	96.8	104.2	88.0	114.9	108.3	99.9
<i>July</i>	106.3	113.1	120.8	93.4	85.4	97.7	97.6	97.8	104.2	88.0	114.9	108.3	99.8
<i>August (P)</i>	107.0	113.7	121.0	93.7	85.2	98.3	97.6	100.8	104.2	88.6	114.9	108.9	99.3

Percentage Change (P)

<i>Aug 2020 over Jul 2020</i>	0.7%	0.5%	0.1%	0.3%	-0.2%	0.6%	0.0%	3.0%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.5%	-0.6%
<i>Aug 2020 over Aug 2019</i>	-2.8%	-2.1%	2.8%	1.6%	-13.0%	1.4%	-2.5%	-7.9%	-0.1%	1.7%	0.0%	5.3%	1.4%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note : n.a. Not applicable

Table 2. ALL ITEMS UNDERLYING 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	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 - 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
Ave - 2018	106.6	110.8		95.3	93.4	98.0	96.0	110.8	103.3	92.0	114.0	99.0	97.8
Ave - 2019	107.2	111.6		93.8	94.6	96.4	100.1	108.1	104.2	87.9	118.5	103.3	97.8
2019													
August	109.1	114.9		92.2	94.5	97.0	100.1	108.4	104.3	86.2	120.6	103.4	97.9
September	109.4	115.4		92.1	94.4	97.3	100.1	109.1	104.3	86.2	120.6	103.4	97.5
October	109.3	115.1		92.3	94.8	96.8	100.1	109.1	104.3	86.2	120.6	103.4	97.5
November	109.0	114.5		93.0	94.8	97.3	100.1	109.1	104.3	88.7	120.6	103.4	97.4
December	108.4	113.3		93.4	94.9	96.8	100.1	106.9	104.3	88.7	120.6	108.3	98.2
2020													
January	107.2	111.3		93.3	94.8	96.8	100.1	106.9	104.2	88.7	120.6	108.3	98.0
February	109.1	114.5		93.5	94.6	97.6	100.1	106.9	104.2	88.7	120.6	108.3	97.7
March	110.3	116.5		93.5	94.0	97.7	100.1	106.9	104.2	88.7	120.6	108.3	97.9
April	108.3	112.8		93.5	93.6	98.1	100.1	110.3	104.2	87.0	120.6	108.3	98.8
May	106.7	109.9		93.5	95.0	98.8	100.1	110.2	104.2	87.0	120.6	108.3	99.7
June	106.7	109.8		93.5	95.2	98.5	96.8	110.4	104.2	87.0	120.6	108.3	99.9
July	108.1	112.2		93.4	95.5	97.7	96.8	110.4	104.2	87.0	120.6	108.3	99.8
August (P)	108.3	112.8		93.7	93.0	98.3	96.8	110.0	104.2	87.8	120.6	108.9	99.3
<u>Percentage Change (P)</u>													
Aug 2020 over Jul 2020	0.3%	0.5%		0.3%	-2.6%	0.6%	0.0%	-0.4%	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	0.5%	-0.6%
Aug 2020 over Aug 2019	-0.7%	-1.8%		1.6%	-1.5%	1.4%	-3.3%	1.5%	-0.1%	1.9%	0.0%	5.3%	1.4%

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Table 3. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2019			2020		
			June	July	Aug	June	July	Aug (P)
01 Food and non-alcoholic beverages								
Leg Quarters Chicken	62.2	kg	4.30	4.74	4.99	4.14	4.34	4.40
Raw Sugar	21.3	kg	2.49	2.45	2.44	2.67	2.71	2.75
Bread	17.2	loaf	1.71	1.72	1.72	1.65	1.67	1.67
Corned Beef (a)	15.9	12 oz	7.97	7.88	8.05	8.12	8.20	8.20
Taro	15.2	kg	2.62	2.82	3.01	2.94	2.97	3.05
Re-packed medium grain rice	13.4	kg	2.92	2.93	2.82	2.92	2.85	2.85
Prepacked medium grain rice (a)	13.4	907g	3.25	3.25	3.08	2.77	2.73	2.85
Canned fish between \$3.00 and \$3.99 Natural Oil	12.7	15 oz	3.50	3.49	3.44	3.48	3.45	3.44
Bongo	10.2	20grms	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.82	0.85
Keke Saina Biscuits (a)	9.2	pkt 10	6.18	6.30	6.25	6.25	6.17	6.17
Tip Top Ice Cream (a)	9.2	2 ltr	15.32	15.32	15.32	15.33	15.33	15.17
Ramen maggie	9.0	85gms	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.09	1.09	1.09
Fish (Piece)	7.9	kg	16.75	18.67	21.04	20.67	23.06	24.55
Butter Anchor	7.7	454g	14.07	14.67	15.50	15.66	15.66	15.69
Round Pancake (a)	7.5	sml	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Mutton Flaps	6.6	kg	22.56	22.38	22.20	23.26	24.98	24.98
Canned fish \$4:00 or over N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	4.96	4.85	4.85	4.97	5.02	5.03
Canned fish under \$3.00 in N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	2.58	2.52	2.53	2.72	2.80	2.82
Wings Turkey	6.3	kg	6.22	6.27	6.24	6.91	7.24	7.55
Fish (string)	6.0	kg	10.43	12.37	11.39	9.87	9.68	10.57
Fish (large)	6.0	kg	17.47	21.82	20.55	15.80	16.45	18.26
02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and narcotics								
Lager Beer	37.9	355 mls	3.59	3.58	3.58	3.61	3.62	3.62
Pall Mall Filter Cigarettes (Red)	24.3	20 rolls	13.40	13.80	13.80	14.20	14.60	14.60
Pall Mall Menthol Cigarettes (Green)	24.3	20 rolls	13.40	13.80	13.80	14.20	14.60	14.60
Beer (a)	16.3	330 mls	3.36	3.40	3.40	3.40	3.45	3.46
Winfield Tobacco (a)	12.6	packet	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
03 Clothing and footwear								
Uniform le Faitaga College boys	4.3	size 8-10	29.67	29.67	29.67	29.67	29.67	29.67
Uniform Pa'ave (a)	3.7	size 7	36.33	32.00	32.00	31.00	31.00	31.00
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels								
Electricity / Cashpower / kw h 1- 100 / total cost per	50.6	kw h	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.51	0.51	0.51
Reservoir treated Water	28.5	15-40 m3	1.40	1.67	1.67	1.47	1.47	1.47
Liquid gas	15.8	9kg	62.00	62.00	62.00	62.00	62.00	59.25
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	1.78	1.90	1.90	1.91	1.87	1.87
Soap yellow Washing soap	5.9	bar	2.74	2.78	2.75	2.79	2.75	2.80
Mosquito coil	4.4	10 coil	1.18	1.20	1.18	1.30	1.30	1.30

06 Health

Amoxicillin mg Tablets (a)	2.5	500 mg	7.58	7.58	7.58	7.00	7.00	7.00
Hospital Charge	1.1	night	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50

07 Transport

Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.81	2.74	2.53	1.92	1.98	2.13
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	395.00	395.00	395.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	1795.77	1221.69	1297.55	1257.87	1257.87	1257.87

08 Communication

Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.02	per minute	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43	0.43
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.02	per mb	0.25	0.25	0.25	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	827.67	827.67	827.67	852.83	852.83	852.83
Exercise Book w arwick	1.44	1B4 64 pa	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.40	1.40	1.40
Laptop (a)	1.33	each	2918.60	2918.60	2918.60	2918.60	2918.60	3018.60

10 Education

Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.23	Year 6	82.50	82.50	82.50	82.50	82.50	82.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.11	Year 10	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00	58.00
Fees Tertiary NUS registration School Fees	3.79	registration	322.00	322.00	322.00	322.00	322.00	322.00
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	9.17	9.17	9.17	9.17	9.17	9.17
Curry & Chopsuey Meal	4.87	1 serve	3.67	3.67	3.67	4.67	4.67	4.67
Chicken & Chips Meal (a)	4.87	1 serve	9.64	9.64	9.64	9.64	9.64	9.93
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:	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.09	1.08	1.08
Hair Gel	4.59	1124ml	4.44	4.43	4.43	4.74	4.74	4.47
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	1.86	1.91	1.96	1.95	1.97	1.95
Diapers (a)	4.19	5kg-10kg	8.99	8.99	8.99	8.33	8.46	8.46

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 4. 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
<i>Weights</i>	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
<i>Ave - 2017</i>	107.3	110.1	110.0	97.0	97.6	98.9	91.7	111.2		90.0			97.1
<i>Ave - 2018</i>	111.9	113.8	113.5	96.1	100.6	97.6	94.3	124.0		92.0			96.6
<i>Ave - 2019</i>	111.1	114.5	118.3	93.7	100.8	95.8	97.9	117.3		87.9			96.7
2019													
August	112.8	118.5	118.2	91.2	100.0	96.5	97.5	114.9		86.2			96.8
September	113.8	119.1	118.1	91.3	100.7	96.8	97.5	118.8		86.2			96.2
October	113.5	118.8	117.9	92.4	100.8	96.3	97.5	118.1		86.2			96.2
November	113.7	118.1	118.7	93.4	101.3	96.9	97.5	120.5		88.7			96.1
December	112.4	116.3	117.8	93.4	101.0	96.3	97.5	118.8		88.7			97.2
2020													
January	111.5	113.8	117.8	93.4	101.0	96.3	97.5	121.4		88.7			96.9
February	113.8	118.1	117.8	93.4	101.3	97.2	97.5	120.8		88.7			96.5
March	114.8	120.7	117.4	93.1	100.3	97.3	97.5	119.2		88.7			96.8
April	111.6	116.0	117.4	93.1	98.0	97.8	97.5	115.8		87.0			97.9
May	107.7	112.6	117.4	93.1	96.7	98.6	97.5	104.0		87.0			99.0
June	105.7	112.4	117.4	93.1	94.3	98.3	92.7	94.7		87.0			99.3
July	107.6	115.2	117.4	93.0	94.4	97.3	92.7	96.4		87.0			99.2
August (P)	108.8	115.9	117.4	93.4	93.6	98.0	92.7	101.4		87.8			98.5
<u>Percentage Change (P)</u>													
Aug 2020 over Jul 2020	1.1%	0.6%	0.0%	0.4%	-0.9%	0.7%	0.0%	5.2%		0.8%			-0.7%
Aug 2020 over Aug 2019	-3.6%	-2.2%	-0.7%	2.4%	-6.4%	1.6%	-4.9%	-11.7%		1.9%			1.7%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note : n.a. Not applicable

Table 5. IMPORTED ITEMS UNDERLYING 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	401.2	269.1	n.a	15.2	24.2	26.9	2.5	23.0	n.a	5.6	n.a	n.a	34.7
Ave - 2017	106.0	110.1		97.0	93.8	98.9	91.7	104.5		90.0			97.1
Ave - 2018	108.8	113.8		96.1	93.4	97.6	94.3	111.2		92.0			96.6
Ave - 2019	108.9	114.5		93.7	94.6	95.8	97.9	108.1		87.9			96.7
2019													
August	111.5	118.5		91.2	94.5	96.5	97.5	108.3		86.2			96.8
September	111.9	119.1		91.3	94.4	96.8	97.5	109.2		86.2			96.2
October	111.8	118.8		92.4	94.8	96.3	97.5	109.2		86.2			96.2
November	111.4	118.1		93.4	94.8	96.9	97.5	109.2		88.7			96.1
December	110.1	116.3		93.4	94.9	96.3	97.5	106.7		88.7			97.2
2020													
January	108.4	113.8		93.4	94.8	96.3	97.5	106.7		88.7			96.9
February	111.3	118.1		93.4	94.6	97.2	97.5	106.7		88.7			96.5
March	113.0	120.7		93.1	94.0	97.3	97.5	106.7		88.7			96.8
April	110.2	116.0		93.1	93.6	97.8	97.5	110.6		87.0			97.9
May	108.1	112.6		93.1	95.0	98.6	97.5	110.4		87.0			99.0
June	108.0	112.4		93.1	95.2	98.3	92.7	110.7		87.0			99.3
July	109.8	115.2		93.0	95.5	97.3	92.7	110.7		87.0			99.2
August (P)	110.1	115.9		93.4	93.0	98.0	92.7	110.2		87.8			98.5
<u>Percentage Change (P)</u>													
Aug 2020 over Jul 2020	0.3%	0.6%		0.4%	-2.6%	0.7%	0.0%	-0.4%		0.8%			-0.7%
Aug 2020 over Aug 2019	-1.3%	-2.2%		2.4%	-1.5%	1.6%	-4.9%	1.7%		1.9%			1.7%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(P) : Provisional figures

Note : n.a. Not applicable

Table 6. 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 - 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
Ave - 2018	102.6	105.3	112.0	93.3	88.1	100.3	100.0	101.7	103.3	100.0	110.4	99.0	102.3
Ave - 2019	105.5	107.3	116.5	93.8	93.2	100.3	102.5	102.3	104.2	100.0	113.5	103.3	102.3
2019													
August	107.4	111.1	117.5	94.7	97.3	100.3	103.0	101.2	104.3	100.0	114.9	103.4	102.3
September	106.6	107.5	117.3	94.2	97.3	100.3	103.0	102.6	104.3	100.0	114.9	103.4	102.3
October	106.4	106.1	117.6	92.1	97.3	100.3	103.0	104.5	104.3	100.0	114.9	103.4	102.3
November	106.0	103.6	117.2	92.1	96.7	100.3	103.0	108.1	104.3	100.0	114.9	103.4	102.3
December	105.4	104.1	117.2	93.3	96.7	100.3	103.0	99.7	104.3	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
2020													
January	108.0	110.5	120.1	92.9	98.6	100.3	103.0	99.6	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
February	107.3	109.0	119.7	93.7	96.0	100.3	103.0	101.4	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
March	107.3	109.9	119.7	94.4	95.4	100.3	103.0	100.8	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
April	104.3	107.5	119.3	94.4	82.6	100.3	103.0	100.8	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
May	103.9	106.4	119.3	94.4	82.6	100.3	103.0	99.9	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
June	104.1	106.9	119.5	94.4	82.6	100.3	103.0	99.9	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
July	105.0	108.8	121.6	94.4	82.6	100.3	103.0	99.9	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.3	102.3
August (P)	105.2	109.2	121.8	94.4	82.6	100.3	99.9	99.9	104.2	100.0	114.9	108.9	102.3
<u>Percentage Change (P)</u>													
Aug 2020 over Jul 2020	0.2%	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%
Aug 2020 over Aug 2019	-2.0%	-1.7%	3.6%	-0.4%	-15.1%	0.0%	0.0%	-1.3%	-0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	5.3%	0.0%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

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Table 7. LOCAL ITEMS UNDERLYING INDEX

(Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

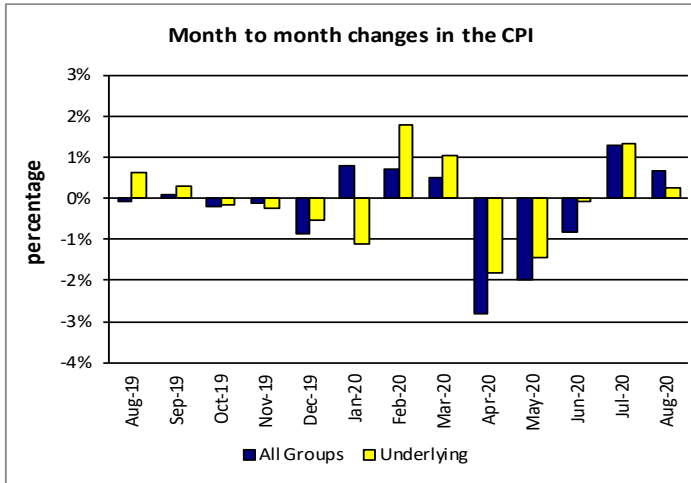
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water , Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	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 - 2017	99.9	100.1		95.7		100.1	100.0	101.8	101.2		96.7	98.3	102.3
Ave - 2018	101.9	100.3		93.3		100.3	100.0	108.3	103.3		114.0	99.0	102.3
Ave - 2019	103.6	101.6		93.8		100.3	105.2	108.6	104.2		118.5	103.3	102.3
2019													
August	103.9	101.9		94.7		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.3		120.6	103.4	102.3
September	104.0	102.1		94.2		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.3		120.6	103.4	102.3
October	103.8	102.0		92.1		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.3		120.6	103.4	102.3
November	103.9	102.1		92.1		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.3		120.6	103.4	102.3
December	104.7	102.5		93.3		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.3		120.6	108.3	102.3
2020													
January	104.6	102.5		92.9		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
February	104.5	102.0		93.7		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
March	104.4	101.7		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
April	104.2	101.3		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
May	103.8	100.4		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
June	103.9	100.5		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
July	104.3	101.7		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.3	102.3
August (P)	104.6	102.1		94.4		100.3	106.3	108.6	104.2		120.6	108.9	102.3
<u>Percentage Change (P)</u>													
Aug 2020 over Jul 2020	0.2%	0.4%		0.0%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%	0.5%	0.0%
Aug 2020 over Aug 2019	0.7%	0.2%		-0.4%		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	-0.1%		0.0%	5.3%	0.0%

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

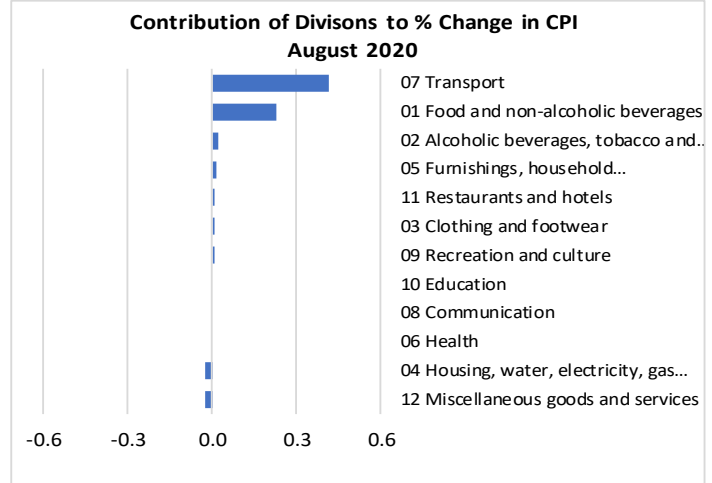
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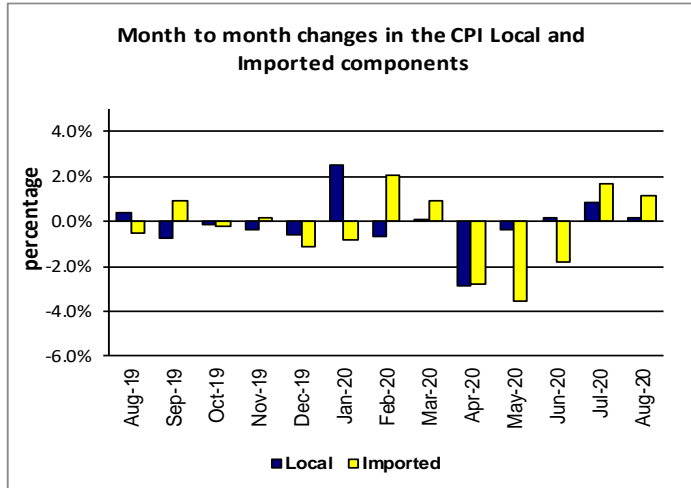
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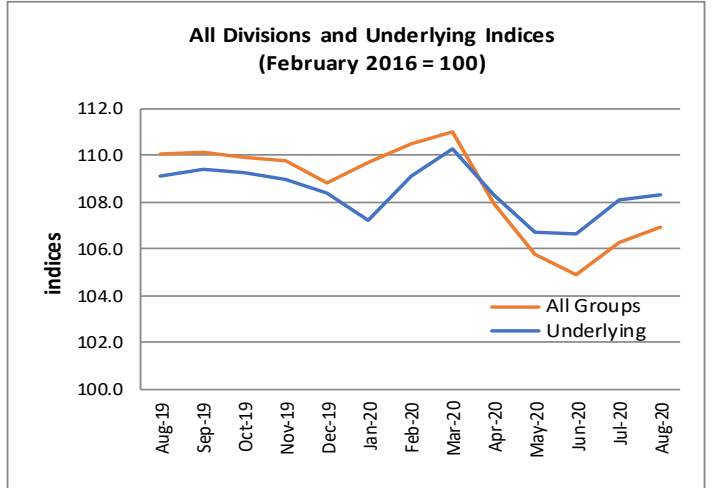
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