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## Commentary

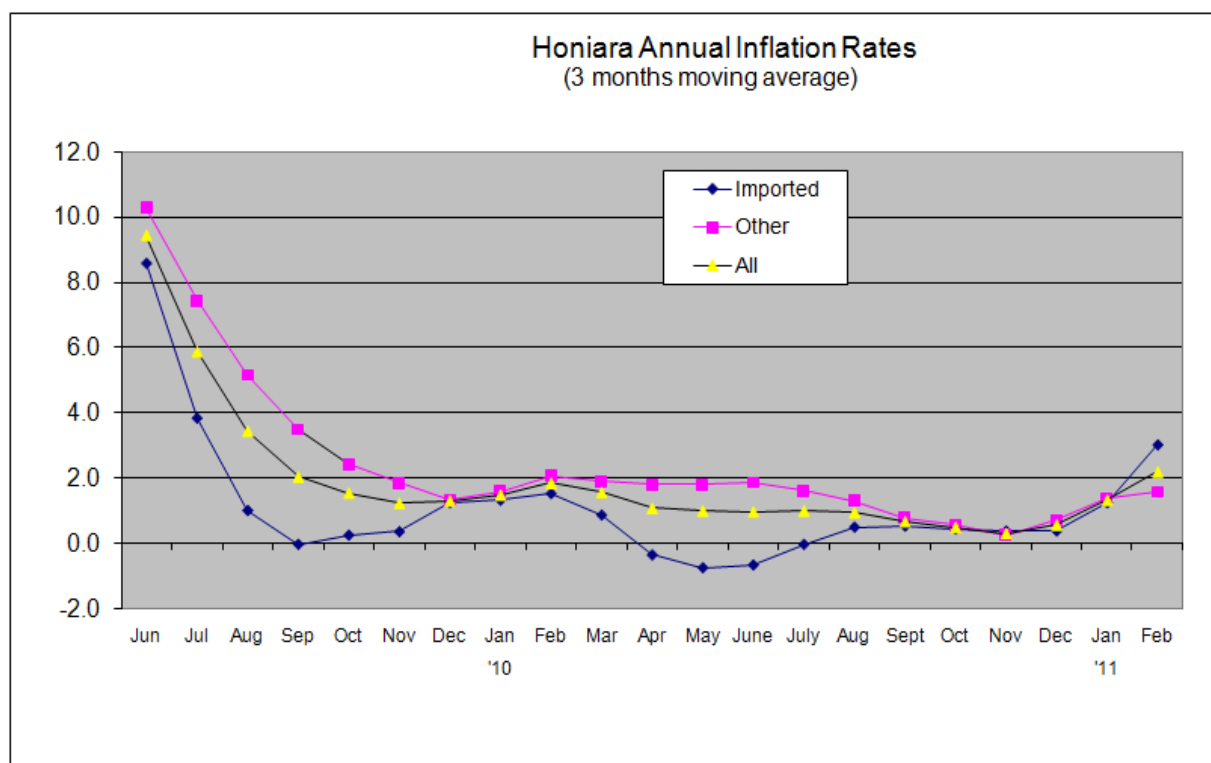
The Honiara Consumers Price Index for February, 2011 rose by 0.3% from 152.3 in January to 152.9. This was largely driven by slight increases in the prices of some imported food items and locally manufactured cigarettes.

The imported Food sub-index rose 1.4% to 168.6 on account of increases in the prices of rice which went up 3% to \$172.67/20kg bag, corned beef, 1.5% to \$28.88/340g can, curry beef, 2.3% to \$8.86/312g can and white sugar, 1.6% to \$7.25/500gram packet. These were partly offset by declines in the prices of fresh fruit and vegetables at the Honiara market notably cassava which fell 9% to \$3.32/kg, kumara, 7% to \$3.90/kg and chinese-cabbage, 16% to \$10.31/kg. Overall, the Food sub-index rose moderately by 0.6%.

Changes in other sub-sections of the Honiara Consumer Price Index are as follows:-

- Drinks & Tobacco sub-index rose 0.3% to 157.5 on account of a 1.9% increase (from \$21.00 to \$21.50) in the price of a standard pack of cigarettes.
- Household Operations marginally increased 0.1% on account of rises in the price of household utensils and supplies, notably cooking pots and steel-wool which went up 2.7% and 1.5% respectively.
- Miscellaneous Items sub-index was up 0.1% on account of increases in the prices of toothpaste (15%) and perfume (10%).

Apart from the above, other price changes elsewhere in the consumption basket were negligible.



The annual inflation rate to February, 2011 on a 3 months moving average basis was 2.2%, up 0.9 percentage points from 1.3% in January. The inflation rates for imported and other items were 3.0% and 1.6% respectively.

Table 1. THE HONIARA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks	Clothing	Housing	Household	Transport	Recreation	Misce-	All	(%)	
		& Tobacco	& Footwear	& Utilities	Operations	& Commu- nications	health & Oth. Serv.	llaneous	Items	Change	
	<b>Wght</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1000</b>	
2009	September	158.5	131.2	131.7	145.0	153.2	134.8	112.6	155.9	146.1	0.1
	October	157.8	133.6	131.7	147.4	154.3	134.9	112.6	157.0	146.4	0.2
	November	158.7	138.0	131.8	147.5	154.3	133.9	112.7	157.0	146.9	0.3
	December	158.1	138.6	131.8	147.5	154.3	135.3	112.7	157.0	146.9	0.0
2010	January	<b>158.8</b>	<b>143.9</b>	<b>139.7</b>	<b>147.3</b>	<b>154.3</b>	<b>135.6</b>	<b>119.2</b>	<b>159.2</b>	<b>148.3</b>	<b>0.9</b>
	February	158.4	151.7	139.7	146.3	153.2	136.4	119.2	159.9	148.4	0.1
	March	162.2	145.9	139.7	147.0	152.8	137.3	119.2	159.9	150.0	1.1
	April	157.1	160.6	139.7	146.7	152.7	137.4	119.2	160.7	148.5	-1.0
	May	155.9	145.9	140.0	147.0	153.2	138.8	119.2	167.4	147.7	-0.5
	June	154.5	144.7	141.4	147.3	158.4	139.8	119.2	171.1	147.6	0.0
	July	154.6	147.3	141.1	148.6	158.4	138.9	119.2	171.0	147.9	0.2
	August	152.1	147.5	141.1	149.1	163.3	140.4	119.2	171.0	147.4	-0.4
	September	151.7	141.5	141.1	149.1	163.3	135.0	119.2	171.8	146.1	-0.9
	October	153.2	143.9	141.5	149.3	164.4	136.4	120.0	170.1	147.2	0.7
	November	153.6	146.3	141.7	149.6	164.3	136.4	120.0	173.4	147.5	0.3
	December	152.1	151.4	141.7	150.5	164.3	140.8	120.0	173.4	148.0	0.3
2011	January	<b>155.8</b>	<b>157.1</b>	<b>141.7</b>	<b>161.1</b>	<b>165.4</b>	<b>142.4</b>	<b>122.7</b>	<b>174.0</b>	<b>152.3</b>	<b>2.9</b>
	February	156.8	157.5	141.7	161.1	165.6	142.4	122.5	178.6	152.9	0.3
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2009	October	3.7	8.5	9.8	-5.9	10.7	2.3	-4.0	5.4	1.8	
	November	1.0	12.1	9.9	-7.6	4.4	4.0	-3.9	3.0	0.3	
	December	2.4	5.6	9.9	-6.8	4.1	10.4	-3.9	2.6	1.8	
2010	January	<b>1.8</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>-6.9</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>2.4</b>	
	February	0.9	12.6	7.1	-7.5	3.5	7.4	6.1	4.4	1.4	
	March	0.1	5.2	15.3	-6.9	3.3	6.2	6.1	4.3	0.9	
	April	-3.1	28.9	15.4	-3.3	3.0	5.5	6.1	4.5	0.9	
	May	-3.9	18.6	15.0	1.5	2.9	6.1	6.1	8.6	1.2	
	June	-4.2	10.9	7.7	1.8	4.9	6.8	6.1	9.8	0.8	
	July	-3.5	14.0	7.5	2.7	4.9	3.6	6.1	9.7	1.0	
	August	-4.7	14.0	7.2	3.3	7.0	6.3	5.9	9.7	1.0	
	September	-4.3	7.9	7.2	2.9	6.6	0.2	5.9	10.2	0.0	
	October	-2.9	7.7	7.4	1.3	6.5	1.0	6.6	8.3	0.5	
	November	-3.2	6.0	7.5	1.4	6.5	1.8	6.5	10.4	0.4	
	December	-3.8	9.3	7.5	2.1	6.5	4.1	6.5	10.4	0.8	
2011	January	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>2.8</b>	
	February	-1.0	3.8	1.5	10.1	8.1	4.4	2.8	11.7	3.0	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2009	September	4.8	6.7	9.5	-4.3	10.6	-1.5	-4.1	6.0	2.0	
	October	3.5	8.2	9.8	-4.9	10.6	-0.5	-4.0	5.8	1.5	
	November	2.6	9.8	9.8	-5.9	8.4	1.9	-3.9	4.3	1.2	
	December	2.3	8.7	9.8	-6.8	6.3	5.5	-3.9	3.7	1.3	
2010	January	<b>1.7</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>-7.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>1.5</b>	
	February	1.7	9.0	8.1	-7.0	3.8	9.5	3.7	3.7	1.8	
	March	0.9	8.8	9.8	-7.1	3.5	8.0	7.2	4.3	1.6	
	April	-0.7	15.1	12.5	-5.9	3.2	6.4	6.1	4.4	1.1	
	May	-2.3	17.1	15.3	-3.0	3.0	5.9	6.1	5.8	1.0	
	June	-3.7	19.3	12.6	-0.1	3.6	6.1	6.1	7.6	1.0	
	July	-3.9	14.4	10.0	2.0	4.2	5.5	6.1	9.4	1.0	
	August	-4.1	13.0	7.5	2.6	5.6	5.6	6.1	9.7	1.0	
	September	-4.1	11.9	7.3	2.9	6.2	3.3	6.0	9.9	0.7	
	October	-4.0	9.8	7.2	2.5	6.7	2.5	6.1	9.4	0.5	
	November	-3.5	7.2	7.4	1.9	6.5	1.0	6.3	9.7	0.3	
	December	-3.3	7.6	7.5	1.6	6.5	2.3	6.5	9.7	0.6	
2011	January	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>1.3</b>	
	February	-2.2	7.3	3.4	7.1	7.2	4.5	4.0	10.5	2.2	

Table 2. PRICE INDEX OF IMPORTED ITEMS BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month		Food	Drinks & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing & Utilities	Household Operations	Transport & Commu-nications	Recreation health & Oth. Serv.	Misce-llaneous	All Items	(%) Change
		<i>Wght</i>	<i>186</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>52</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>398</i>
2009	September	173.9	138.2	120.3	141.8	146.1	143.3	138.0	155.9	156.0	0.2
	October	176.1	138.2	120.5	143.6	146.6	143.6	138.0	157.0	157.5	0.9
	November	176.7	138.2	120.5	144.1	146.6	140.2	138.5	157.0	157.4	0.0
	December	176.5	138.2	120.5	144.1	146.6	144.8	138.5	157.0	157.9	0.3
2010	<b>January</b>	<b>177.5</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>120.5</b>	<b>144.2</b>	<b>146.6</b>	<b>145.6</b>	<b>138.5</b>	<b>159.2</b>	<b>158.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>
	February	170.0	138.2	120.5	144.2	146.0	144.4	138.5	159.9	154.9	-2.3
	March	170.2	138.2	120.5	146.5	145.4	147.4	138.5	159.9	155.6	0.5
	April	162.5	138.2	120.5	145.3	145.0	147.8	138.5	160.7	152.0	-2.4
	May	162.3	138.2	120.9	146.3	145.7	152.5	138.5	167.4	153.0	0.7
	June	162.7	138.2	122.7	156.0	150.0	156.1	138.7	171.1	155.5	1.7
	July	165.0	138.2	122.3	154.5	150.4	153.3	138.7	171.0	156.1	0.3
	August	164.7	138.2	122.2	156.4	150.9	157.9	138.7	171.0	156.8	0.5
	September	165.0	139.5	122.2	156.4	151.0	157.9	138.7	171.8	157.0	0.2
	October	165.7	139.5	122.7	157.2	150.6	158.0	141.4	170.1	157.5	0.3
	November	166.6	139.5	123.0	158.0	150.5	158.0	141.4	173.4	158.2	0.4
	December	163.1	139.5	123.0	161.4	150.5	172.6	141.4	173.4	158.9	0.4
2011	<b>January</b>	<b>166.2</b>	<b>139.5</b>	<b>120.8</b>	<b>174.9</b>	<b>152.3</b>	<b>177.6</b>	<b>141.4</b>	<b>174.0</b>	<b>162.7</b>	<b>2.4</b>
	February	168.6	139.5	120.8	174.9	152.6	177.6	140.6	178.6	164.0	0.8
<b>Percentage Change in Imported Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2009	October	4.2	18.0	2.2	-3.7	11.9	-9.7	0.1	5.4	1.8	
	November	1.2	18.0	2.3	-6.7	3.1	-5.8	0.5	3.0	-0.3	
	December	1.3	18.0	2.3	-3.5	2.8	13.1	0.5	2.6	2.2	
2010	<b>January</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	
	February	-3.5	18.0	1.5	-3.1	3.7	17.6	1.1	4.4	0.3	
	March	-3.3	18.0	1.0	-0.7	3.3	13.1	1.1	4.3	0.3	
	April	-7.2	5.5	1.2	3.7	3.0	10.9	1.0	4.5	-1.6	
	May	-7.0	5.5	0.8	4.7	3.3	13.0	1.0	8.6	-0.9	
	June	-6.7	0.0	2.3	11.6	4.1	15.7	1.2	9.8	0.5	
	July	-4.9	0.0	2.0	10.6	4.4	5.4	1.2	9.7	0.3	
	August	-5.3	0.0	1.6	11.9	3.8	10.2	0.7	9.7	0.7	
	September	-5.1	0.9	1.6	10.3	3.3	10.2	0.5	10.2	0.6	
	October	-5.9	0.9	1.9	9.5	2.8	10.1	2.5	8.3	0.0	
	November	-5.7	0.9	2.0	9.6	2.7	12.7	2.1	10.4	0.5	
	December	-7.5	0.9	2.0	12.0	2.7	19.2	2.1	10.4	0.6	
2011	<b>January</b>	<b>-6.3</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>21.3</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>2.6</b>	
	February	-0.8	0.9	0.3	21.3	4.5	23.0	1.5	11.7	5.9	
<b>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</b>											
2009	September	4.0	18.0	1.8	-7.9	12.3	-16.6	-1.6	6.0	0.0	
	October	3.6	18.0	2.2	-6.6	12.1	-14.9	-0.9	5.8	0.3	
	November	2.8	18.0	2.2	-5.9	8.9	-10.8	-0.3	4.3	0.4	
	December	2.2	18.0	2.3	-4.7	5.8	-1.6	0.3	3.7	1.2	
2010	<b>January</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>-4.6</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>1.3</b>	
	February	-0.5	18.0	1.9	-3.3	3.2	14.8	0.9	3.7	1.5	
	March	-2.0	18.0	1.5	-2.4	3.4	14.8	1.1	4.3	0.9	
	April	-4.6	13.5	1.2	-0.1	3.3	13.8	1.1	4.4	-0.3	
	May	-5.8	9.3	1.0	2.5	3.2	12.4	1.0	5.8	-0.7	
	June	-7.0	3.6	1.4	6.7	3.5	13.2	1.1	7.6	-0.7	
	July	-6.2	1.8	1.7	9.0	3.9	11.2	1.1	9.4	0.0	
	August	-5.6	0.0	2.0	11.4	4.1	10.3	1.0	9.7	0.5	
	September	-5.1	0.3	1.7	10.9	3.9	8.6	0.8	9.9	0.5	
	October	-5.4	0.6	1.7	10.6	3.3	10.2	1.2	9.4	0.4	
	November	-5.6	0.9	1.8	9.8	2.9	11.0	1.7	9.7	0.4	
	December	-6.4	0.9	2.0	10.4	2.7	14.0	2.2	9.7	0.4	
2011	<b>January</b>	<b>-6.5</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>1.3</b>	
	February	-5.0	0.9	0.9	18.2	3.7	21.4	1.9	10.5	3.0	

Table 3. PRICE INDEX OF OTHER ITEMS BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing & Utilities	Household Operations	Transport & Commu- -nications	Recreation health & Oth. Serv.	Misce- llaneous	All Items	(%) Change	
		Wght	243	43	7	129	13	114	53	602	
2009	September	146.8	130.5	181.7	146.2	171.8	131.1	101.6	--	139.5	0.1
	October	143.8	133.2	181.7	148.9	174.6	131.1	101.6	--	139.1	-0.3
	November	144.9	138.0	181.7	148.9	174.6	131.1	101.6	--	139.9	0.6
	December	144.1	138.6	181.7	148.9	174.6	131.1	101.6	--	139.6	-0.2
2010	January	<b>144.4</b>	<b>144.4</b>	<b>224.5</b>	<b>148.6</b>	<b>174.6</b>	<b>131.1</b>	<b>110.8</b>	--	<b>141.4</b>	<b>1.3</b>
	February	149.5	153.0	224.5	147.2	172.0	132.8	110.8	--	144.0	1.8
	March	156.1	146.6	224.5	147.2	172.0	132.8	110.8	--	146.3	1.5
	April	153.0	162.6	224.5	147.2	172.9	132.8	110.8	--	146.2	-0.1
	May	150.9	146.6	224.5	147.2	172.9	132.8	110.8	--	144.2	-1.4
	June	148.2	145.3	224.5	143.8	180.6	132.7	110.8	--	142.4	-1.2
	July	146.7	148.1	224.5	146.2	179.6	132.7	110.8	--	142.5	0.1
	August	142.5	148.4	224.5	146.2	195.7	132.7	110.8	--	141.1	-0.9
	September	141.5	141.7	224.5	146.2	195.7	125.0	110.8	--	138.8	-1.6
	October	143.6	144.3	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.3	1.1
	November	143.6	146.9	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.5	0.1
	December	143.6	152.5	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.9	0.3
2011	January	<b>147.8</b>	<b>158.8</b>	<b>234.1</b>	<b>155.5</b>	<b>199.5</b>	<b>127.0</b>	<b>114.6</b>	--	<b>145.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>
	February	147.7	159.2	234.1	155.5	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	145.5	0.0
<b>Percentage Change in Other Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2009	October	3.1	7.7	40.3	-6.7	8.1	9.1	-6.2	--	1.8	
	November	0.8	11.6	40.3	-8.0	7.2	9.1	-6.2	--	0.8	
	December	3.4	4.6	40.3	-8.0	7.2	9.1	-6.2	--	1.4	
2010	January	<b>3.0</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>-8.2</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>14.4</b>	--	<b>2.6</b>	
	February	5.0	12.1	23.6	-9.1	3.2	3.2	9.1	--	2.2	
	March	3.1	4.2	23.6	-9.1	3.2	3.2	9.1	--	0.9	
	April	0.5	31.1	23.6	-5.8	2.9	3.0	9.1	--	2.3	
	May	-1.3	20.0	23.6	0.3	2.0	2.9	9.1	--	2.2	
	June	-1.9	12.0	23.6	-2.0	6.6	2.7	9.1	--	1.1	
	July	-2.2	15.4	23.6	-0.4	5.9	2.7	9.1	--	1.5	
	August	-4.1	15.4	23.6	-0.1	13.9	4.4	9.1	--	1.3	
	September	-3.6	8.6	23.6	-0.1	13.9	-4.7	9.1	--	-0.5	
	October	-0.1	8.3	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.9	
	November	-0.9	6.4	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.4	
	December	-0.4	10.0	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.9	
2011	January	<b>2.3</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	--	<b>2.9</b>	
	February	-1.2	4.1	4.3	5.6	16.0	-4.4	3.5	--	1.0	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2009	September	5.5	5.6	40.3	-2.8	6.9	7.8	-6.2	--	3.5	
	October	3.4	7.3	40.3	-4.2	7.5	8.2	-6.2	--	2.4	
	November	2.4	9.1	40.3	-5.9	7.3	9.1	-6.2	--	1.8	
	December	2.4	7.9	40.3	-7.5	7.5	9.1	-6.2	--	1.3	
2010	January	<b>2.4</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>-8.0</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	--	<b>1.6</b>	
	February	3.8	8.3	28.0	-8.4	5.3	7.1	5.3	--	2.1	
	March	3.7	8.1	23.6	-8.8	4.0	5.1	10.8	--	1.9	
	April	2.8	15.2	23.6	-8.0	3.1	3.1	9.1	--	1.8	
	May	0.8	17.8	23.6	-5.0	2.7	3.0	9.1	--	1.8	
	June	-0.9	20.9	23.6	-2.6	3.8	2.9	9.1	--	1.9	
	July	-1.8	15.7	23.6	-0.7	4.8	2.8	9.1	--	1.6	
	August	-2.7	14.3	23.6	-0.8	8.8	3.3	9.1	--	1.3	
	September	-3.3	13.1	23.6	-0.2	11.3	0.8	9.1	--	0.8	
	October	-2.6	10.7	23.6	-0.7	14.2	-1.2	9.1	--	0.6	
	November	-1.5	7.8	23.6	-1.2	14.5	-3.7	9.1	--	0.3	
	December	-0.5	8.3	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.7	
2011	January	<b>0.3</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>7.1</b>	--	<b>1.4</b>	
	February	0.2	7.9	9.8	2.8	15.0	-3.6	5.2	--	1.6	



Table 4. THE HONIARA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY GROUP ( Spliced Series)

Year/Month	Food	Drinks & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing & Utilities	Household Operations	Transport & Commu-nications	Recreation health & Oth. Serv.	Misce-llaneous	All Items	(%) Change	
( 4th Quarter 1992 = 100 )											
<b>2009</b>	February	497.0	434.7	182.6	589.4	404.9	509.7	393.7	331.4	463.3	1.1
	March	513.0	447.4	169.7	587.9	404.9	518.8	393.7	331.8	470.5	1.6
	April	513.4	401.9	169.4	565.1	406.0	523.1	393.9	332.6	465.7	-1.0
	May	513.7	396.7	170.4	539.2	407.5	525.5	393.9	333.7	462.2	-0.7
	June	510.3	420.9	183.9	539.2	413.4	525.5	393.9	337.2	463.5	0.3
	July	507.1	416.7	183.9	539.2	413.4	538.4	393.9	337.2	463.5	0.0
	August	505.1	417.4	184.4	537.9	417.6	530.2	394.7	337.2	461.9	-0.3
	September	501.8	423.1	184.4	540.0	419.2	541.4	394.9	337.3	462.5	0.1
	October	499.6	431.0	184.5	549.1	422.3	541.8	394.9	339.8	463.6	0.2
	November	502.3	445.2	184.6	549.6	422.3	537.7	395.4	339.8	465.0	0.3
	December	500.7	447.0	184.6	549.6	422.3	543.3	395.4	339.8	465.1	0.0
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>502.6</b>	<b>464.2</b>	<b>195.6</b>	<b>548.8</b>	<b>422.3</b>	<b>544.3</b>	<b>417.9</b>	<b>344.4</b>	<b>469.4</b>	0.9
	February	501.4	489.3	195.6	545.2	419.2	547.5	417.9	346.0	469.7	0.1
	March	513.5	470.5	195.6	547.7	418.1	551.2	417.9	346.0	474.8	1.1
	April	497.5	517.9	195.6	546.5	418.0	551.7	417.9	347.7	470.1	-1.0
	May	493.4	470.6	196.1	547.5	419.3	557.4	417.9	362.3	467.6	-0.5
	June	489.1	466.8	198.1	548.7	433.6	561.4	418.1	370.2	467.4	0.0
	July	489.6	475.0	197.6	553.5	433.6	557.9	418.1	370.0	468.2	0.2
	August	481.5	475.9	197.6	555.5	446.7	563.8	418.1	370.0	466.6	-0.4
	September	480.4	456.5	197.6	555.5	446.9	542.3	418.1	371.8	462.5	-0.9
	October	485.0	464.0	198.1	556.4	449.8	547.5	421.0	368.1	465.9	0.7
	November	486.1	471.7	198.4	557.2	449.6	547.5	421.0	375.2	467.1	0.3
	December	481.4	488.4	198.4	560.9	449.6	565.3	421.0	375.2	468.7	0.3
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>493.2</b>	<b>506.9</b>	<b>198.5</b>	<b>600.1</b>	<b>452.5</b>	<b>571.8</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>376.4</b>	<b>482.3</b>	2.9
	February	496.3	508.1	198.5	600.1	453.1	571.8	429.5	386.6	483.9	0.3
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>											
<i>(b) 12 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2009</b>	February	26.4	8.2	2.0	17.0	15.9	14.3	1.5	18.1	18.4	
	March	28.0	8.7	2.2	17.4	15.8	14.4	0.9	17.3	19.1	
	April	28.7	7.9	2.3	16.8	15.6	14.3	0.2	16.7	19.2	
	May	27.5	7.4	2.5	15.8	15.2	14.0	-0.4	15.5	18.4	
	June	25.5	7.2	3.2	13.6	14.4	12.9	-1.0	14.3	17.1	
	July	23.4	6.3	3.9	11.6	13.6	10.7	-1.6	12.5	15.3	
	August	20.5	6.1	4.5	9.6	12.7	8.3	-2.2	11.0	13.3	
	September	18.1	5.9	5.3	7.7	12.7	6.4	-2.8	10.1	11.6	
	October	16.0	5.8	6.1	5.4	12.8	5.2	-3.3	9.3	10.0	
	November	13.9	6.0	6.9	2.9	11.9	4.3	-3.8	8.6	8.4	
	December	11.9	6.3	7.6	0.7	10.9	4.6	-4.3	7.8	7.1	
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>-3.1</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>6.0</b>	
	February	8.0	7.2	7.2	-2.7	9.0	4.9	-2.2	6.6	4.9	
	March	5.7	6.5	8.3	-4.3	8.1	4.5	-1.4	6.0	3.5	
	April	3.6	8.9	9.4	-5.1	7.2	4.3	-0.5	5.4	2.5	
	May	2.1	10.4	10.6	-5.1	6.4	4.1	0.3	5.4	1.9	
	June	1.0	10.9	10.5	-4.6	5.9	4.4	1.2	5.4	1.5	
	July	0.1	11.7	10.3	-4.1	5.5	4.8	2.1	5.7	1.3	
	August	-0.6	12.2	10.1	-3.5	5.2	5.7	2.9	5.9	1.3	
	September	-1.2	12.1	9.9	-2.9	4.9	5.7	3.8	6.4	1.1	
	October	-1.7	12.0	9.6	-2.3	4.6	5.6	4.7	6.6	1.0	
	November	-2.1	11.5	9.4	-1.5	4.8	5.4	5.6	7.3	1.0	
	December	-2.6	11.8	9.2	-0.8	5.0	4.9	6.5	7.9	0.9	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>1.0</b>	
	February	-3.0	11.0	8.2	2.1	5.6	4.2	5.6	8.9	1.1	

Table 5. COMPARATIVE PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

DESCRIPTION	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010				2011			
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
<b>FOOD</b>																
RICE (Salais: 20kg Bag)	67.66	81.08	83.85	91.70	99.78	107.94	169.84	205.85	193.56	167.33	172.78	174.33	174.50	185.17	167.67	172.67
NOODLE (Maggi: 35g pkt)	1.50	1.78	1.94	2.02	2.15	2.27	2.50	2.82	2.82	2.93	2.96	2.96	2.96	2.98	3.00	3.00
FLOUR (plain white flour: 25kg bag)	60.23	93.36	114.86	110.05	114.13	127.53	182.10	188.90	176.50	176.17	174.06	173.83	183.33	183.33	196.50	186.67
CHICKEN WING (imported, 500g pkt)	15.44	20.42	20.63	18.67	20.88	24.33	33.13	31.25	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
TUNA (second grade Tuna: 180g can)	3.73	3.93	4.70	4.94	5.04	5.24	6.27	6.58	6.51	6.56	6.21	6.00	6.15	6.15	5.90	5.90
KUMARA HEAPS (\$/kg)	3.66	2.05	1.72	2.28	2.28	3.20	3.66	3.94	3.83	3.39	3.26	3.34	3.29	3.29	4.20	3.91
Slippery Cabbage \$/kg	5.82	3.88	4.24	4.94	5.01	6.18	9.25	8.37	7.13	9.20	7.40	5.51	5.06	5.06	5.30	5.16
WHITE SUGAR (Chelsea, 500gm pkt)	2.77	3.22	3.36	3.47	3.64	4.28	4.85	5.06	6.57	6.87	6.88	6.90	6.90	6.90	7.13	7.25
SALT (Shy salt: 1kg.)	3.17	3.95	3.71	4.22	4.50	4.61	4.46	4.54	4.47	4.47	4.49	4.72	4.72	4.72	4.73	4.80
<b>DRINKS &amp; TOBACCO</b>																
SOLBREW BEER (Solbrew, 355ml bottle)	4.87	6.07	6.07	6.16	6.83	7.80	8.75	9.08	9.10	9.10	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
TWIST TOBACCO (per stick)	5.50	7.02	7.02	7.31	7.40	7.49	7.78	10.03	14.73	15.41	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
<b>UTILITIES</b>																
WATER CHARGES (500gal)	26.13	29.20	29.20	29.20	29.20	53.70	62.10	58.42	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	65.66
ELECTRICITY (40 units)	44.89	74.50	74.50	81.90	101.02	116.42	177.00	192.19	182.61	176.96	177.34	177.34	177.34	177.34	177.34	190.31
<b>TRANSPORT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>																
FETROL (cents per litre)	247.36	350.20	350.20	499.08	535.69	628.24	958.45	799.42	887.00	941.23	907.07	893.55	898.55	1050.00	1103.00	1103.00
TELEPHONE CHARGES (per call, within Honar)	0.46	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.65	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GOODS &amp; SERVICES</b>																
EATH SOAP (Eir: 85g cake)	1.54	1.73	1.73	1.80	1.83	2.00	2.31	2.43	2.52	2.66	2.79	2.70	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.76
TOOTHPASTE (Colgate: 110g)	6.63	7.91	7.91	8.88	8.95	10.29	13.46	15.51	15.69	17.35	17.18	17.18	17.29	17.28	17.28	19.92