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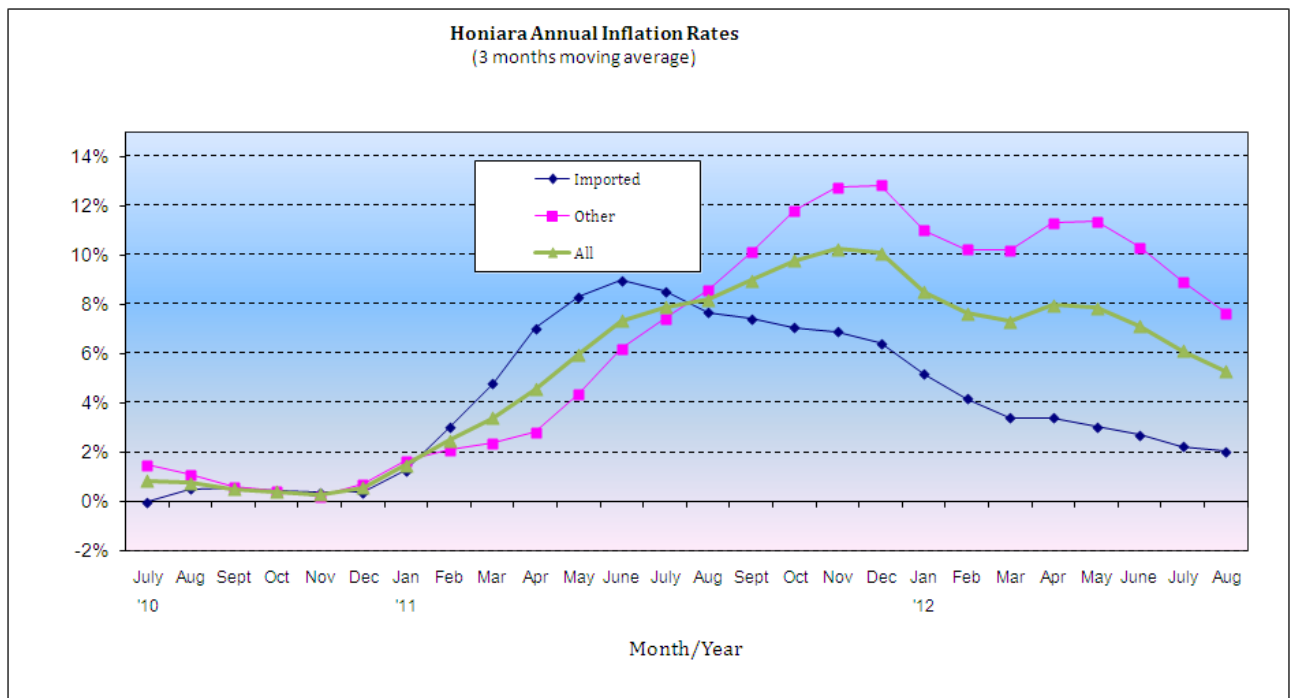
The Honiara Consumers Price Index for August fell by 0.5% from 168.2 in July to 167.4. This was driven by declines in the prices local food, petrol and diesel.

The food sub-index fell by 0.2% to 170.3 due to declines in the prices of most local fruit and vegetables at the Honiara Market, in particular bush cabbage, melon, tomatoes and coconuts. These outweighed slight increases in the prices of rice, bread and canned meat to result in the decline in the overall food sub-index.

Changes in other sub-indexes were as follows:-

- Drinks & Tobacco was up 0.4% due to a 2.2% rise in the price of betel-nut.
- Transport & Communications fell 3.4%, largely driven by declines in the prices of petrol and diesel. The prices of petrol and diesel dropped by \$1.65 (14.3%) to \$9.92 and \$1.22 (10.5%) to \$10.44 respectively outweighing an increase of 1.8% in domestic airfares.
- Miscellaneous was up 1.9% due to slight increases in the prices of perfumes and baby oil.

Apart from the above, price movements elsewhere in the basket were negligible.



The annual inflation rate to August 2012 calculated on a 3 months moving average basis was 5.3%, down 0.8 of a percentage point from 6.1% in July. The inflation rates for imported and other items were 2.0% and 7.7% 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
		429	47	38	181	47	164	76	18	1000	
2011	January	155.3	157.1	141.7	165.1	165.4	142.4	122.7	174.0	152.9	3.4
	February	156.3	157.5	141.7	165.1	165.6	142.4	122.5	178.6	153.4	0.3
	March	159.0	158.2	141.8	166.2	165.6	144.0	122.5	179.4	155.1	1.1
	April/r	164.0	167.0	141.1	169.5	165.6	144.7	122.9	176.9	158.3	2.1
	May	163.4	178.6	141.1	170.0	165.8	146.7	122.9	176.9	159.0	0.4
	June	162.2	177.9	141.2	170.0	165.9	146.7	122.9	176.6	158.4	-0.4
	July	163.2	178.2	141.2	177.3	167.8	144.8	122.9	176.6	160.0	1.0
	August	164.9	168.4	141.2	176.0	167.9	143.8	122.9	176.6	159.9	-0.1
	September	165.4	171.1	141.4	176.0	166.2	144.3	122.9	175.6	160.2	0.2
	October	166.0	170.8	141.3	189.5	166.9	143.7	122.9	175.5	162.8	1.6
	November	164.3	174.3	142.3	189.1	169.6	142.5	122.9	176.8	162.1	-0.4
	December	163.1	174.1	143.2	189.0	169.0	141.9	122.6	186.3	161.7	-0.3
2012	January	162.2	181.5	143.1	190.0	170.1	140.9	129.7	186.8	162.2	0.3
	February	168.1	173.3	143.8	191.4	169.7	141.7	129.7	187.2	164.8	1.6
	March	174.7	175.3	143.8	191.4	169.9	143.0	129.7	188.0	167.9	1.9
	April	176.2	177.2	143.8	202.8	171.9	144.9	129.7	188.7	171.2	1.9
	May	175.0	170.3	143.8	202.7	171.9	144.8	129.7	191.1	170.3	-0.5
	June	169.7	173.5	143.8	202.7	172.1	143.7	129.7	192.3	168.1	-1.3
	July	170.6	168.0	143.6	202.7	172.1	143.7	129.7	193.8	168.2	0.1
	August	170.3	168.7	143.6	202.7	172.2	138.8	129.7	197.4	167.4	-0.5
Percentage Change in the CPI by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2011	January	-2.0	9.2	1.5	12.1	7.1	5.1	3.0	9.3	3.2	
	February	-1.1	3.8	1.5	12.8	8.1	4.4	2.8	11.7	3.5	
	March	-1.8	8.5	1.6	13.1	8.4	4.9	2.8	12.2	3.5	
	April/r	4.6	4.0	1.0	15.5	8.4	5.3	3.1	10.1	6.7	
	May	5.1	22.4	0.8	15.7	8.2	5.7	3.1	5.7	7.8	
	June	5.4	22.9	-0.2	15.4	4.7	4.9	3.0	3.2	7.5	
	July	6.0	21.0	0.1	19.4	5.9	4.2	3.0	3.3	8.4	
	August	8.9	14.2	0.1	18.1	2.8	2.4	3.0	3.3	8.7	
	September	9.4	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	
2012	January	4.4	15.5	1.0	15.1	2.9	-1.0	5.6	7.4	6.1	
	February	7.6	10.0	1.5	15.9	2.5	-0.5	5.9	4.8	7.5	
	March	9.9	10.8	1.4	15.1	2.6	-0.7	5.9	4.8	8.3	
	April	7.4	6.1	1.9	19.6	3.8	0.2	5.5	6.6	8.1	
	May	7.1	-4.6	1.9	19.2	3.7	-1.3	5.5	8.0	7.1	
	June	4.7	-2.5	1.8	19.2	3.7	-2.0	5.5	8.9	6.1	
	July	4.5	-5.7	1.7	14.3	2.5	-0.7	5.5	9.8	5.1	
	August	3.2	0.1	1.7	15.1	2.6	-3.5	5.5	11.8	4.7	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	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	-3.0	8.2	5.4	5.2	6.7	3.7	5.3	10.0	1.5	
	February	-2.3	7.3	3.4	9.0	7.2	4.5	4.0	10.5	2.5	
	March	-1.6	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	2.6	11.4	1.1	14.8	8.3	5.3	3.0	9.3	6.0	
	June	5.0	16.0	0.6	15.6	7.1	5.3	3.1	6.3	7.3	
	July	5.5	22.1	0.2	16.8	6.3	4.9	3.1	4.1	7.9	
	August	6.8	19.4	0.0	17.6	4.5	3.8	3.0	3.3	8.2	
	September	8.1	18.7	0.1	18.5	3.5	4.5	3.0	2.9	9.0	
	October	9.0	17.9	0.1	21.0	2.0	4.9	2.8	2.9	9.8	
	November	8.5	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	
2012	January	6.5	16.5	0.8	22.1	3.0	1.4	3.4	5.6	8.5	
	February	6.6	13.5	1.2	18.6	2.7	-0.2	4.6	6.5	7.7	
	March	7.3	12.1	1.3	15.4	2.7	-0.7	5.8	5.7	7.3	
	April	8.3	8.9	1.6	16.9	3.0	-0.3	5.8	5.4	8.0	
	May	8.1	3.8	1.7	18.0	3.4	-0.6	5.6	6.5	7.9	
	June	6.4	-0.5	1.9	19.4	3.7	-1.1	5.5	7.8	7.1	
	July	5.4	-4.3	1.8	17.5	3.3	-1.4	5.5	8.9	6.1	
	August	4.1	-2.7	1.7	16.2	2.9	-2.1	5.5	10.1	5.3	

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
		186	4	31	52	34	50	23	18	398	
2011	January	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
	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
2012	January	175.5	143.1	122.5	173.9	158.7	173.7	148.2	186.8	168.1	0.0
	February	176.9	143.1	123.4	178.8	158.2	176.3	148.2	187.2	169.7	1.0
	March	177.1	143.1	123.4	178.7	158.4	180.5	148.2	188.0	170.4	0.4
	April	176.0	143.1	123.4	184.6	161.0	186.8	148.2	188.7	171.7	0.7
	May	176.0	143.1	123.4	184.3	160.9	186.3	148.2	191.1	171.7	0.0
	June	177.2	143.1	123.4	184.3	161.3	182.9	148.2	192.3	171.8	0.0
	July	177.2	143.1	123.2	184.3	161.3	182.9	148.2	193.8	172.0	0.1
	August	178.4	143.1	123.2	184.3	161.4	167.3	148.2	197.4	170.8	-0.7
Percentage Change in Imported Items Index by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2011	January	-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	
	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	
2012	January	5.5	2.6	1.4	-0.6	4.2	-2.2	4.8	7.4	3.3	
	February	4.9	2.6	2.1	2.2	3.7	-0.8	5.4	4.8	3.5	
	March	4.5	2.6	2.0	2.3	3.8	-0.3	5.4	4.8	3.4	
	April	2.5	0.0	2.7	5.5	5.5	1.9	4.5	6.6	3.3	
	May	1.8	0.0	2.7	4.2	5.3	-1.9	4.5	8.0	2.4	
	June	2.6	0.0	2.6	4.2	5.3	-3.7	4.5	8.9	2.4	
	July	1.4	0.0	2.4	4.2	3.6	-2.8	4.5	9.8	2.0	
	August	1.8	0.0	2.4	7.0	3.6	-9.0	4.5	11.8	1.8	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	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	January	-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	
	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	
2012	January	6.7	2.6	0.0	4.2	4.6	4.5	1.6	5.6	5.2	
	February	6.1	2.6	1.1	2.3	4.1	0.0	3.3	6.5	4.2	
	March	5.0	2.6	1.8	1.3	3.9	-1.1	5.2	5.7	3.4	
	April	3.9	1.7	2.3	3.3	4.3	0.3	5.1	5.4	3.4	
	May	2.9	0.8	2.5	4.0	4.9	-0.1	4.8	6.5	3.0	
	June	2.3	0.0	2.7	4.7	5.4	-1.2	4.5	7.8	2.7	
	July	1.9	0.0	2.6	4.2	4.7	-2.8	4.5	8.9	2.2	
	August	1.9	0.0	2.5	5.1	4.2	-5.1	4.5	10.1	2.0	

Table 3. PRICE INDEX OF OTHER 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
		243	43	7	129	13	114	53		602	
2011	January	146.9	158.8	234.1	161.2	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	146.3	4.1
	February	146.8	159.2	234.1	161.2	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	146.3	0.0
	March	151.0	160.0	234.1	162.9	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	148.6	1.5
	April/r	158.2	169.3	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.1	3.0
	May	156.2	181.9	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.2	0.1
	June	154.0	181.2	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	152.3	-0.6
	July	154.3	181.5	234.1	177.5	199.5	125.8	114.6	--	154.2	1.3
	August	157.0	170.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	154.7	0.3
	September	157.1	173.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	154.9	0.2
	October	157.5	173.3	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	159.1	2.7
	November	154.1	177.2	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	158.0	-0.7
	December	153.1	177.0	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	157.5	-0.3
2012	January	152.0	185.0	234.1	196.5	200.0	126.6	121.6	--	158.4	0.5
	February	161.5	176.1	234.1	196.5	200.0	126.6	121.6	--	161.6	2.0
	March	172.8	178.3	234.1	196.5	200.0	126.6	121.6	--	166.3	2.9
	April	176.3	180.3	234.1	210.1	200.4	126.6	121.6	--	170.8	2.7
	May	174.1	172.9	234.1	210.1	200.4	126.6	121.6	--	169.4	-0.8
	June	164.2	176.4	234.1	210.1	200.4	126.6	121.6	--	165.6	-2.2
	July	165.4	170.3	234.1	210.1	200.4	126.6	121.6	--	165.7	0.0
	August	164.0	171.0	234.1	210.1	200.4	126.3	121.6	--	165.1	-0.3
Percentage Change in Other Items Index by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2011	January	2.1	9.9	4.3	8.5	14.3	-3.2	3.5	--	3.7	
	February	-1.4	4.1	4.3	9.5	16.0	-4.4	3.5	--	1.8	
	March	-2.9	9.1	4.3	10.6	16.0	-3.8	3.5	--	1.8	
	April/r	3.8	4.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	4.9	
	May	3.9	24.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	6.4	
	June	4.7	24.7	4.3	16.4	10.5	-3.7	3.5	--	7.3	
	July	6.0	22.6	4.3	21.5	11.1	-5.2	3.5	--	8.6	
	August	11.1	15.1	4.3	21.5	2.0	-4.9	3.5	--	9.9	
	September	11.7	22.6	4.3	21.5	2.0	1.0	3.5	--	11.9	
	October	10.3	20.1	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	13.7	
	November	8.0	20.6	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.7	
	December	7.3	16.0	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.1	
2012	January	3.5	16.5	0.0	21.9	0.2	-0.3	6.1	--	8.2	
	February	10.0	10.6	0.0	21.9	0.2	-0.3	6.1	--	10.4	
	March	14.4	11.5	0.0	20.6	0.2	-0.9	6.1	--	11.9	
	April	11.5	6.5	0.0	25.6	0.4	-0.9	6.1	--	11.6	
	May	11.5	-5.0	0.0	25.6	0.4	-0.9	6.1	--	10.6	
	June	6.6	-2.7	0.0	25.6	0.4	-0.9	6.1	--	8.8	
	July	7.2	-6.2	0.0	18.3	0.4	0.6	6.1	--	7.4	
	August	4.5	0.1	0.0	18.3	0.4	0.0	6.1	--	6.8	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	November	-1.7	7.8	23.6	-1.2	14.5	-3.7	9.1	--	0.2	
	December	-0.5	8.3	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.7	
2011	January	0.3	8.8	16.2	1.6	14.6	-3.2	7.1	--	1.7	
	February	0.1	7.9	9.8	5.4	15.0	-3.6	5.2	--	2.1	
	March	-0.8	7.7	4.3	9.5	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	2.4	
	April/r	-0.2	5.7	4.3	11.2	15.8	-4.0	3.5	--	2.8	
	May	1.6	12.1	4.3	12.6	15.6	-3.8	3.5	--	4.4	
	June	4.1	17.1	4.3	14.5	13.7	-3.8	3.5	--	6.2	
	July	4.9	23.8	4.3	17.1	12.3	-4.2	3.5	--	7.4	
	August	7.2	20.7	4.3	19.8	7.7	-4.6	3.5	--	8.6	
	September	9.6	20.0	4.3	21.5	4.9	-3.1	3.5	--	10.1	
	October	11.1	19.2	4.3	25.8	1.2	-1.5	3.5	--	11.8	
	November	10.0	21.1	4.3	30.1	0.4	0.0	3.5	--	12.8	
	December	8.5	18.9	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.8	
2012	January	6.2	17.7	2.8	30.0	-0.2	-0.4	4.4	--	11.0	
	February	6.9	14.4	1.4	25.8	0.0	-0.4	5.2	--	10.2	
	March	9.4	12.9	0.0	21.5	0.2	-0.5	6.1	--	10.2	
	April	12.0	9.5	0.0	22.7	0.3	-0.7	6.1	--	11.3	
	May	12.5	4.0	0.0	24.0	0.4	-0.9	6.1	--	11.3	
	June	9.9	-0.5	0.0	25.6	0.4	-0.9	6.1	--	10.3	
	July	8.5	-4.6	0.0	23.1	0.4	-0.4	6.1	--	8.9	
	August	6.1	-3.0	0.0	20.7	0.4	-0.1	6.1	--	7.7	

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)											
2010	January	501.5	464.2	195.6	548.8	422.3	544.3	417.9	344.4	468.9	1.0
	February	500.3	489.3	195.6	545.2	419.2	547.5	417.9	346.0	469.2	0.1
	March	512.4	470.5	195.6	547.7	418.1	551.2	417.9	346.0	474.4	1.1
	April	496.3	517.9	195.6	546.5	418.0	551.7	417.9	347.7	469.6	-1.0
	May	492.3	470.6	196.1	547.5	419.3	557.4	417.9	362.3	467.1	-0.5
	June	487.0	466.8	198.1	548.7	433.6	561.4	418.1	370.2	466.5	-0.1
	July	487.5	475.0	197.6	553.5	433.6	557.9	418.1	370.0	467.3	0.2
	August	479.4	475.9	197.6	555.5	446.7	563.8	418.1	370.0	465.7	-0.4
	September	478.8	456.5	197.6	555.5	446.9	542.3	418.1	371.8	461.8	-0.8
	October	483.4	464.0	198.1	556.4	449.8	547.5	421.0	368.1	465.2	0.7
	November	484.5	471.7	198.4	557.2	449.6	547.5	421.0	375.2	466.4	0.3
	December	479.8	488.4	198.4	560.9	449.6	565.3	421.0	375.2	468.0	0.3
2011	January	491.6	506.9	198.5	615.2	452.5	571.8	430.4	376.4	483.9	3.4
	February	494.7	508.1	198.5	615.2	453.1	571.8	429.5	386.6	485.6	0.3
	March	503.4	510.3	198.6	619.4	453.1	578.2	429.5	388.2	490.9	1.1
	April/r	519.3	538.7	197.6	631.4	453.1	580.9	430.9	382.8	501.2	2.1
	May	517.3	576.1	197.6	633.4	453.6	589.0	430.9	382.8	503.4	0.4
	June	513.4	573.9	197.8	633.4	454.1	589.0	430.9	382.2	501.6	-0.4
	July	516.6	574.9	197.8	660.7	459.2	581.4	430.9	382.2	506.5	1.0
	August	522.2	543.3	197.8	655.8	459.4	577.4	430.9	382.2	506.2	-0.1
	September	523.6	552.0	198.1	655.8	454.7	579.5	430.9	379.9	507.2	0.2
	October	525.7	550.8	197.9	706.1	456.6	577.0	430.9	379.7	515.5	1.6
	November	520.1	562.2	199.4	704.4	464.0	572.1	430.9	382.6	513.4	-0.4
	December	516.4	561.4	200.6	704.3	462.5	570.0	430.1	403.2	512.0	-0.3
2012	January	513.4	585.3	200.4	707.8	465.4	566.0	454.7	404.2	513.7	0.3
	February	532.3	558.9	201.4	713.0	464.4	569.0	454.7	405.1	521.8	1.6
	March	553.0	565.4	201.4	712.9	465.0	574.2	454.7	406.9	531.7	1.9
	April	557.8	571.4	201.4	755.5	470.4	582.0	454.7	408.2	541.9	1.9
	May	553.9	549.4	201.4	755.1	470.3	581.3	454.7	413.5	539.2	-0.5
	June	537.3	559.7	201.4	755.2	470.9	577.1	454.7	416.1	532.2	-1.3
	July	540.0	541.9	201.1	755.2	470.9	577.1	454.7	419.5	532.6	0.1
	August	539.1	544.0	201.1	755.2	471.2	557.2	454.7	427.2	529.9	-0.5
Percentage Change in the CPI by Group											
12 months moving average on same period a year ago											
2010	January	9.8	6.6	7.4	-1.0	10.0	5.0	-3.1	7.1	6.0	
	February	7.8	7.2	7.2	-2.7	9.0	4.9	-2.2	6.6	4.7	
	March	5.5	6.5	8.3	-4.3	8.1	4.5	-1.4	6.0	3.4	
	April	3.3	8.9	9.4	-5.1	7.2	4.3	-0.5	5.4	2.3	
	May	1.8	10.4	10.6	-5.1	6.4	4.1	0.3	5.4	1.7	
	June	0.7	10.9	10.5	-4.6	5.9	4.4	1.2	5.4	1.3	
	July	-0.3	11.7	10.3	-4.1	5.5	4.8	2.1	5.7	1.1	
	August	-1.0	12.2	10.1	-3.5	5.2	5.7	2.9	5.9	1.1	
	September	-1.6	12.1	9.9	-2.9	4.9	5.7	3.8	6.4	1.0	
	October	-2.1	12.0	9.6	-2.3	4.6	5.6	4.7	6.6	0.9	
	November	-2.4	11.5	9.4	-1.5	4.8	5.4	5.6	7.3	0.9	
	December	-2.8	11.8	9.2	-0.8	5.0	4.9	6.5	7.9	0.8	
2011	January	-3.1	11.8	8.7	0.8	5.2	4.5	5.9	8.3	0.9	
	February	-3.2	11.0	8.2	2.6	5.6	4.2	5.6	8.9	1.1	
	March	-3.4	11.3	7.1	4.3	6.0	4.1	5.3	9.6	1.3	
	April/r	-2.7	9.2	5.9	5.9	6.5	4.1	5.1	10.0	1.8	
	May	-2.0	9.7	4.8	7.1	6.9	4.1	4.8	9.8	2.4	
	June	-1.1	10.7	4.1	8.2	6.9	4.0	4.6	9.2	3.0	
	July	-0.3	11.4	3.5	9.6	7.0	4.0	4.3	8.6	3.6	
	August	0.8	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	1.2	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	
2012	January	5.3	15.4	0.6	18.5	4.8	4.0	3.0	5.9	7.7	
	February	6.1	15.9	0.6	18.7	4.3	3.6	3.3	5.3	8.0	
	March	7.1	16.0	0.6	18.8	3.9	3.1	3.6	4.8	8.4	
	April	7.3	16.2	0.7	19.2	3.5	2.7	3.8	4.5	8.5	
	May	7.5	13.6	0.8	19.5	3.2	2.1	4.0	4.7	8.5	
	June	7.4	11.4	0.9	19.7	3.1	1.5	4.2	5.2	8.3	
	July	7.3	9.1	1.1	19.3	2.8	1.1	4.4	5.7	8.1	
	August	6.8	7.9	1.2	19.0	2.8	0.6	4.6	6.4	7.7	

Table 5. COMPARATIVE PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

DESCRIPTION	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011				2012				
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	July	August	
FOOD																		
RICE (white, 20kg bag)	67.99	81.03	83.85	91.70	99.73	107.94	139.84	206.35	176.25	172.50	172.47	173.11	175.00	167.32	167.44	167.30	170.00	
WOODLE (white, 85g pkt)	1.50	1.76	1.84	2.02	2.15	2.27	2.50	2.62	2.92	3.00	3.10	3.07	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	
FLOUR (pearl white flour, 25kg bag)	60.25	83.35	114.65	110.05	114.13	127.53	132.10	186.90	177.14	191.51	195.67	196.56	195.00	192.23	192.11	192.33	192.33	
CHICKEN WINGS (frozen, 500g pkt)	15.44	20.42	20.63	18.67	20.83	24.33	33.13	31.25	30.00	30.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	53.00	
TUNA (second grade Tuna, 180g can)	3.73	3.93	4.70	4.94	5.04	5.24	6.27	6.53	6.34	5.90	5.57	5.43	4.94	5.13	5.22	5.50	5.50	
SUNDRY BEANS (94g)	3.65	2.05	1.72	2.23	2.28	3.20	3.98	3.94	3.45	3.84	3.36	4.25	4.96	4.52	4.56	4.60	4.53	
SL. BEERY COFFEE 50g	5.62	3.36	4.24	4.94	5.01	6.16	9.26	8.37	7.24	5.53	7.93	7.27	8.12	9.44	9.61	9.91	8.35	
WHITE SUGAR (white, 500g mpk)	2.77	3.22	3.36	3.47	3.64	4.26	4.35	5.03	6.33	7.23	3.33	8.51	3.44	8.00	3.00	8.00	7.58	
SALT (80g salt 1kg.)	3.17	3.35	3.71	4.22	4.50	4.81	4.46	4.54	4.54	4.73	4.63	4.63	4.62	4.53	4.58	4.53	4.75	
DRINKS & TOBACCO																		
SOLBREW BEER (solbrew, 350ml bottle)	4.87	6.07	6.07	6.13	6.83	7.30	3.75	9.03	9.07	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.75	
W/ST COFFEE (per six)	5.50	7.02	7.02	7.31	7.40	7.49	7.78	10.03	15.28	16.26	13.75	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.54	19.58	19.75	19.75
UTILITIES																		
WATER CHARGES (60gal)	26.13	29.20	29.20	29.20	29.20	33.70	62.10	59.42	56.00	65.86	55.56	73.00	111.77	111.77	111.77	111.77	111.77	
ELECTRICITY (400wh)	44.39	74.50	74.50	81.90	101.02	118.42	177.00	192.19	178.56	210.31	224.754	233.48	232.77	277.30	277.80	277.30	277.80	
TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION																		
PETROL (per litre)	247.36	350.20	350.20	493.06	535.86	623.24	538.45	796.42	921.06	1153.13	1233.67	1137.00	1131.33	1191.10	1193.50	1157.00	992.00	
TELEPHONE CHARGES (per call, with 10mins)	0.46	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.70	0.70	0.65	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS & SERVICES																		
BATH SOAP (per 80g cake)	1.54	1.73	1.73	1.80	1.83	2.00	2.31	2.43	2.63	2.52	2.51	2.51	2.57	2.57	2.89	2.90	2.90	
TOOTH PASTE (100g per 10g)	6.63	7.91	7.91	6.83	6.95	10.29	13.46	15.51	16.36	16.92	13.92	13.69	16.82	18.32	13.82	21.00	20.80	