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IMPORT PRICE INDEX – JUNE 2021 QUARTER (Base Period: March 2018 quarter = 100.0)

Highlights of the quarter

(June 2021 quarter compared with March 2021 quarter)

- Import Price Index increased 10.6 percent from March 2021 quarter.
- Mineral products recorded the largest increase (up 25.4 percent).

Overview

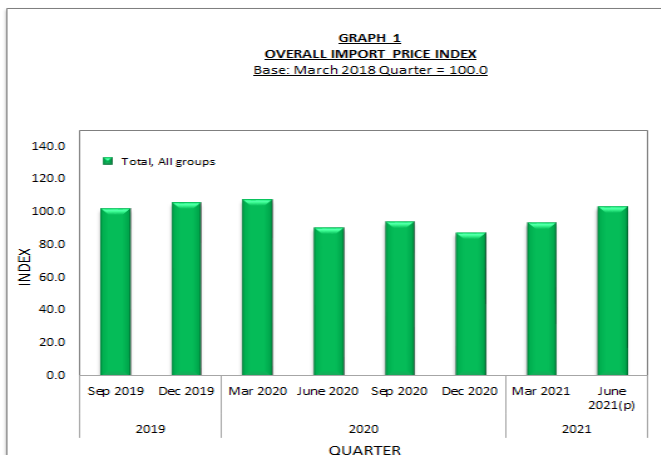
The Import Price Index for June 2021 quarter showed an overall increase of 10.6 percent from the previous quarter. This surge was driven by 25.4 percent increase in the price of mineral products such as petroleum oils (up 24.7 percent) and petroleum gases (up 33.4 percent). In addition, the June 2021 quarter is 13.7 percent higher compared to the June 2020 quarter.

The four-quarters ending June 2021 decreased 6.9 percent in the overall import price index, compared to the four quarters ending June 2020. (See table 1 & 2 and graph 1).

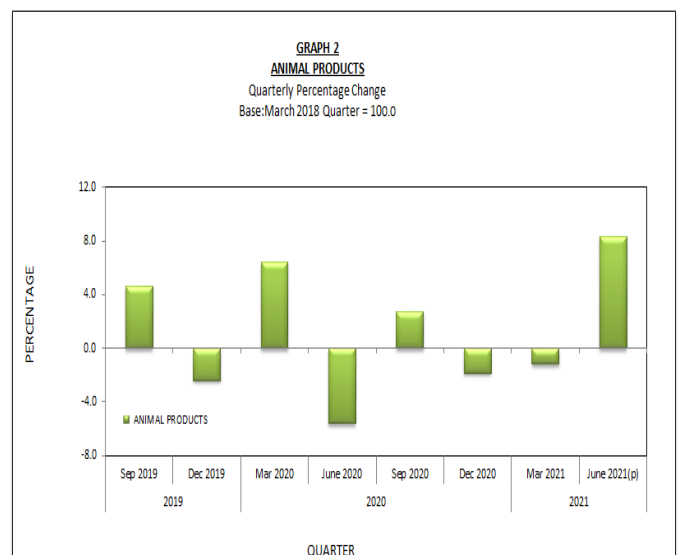
HS Section 1: Live Animals; Animal Product price increased 8.3%.

Import price for Live Animal Products in the June 2021 quarter rose 8.3 percent. This was led by meat products (up 12.5 percent), reflecting higher prices of chicken meat (up 15.6 percent). In addition, the prices for powder milk and butter both increased by 0.4 percent respectively and cheese (up 0.6 percent). When compared to June 2020 quarter, the live animals and animal product index increased 7.9 percent. The four-quarters ending June 2021 showed an increase of 0.9 percent in the overall index for live animals and animal products over the four-quarters ending June 2020.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 2).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

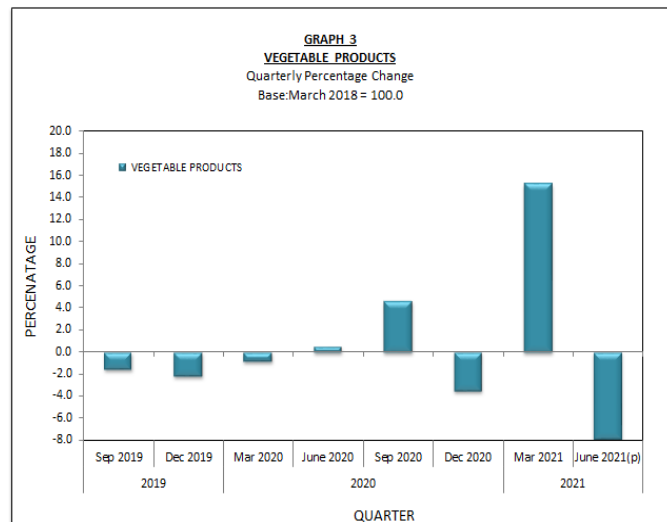


Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

HS Section 2: Vegetable Products prices fell 7.9%.

Import price for Vegetable Products in the June 2021 quarter decreased 7.9 percent over the previous quarter. This fall was mainly due to lower import prices of vegetables such as potatoes and onions (down 28 percent), rice (down 2.4 percent) and milled products (down 0.1 percent). On the other hand, the vegetable products index increased 7.1 percent when compared to the same quarter last year.

The four quarters ending June 2021, increased 6.6 percent in the overall index compared to the four-quarters ending June 2020. (See tables 1 & 2 and graph 3).



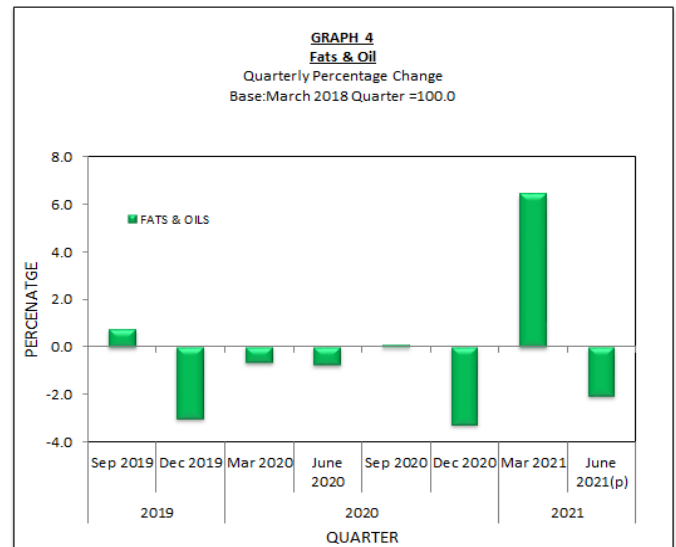
Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

HS Section 3: Animal or Vegetable fats & oils prices fell 2.1%.

Animals or Vegetable fats and oils import prices fell 2.1 percent in the June 2021 quarter. The decline was influenced by lower prices of sunflower oils (down 2.4 percent) and margarine (down 5.6 percent). In comparison with the June 2020 quarter, the animal or vegetable fats and oils index increased 0.9 percent.

The four-quarters ending June 2021 decreased 1.5 percent when compared to the four-quarters ending June 2020.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 4).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

HS Section 4: Food and Beverage prices rise 3.9%.

In June 2021 quarter, the Food and Beverage import price index rose 3.9 percent compared to the previous quarter. This increase was influenced by higher prices of sugar (up 17.5 percent) and canned meats (up 3.8 percent) reflecting higher prices of canned fish, (up 7.8 percent). On the other hand, the food and beverage index were 2.7 percent lower when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2020.

Reviewing the four-quarters ending June 2021 over the same period ending June 2020, the overall Food and Beverage index increased 4.7 percent.

(See tables 1 & 2 and graph 5).

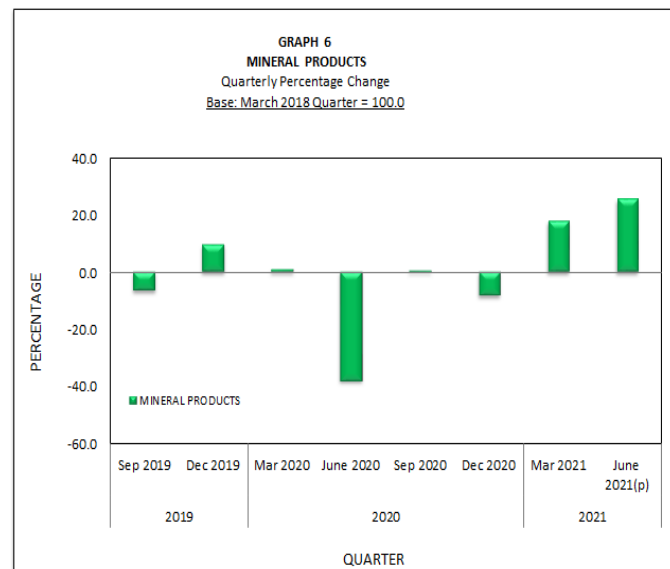


Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

HS Section 5: Mineral Products price rise 25.4%.

Import price for Mineral Products rose 25.4 percent in the June 2021 quarter. This increase was influenced by higher prices of petroleum oils (up 24.7 percent) and petroleum gases (up 33.4 percent). When compared to the June 2020 quarter, the mineral products index increased 36.8 percent.

The four-quarters ending June 2021 declined 22.3 percent over the four-quarters ending June 2020. (See tables 1 & 2 and graph 6).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

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 on the basis of their importance to the total import.

The scope of the MPI relates to 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.

The MPI report for September 2021 is expected to be available on 11th November 2021.

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IMPORT PRICE INDEX

Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0

Table 1

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Weight 2018	2019			2020				2021		% Change		
			June 2019	Sep 2019	Dec 2019	Mar 2020	June 2020	Sep 2020	Dec 2020	Mar 2021	June 2021(p)	June 21 / Mar 21	June 21 /June 20	4 Qtr over 4 Qtr
I	ANIMAL PRODUCTS	100.0	104.0	108.8	106.1	113.0	106.6	109.6	107.5	106.2	115.0	8.3	7.9	0.9
2	Meat	69.1	106.0	113.9	109.2	119.3	110.9	112.2	112.8	108.4	122.0	12.5	10.0	0.4
4	Dairy	30.9	99.3	97.2	99.1	98.8	97.0	103.7	95.8	101.3	99.6	-1.7	2.6	2.1
II.	VEGETABLE PRODUCTS	100.0	104.9	103.3	101.0	100.1	100.6	105.3	101.6	117.1	107.8	-7.9	7.1	6.6
7	Vegetables	23.1	106.3	96.5	93.2	92.2	92.2	86.6	101.8	124.9	89.9	-28.0	-2.4	7.8
10	Cereals	41.4	105.9	108.9	103.4	102.0	104.9	115.6	94.2	115.5	112.8	-2.4	7.5	4.5
11	Milled products	35.5	102.9	101.2	103.4	103.2	101.2	105.4	110.1	113.8	113.7	-0.1	12.3	8.3
III.	FATS & OILS	100.0	96.6	97.4	94.4	93.8	93.1	93.2	90.1	95.9	94.0	-2.1	0.9	-1.5
15	Fats & oils	100.0	96.6	97.4	94.4	93.8	93.1	93.2	90.1	95.9	94.0	-2.1	0.9	-1.5
IV.	FOOD & BEVERAGE	100.0	101.8	99.8	101.9	102.0	109.9	118.1	104.9	103.0	107.0	3.9	-2.7	4.7
16	Canned Meats	35.5	107.2	109.1	109.7	108.6	127.9	147.0	112.8	108.9	113.1	3.8	-11.6	5.8
17	Sugars	20.7	73.7	67.8	68.2	66.9	73.8	75.3	69.2	70.4	82.7	17.5	12.0	7.6
19	Pastrycook's Products	43.8	110.7	107.4	111.6	113.3	112.4	114.9	115.3	113.5	113.5	0.0	1.0	2.9
V.	MINERAL PRODUCTS	100.0	104.6	98.1	107.8	108.9	67.8	68.1	62.6	73.9	92.7	25.4	36.8	-22.3
27	Mineral fuels	100.0	104.6	98.1	107.8	108.9	67.8	68.1	62.6	73.9	92.7	25.4	36.8	-22.3
	Total, All groups	500.0	103.7	101.4	105.1	106.9	90.2	93.4	87.1	92.8	102.6	10.6	13.7	-6.9

Source: Samoa Bureau Statistics (Economics Division)

(P) Provisional figures

IMPORT PRICE INDEX
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Table 2

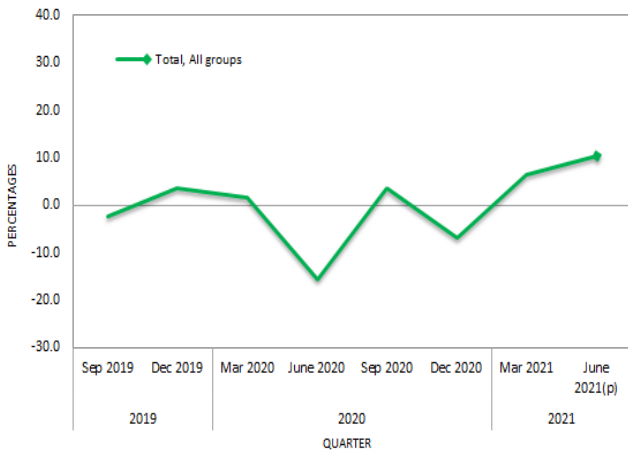
	Weight 2018	2019			2020				2021		%Change Jun 21 / Mar 21
		June 2019	Sep 2019	Dec 2019	Mar 2020	Jun 2020	Sep 2020	Dec 2020	Mar 2021	Jun 2021(p)	
I. ANIMAL PRODUCTS											
02 Meat	100.0	106.0	113.9	109.2	119.3	110.9	112.2	112.8	108.4	122.0	12.5
0204 Sheep	16.0	93.9	93.5	98.3	98.7	99.0	105.3	104.9	107.6	103.4	-3.8
0207 Poultry	84.0	108.4	117.8	111.3	123.3	113.2	113.5	114.3	108.6	125.5	15.6
04 Dairy	100.0	99.3	97.2	99.1	98.8	97.0	103.7	95.8	101.3	99.6	-1.7
0401 Liquid Milk	50.2	92.2	90.1	94.1	91.8	90.8	93.7	94.9	104.0	100.2	-3.7
0402 Powder Milk	17.0	101.6	99.8	99.8	101.6	100.5	99.8	101.0	103.3	103.7	0.4
0405 Butter	22.2	115.3	112.2	112.1	114.3	113.8	135.7	98.3	96.1	96.5	0.4
0406 Cheese	10.6	95.8	95.0	94.7	94.8	85.7	90.7	86.4	96.3	96.9	0.6
II. VEGETABLE PRODUCTS											
07 Vegetables	100.0	106.3	96.5	93.2	92.2	92.2	86.6	101.8	124.9	89.9	-28.0
0701 Potatoes	49.9	97.6	90.1	89.5	87.7	92.1	89.0	107.2	119.0	90.9	-23.6
0703 Onions	50.1	114.9	102.9	96.9	96.6	92.2	84.2	96.3	130.8	89.0	-31.9
10 Cereals	100.0	105.9	108.9	103.4	102.0	104.9	115.6	94.2	115.5	112.8	-2.4
1006 Rice	100.0	105.9	108.9	103.4	102.0	104.9	115.6	94.2	115.5	112.8	-2.4
11 Milled prods.	100.0	102.9	101.2	103.4	103.2	101.2	105.4	110.1	113.8	113.7	-0.1
1101 Wheat	100.0	102.9	101.2	103.4	103.2	101.2	105.4	110.1	113.8	113.7	-0.1
III. FATS & OILS											
15 Fats & oils	100.0	96.6	97.4	94.4	93.8	93.1	93.2	90.1	95.9	94.0	-2.1
1512 Sunflower Oil	47.8	93.9	96.2	90.9	90.9	100.6	103.8	100.8	106.3	103.7	-2.4
1515 vegetable oils	20.1	102.0	104.1	102.2	97.3	99.5	97.6	76.5	78.0	82.5	5.8
1517 Margarine	32.1	97.4	95.0	94.8	95.9	77.8	74.5	82.7	91.7	86.5	-5.6
IV. FOOD, BEVERAGES & TOBACCO											
16 Meat, fish	100.0	107.2	109.1	109.7	108.6	127.9	147.0	112.8	108.9	113.1	3.8
1601 Sausages	18.3	105.6	108.4	106.3	106.1	110.4	111.0	112.8	105.0	95.0	-9.4
1602 Corned Beef	9.6	93.6	91.4	92.6	92.6	112.4	109.7	89.3	103.3	100.9	-2.4
1604 Canned fish	72.1	109.3	111.5	112.8	111.3	134.3	161.0	115.9	110.6	119.2	7.8
17 Sugars	100.0	73.7	67.8	68.2	66.9	73.8	75.3	69.2	70.4	82.7	17.5
1701 Cane, beet	100.0	73.7	67.8	68.2	66.9	73.8	75.3	69.2	70.4	82.7	17.5
19 Pastrycook's Products	100.0	110.7	107.4	111.6	113.3	112.4	114.9	115.3	113.5	113.5	0.0
1902 Pasta	46.9	118.1	111.3	120.1	112.4	110.6	121.8	123.4	116.8	117.8	0.9
1905 Bread	53.1	104.2	103.8	104.0	114.1	113.9	108.9	108.2	110.6	109.7	-0.8
V. MINERAL PRODUCTS											
27 Mineral fuels	100.0	104.6	98.1	107.8	108.9	67.8	68.1	62.6	73.9	92.7	25.4
2710 Petroleum oils	93.8	104.6	97.8	104.4	105.4	62.8	62.8	59.7	72.0	89.8	24.7
2711 Petroleum gases	6.2	103.5	103.1	158.4	162.3	142.6	147.6	106.5	102.5	136.8	33.4

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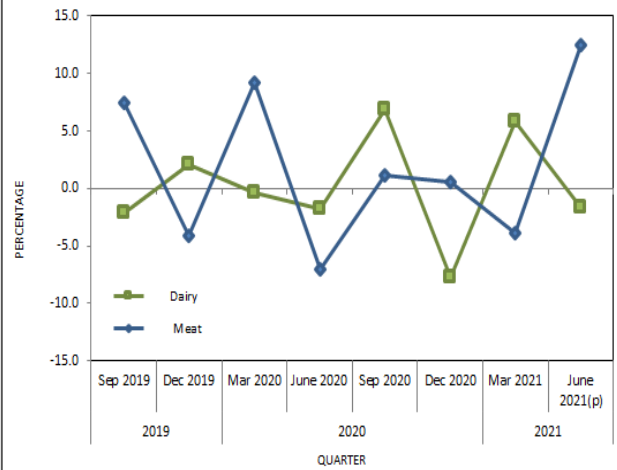
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New commodities

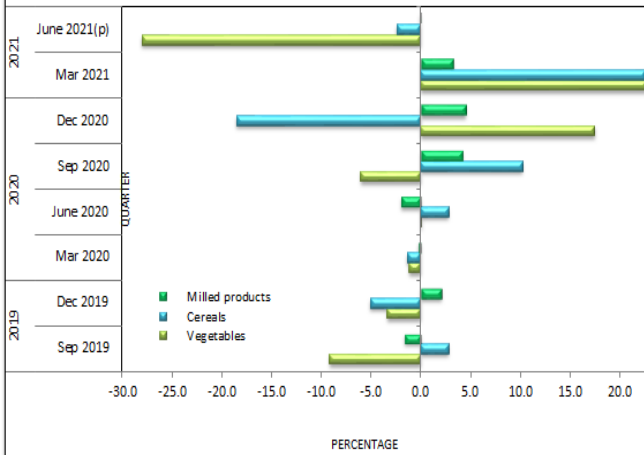
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Overall Quarterly Changes
Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



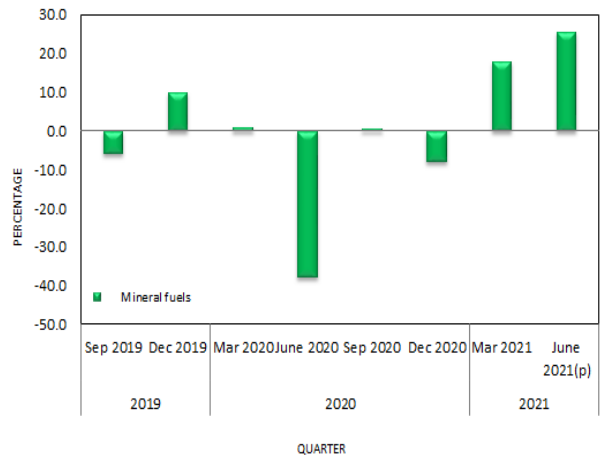
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ANIMAL PRODUCTS
Quarterly Percentage Change
Base: March 2018 Quarter = 100.0



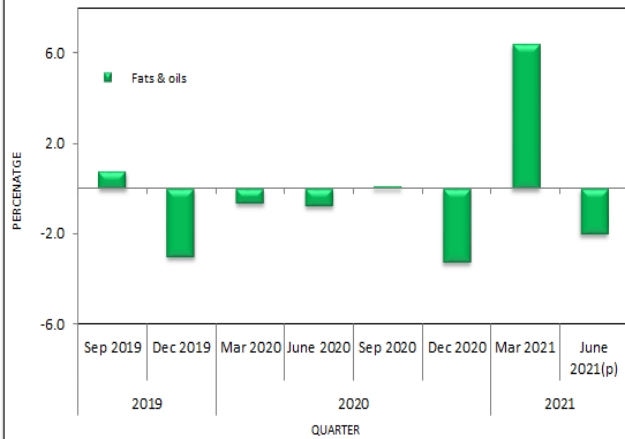
GRAPH 9
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS
Quarterly Percentage Change
Base: March 2018 = 100.0



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

