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## Commentary

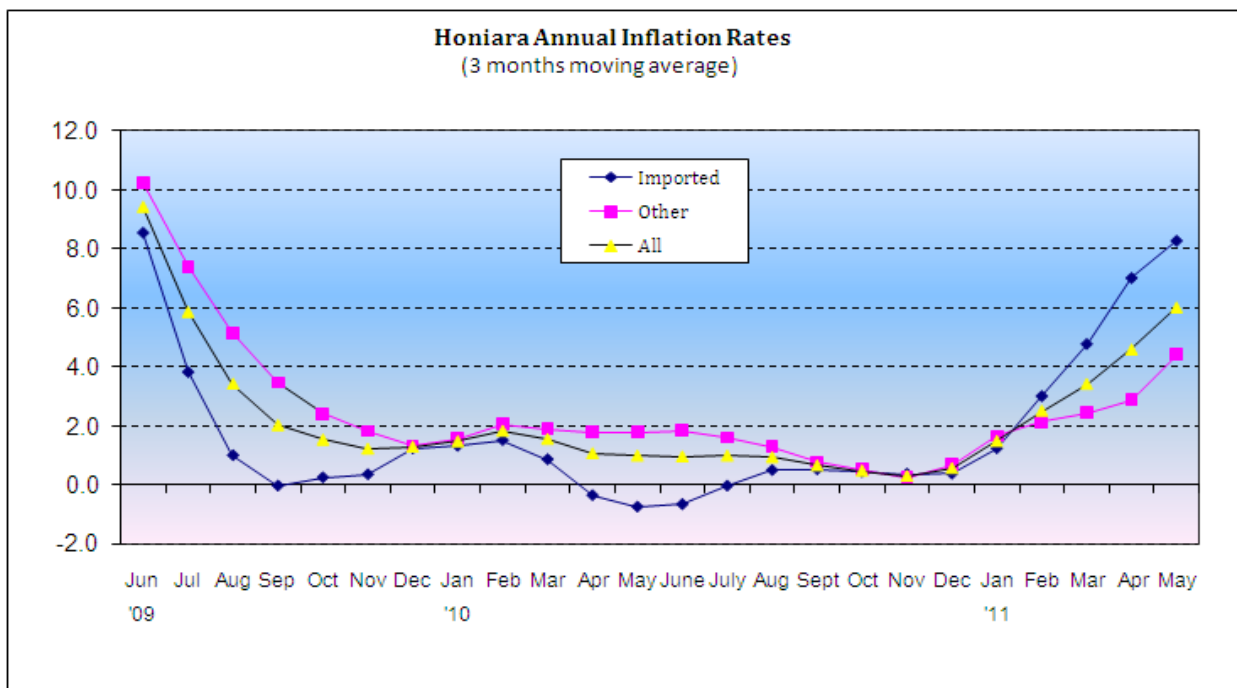
The Honiara Consumers Price Index for May 2011 slightly rose by 0.4% to 159.2. This was largely driven by increases in the prices fuel, tobacco and betel nut which outweighed decreases in the prices of local food items.

The domestic food sub index fell 1.2% on account of declines in the prices of canned tuna which fell 4.4% to \$5.48/can, coral fish 3.2% to \$34.79/kg, kumara 4% to \$3.28/kg, cassava 1.1% to \$2.88, cooking bananas 9.8% to \$7.13, bush cabbage 8.6% to \$7.59 and melon 3.9% to \$7.38/kg. These, coupled with a slight drop of 1% in the price of rice, had outweighed increases in some imported food items such as cooking oil which went up 10.1% to \$13.60/500ml plastic bottle, corned beef up 7% to \$29.68/340g can and white sugar (up 5.2% to \$8.47/500gm pkt) to result in a 4% drop in the overall Food sub-index.

Changes in other sub-indexes are as follows:-

- Drinks & Tobacco was up 6.9% on account of a 17.9% rise in the price of twist tobacco (from \$16.75 to \$19.75/stick), and a 10% increase in the price of betel nut
- Housing & Utilities slightly increased 0.3% due to an 8% rise (from \$12.36 to \$13.35/litre) in the price of kerosene.
- Transport and communications rose 1.4% largely driven by increases in the prices of petrol & diesel which rose 5.5% to \$12.25/litre and 10.5% to \$12.94/litre respectively.

Price movements in other sub indexes are negligible.



The annual inflation rate to May calculated on a 3 months moving average basis was 6%, up 1.4 percentage points from 4.6% in April. The inflation rates for imported and other items were 8.3% and 4.4% respectively.

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

Year/ Month	Wght	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>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>	
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	158.8	143.9	139.7	147.3	154.3	135.6	119.2	159.2	148.3	0.9
	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
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	155.8	157.1	141.7	165.1	165.4	142.4	122.7	174.0	153.1	3.4
	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
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	1.8	8.8	7.5	-6.9	3.9	10.6	9.3	4.1	2.4	
	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	-1.9	9.2	1.5	12.1	7.1	5.1	3.0	9.3	3.3	
	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	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	1.7	8.8	9.0	-7.1	4.1	8.3	0.3	3.3	1.5	
	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	-3.0	8.2	5.4	5.2	6.7	3.7	5.3	10.0	1.5	
	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	
<i>r = revised</i>											

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

Year/ Month	Wght	Food	Drinks & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing & Utilities	Household Operations	Transport & Commu- nications	Recreation health & Oth. Serv.	Misce- llaneous	All Items	(%) Change
	<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>	<b>January</b>	177.5	138.2	120.5	144.2	146.6	145.6	138.5	159.2	158.6	0.4
	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
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	166.2	139.5	120.8	174.9	152.3	177.6	141.4	174.0	162.7	2.4
	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
<b>Percentage Change in Imported Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	0.6	18.0	1.9	-3.4	3.1	13.8	1.1	4.1	2.1	
	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	-6.3	0.9	0.3	21.3	3.9	22.0	2.1	9.3	2.6	
	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	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	1.0	18.0	2.2	-4.6	3.0	6.4	0.7	3.3	1.3	
	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	
<b>2011</b>	<b>January</b>	-6.5	0.9	1.5	14.3	3.1	18.0	2.1	10.0	1.3	
	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	

Table 3. PRICE INDEX OF OTHER ITEMS 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>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>	<b>January</b>	<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
<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
<b>Percentage Change in Other Items Index by Group</b>											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	<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	
<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	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
<b>2010</b>	<b>January</b>	<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	
<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	

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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
<b>Percentage Change in the CPI by Group</b>											
<i>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>0.8</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	

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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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	
<b>FOOD</b>																		
RICE (Softs: 20kg Bag)	67.69	81.08	83.85	91.70	99.78	107.94	189.84	205.85	193.56	187.33	172.78	171.33	167.67	172.67	172.67	188.50	188.83	
NOOTLE (Maize) 35g (pk)	1.50	1.76	1.84	2.02	2.15	2.27	2.50	2.82	2.82	2.83	2.95	2.96	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.10	3.10	
FLOUR (pan white flour 25kg bag)	60.23	93.36	114.86	110.05	114.13	127.53	182.10	188.90	178.50	173.17	174.08	181.83	186.50	188.67	191.67	195.67	195.67	
CHICKEN WING (impacted, 500g pk)	15.44	20.42	20.63	19.67	20.88	24.33	33.13	31.25	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	41.00	41.00	
TUNA (second grade Tاجر, 180g can)	3.73	3.98	4.70	4.94	5.04	5.24	6.27	6.58	6.51	6.56	6.21	6.10	5.90	5.80	5.90	5.73	5.48	
KUMARA HEADS (\$/kg)	3.65	2.05	1.72	2.28	2.28	3.20	3.88	3.94	3.83	3.39	3.26	3.30	4.20	3.91	3.42	3.42	3.28	
SUPPERY CABBAGE \$/kg	5.82	3.88	4.24	4.94	5.01	6.18	9.26	8.37	7.13	8.20	7.40	5.21	5.30	5.16	6.26	8.30	7.59	
WHITE SUGAR (Domless 500gm pk)	2.77	3.22	3.36	3.47	3.64	4.28	4.85	5.05	6.57	6.87	6.95	6.90	7.13	7.25	7.38	8.05	8.47	
SALT (\$/kg salt, 1kg )	3.17	3.95	3.71	4.22	4.50	4.51	4.46	4.54	4.47	4.47	4.49	4.72	4.73	4.80	4.80	4.63	4.63	
<b>DRINKS &amp; TOBACCO</b>																		
SO. BREW BEER (Softbrew, 355ml bottle)	4.87	6.07	6.07	6.16	6.83	7.30	8.75	9.03	9.10	9.10	9.07	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.25	9.25	
TMST 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	16.75	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	65.66	65.66	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	210.31	210.31	210.31	224.784	224.76	
<b>TRANSPORT &amp; COMMUNICATION</b>																		
PETROL (cents per litre)	247.36	350.20	350.20	499.03	535.69	628.24	958.45	769.42	887.00	941.23	907.67	949.03	1103.00	1103.00	1137.00	1161.00	1225.00	
TELEPHONE CHARGES (per call, within Honi)	0.46	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.67	0.88	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.85	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS GOODS &amp; SERVICES</b>																		
BATH SOAP (Gir, 65g cake)	1.54	1.73	1.73	1.30	1.83	2.00	2.31	2.43	2.52	2.66	2.79	2.74	2.76	2.76	2.76	2.52	2.52	
TOOTH PASTE (Colgate, 110g)	6.63	7.91	7.91	8.38	8.95	10.29	13.46	15.51	15.68	17.35	17.18	17.25	17.28	19.92	19.92	18.92	18.92	

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