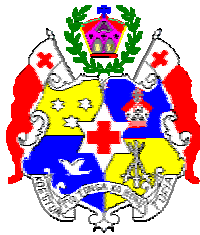


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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

(Base Period : November 2002=100.0)

Consumer Price Index for September 2010 increased by 0.2%
With an Annual Inflation Rate of 2.9%

The Consumer Price Index covers price changes in Tongatapu Division only. The weights were derived from Household Income and Expenditure Survey of 2000/01.

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for September 2010 has recorded an increase of 0.2% and now stands at 173.4. This follows the increases of 0.7% and 2.3% in August and July 2010 respectively.
2. The **Annual Rate of Inflation** for September 2010 was 2.9% compares to 4.2% in August 2010. It was 1.6% in September 2009. The Local Index recorded an annual inflation rate of 0.6% while the Imported Index was recorded at 4.0%.
3. From August to September 2010, the Local Index increased by 1.6% while the Imported Index decreased by 0.5%.
4. Detailed changes in each group over the previous month are as follows:
 - A. **FOOD** **0.3%**
 Food Group increased by 0.3%, due mainly to the price increases of Local Fruits and Vegetables and also Local Meats, Fish & Poultry items. Price increases were recorded on some local fruits and vegetables especially ripe bananas, pineapples, water melon, taro leaves, pele leaves, head cabbage and other items. Price increases were recorded on local seafood especially octopus and other items.
 - B. **HOUSING** **-3.4%**
 Housing Group decreased in September 2010 by 3.4%, due to the decrease in price recorded for both Local and Imported Household Maintenance Goods especially the reinforcing steel and corrugated iron.
 - C. **HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS** **0.0%**
 The decrease in price of Domestic Fuel and Power especially kerosene and electricity has been balanced out by an increase in prices of some Household Supplies such as water supply and other items.
 - D. **CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR** **0.0%**
 Prices of all items in the group remained unchanged, thus resulted to no change of this group index during the month.
 - E. **TRANSPORTATION** **0.7%**
 This group increased by 0.7% in September 2010, due to the increase in price recorded of petrol and diesel from previous month.
 - F. **TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA TONGA** **0.0%**
 From August 2010, prices of all items in the Tobacco, Alcohol & Kava Tonga Group remained unchanged.
 - G. **MISC. GOODS AND SERVICES** **1.2%**
 Miscellaneous Goods and Services Group marked the largest price increase by 1.2% in September 2010. This is due mainly to the increase in price recorded of Local Newspapers & Stationery Supplies from August 2010.

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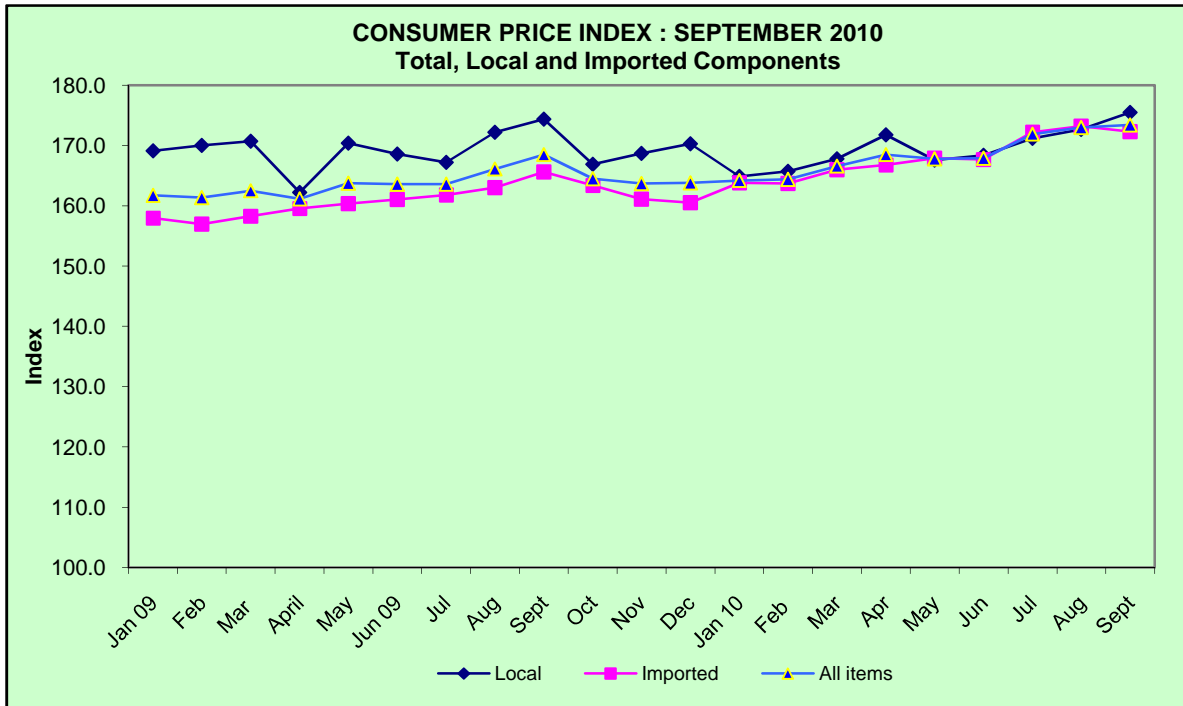


Fig 1: Graphical representation of Consumer Price Index for Total, Local and Imported Components

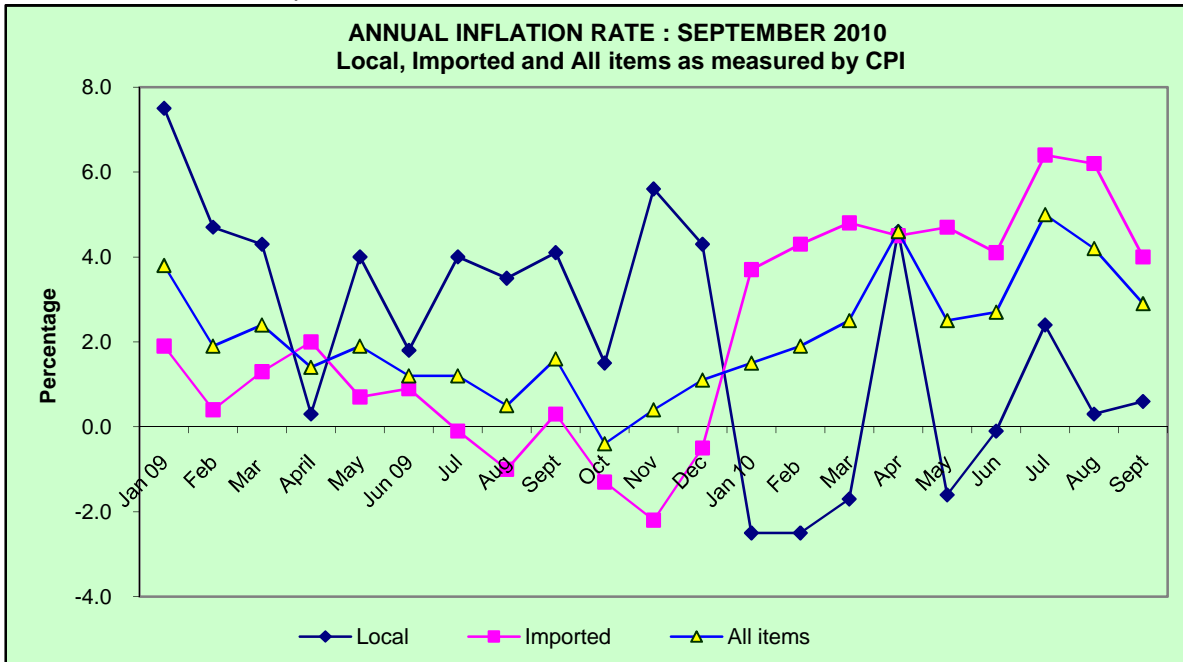
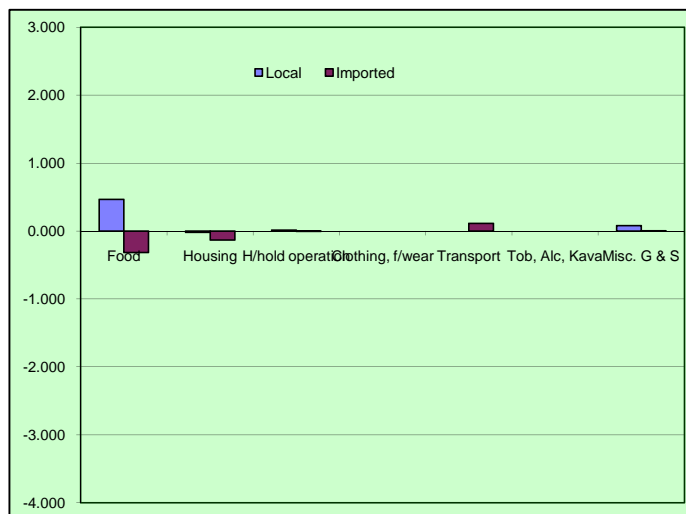


Fig 2 : Graphical representation of Annual Inflation rate (%) for Local, Imported and All Items as measured by CPI

**Fig 3: Contributions to % change from previous month, All groups
August 2010 to September 2010 (0.2%)**

	Local	Imported	Total
Food	0.465	-0.316	0.149
Housing	-0.022	-0.135	-0.157
H/hold operation	0.011	-0.005	0.006
Clothing, f/wear	0.000	0.000	0.000
Transport	0.000	0.112	0.112
Tob, Alc, Kava	0.000	0.000	0.000
Misc. G & S	0.080	0.003	0.083
TOTAL	0.5	-0.3	0.2



**Fig 4: Contributions to % change from last year, All groups
September 2009 to September 2010 (2.9%)**

	Local	Imported	Total
Food	0.043	-0.369	-0.326
Housing	-0.001	-0.196	-0.197
H/hold ops	0.547	0.026	0.572
Clothing, f/wear	-0.001	-0.039	-0.040
Transport	0.001	0.338	0.339
Tob, Alc, Kava	-0.008	2.896	2.888
Misc. G & S	-0.363	-0.022	-0.385
TOTAL	0.2	2.6	2.9

Note: Figures are round off to three dec. place

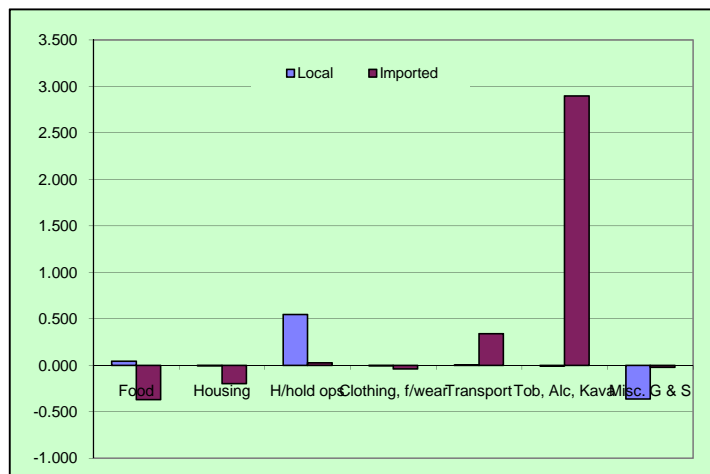


TABLE 1: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY MAJOR GROUPS

Base Period : NOVEMBER 2002 (= 100.0)

Index Period : SEPTEMBER 2010

YEAR / MONTH	ALL ITEMS	FOOD	HOUSING	HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR	TRANSPORTATION	TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	MISC. GOODS & SERVICES
	100.00	44.40	5.30	12.00	3.40	14.20	12.30	8.40
2006								
January	136.4	128.3	133.9	138.3	128.5	151.7	156.3	126.6
February	136.5	127.3	136.9	138.6	128.6	153.3	156.4	127.2
March	136.4	127.6	137.0	135.6	129.0	153.3	158.4	126.6
April	135.4	125.2	137.0	135.9	129.9	153.3	158.3	126.7
May	135.7	124.5	137.2	136.1	129.2	157.4	158.3	126.6
June	136.3	125.4	137.5	136.5	129.2	157.7	158.2	127.0
July	138.7	127.9	136.2	136.8	130.9	169.5	158.0	123.6
August	139.3	130.0	135.8	137.1	129.3	168.4	157.2	122.8
September	139.1	127.3	136.2	142.2	129.6	169.6	157.2	125.0
October	140.1	128.8	137.2	142.5	129.6	169.9	158.1	125.4
November	140.7	131.5	139.8	144.1	130.4	161.9	158.5	127.7
December	142.6	132.9	141.6	150.9	133.6	162.2	158.6	129.2
2007								
January	140.9	132.1	142.3	151.2	134.5	150.5	158.7	132.5
February	141.1	132.3	142.6	151.1	135.5	150.4	158.8	132.3
March	141.7	133.5	143.2	150.6	136.4	152.8	157.6	131.9
April	142.0	133.6	143.3	151.1	136.5	153.0	158.6	132.1
May	142.8	133.7	142.6	150.8	136.4	158.6	158.7	131.6
June	144.0	136.0	142.5	151.5	137.6	158.5	158.8	132.8
July	147.9	137.1	142.9	152.1	138.8	179.0	161.1	133.2
August	149.0	139.5	143.3	156.2	138.8	174.9	162.1	133.6
September	150.4	142.5	143.3	155.6	138.8	174.9	163.6	133.0
October	150.9	144.0	143.6	155.6	138.3	171.4	165.7	133.4
November	151.1	142.1	143.4	155.9	138.0	177.3	168.0	133.4
December	152.3	143.4	143.9	156.0	139.3	179.7	168.4	134.5
2008								
January	155.8	145.6	143.9	161.8	141.0	189.5	167.4	140.5
February	158.3	148.3	143.1	169.5	141.0	191.1	169.7	139.7
March	158.7	148.9	143.7	169.1	141.0	189.1	169.1	146.0
April	159.0	149.5	145.7	169.6	134.3	189.8	168.9	145.6
May	160.7	149.3	144.6	164.5	153.2	202.6	169.5	145.3
June	161.6	150.9	144.6	164.9	153.2	203.7	169.6	145.3
July	161.6	146.6	146.3	165.1	150.9	212.8	173.8	145.7
August	165.2	150.0	147.1	165.6	155.1	221.2	179.5	145.1
September	165.9	148.6	150.3	175.8	155.1	217.1	182.8	145.9
October	165.2	147.2	151.0	175.9	151.8	217.1	183.7	144.5
November	163.1	144.2	154.7	172.5	150.1	213.6	183.5	144.4
December	162.0	147.3	154.7	172.2	150.1	198.3	182.0	144.3
2009								
January	161.8	153.3	153.9	171.2	153.9	175.9	184.2	144.4
February	161.4	154.9	153.9	171.0	154.1	167.3	185.2	144.4
March	162.5	156.2	153.9	169.0	154.1	172.5	185.9	144.4
April	161.2	155.5	154.0	153.5	155.6	173.9	187.6	148.8
May	163.8	161.1	154.0	153.5	155.6	174.5	187.6	148.8
June	163.6	160.5	154.0	153.5	155.6	176.4	186.4	148.8
July	163.6	159.3	154.1	153.8	155.8	180.3	185.5	149.5
August	166.1	164.0	154.1	153.7	155.8	185.6	182.4	150.1
September	168.5	169.8	154.1	153.7	155.8	184.8	182.3	150.0
October	164.6	161.7	154.0	158.8	154.8	180.2	180.2	149.3
November	163.7	160.0	154.0	158.8	154.8	180.7	178.3	149.3
December	163.8	159.5	152.4	158.9	154.8	183.2	179.5	149.3
2010								
January	164.2	158.7	152.6	158.7	153.5	182.8	191.8	140.7
February	164.4	158.0	152.6	158.8	153.5	185.5	192.7	140.7
March	166.6	162.5	152.6	158.9	154.1	185.7	193.9	140.7
April	168.5	166.2	153.6	158.9	153.0	188.4	193.2	140.6
May	167.8	163.2	153.8	159.4	153.0	192.1	193.2	140.6
June	167.9	164.0	153.5	161.5	152.8	188.4	193.8	140.8
July	171.9	165.8	152.6	161.6	153.9	186.2	221.9	140.7
August	173.0	167.9	152.9	161.7	153.9	187.4	221.9	140.7
September	173.4	168.5	147.7	161.8	153.9	188.8	221.9	142.4
Percentage change between August 2010 and September 2010	0.2	0.3	-3.4	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.2
Percentage change between September 2009 and September 2010	2.9	-0.7	-4.2	5.2	-1.3	2.2	21.7	-5.1

**TABLE 2: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX SERIES WITH % CHANGES FOR THE PERIOD
AND INFLATION RATE FOR THE PERIOD AND YEAR
(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
Index Period: SEPTEMBER 2010**

YEAR / MONTH	LOCAL INDEX	IMPORT INDEX	ALL ITEMS INDEX	MONTHLY % CHANGE IN ALL ITEMS INDEX	ANNUAL INFLATION RATE (%) FOR THE PERIOD	AVERAGE INDEX FOR YEAR	AVERAGE ANNUAL INFLATION RATE (%)
2006							
January	139.0	135.1	136.4	0.3	6.3		
February	138.9	135.2	136.5	0.1	5.8		
March	140.7	134.3	136.4	-0.02	7.1		
April	139.0	133.6	135.4	-0.7	7.4		
May	139.0	134.1	135.7	0.2	6.7		
June	140.3	134.2	136.3	0.4	6.4	134.3	7.3
July	144.3	135.9	138.7	1.8	7.1		
August	147.4	135.2	139.3	0.4	6.7		
September	145.6	135.8	139.1	-0.2	6.1		
October	144.3	137.9	140.1	0.7	5.3		
November	144.2	139.0	140.7	0.5	4.5		
December	146.0	140.8	142.6	1.3	4.9	138.1	6.2
2007							
January	146.3	138.2	140.9	-1.2	3.3		
February	145.6	138.8	141.1	0.1	3.4		
March	146.1	139.5	141.7	0.5	3.9		
April	147.1	139.4	142.0	0.2	4.9		
May	145.9	141.2	142.7	0.5	5.2		
June	149.2	141.4	144.0	0.9	5.7	141.1	5.1
July	151.9	145.8	147.9	2.7	6.6		
August	155.0	145.9	149.0	0.8	6.9		
September	154.3	148.4	150.4	0.9	8.1		
October	152.6	150.0	150.9	0.3	7.7		
November	149.4	152.0	151.1	0.2	7.4		
December	152.1	152.3	152.3	0.8	6.8	146.6	5.9
2008							
January	157.4	155.0	155.8	2.3	10.5		
February	162.3	156.2	158.3	1.6	12.2		
March	163.6	156.3	158.7	0.3	12.0		
April	163.8	156.5	159.0	0.2	11.9		
May	163.8	159.2	160.7	1.1	12.6		
June	165.5	159.7	161.6	0.6	12.2	154.6	9.6
July	160.8	162.1	161.6	0.0	9.3		
August	166.3	164.6	165.2	2.2	10.9		
September	167.6	165.0	165.9	0.4	10.3		
October	164.5	165.6	165.2	-0.4	9.5		
November	159.7	164.8	163.1	-1.3	7.9		
December	163.3	161.4	162.0	-0.6	6.4	161.4	10.5
2009							
January	169.1	158.0	161.8	-0.2	3.8		
February	170.0	156.9	161.4	-0.2	1.9		
March	170.7	158.3	162.5	0.7	2.4		
April	164.2	159.6	161.2	-0.8	1.4		
May	170.4	160.4	163.8	1.6	1.9		
June	168.6	161.0	163.6	-0.1	1.2	163.1	5.6
July	167.1	161.8	163.6	0.026	1.2		
August	172.2	163.0	166.1	1.5	0.5		
September	174.4	165.6	168.5	1.5	1.6		
October	166.9	163.4	164.6	-2.4	-0.4		
November	168.7	161.1	163.7	-0.5	0.4		
December	170.3	160.5	163.8	0.1	1.1	163.7	1.4
2010							
January	164.9	163.8	164.2	0.2	1.5		
February	165.7	163.7	164.4	0.1	1.9		
March	167.8	166.0	166.6	1.3	2.5		
April	171.8	166.8	168.5	1.2	4.6		
May	167.6	167.9	167.8	-0.4	2.5		
June	168.4	167.7	167.9	0.1	2.7	165.8	1.7
July	171.2	172.2	171.9	2.3	5.0		
August	172.7	173.2	173.0	0.7	4.2		
September	175.5	172.3	173.4	0.2	2.9	167.5	2.4

Note : Commencing on August 2006 report, average index and inflation for fiscal year are included, aligned to month of June and bolded

TABLE 3: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX WITH LOCAL AND IMPORTED COMPONENTS
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH
(Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
Index Period : SEPTEMBER 2010

	WEIGHTS			SEPTEMBER 2010			AUGUST 2010			% CHANGE		
	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total
A. FOOD	15.9	28.5	44.4	184.2	159.8	168.5	179.1	161.7	167.9	2.8	-1.2	0.3
Fruit and Vegetables	5.2	0.9	6.1	215.5	171.3	208.8	200.4	178.0	197.0	7.5	-3.7	6.0
Meats, Fish & Poultry	4.2	15.3	19.6	197.4	158.0	166.5	196.7	160.0	167.9	0.4	-1.3	-0.9
Dairy Farm & Vegetable Products	0.5	2.7	3.2	172.6	170.0	170.4	172.6	171.5	171.7	0.0	-0.9	-0.8
Cereals and Cereal Products	3.5	3.4	6.9	156.8	150.9	153.9	156.8	150.8	153.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Food	-	6.1	6.1	-	162.9	162.9	-	165.1	165.1	-	-1.3	-1.3
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home	2.5	-	2.5	138.7	-	138.7	138.7	-	138.7	0.0	-	0.0
B. HOUSING	3.3	1.9	5.3	136.2	167.6	147.7	137.4	179.9	152.9	-0.8	-6.8	-3.4
House Maintenance Goods	0.8	1.9	2.7	162.3	167.6	166.0	167.0	179.9	176.0	-2.8	-6.8	-5.7
House Maintenance Services	2.5	-	2.5	127.7	-	127.7	127.7	-	127.7	0.0	-	0.0
C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	6.5	5.5	12.0	184.8	134.5	161.8	184.5	134.7	161.7	0.2	-0.1	0.0
Domestic Fuel and Power	2.1	0.6	2.7	244.1	171.8	228.7	250.0	172.8	233.5	-2.4	-0.6	-2.1
H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	-	2.1	2.1	-	134.9	134.9	-	135.0	135.0	-	0.0	0.0
Household Furni., Furn. & Textiles	2.1	0.2	2.3	168.5	130.8	165.4	168.5	130.8	165.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
H/hold Supplies & Services	1.1	2.7	3.8	231.8	126.4	157.3	218.8	126.5	153.6	5.9	-0.1	2.4
Communications Services	1.1	-	1.2	58.6	-	58.6	58.6	-	58.6	0.0	-	0.0
D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	0.3	3.1	3.4	327.6	134.7	153.9	327.6	134.7	153.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Clothing Supplies & Services	0.3	2.0	2.3	327.6	142.8	169.6	327.6	142.8	169.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Footwear	-	1.1	1.1	-	119.8	119.8	-	119.8	119.8	-	0.0	0.0
E. TRANSPORTATION	2.2	12.0	14.2	227.5	181.7	188.8	227.5	180.0	187.4	0.0	0.9	0.7
Public Transportation	2.1	2.6	4.7	225.8	120.2	167.2	225.8	120.2	167.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Private Transportation	0.1	9.4	9.5	255.9	198.7	199.4	255.9	196.6	197.4	0.0	1.1	1.0
F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	0.9	11.4	12.3	183.3	224.9	221.9	183.3	224.9	221.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Tobacco	-	7.1	7.1	-	251.1	251.1	-	251.1	251.1	-	0.0	0.0
Alcohol	0.4	4.3	4.7	145.2	181.7	178.5	145.2	181.7	178.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kava	0.5	-	0.5	217.4	-	217.4	217.4	-	217.4	0.0	-	0.0
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	4.6	3.9	8.4	122.5	165.8	142.4	119.4	165.6	140.7	2.5	0.1	1.2
Medical Health Services & Supplies	0.2	0.0	0.2	128.6	94.8	124.9	128.6	94.8	124.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
Cosmetics and Toiletries	0.0	2.6	2.6	180.0	121.9	122.2	180.0	121.8	122.1	0.0	0.1	0.1
Personal Goods	0.1	0.2	0.3	100.0	136.2	129.4	100.0	136.2	129.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	0.1	0.2	0.3	250.0	134.7	177.6	125.0	133.6	130.4	100.0	0.9	36.2
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	1.5	0.3	1.8	108.1	165.2	117.1	108.1	165.2	117.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Goods and Services	0.6	0.6	1.2	133.2	399.6	260.8	133.2	399.6	260.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education	2.1	-	2.1	122.8	-	122.8	122.8	-	122.8	0.0	-	0.0
TOTAL	33.8	66.2	100.0	175.5	172.3	173.4	172.7	173.2	173.0	1.6	-0.5	0.2

TABLE 4: CONSUMER PRICE INDEX WITH LOCAL AND IMPORTED COMPONENTS
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME MONTH OF PREVIOUS YEAR
 (Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
 Index Period: SEPTEMBER 2010

	WEIGHTS			SEPTEMBER 2010			SEPTEMBER 2009			% CHANGE		
	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total	Local	Imported	Total
A. FOOD	15.9	28.5	44.4	184.2	159.8	168.5	183.7	162.0	169.8	0.3	-1.3	-0.7
Fruit and Vegetables		0.9	6.1	215.5	171.3	208.8	187.1	180.3	186.0	15.2	-5.0	12.2
Meat, Fish & Poultry	4.2	15.3	19.6	197.4	158.0	166.5	224.0	165.0	177.8	-11.9	-4.3	-6.4
Dairy Farm & Vegetables Products	0.5	2.7	3.2	172.6	170.0	170.4	169.2	173.1	172.5	2.0	-1.8	-1.2
Cereals and Cereal Products	3.5	3.4	6.9	156.8	150.9	153.9	169.0	159.4	164.3	-7.2	-5.3	-6.3
Other Food	-	6.1	6.1	-	162.9	162.9	-	148.1	148.1	-	10.0	10.0
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home	2.5	-	2.5	138.7	-	138.7	132.9	-	132.9	4.3	-	4.3
B. HOUSING	3.3	1.9	5.3	136.2	167.6	147.7	136.3	185.0	154.1	0.0	-9.4	-4.2
House Maintenance Goods	0.8	1.9	2.7	162.3	167.6	166.0	162.5	185.0	178.3	-0.1	-9.4	-6.9
House Maintenance Services	2.5	-	2.5	127.7	-	127.7	127.7	-	127.7	0.0	-	0.0
C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS	6.5	5.5	12.0	184.8	134.5	161.8	170.6	133.7	153.7	8.3	0.6	5.2
Domestic Fuel and Power	2.1	0.6	2.7	244.1	171.8	228.7	214.7	154.1	201.8	13.7	11.5	13.3
H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	-	2.1	2.1	-	134.9	134.9	-	137.7	137.7	-	-2.0	-2.0
H/hold Furniture, Furniture & Textiles	2.1	0.2	2.3	168.5	130.8	165.4	163.9	130.8	161.3	2.8	0.1	2.6
H/hold Supplies & Services	1.1	2.7	3.8	231.8	126.4	157.3	214.0	126.5	152.1	8.4	-0.1	3.4
Communications Services	1.1	-	1.2	58.6	-	58.6	58.6	-	58.6	0.0	-	0.0
D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	0.3	3.1	3.4	327.6	134.7	153.9	328.0	136.9	155.8	-0.1	-1.6	-1.3
Clothing Supplies & Services	0.3	2.0	2.3	327.6	142.8	169.6	328.0	141.7	168.7	-0.1	0.8	0.5
Footwear	-	1.1	1.1	-	119.8	119.8	-	127.9	127.9	-	-6.3	-6.3
E. TRANSPORTATION	2.2	12.0	14.2	227.5	181.7	188.8	227.4	176.9	184.8	0.0	2.7	2.2
Public Transport	2.1	2.6	4.7	225.8	120.2	167.2	226.1	107.6	160.3	-0.1	11.8	4.3
Private Transport	0.1	9.4	9.5	255.9	198.7	199.4	249.0	196.2	196.8	2.8	1.3	1.3
F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA	0.9	11.4	12.3	183.3	224.9	221.9	184.8	182.1	182.3	-0.8	23.5	21.7
Tobacco	-	7.1	7.1	-	251.1	251.1	-	195.4	195.4	-	28.5	28.5
Alcohol	0.4	4.3	4.7	145.2	181.7	178.5	148.5	160.1	159.0	-2.2	13.5	12.2
Kava	0.5	-	0.5	217.4	-	217.4	217.4	-	217.4	0.0	-	0.0
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	4.6	3.9	8.4	122.5	165.8	142.4	135.8	166.7	150.0	-9.8	-0.6	-5.1
Medical Health Services & Supplies	0.2	0.0	0.2	128.6	94.8	124.9	114.3	98.1	112.5	12.5	-3.4	11.0
Cosmetics and Toiletries	0.0	2.6	2.6	180.0	121.9	122.2	180.0	122.5	122.8	0.0	-0.5	-0.5
Personal Goods	0.1	0.2	0.3	100.0	136.2	129.4	100.0	147.3	138.4	0.0	-7.5	-6.5
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	0.1	0.2	0.3	250.0	134.7	177.6	150.0	133.9	139.9	66.7	0.7	27.0
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	1.5	0.3	1.8	108.1	165.2	117.1	108.8	165.2	117.7	-0.6	0.0	-0.5
Other Goods and Services	0.6	0.6	1.2	133.2	399.6	260.8	133.2	399.6	260.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Education	2.1	-	2.1	122.8	-	122.8	158.5	-	158.5	-22.5	-	-22.5
TOTAL	33.8	66.2	100.0	175.5	172.3	173.4	174.4	165.6	168.5	0.6	4.0	2.9

TABLE 5 : CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
 GROUPS AND SUBGROUPS - INDEX NUMBERS
 (Base Period: NOVEMBER 2002 = 100.0)
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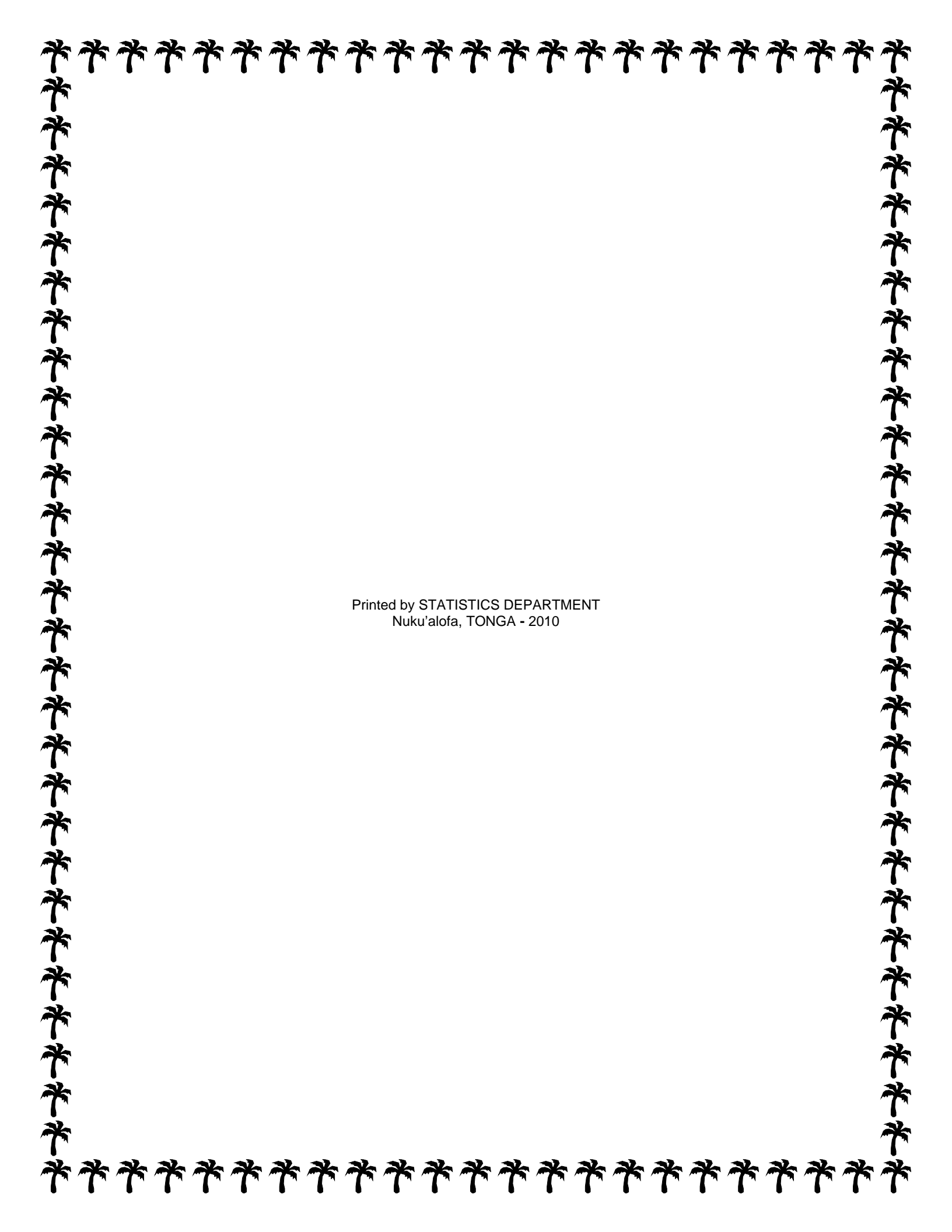
Group or Subgroup	Annual....		Monthly....																				
	2007	2008	Jan 09	Feb 09	March 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	Apr 10	May 10	Jun 10	Jul 10	Aug 10	Sept 10
A.FOOD GROUP	138.0	148.0	153.3	154.9	156.2	155.5	161.1	160.5	159.3	164.0	169.8	161.7	160.0	159.5	158.7	158.0	162.5	166.2	163.2	164.0	165.8	167.9	168.5
Fruit and Vegetables	148.8	151.5	149.5	171.7	190.1	176.6	192.5	157.8	157.6	183.6	186.0	162.6	172.4	177.9	175.3	182.4	195.8	208.6	182.8	179.2	189.9	197.0	208.8
Meats, Fish & Poultry	134.9	142.8	148.6	144.7	145.6	148.2	155.1	164.3	162.4	165.5	177.8	165.7	159.6	157.4	156.0	151.9	156.0	159.7	160.9	163.8	165.2	167.9	166.5
Dairy Farm & Vegetable Products	140.0	162.9	175.2	174.6	174.3	173.9	176.5	176.6	175.2	173.3	172.5	176.7	177.1	177.1	173.1	172.3	172.4	170.8	169.6	171.0	170.8	171.7	170.4
Cereals and Cereal Products	135.1	166.4	174.8	176.3	164.2	162.7	163.2	163.5	162.7	163.5	164.3	164.9	164.1	163.5	162.2	161.2	156.1	155.6	154.8	154.5	153.7	153.9	153.9
Other Food	134.7	136.9	145.5	145.9	147.9	149.9	151.1	151.2	150.0	148.1	148.1	148.6	147.1	145.5	149.7	152.6	164.4	165.5	167.5	166.8	165.8	165.1	162.9
Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home	148.9	136.3	130.9	130.9	131.3	131.3	131.3	131.3	132.9	132.9	132.9	132.4	132.4	132.4	133.6	133.6	133.6	138.7	138.7	138.7	138.7	138.7	138.7
B.HOUSING GROUP	143.1	147.5	153.9	153.9	153.9	154.0	154.0	154.0	154.1	154.1	154.1	154.0	154.0	152.4	152.6	152.6	152.6	153.6	153.8	153.5	152.6	152.9	147.7
House Maintenance Goods	157.1	165.5	177.8	177.8	177.8	178.0	178.0	178.3	178.3	178.3	178.3	178.1	175.0	175.4	175.4	175.4	177.4	177.4	177.6	177.1	175.3	176.0	166.0
House Maintenance Services	127.8	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7	127.7
C.HOUSEHOLD OPERATION GROUP	153.3	168.9	171.2	171.0	169.0	153.5	153.5	153.5	153.8	153.7	153.7	158.8	158.8	158.9	158.7	158.8	158.9	158.9	159.4	161.5	161.6	161.7	161.8
Domestic Fuel and Power	182.8	245.2	277.3	276.7	269.2	200.7	200.5	201.0	201.5	201.2	201.8	224.9	224.9	225.4	225.9	226.5	227.0	227.0	229.1	234.0	233.6	233.5	228.7
HHhold Appl., Equipment & Utensils	148.3	149.8	137.1	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.3	137.7	137.7	136.0	136.0	136.0	133.5	133.5	133.5	133.6	133.6	134.0	134.2	135.0	134.9
Household Furn., Furn. & Textiles	192.4	171.4	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.6	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	161.3	160.6	160.6	165.4	165.4	165.4	165.4
HHhold Supplies & Services	138.2	154.9	153.3	153.3	152.2	152.4	152.3	152.0	152.6	152.5	152.1	152.5	152.5	152.8	152.9	153.1	153.1	153.1	153.1	153.1	153.6	153.6	157.3
Communications Services	63.6	62.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6
D.CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR GROUP	137.6	148.1	153.9	154.1	154.1	155.6	155.6	155.6	155.8	155.8	155.8	154.8	154.8	154.8	153.5	153.5	154.1	153.0	153.0	152.8	153.9	153.9	153.9
Clothing Supplies & Services	147.6	161.5	169.0	169.4	169.4	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	168.7	170.3	170.3	170.3	169.0	169.0	169.9	168.2	168.2	167.9	169.6	169.6	169.6
Footwear	115.8	119.0	121.0	121.0	121.0	127.2	127.2	127.2	127.9	127.9	127.9	121.3	121.4	121.4	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.9	119.8	119.8	119.8
E.TRANSPORTATION GROUP	166.4	203.8	175.9	167.3	172.5	173.9	174.5	176.4	180.3	185.6	184.8	180.2	180.7	183.2	182.8	185.5	185.7	188.4	192.1	188.4	186.2	187.4	188.8
Public Transportation	144.4	167.9	163.6	161.7	161.9	161.9	161.9	161.9	161.9	160.3	160.3	160.3	160.3	159.8	159.8	160.0	160.0	160.0	160.0	160.0	160.0	167.2	167.2
Private Transportation	177.2	221.4	181.9	170.0	177.9	179.8	180.8	183.5	189.4	198.1	196.8	190.0	190.8	194.4	194.1	198.2	198.4	202.5	207.9	197.4	197.4	199.4	199.4
F.TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA GROUP	161.9	175.0	184.2	185.2	185.9	187.6	187.6	186.4	185.5	182.4	182.3	180.2	178.3	179.5	191.8	192.7	193.9	193.2	193.2	193.8	211.9	211.9	211.9
Tobacco	167.8	187.3	196.6	200.4	201.5	204.7	204.7	202.6	201.0	195.5	195.4	191.8	188.5	190.6	199.2	200.3	202.3	201.3	201.5	202.5	251.1	251.1	251.1
Alcohol	149.5	153.5	159.2	159.2	159.2	158.9	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0	178.1	178.8	178.8	178.8	178.5	178.5	178.5	178.5	178.5	
Kava	198.0	203.8	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	217.4	
G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES	132.9	144.3	144.4	144.4	144.4	148.8	148.8	148.8	149.5	150.1	150.0	149.3	149.3	149.3	140.7	140.7	140.6	140.6	140.6	140.7	140.7	142.4	
Medical Health Services & Supplies	114.2	112.8	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	112.5	124.9	124.9	124.9	124.9	124.9	
Cosmetics and Toiletries	125.1	123.9	120.4	120.4	120.1	120.6	120.6	120.8	122.7	122.8	122.8	120.7	120.7	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.1	122.1	
Personal Goods	128.9	132.0	135.5	135.5	137.0	138.7	138.7	138.7	140.2	140.9	136.7	136.7	136.7	130.3	130.3	130.3	129.4	129.4	129.4	129.4	129.4	129.4	
Newspapers & Stationery Supplies	133.0	136.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	139.9	141.0	141.0	141.0	141.0	130.4	130.4	130.4	130.4	177.6	
Leisure & Recreational & Craft Supplies	124.7	118.6	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.2	115.1	117.7	117.7	117.7	117.7	116.2	116.2	116.2	116.2	116.2	116.2	117.1	117.1	117.1	
Other Goods and Services	191.6	248.1	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	260.8	
Education	119.9	141.3	141.3	141.3	141.3	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5	
ALL GROUPS	146.6	161.4	161.8	161.4	162.5	161.2	163.8	163.6	163.6	166.1	168.5	164.6	163.7	163.8	164.2	164.4	166.6	168.5	167.8	167.9	171.9	173.0	173.4

**Table 6 : MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE OF
SELECTED LOCAL ITEMS**

	Unit	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	Apr 10	May 10	Jun 10	Jul 10	Aug 10	Sept 10	
ROOT CROPS																							
1	Talo Futuna	1 kg	0.62	0.60	0.65	0.67	0.91	0.80	0.88	1.08	1.05	0.94	1.04	1.15	1.35	1.44	1.15	1.13	1.20	1.08	1.31	1.26	
2	Talo Tonga	1 kg	0.84	0.88	0.73	0.80	1.18	1.03	1.24	1.32	1.45	1.17	1.08	1.33	1.38	1.29	1.37	1.28	1.29	1.25	1.14	1.24	1.49
3	Manicke	1 kg	0.52	0.55	0.53	0.51	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.67	0.88	0.90	1.23	1.11	0.87	0.85	0.88	0.79	0.67	0.57	0.58	0.54	0.57
4	Kumata	1 kg	0.86	0.65	0.56	0.66	0.73	0.81	1.30	1.24	1.19	1.32	1.27	1.17	1.16	1.06	1.24	1.12	0.87	1.14	1.14	1.10	1.17
5	Yams (early)	1 kg	2.89	2.76	2.23	2.38	2.19	2.71	3.59	3.80	3.83	3.99	3.91	3.96	3.92	3.31	2.94	2.71	2.83	3.65	4.55	4.91	5.41
6	Yams (late)	1 kg	1.41	1.67	1.59	1.45	2.08	2.22	1.71	2.14	2.29	2.11	1.98	1.98	1.98	1.98	2.07	1.57	2.21	2.51	2.32	3.33	
VEGETABLES																							
1	Lu	1 kg	3.67	2.99	3.87	2.88	3.14	1.91	2.51	2.36	2.68	2.68	5.88	7.03	5.15	6.14	4.83	5.27	2.84	3.58	4.65	5.24	5.42
2	Pele	1 kg	1.35	1.38	1.36	1.88	2.20	2.65	2.38	2.63	2.62	2.16	2.10	2.00	1.85	2.14	1.64	1.62	1.66	1.59	2.26	2.86	2.95
3	Tomatoes	1 kg	5.23	9.96	12.97	10.57	11.61	3.92	2.63	2.10	2.15	1.70	1.28	1.29	1.03	1.48	6.97	12.51	7.49	3.57	4.20	2.78	1.76
4	H/Cabbage	1 kg	2.75	5.74	5.90	6.31	3.99	1.54	1.49	1.85	1.22	0.89	0.88	1.64	1.78	3.14	4.18	3.81	2.65	1.93	1.71	1.59	1.75
5	Plantain	1 kg	1.01	0.97	0.81	0.83	1.19	0.93	0.85	1.34	1.80	1.70	1.52	1.87	1.36	1.18	1.35	1.22	1.51	1.63	1.82	2.36	1.95
6	Breadfruit	1 kg	0.55	0.50	0.55	0.54	0.75	0.59	0.63	0.85	0.86	0.84	0.78	0.78	1.04	1.08	0.97	0.79	0.58	0.83	0.90	0.90	0.90
7	Carrots	1 kg	3.84	5.59	8.10	8.92	10.42	5.52	3.55	3.14	2.51	2.16	1.71	2.82	1.92	1.94	3.32	4.82	4.68	4.13	3.85	3.81	
8	Capiscum	1 kg	11.93	17.10	13.60	13.89	21.53	11.78	8.57	6.60	6.69	7.48	5.44	8.24	5.98	3.93	8.20	8.61	12.92	16.29	11.11	10.99	8.90
FRUITS AND NUTS																							
1	Bananas ripe	1 kg	1.80	1.88	1.92	1.93	2.43	3.76	4.13	4.99	4.64	3.81	3.65	2.58	3.21	2.88	2.37	2.68	4.15	5.99	5.58	5.03	5.45
2	Watermelon	1 kg	0.74	1.09	1.37	1.30	0.86	1.00	1.06	1.75	1.62	0.87	0.99	0.73	1.24	1.02	0.89	0.94	1.22	0.93	1.24	1.46	1.83
3	Pineapple	1 kg	5.34	5.36	4.86	4.38	6.84	6.48	4.95	6.88	7.99	4.79	3.24	5.48	3.49	3.81	3.47	3.47	6.90	6.40	5.79	7.24	
4	Pawpaw	1 kg	1.47	1.24	1.66	1.89	3.13	2.57	3.08	3.64	3.29	4.65	3.18	2.91	2.06	2.22	3.56	4.66	4.77	3.79	3.57	3.60	3.28
5	Coconut (dry)	1 kg	0.34	0.29	0.35	0.32	0.29	0.33	0.32	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.39	0.42	0.41	0.35	0.34	0.36	0.33	0.33	0.32	0.34	0.34
6	Coconut (green)	1 kg	0.53	0.52	0.54	0.54	0.58	0.65	0.60	0.55	0.57	0.58	0.52	0.68	0.63	0.57	0.58	0.58	0.61	0.65	0.63	0.57	0.56
7	Peanuts	1 kg	18.93	19.79	20.00	18.97	29.00	25.42	23.41	31.46	25.40	22.74	22.62	19.30	27.30	31.00	22.54	20.38	17.74	23.19	24.69	30.00	29.06
MARINE AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS																							
1	Sausages	1 kg	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.83	8.90	8.90	8.83	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.90	8.95	8.95	8.95	8.95
2	Eggs	1 doz	0.57	0.57	0.53	0.52	0.53	0.57	0.60	0.52	0.50	0.53	0.53	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
3	Tuna	1 kg	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.67	12.00	10.00	8.67	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	14.00	13.00	12.00
4	Octopus	1 kg	25.83	14.97	15.26	15.10	15.73	16.53	12.34	8.26	10.67	8.30	13.89	17.78	14.94	15.87	13.01	13.21	10.28	12.08	8.44	9.45	9.75
5	Cookies (to'o)	1 kg	3.78	2.46	2.93	2.32	3.76	6.25	5.89	5.67	6.97	4.94	4.86	3.75	2.96	2.46	2.11	2.03	2.99	3.79	3.41	3.91	3.82
6	Lobsters	1 kg	17.86	16.28	14.76	8.57	16.65	25.00	25.00	25.00	22.22	19.44	19.44	19.44	15.94	17.28	15.78	22.03	17.18	20.78	26.67	24.35	24.00
7	Stringed fish (Mixed)	1 kg	9.25	6.65	6.79	7.53	8.85	10.41	10.19	10.30	12.32	8.43	8.09	8.48	6.56	6.52	7.15	7.91	8.22	7.72	8.83	9.00	8.87
	Kava Tonga	100g	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00

**Table 7: MONTHLY AVERAGE PRICE OF
SELECTED IMPORTED ITEMS**

	Unit	Jan 09	Feb 09	Mar 09	April 09	May 09	June 09	July 09	Aug 09	Sept 09	Oct 09	Nov 09	Dec 09	Jan 10	Feb 10	Mar 10	Apr 10	May 10	Jun 10	Jul 10	Aug 10	Sept 10
FOOD GROUP																						
Fruits and Vegetables																						
Potatoes	kg	3.04	3.04	3.04	2.84	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.91	2.76	2.40	2.37	2.19	2.15	2.33	2.64	2.78	2.63	2.39	2.45	2.56	2.56
Onions	kg	3.05	3.05	3.23	2.45	2.46	2.36	2.50	2.57	2.57	2.49	2.49	2.31	2.56	2.91	2.65	3.04	2.89	2.64	2.64	2.83	2.63
Apples	kg	10.50	10.50	11.78	11.78	11.78	11.25	11.93	11.23	11.93	11.93	12.93	13.38	12.40	12.40	10.65	10.15	10.15	10.13	11.33	11.33	10.28
Oranges	kg	10.03	10.03	12.45	13.68	13.68	14.65	14.63	14.48	14.48	14.48	14.65	12.36	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.27	12.27	12.05	12.05	12.05	12.40
Meats, Fish and Poultry																						
Mutton Flaps	kg	6.71	7.04	7.20	7.52	7.67	7.83	7.91	8.43	9.66	9.20	8.49	8.22	8.49	8.29	8.72	8.91	8.88	9.10	9.08	9.21	9.09
Chicken pieces	kg	4.61	4.41	4.31	4.20	4.38	4.39	4.30	4.15	3.97	3.98	3.60	3.56	3.78	3.54	3.33	3.33	3.32	3.42	3.28	3.40	3.34
Other Food																						
Flour	kg	2.31	2.29	2.18	2.17	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.09	2.13	2.13	2.10	2.09	2.07	2.02	1.96	1.92	1.88	1.86	1.90	1.90	1.88
Sugar	kg	1.82	1.85	1.90	1.94	1.99	1.99	1.94	1.89	1.89	1.88	1.82	1.75	1.85	1.93	2.51	2.59	2.68	2.66	2.61	2.55	2.48
HOUSING GROUP																						
House Maintenance Goods:																						
Reinforcing Stee	each	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	25.30	24.51	24.51	24.51	22.23	22.45	22.13
Corrugated Iron	1'	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	6.41	5.91	5.91	5.91	5.91	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.13	6.13	5.20
TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND KAVV																						
Tobacco																						
Winfield Blue	packet	9.93	10.10	10.33	10.56	10.56	10.39	9.96	9.65	9.42	9.18	8.88	9.17	9.71	9.75	9.85	9.85	9.85	9.91	11.44	11.44	11.44
Port Royal Tobacc	packet	12.79	12.89	12.89	13.01	13.01	13.16	13.24	13.24	13.58	13.65	13.55	13.55	13.78	13.83	13.84	13.67	13.71	13.75	18.88	18.88	18.88
TRANSPORTATION GROUP																						
Private Transportation																						
Petrol	litre	2.10	1.89	2.07	2.12	2.16	2.20	2.31	2.45	2.43	2.30	2.31	2.37	2.37	2.45	2.46	2.53	2.61	2.51	2.45	2.42	2.45
Diesel	litre	2.47	2.22	2.21	2.17	2.10	2.16	2.24	2.43	2.38	2.29	2.34	2.41	2.38	2.41	2.40	2.48	2.63	2.56	2.49	2.46	2.52



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