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## Commentary

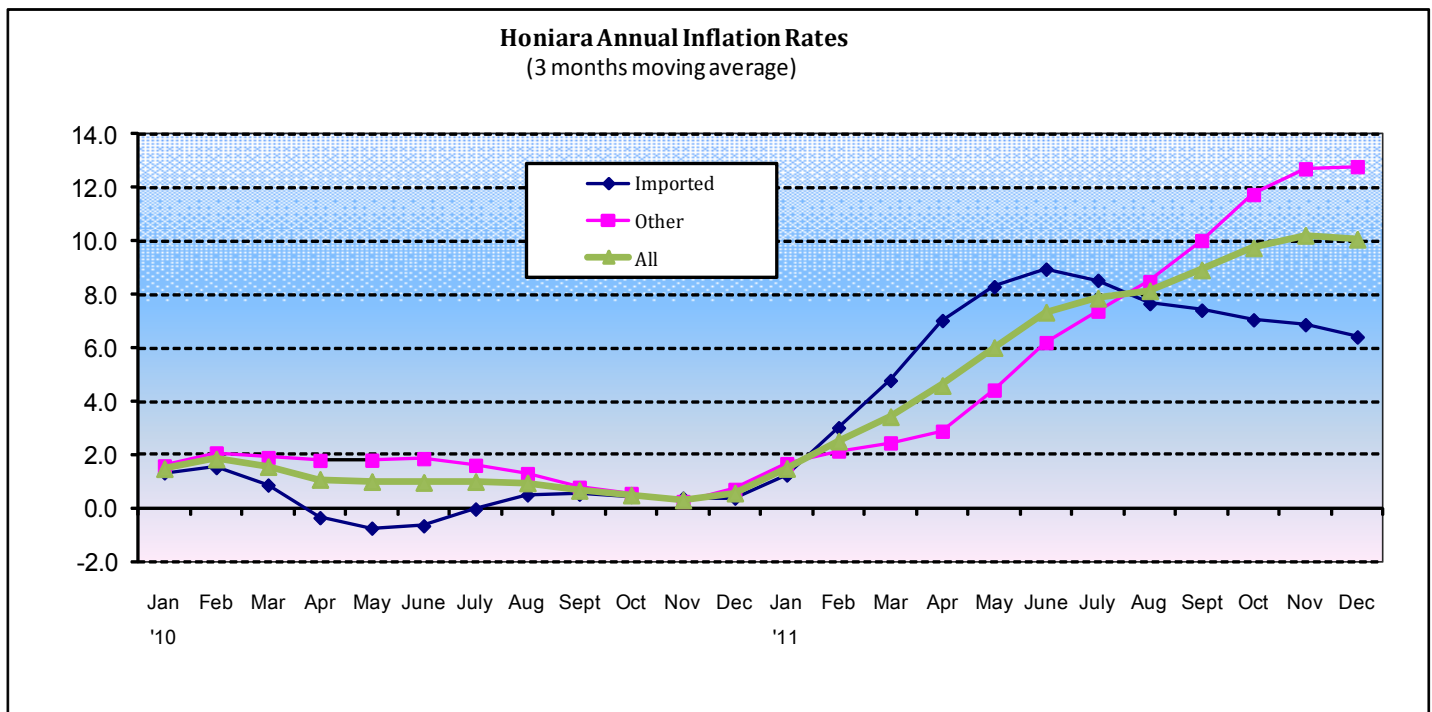
The Honiara consumer price index for the month of December 2011 fell 0.3% from 162.4 in November to 161.9. The drop was largely driven by declines in food and fuel prices.

The Food sub-index fell 0.7% on account of declines in the prices of rice, which dropped 2% to \$171.67/20kg bag, sugar, 1% to \$8.50/500g pkt, slippery cabbage 23%. to \$5.00/kg and kumara 9%. These had outweighed minor increases in the prices of corned beef, fresh fish and second grade-taiyo to result in the moderate decline in the overall food sub-index for the month.

Changes in other sub-indexes are as follows:-

- The Drinks & Tobacco sub-index marginally fell 0.1% on account of a 1.0% decrease (from \$20.60 to \$20.40/packet) in the price of a packet of cigarette.
- Clothing & Footwear rose 0.6% due to increases in the prices of napkins and bath towels.
- Transport & Communication dropped 0.4% due to declines in the prices of petrol and diesel which fell 1.7% to \$11.05/litre, and 0.6% to \$11.07/litre respectively.
- Miscellaneous Items was up 5.4% driven by increases in the prices of toiletries notably shampoos.

Apart from the above, price movements in other sub indexes were negligible.



The overall annual inflation rate as at December 2011, calculated on a 3 month moving average basis was 10.1%, marginally down 0.1 of a percentage point from 10.2% in November. The annual inflation rates for imported and other items, were 6.4% and 12.8% respectively.

Table 1. THE HONIARA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX 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>429</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>181</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>164</i>	<i>76</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>1000</i>	
<b>2010</b>	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	
	<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>155.8</b>	<b>157.1</b>	<b>141.7</b>	<b>165.1</b>	<b>165.4</b>	<b>142.4</b>	<b>122.7</b>	<b>174.0</b>	<b>153.1</b>	<b>3.4</b>
		February	156.8	157.5	141.7	165.1	165.6	142.4	122.5	178.6	153.6	0.3
March		159.5	158.2	141.8	166.2	165.6	144.0	122.5	179.4	155.3	1.1	
April/r		164.6	167.0	141.1	169.5	165.6	144.7	122.9	176.9	158.5	2.1	
May		163.9	178.6	141.1	170.0	165.8	146.7	122.9	176.9	159.2	0.4	
June		162.7	177.9	141.2	170.0	165.9	146.7	122.9	176.6	158.7	-0.4	
July		163.7	178.2	141.2	177.3	167.8	144.8	122.9	176.6	160.2	1.0	
August		165.4	168.4	141.2	176.0	167.9	143.8	122.9	176.6	160.1	-0.1	
September		165.9	171.1	141.4	176.0	166.2	144.3	122.9	175.6	160.4	0.2	
October		166.5	170.8	141.3	189.5	166.9	143.7	122.9	175.5	163.1	1.6	
November		164.8	174.3	142.3	189.1	169.6	142.5	122.9	176.8	162.4	-0.4	
December		163.6	174.1	143.2	189.0	169.0	141.9	122.6	186.3	161.9	-0.3	
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>												
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>												
<b>2010</b>	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		
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>-1.9</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>3.3</b>		
	February	-1.0	3.8	1.5	12.8	8.1	4.4	2.8	11.7	3.5		
	March	-1.7	8.5	1.6	13.1	8.4	4.9	2.8	12.2	3.5		
	April/r	4.7	4.0	1.0	15.5	8.4	5.3	3.1	10.1	6.8		
	May	5.2	22.4	0.8	15.7	8.2	5.7	3.1	5.7	7.8		
	June	5.3	22.9	-0.2	15.4	4.7	4.9	3.0	3.2	7.5		
	July	5.8	21.0	0.1	19.4	5.9	4.2	3.0	3.3	8.3		
	August	8.8	14.2	0.1	18.1	2.8	2.4	3.0	3.3	8.6		
	September	9.3	20.9	0.2	18.0	1.7	6.9	3.0	2.2	9.8		
	October	8.7	18.7	-0.1	26.9	1.5	5.4	2.3	3.2	10.8		
	November	7.3	19.2	0.5	26.4	3.2	4.5	2.3	2.0	10.1		
	December	7.6	15.0	1.1	25.6	2.9	0.8	2.2	7.5	9.4		
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>												
<b>2010</b>	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		
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>		
	February	-2.2	7.3	3.4	9.0	7.2	4.5	4.0	10.5	2.5		
	March	-1.5	7.1	1.5	12.7	7.9	4.8	2.8	11.1	3.4		
	April/r	0.6	5.4	1.3	13.8	8.3	4.9	2.9	11.3	4.6		
	May	2.7	11.4	1.1	14.8	8.3	5.3	3.0	9.3	6.0		
	June	5.1	16.0	0.6	15.6	7.1	5.3	3.1	6.3	7.3		
	July	5.4	22.1	0.2	16.8	6.3	4.9	3.1	4.1	7.9		
	August	6.6	19.4	0.0	17.6	4.5	3.8	3.0	3.3	8.1		
	September	8.0	18.7	0.1	18.5	3.5	4.5	3.0	2.9	8.9		
	October	8.9	17.9	0.1	21.0	2.0	4.9	2.8	2.9	9.8		
	November	8.4	19.6	0.2	23.8	2.1	5.6	2.6	2.4	10.2		
	December	7.9	17.6	0.5	26.3	2.5	3.5	2.3	4.2	10.1		

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
	<b>Wght</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>398</b>	
<b>2010</b>	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
<b>2011</b>	<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
	March	169.5	139.5	121.0	174.6	152.6	181.0	140.6	179.4	164.9	0.5
	April	171.7	143.1	120.1	175.0	152.6	183.2	141.8	176.9	166.2	0.8
	May	172.8	143.1	120.1	176.9	152.8	189.8	141.8	176.9	167.8	1.0
	June	172.8	143.1	120.2	176.9	153.1	189.8	141.8	176.6	167.8	0.0
	July	174.7	143.1	120.2	176.9	155.7	188.2	141.8	176.6	168.7	0.5
	August	175.3	143.1	120.2	172.3	155.8	183.9	141.8	176.6	167.8	-0.5
	September	176.2	143.1	120.5	172.3	153.4	185.6	141.8	175.6	168.2	0.2
	October	177.2	143.1	120.4	172.3	154.4	183.6	141.8	175.5	168.5	0.2
	November	177.6	143.1	121.6	170.7	158.1	179.5	141.8	176.8	168.5	0.0
	December	176.3	143.1	122.7	170.6	157.3	177.8	141.1	186.3	168.0	-0.3
<b>Percentage Change in Imported Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	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	
<b>2011</b>	<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	
	March	-0.4	0.9	0.4	19.2	4.9	22.8	1.5	12.2	5.9	
	April	5.7	3.5	-0.3	20.4	5.2	24.0	2.4	10.1	9.4	
	May	6.5	3.5	-0.6	20.9	4.9	24.5	2.4	5.7	9.7	
	June	6.2	3.5	-2.0	13.4	2.1	21.6	2.3	3.2	7.9	
	July	5.9	3.5	-1.7	14.4	3.5	22.8	2.3	3.3	8.1	
	August	6.4	3.5	-1.6	10.2	3.3	16.4	2.3	3.3	7.0	
	September	6.7	2.6	-1.4	10.2	1.6	17.5	2.3	2.2	7.1	
	October	7.0	2.6	-1.9	9.6	2.5	16.2	0.3	3.2	7.0	
	November	6.6	2.6	-1.1	8.1	5.0	13.6	0.3	2.0	6.5	
	December	8.1	2.6	-0.2	5.7	4.5	3.0	-0.2	7.5	5.8	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	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	
<b>2011</b>	<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	
	March	-2.6	0.9	0.3	20.6	4.4	22.6	1.7	11.1	4.8	
	April	1.4	1.8	0.1	20.3	4.9	23.3	1.8	11.3	7.0	
	May	3.8	2.6	-0.2	20.2	5.0	23.8	2.1	9.3	8.3	
	June	6.1	3.5	-1.0	18.1	4.0	23.3	2.4	6.3	9.0	
	July	6.2	3.5	-1.4	16.1	3.5	23.0	2.3	4.1	8.5	
	August	6.2	3.5	-1.8	12.6	3.0	20.3	2.3	3.3	7.7	
	September	6.4	3.2	-1.6	11.6	2.8	18.9	2.3	2.9	7.4	
	October	6.7	2.9	-1.7	10.0	2.5	16.7	1.6	2.9	7.1	
	November	6.8	2.6	-1.5	9.3	3.0	15.8	1.0	2.4	6.9	
	December	7.2	2.6	-1.1	7.8	4.0	10.7	0.1	4.2	6.4	

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

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks &	Clothing &	Housing &	Household &	Transport & Commu-	Recreation health &	Misce-	All	(%)	
		Tobacco	Footwear	Utilities	Operations	-nications	Oth. Serv.	llaneous	Items	Change	
	<b>Wght</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>53</b>		<b>602</b>	
<b>2010</b>	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
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>147.8</b>	<b>158.8</b>	<b>234.1</b>	<b>161.2</b>	<b>199.5</b>	<b>127.0</b>	<b>114.6</b>	--	<b>146.7</b>	<b>4.1</b>
	February	147.7	159.2	234.1	161.2	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	146.7	0.0
	March	151.9	160.0	234.1	162.9	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	148.9	1.5
	April/r	159.1	169.3	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.4	3.0
	May	157.1	181.9	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.6	0.1
	June	154.9	181.2	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	152.6	-0.6
	July	155.2	181.5	234.1	177.5	199.5	125.8	114.6	--	154.6	1.3
	August	157.9	170.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	155.0	0.3
	September	158.0	173.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	155.3	0.2
	October	158.4	173.3	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	159.4	2.7
	November	154.9	177.2	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	158.3	-0.7
	December	154.0	177.0	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	157.9	-0.3
<b>Percentage Change in Other Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	--	<b>3.7</b>	
	February	-1.2	4.1	4.3	9.5	16.0	-4.4	3.5	--	1.8	
	March	-2.7	9.1	4.3	10.6	16.0	-3.8	3.5	--	1.8	
	April/r	4.0	4.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	5.0	
	May	4.1	24.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	6.5	
	June	4.5	24.7	4.3	16.4	10.5	-3.7	3.5	--	7.2	
	July	5.8	22.6	4.3	21.5	11.1	-5.2	3.5	--	8.5	
	August	10.9	15.1	4.3	21.5	2.0	-4.9	3.5	--	9.8	
	September	11.6	22.6	4.3	21.5	2.0	1.0	3.5	--	11.8	
	October	10.2	20.1	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	13.6	
	November	7.9	20.6	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.7	
	December	7.2	16.0	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.1	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>7.1</b>	--	<b>1.7</b>	
	February	0.2	7.9	9.8	5.4	15.0	-3.6	5.2	--	2.2	
	March	-0.6	7.7	4.3	9.5	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	2.5	
	April/r	0.0	5.7	4.3	11.2	15.8	-4.0	3.5	--	2.9	
	May	1.7	12.1	4.3	12.6	15.6	-3.8	3.5	--	4.4	
	June	4.2	17.1	4.3	14.5	13.7	-3.8	3.5	--	6.2	
	July	4.8	23.8	4.3	17.1	12.3	-4.2	3.5	--	7.4	
	August	7.0	20.7	4.3	19.8	7.7	-4.6	3.5	--	8.5	
	September	9.4	20.0	4.3	21.5	4.9	-3.1	3.5	--	10.0	
	October	10.9	19.2	4.3	25.8	1.2	-1.5	3.5	--	11.8	
	November	9.9	21.1	4.3	30.1	0.4	0.0	3.5	--	12.7	
	December	8.5	18.9	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.8	

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	
<b>( 4th Quarter 1992 = 100 )</b>											
<b>2009</b>	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>	<b>0.9</b>
	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>615.2</b>	<b>452.5</b>	<b>571.8</b>	<b>430.4</b>	<b>376.4</b>	<b>484.6</b>	<b>3.4</b>
	February	496.3	508.1	198.5	615.2	453.1	571.8	429.5	386.6	486.2	0.3
	March	505.0	510.3	198.6	619.4	453.1	578.2	429.5	388.2	491.6	1.1
	April/r	521.0	538.7	197.6	631.4	453.1	580.9	430.9	382.8	501.8	2.1
	May	518.9	576.1	197.6	633.4	453.6	589.0	430.9	382.8	504.1	0.4
	June	515.0	573.9	197.8	633.4	454.1	589.0	430.9	382.2	502.3	-0.4
	July	518.2	574.9	197.8	660.7	459.2	581.4	430.9	382.2	507.2	1.0
	August	523.8	543.3	197.8	655.8	459.4	577.4	430.9	382.2	506.9	-0.1
	September	525.2	552.0	198.1	655.8	454.7	579.5	430.9	379.9	507.9	0.2
	October	527.3	550.8	197.9	706.1	456.6	577.0	430.9	379.7	516.2	1.6
	November	521.7	562.2	199.4	704.4	464.0	572.1	430.9	382.6	514.1	-0.4
	December	518.0	561.4	200.6	704.3	462.5	570.0	430.1	403.2	512.7	-0.3
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>											
<i>12 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2009</b>	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>0.8</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	2.6	5.6	4.2	5.6	8.9	1.2	
	March	-3.2	11.3	7.1	4.3	6.0	4.1	5.3	9.6	1.4	
	April/r	-2.5	9.2	5.9	5.9	6.5	4.1	5.1	10.0	1.9	
	May	-1.8	9.7	4.8	7.1	6.9	4.1	4.8	9.8	2.5	
	June	-1.0	10.7	4.1	8.2	6.9	4.0	4.6	9.2	3.0	
	July	-0.2	11.4	3.5	9.6	7.0	4.0	4.3	8.6	3.6	
	August	0.9	11.4	2.9	10.8	6.6	3.7	4.1	8.1	4.3	
	September	2.0	12.5	2.3	12.1	6.2	4.2	3.8	7.4	5.1	
	October	2.9	13.3	1.7	14.2	5.8	4.6	3.5	6.9	5.9	
	November	3.8	14.4	9.7	16.3	5.5	4.8	3.2	6.2	6.7	
	December	4.8	14.8	0.7	18.3	5.2	4.5	2.8	6.0	7.4	

**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	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Oct	Nov	Dec	
<b>FOOD</b>																			
RICE (Sriani: 20kg Bag)	67.69	81.08	83.85	91.70	99.78	107.94	169.84	205.85	193.56	167.33	172.78	171.33	172.50	172.47	173.11	177.50	175.83	171.67	
NOODLE (Maggi: 85g pk)	1.50	1.76	1.84	2.02	2.15	2.27	2.50	2.82	2.82	2.93	2.96	2.96	3.00	3.10	3.07	3.00	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	181.83	191.61	195.67	198.56	195.00	195.00	195.00	
CHICKEN WING (imported: 500g pk)	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	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	
TUNA (second grade: Taju: 180g can)	3.73	3.93	4.70	4.94	5.04	5.24	6.27	6.58	6.51	6.56	6.21	6.10	5.90	5.57	5.43	5.08	4.83	4.92	
KUMARA HEAPS (\$/kg)	3.65	2.05	1.72	2.28	2.28	3.20	3.68	3.94	3.83	3.39	3.26	3.30	3.84	3.36	4.25	5.59	4.86	4.44	
SLEPPERY CABBAGE \$/kg	5.82	3.88	4.24	4.94	5.01	6.18	9.26	8.37	7.13	9.20	7.40	5.21	5.58	7.93	7.27	6.87	6.48	5.00	
WHITE SUGAR (Chelsea: 500gm pk)	2.77	3.22	3.36	3.47	3.64	4.28	4.85	5.06	6.57	6.87	6.98	6.90	7.26	8.33	8.51	8.25	8.58	8.50	
SALT (Sky 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	4.78	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.65	4.58	
<b>DRINKS &amp; TOBACCO</b>																			
SOLBREWBEER (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	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	
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	18.26	18.75	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.75	
<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	65.66	65.66	79.00	111.77	111.77	111.77	
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	210.31	224.76	233.48	232.77	232.77	232.77	
<b>TRANSPORT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>																			
PETROL (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	949.03	1193.13	1203.67	1187.00	1165.00	1124.00	1105.00	
TELEPHONE CHARGES (per call, within Honara)	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	0.55	0.55	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GOODS &amp; SERVICES</b>																			
BATH SOAP (Gir: 85g cake)	1.54	1.73	1.73	1.80	1.83	2.00	2.31	2.43	2.52	2.66	2.79	2.74	2.52	2.51	2.51	2.52	2.60	2.60	
TOOTH PASTE (Colgate: 110g)	6.63	7.91	7.91	8.88	8.95	10.29	13.46	15.51	15.68	17.35	17.18	17.25	18.92	18.92	18.89	18.82	18.82	18.82	

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