

STATISTICS DEPARTMENT

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| CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR JUNE 2013 |
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(Base Period: October 2010=100.0)

Consumer Price Index for June 2013 decreased by 0.1%.
With an Annual Inflation Rate of 0.2%.

The Consumer Price Index covers price changes in the Tongatapu Division only. The weights were derived from the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (2009).

1. The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for June 2013 recorded a decreased by **0.1% to 106.9** from May 2013 **107.0**. Over the previous two months, the index for all items decreased by **0.2%** in May 2013, and increased by **0.7%** in April 2013.
2. When comparing the local and imported indices for June 2013 to the previous month, import index decreased by **0.5%**, and local index increased by **0.6%**.
3. The **annual inflation rate for June 2013** was **0.2%** compared to **-0.1%** (Deflation) in the previous month. The annual inflation for the same month of previous year (June 2012) was **2.3%**.
4. When comparing the annual change in the local and imported indices for June 2013, the local index increased by **0.5%** while the imported index decreased by **0.1%**.
5. Changes in each group compared with the previous month are as follows:

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| A. FOOD | 0.9% |
| Food Group recorded an increase towards the index position of June 2013. This was due to increase in prices of some local fruits and vegetables such as Yams early and late, ripe banana and capsicum. Meat, fish & Poultry products marked an increase due to increase in price of Suckling pig and local seafood items such as Octopus, Mixed string fish and Cockles pipis. | |
| B. HOUSING | 0.0% |
| Prices of items in this group recorded no change compared to previous months. | |
| C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS | -1.5% |
| Household Operation group marked a decrease by 1.5% due to decrease in price of Electricity. | |
| D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 0.0% |
| Prices of items in this group recorded no change this month compared to the previous month. | |
| E. TRANSPORTATION | -1.4% |
| Transportation index marked a decrease in the index position of June 2013 and was due mainly to decreases in prices of both diesel and unleaded. | |
| F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA TONGA | 0.0% |
| Price of items in this group recorded no change this month compared to May 2013. | |
| G. MISC. GOODS AND SERVICES | 0.0% |
| Price of items in this group recorded no change. | |

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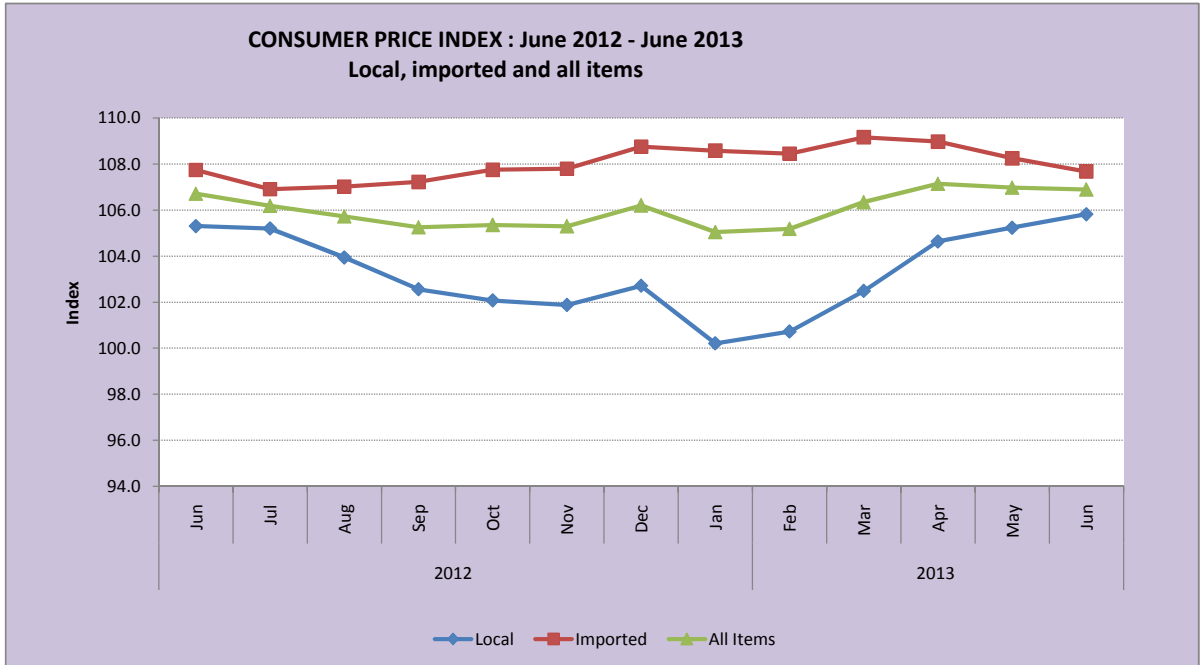


Fig 1: Graphical representation of Consumer Price Index for Total, Local and Imported Components

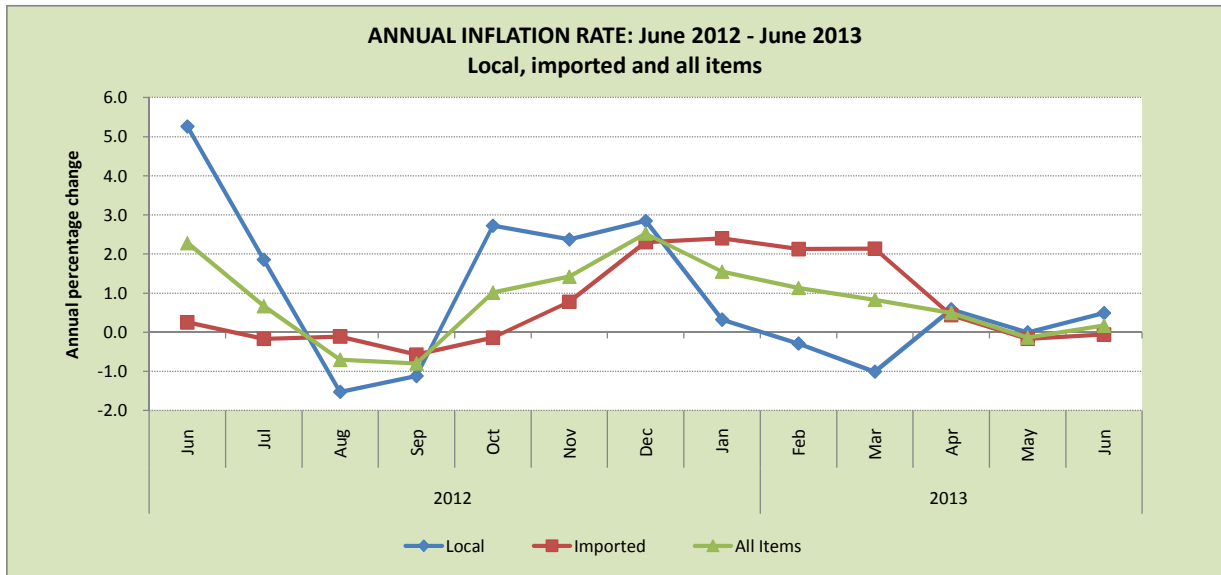
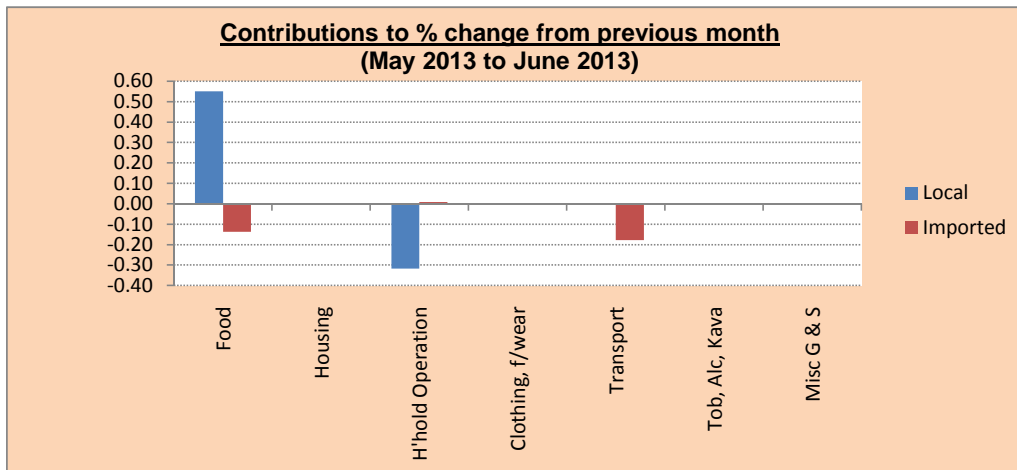


Fig 2: Graphical representation of Annual Inflation rate (%) for Local, Imported and All Items as measured by Consumer Price Index (CPI)

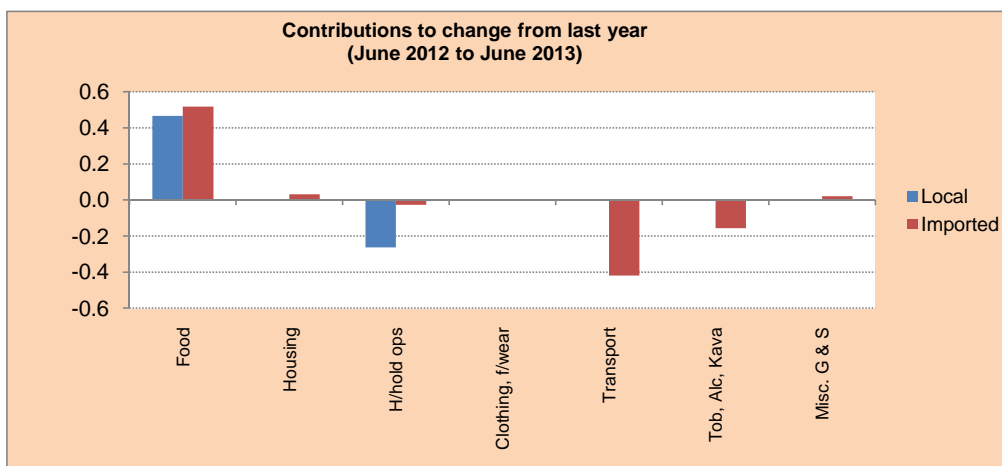
**Fig 3: Contribution to % change from previous month, All groups
May 2013 to June 2013 -0.1%.**

| Group | Local | Imported | Total |
|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Food | 0.55 | -0.14 | 0.41 |
| Housing | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| H'hold Operation | -0.32 | 0.01 | -0.31 |
| Clothing, f/wear | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Transport | 0.00 | -0.18 | -0.18 |
| Tob, Alc, Kava | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Misc G & S | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 0.2 | -0.3 | -0.1 |



**Fig 4: Contribution to % change from last year, All groups
June 2012 to June 2013 0.2%.**

| | Local | Imported | Total |
|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Food | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.0 |
| Housing | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| H/hold ops | -0.3 | 0.0 | -0.3 |
| Clothing, f/wear | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Transport | 0.0 | -0.4 | -0.4 |
| Tob, Alc, Kava | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 |
| Misc. G & S | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| TOTAL | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 |



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Table 1: Consumer Price Index by major groups
(Base Period : October 2010=100.0)

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| Year/month | All items | Food | Housing | Household operations | Clothing & footwear | Transportation | Tobacco, alcohol & kava | Misc. goods & services |
|--|------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Weight</i> | <i>100.00</i> | <i>45.76</i> | <i>2.52</i> | <i>20.80</i> | <i>3.16</i> | <i>11.93</i> | <i>6.00</i> | <i>9.83</i> |
| 2010 January | 95.2 | 94.8 | 103.0 | 98.2 | 99.7 | 97.8 | 86.5 | 99.1 |
| February | 95.3 | 94.5 | 103.0 | 98.3 | 99.7 | 99.2 | 87.0 | 99.1 |
| March | 96.6 | 97.1 | 103.0 | 98.4 | 100.2 | 99.3 | 87.5 | 99.1 |
| April | 97.7 | 99.3 | 103.7 | 98.4 | 99.4 | 100.8 | 87.2 | 99.1 |
| May | 97.3 | 97.6 | 103.7 | 98.7 | 99.4 | 102.7 | 87.2 | 99.1 |
| June | 97.4 | 98.0 | 103.6 | 100.0 | 99.3 | 100.8 | 87.5 | 99.2 |
| July | 99.6 | 99.1 | 102.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 100.1 | 99.2 |
| August | 100.3 | 100.4 | 103.2 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 100.3 | 100.1 | 99.2 |
| September | 100.5 | 100.7 | 99.6 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 101.0 | 100.1 | 100.4 |
| October | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| November | 99.5 | 98.5 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 101.7 | 100.4 | 99.4 |
| December | 99.8 | 99.0 | 99.6 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 102.3 | 100.4 | 99.4 |
| 2011 January | 101.7 | 101.4 | 99.6 | 100.0 | 104.6 | 107.3 | 100.6 | 100.1 |
| February | 101.5 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.0 | 104.6 | 109.3 | 100.8 | 100.4 |
| March | 103.8 | 104.6 | 99.8 | 100.0 | 104.6 | 112.0 | 100.6 | 100.8 |
| April | 105.2 | 106.1 | 99.8 | 100.3 | 104.6 | 116.5 | 101.4 | 101.7 |
| May | 106.7 | 108.6 | 99.8 | 100.4 | 104.6 | 118.7 | 101.7 | 102.0 |
| June | 104.3 | 103.3 | 99.8 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 116.9 | 101.3 | 102.1 |
| July | 105.5 | 106.6 | 99.8 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 113.7 | 101.5 | 102.1 |
| August | 106.5 | 109.1 | 99.8 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 112.1 | 102.2 | 102.1 |
| September | 106.1 | 108.5 | 99.8 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 111.2 | 102.2 | 102.4 |
| October | 104.3 | 103.5 | 99.8 | 103.9 | 104.6 | 110.8 | 102.2 | 103.1 |
| November | 103.8 | 102.4 | 99.8 | 103.9 | 104.6 | 111.8 | 102.3 | 102.1 |
| December | 103.6 | 102.1 | 99.7 | 103.8 | 104.6 | 111.3 | 102.2 | 102.0 |
| 2012 January | 103.4 | 101.7 | 99.6 | 104.1 | 104.6 | 111.0 | 102.8 | 102.0 |
| February | 104.0 | 102.7 | 99.8 | 104.1 | 104.6 | 111.9 | 102.9 | 101.8 |
| March | 105.5 | 105.3 | 99.8 | 104.4 | 104.6 | 113.2 | 103.0 | 102.2 |
| April | 106.6 | 107.4 | 99.4 | 104.3 | 104.6 | 115.2 | 103.0 | 102.1 |
| May | 107.1 | 108.3 | 99.3 | 104.4 | 104.6 | 116.0 | 102.4 | 102.2 |
| June | 106.7 | 107.8 | 99.3 | 104.7 | 104.6 | 114.3 | 101.9 | 102.3 |
| July | 106.2 | 107.5 | 99.3 | 104.8 | 104.6 | 110.7 | 101.8 | 102.3 |
| August | 105.7 | 107.0 | 99.3 | 103.9 | 104.6 | 110.2 | 102.0 | 102.4 |
| September | 105.3 | 106.7 | 99.3 | 101.3 | 104.6 | 112.2 | 102.0 | 102.3 |
| October | 105.4 | 106.2 | 100.0 | 101.3 | 104.6 | 114.4 | 102.4 | 102.3 |
| November | 105.3 | 106.3 | 100.0 | 101.2 | 104.6 | 114.1 | 102.4 | 101.7 |
| December | 106.2 | 108.2 | 100.0 | 101.9 | 104.6 | 113.2 | 102.4 | 101.8 |
| 2013 January | 105.0 | 106.0 | 99.0 | 101.9 | 104.6 | 112.3 | 101.7 | 102.0 |
| February | 105.2 | 106.4 | 100.0 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 113.1 | 99.0 | 102.5 |
| March | 106.3 | 108.4 | 100.0 | 101.8 | 104.6 | 115.1 | 99.1 | 102.5 |
| April | 107.1 | 109.5 | 100.6 | 103.3 | 104.6 | 114.7 | 99.2 | 102.5 |
| May | 107.0 | 109.1 | 100.6 | 104.8 | 104.6 | 112.1 | 99.2 | 102.5 |
| June | 106.9 | 110.1 | 100.6 | 103.2 | 104.6 | 110.5 | 99.2 | 102.5 |
| Percentage change between May 2013 and June 2013. | -0.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 | -1.5 | 0.0 | -1.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Percentage change between June 2012 and June 2013. | 0.2 | 2.1 | 1.3 | -1.4 | 0.0 | -3.3 | -2.7 | 0.2 |

Table 2: Consumer Price Index and annual inflation rate
(Base Period: October 2010=100.0)

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| Year/month | Local | Import | All items | Monthly change for all items (%) | Annual inflation rate for period (%) | Average index for year | Average annual inflation rate (%) |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-----------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2009 January | 97.8 | 91.5 | 93.8 | -0.2 | 3.8 | | |
| February | 98.3 | 90.9 | 93.6 | -0.2 | 1.9 | | |
| March | 98.7 | 91.7 | 94.2 | 0.7 | 2.4 | | |
| April | 95.0 | 92.5 | 93.4 | -0.8 | 1.4 | | |
| May | 98.5 | 92.9 | 94.9 | 1.6 | 1.9 | | |
| June | 97.5 | 93.3 | 94.8 | -0.1 | 1.2 | 94.6 | 5.6 |
| July | 96.6 | 93.8 | 94.9 | 0.0 | 1.2 | | |
| August | 99.6 | 94.5 | 96.3 | 1.5 | 0.5 | | |
| September | 100.8 | 95.9 | 97.7 | 1.5 | 1.6 | | |
| October | 96.5 | 94.7 | 95.4 | -2.4 | -0.4 | | |
| November | 97.5 | 93.4 | 94.9 | -0.5 | 0.4 | | |
| December | 98.5 | 93.0 | 95.0 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 94.9 | 1.4 |
| 2010 January | 95.3 | 94.9 | 95.2 | 0.2 | 1.5 | | |
| February | 95.8 | 94.9 | 95.3 | 0.1 | 1.9 | | |
| March | 97.0 | 96.2 | 96.6 | 1.3 | 2.5 | | |
| April | 99.3 | 96.7 | 97.7 | 1.2 | 4.6 | | |
| May | 96.9 | 97.3 | 97.3 | -0.4 | 2.5 | | |
| June | 97.4 | 97.2 | 97.4 | 0.1 | 2.7 | 96.1 | 1.7 |
| July | 99.0 | 99.8 | 99.6 | 2.3 | 5.0 | | |
| August | 99.9 | 100.3 | 100.3 | 0.7 | 4.2 | | |
| September | 101.5 | 99.8 | 100.5 | 0.2 | 2.9 | | |
| October | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | -0.5 | 4.8 | | |
| November | 98.8 | 100.0 | 99.5 | -0.5 | 4.8 | | |
| December | 98.9 | 100.4 | 99.8 | 0.3 | 5.0 | 98.3 | 3.5 |
| 2011 January | 101.7 | 101.6 | 101.7 | 1.9 | 6.8 | | |
| February | 100.3 | 102.4 | 101.5 | -0.2 | 6.5 | | |
| March | 103.6 | 104.0 | 103.8 | 2.2 | 7.5 | | |
| April | 103.9 | 106.2 | 105.2 | 1.4 | 7.7 | | |
| May | 105.0 | 107.9 | 106.7 | 1.4 | 9.7 | | |
| June | 100.0 | 107.5 | 104.3 | -2.2 | 7.1 | 101.9 | 6.0 |
| July | 103.3 | 107.1 | 105.5 | 1.1 | 5.9 | | |
| August | 105.6 | 107.1 | 106.5 | 0.9 | 6.1 | | |
| September | 103.7 | 107.8 | 106.1 | -0.3 | 5.6 | | |
| October | 99.4 | 107.9 | 104.3 | -1.7 | 4.3 | | |
| November | 99.5 | 107.0 | 103.8 | -0.5 | 4.4 | | |
| December | 99.9 | 106.3 | 103.6 | -0.2 | 3.8 | 104.4 | 6.3 |
| 2012 January | 99.9 | 106.0 | 103.4 | -0.1 | 1.7 | | |
| February | 101.0 | 106.2 | 104.0 | 0.5 | 2.4 | | |
| March | 103.5 | 106.9 | 105.5 | 1.4 | 1.6 | | |
| April | 104.0 | 108.5 | 106.6 | 1.1 | 1.3 | | |
| May | 105.2 | 108.4 | 107.1 | 0.5 | 0.4 | | |
| June | 105.3 | 107.7 | 106.7 | -0.4 | 2.3 | 105.3 | 3.3 |
| July | 105.2 | 106.9 | 106.2 | -0.5 | 0.7 | | |
| August | 103.9 | 107.0 | 105.7 | -0.4 | -0.7 | | |
| September | 102.6 | 107.2 | 105.3 | -0.4 | -0.8 | | |
| October | 102.1 | 107.7 | 105.4 | 0.1 | 1.0 | | |
| November | 101.9 | 107.8 | 105.3 | -0.1 | 1.4 | | |
| December | 102.7 | 108.8 | 106.2 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 105.6 | 1.2 |
| 2013 January | 100.2 | 108.6 | 105.0 | -1.1 | 1.6 | | |
| February | 100.7 | 108.4 | 105.2 | 0.1 | 1.1 | | |
| March | 102.5 | 109.2 | 106.3 | 1.1 | 0.8 | | |
| April | 104.6 | 109.0 | 107.1 | 0.7 | 0.5 | | |
| May | 105.2 | 108.2 | 107.0 | -0.2 | -0.1 | | |
| June | 105.8 | 107.7 | 106.9 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 106.0 | 0.7 |

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Table 3: Consumer Price Index with local and imported components
Percentage change from previous month
(Base Period: October 2010 = 100.0)
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| | Weights | | | June 2013 | | | May 2013 | | | % Change | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total |
| A. FOOD | 17.8 | 27.9 | 45.8 | 110.5 | 109.8 | 110.1 | 107.2 | 110.3 | 109.1 | 3.1 | -0.5 | 0.9 |
| Fruit and Vegetables | 6.5 | 0.9 | 7.5 | 122.8 | 113.5 | 121.6 | 114.9 | 115.6 | 115.0 | 6.8 | -1.8 | 5.8 |
| Meats, Fish & Poultry | 3.7 | 14.6 | 18.4 | 102.5 | 113.6 | 111.4 | 101.1 | 114.6 | 111.8 | 1.4 | -0.8 | -0.4 |
| Dairy Farm & Vegetable Products | 0.5 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 108.3 | 107.9 | 108.0 | 108.3 | 107.7 | 107.7 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Cereals and Cereal Products | 3.4 | 3.5 | 6.9 | 107.2 | 108.2 | 107.7 | 107.2 | 108.2 | 107.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Other Food | 0.0 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 0.0 | 101.5 | 101.5 | - | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home | 3.7 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 100.4 | 0.0 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 0.0 | 99.7 | 0.6 | - | 0.6 |
| B. HOUSING | 1.7 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 101.7 | 100.6 | 100.0 | 101.8 | 100.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| House Maintenance Goods | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 101.7 | 101.5 | 100.0 | 101.8 | 101.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| House Maintenance Services | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS | 17.3 | 3.5 | 20.8 | 103.2 | 103.3 | 103.2 | 105.1 | 103.0 | 104.8 | -1.9 | 0.3 | -1.5 |
| Domestic Fuel and Power | 6.0 | 1.1 | 7.1 | 107.4 | 109.8 | 107.8 | 113.1 | 110.1 | 112.7 | -5.0 | -0.3 | -4.3 |
| H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Household Furni., Furn. & Textiles | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 107.5 | 0.0 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 0.0 | 107.5 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| H/hold Supplies & Services | 4.7 | 1.2 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 100.5 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99.9 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 0.2 |
| Communications Services | 5.2 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 0.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 0.0 | 104.6 | 104.6 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Clothing Supplies & Services | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 0.0 | 106.8 | 106.8 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Footwear | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| E. TRANSPORTATION | 0.5 | 11.5 | 11.9 | 107.1 | 110.7 | 110.5 | 107.1 | 112.3 | 112.1 | 0.0 | -1.5 | -1.4 |
| Public Transportation | 0.5 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 107.1 | 104.7 | 105.0 | 107.1 | 104.7 | 105.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Private Transportation | 0.0 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 112.7 | 112.7 | 0.0 | 115.0 | 115.0 | - | -1.9 | -1.9 |
| F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA | 1.5 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 98.9 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 98.9 | 99.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Tobacco | 0.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 0.0 | 102.5 | 102.5 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Alcohol | 0.8 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 92.3 | 94.9 | 100.0 | 92.3 | 94.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Kava | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES | 3.5 | 6.4 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 103.8 | 102.5 | 100.0 | 103.8 | 102.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Medical Health Services & Supplies | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Cosmetics and Toiletries | 0.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 0.0 | 102.8 | 102.8 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Personal Goods | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Newspapers & Stationery Supplies | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 117.1 | 115.1 | 100.0 | 117.1 | 115.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Leisure, Recreational & Craft Supplies | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| Other Goods and Services | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| Education | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| TOTAL | 42.2 | 57.8 | 100.0 | 105.8 | 107.7 | 106.9 | 105.2 | 108.2 | 107.0 | 0.6 | -0.5 | -0.1 |

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Table 4: Consumer Price Index with local and imported components
Percentage change from same month of previous year
(Base Period: October 2010 = 100.0)

JUNE 2013

| | Weights | | | June 2013 | | | June 2012 | | | % Change | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total | Local | Imported | Total |
| A. FOOD | 17.8 | 27.9 | 45.8 | 110.5 | 109.8 | 110.1 | 107.7 | 107.8 | 107.8 | 2.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| Fruit and Vegetables | 6.5 | 0.9 | 7.5 | 122.8 | 113.5 | 121.6 | 109.2 | 115.8 | 110.0 | 12.4 | -1.9 | 10.5 |
| Meat, Fish & Poultry | 3.7 | 14.6 | 18.4 | 102.5 | 113.6 | 111.4 | 114.6 | 109.8 | 110.8 | -10.5 | 3.5 | 0.5 |
| Dairy Farm & Vegetables Products | 0.5 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 108.3 | 107.9 | 108.0 | 100.0 | 107.6 | 106.6 | 8.3 | 0.3 | 1.3 |
| Cereals and Cereal Products | 3.4 | 3.5 | 6.9 | 107.2 | 108.2 | 107.7 | 107.2 | 109.4 | 108.3 | 0.0 | -1.1 | -0.6 |
| Other Food | 0.0 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 0.0 | 100.7 | 100.7 | - | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| Drinks, Sweets & Meals away from home | 3.7 | 0.0 | 3.7 | 100.4 | 0.0 | 100.4 | 99.7 | 0.0 | 99.7 | 0.6 | - | 0.6 |
| B. HOUSING | 1.7 | 0.8 | 2.5 | 100.0 | 101.7 | 100.6 | 100.0 | 97.7 | 99.3 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 1.3 |
| House Maintenance Goods | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 100.0 | 101.7 | 101.5 | 100.0 | 97.7 | 98.0 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| House Maintenance Services | 1.6 | 0.0 | 1.6 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| C. HOUSEHOLD OPERATIONS | 17.3 | 3.5 | 20.8 | 103.2 | 103.3 | 103.2 | 104.8 | 104.1 | 104.7 | -1.5 | -0.8 | -1.4 |
| Domestic Fuel and Power | 6.0 | 1.1 | 7.1 | 107.4 | 109.8 | 107.8 | 112.1 | 113.2 | 112.3 | -4.2 | -3.1 | -4.0 |
| H/hold Appl., Equipment & Utensils | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| H/hold Furniture, Furniture & Textiles | 1.4 | 0.0 | 1.4 | 107.5 | 0.0 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 0.0 | 107.5 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| H/hold Supplies & Services | 4.7 | 1.2 | 5.9 | 100.0 | 100.5 | 100.1 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 99.9 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 0.2 |
| Communications Services | 5.2 | 0.0 | 5.2 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| D. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 0.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 0.0 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 0.0 | 104.6 | 104.6 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Clothing Supplies & Services | 0.0 | 2.1 | 2.1 | 0.0 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 0.0 | 106.8 | 106.8 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Footwear | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| E. TRANSPORTATION | 0.5 | 11.5 | 11.9 | 107.1 | 110.7 | 110.5 | 107.0 | 114.6 | 114.3 | 0.1 | -3.4 | -3.3 |
| Public Transport | 0.5 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 107.1 | 104.7 | 105.0 | 107.0 | 104.7 | 105.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Private Transport | 0.0 | 8.6 | 8.6 | 0.0 | 112.7 | 112.7 | 0.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | - | -4.4 | -4.4 |
| F. TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA | 1.5 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 100.0 | 98.9 | 99.2 | 100.0 | 102.6 | 101.9 | 0.0 | -3.6 | -2.7 |
| Tobacco | 0.0 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 0.0 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 0.0 | 109.4 | 109.4 | - | -6.3 | -6.3 |
| Alcohol | 0.8 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 100.0 | 92.3 | 94.9 | 100.0 | 90.3 | 93.5 | 0.0 | 2.2 | 1.4 |
| Kava | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES | 3.5 | 6.4 | 9.8 | 100.0 | 103.8 | 102.5 | 100.0 | 103.5 | 102.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Medical Health Services & Supplies | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Cosmetics and Toiletries | 0.0 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 0.0 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 0.0 | 103.2 | 103.2 | - | -0.4 | -0.4 |
| Personal Goods | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | - | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Newspapers & Stationery Supplies | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 100.0 | 117.1 | 115.1 | 100.0 | 109.4 | 108.3 | 0.0 | 7.0 | 6.3 |
| Leisure, Recreational & Craft Supplies | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| Other Goods and Services | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.8 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | - | 0.0 |
| Education | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| TOTAL | 42.2 | 57.8 | 100.0 | 105.8 | 107.7 | 106.9 | 105.3 | 107.7 | 106.7 | 0.5 | -0.1 | 0.2 |

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Table 5: Consumer Price Index
Groups and subgroups - index numbers
(Base Period: October 2010 = 100.0)
June 2013

| Group or Subgroup | Annual | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2011 | 2012 | Jun 12 | Jul 12 | Aug 12 | Sep 12 | Oct 02 | Nov 12 | Dec 12 | Jan 13 | Feb 13 | Mar 13 | Apr 13 | May 13 | Jun 13 |
| A.FOOD GROUP | 104.7 | 106.3 | 107.8 | 107.5 | 107.0 | 106.7 | 106.2 | 106.3 | 108.2 | 106.0 | 106.4 | 108.4 | 109.5 | 109.1 | 110.1 |
| Fruit and Vegetables | 102.9 | 99.8 | 110.0 | 103.0 | 99.2 | 95.4 | 96.7 | 98.0 | 102.9 | 89.8 | 99.2 | 107.4 | 118.3 | 115.0 | 121.6 |
| Meats, Fish & Poultry | 105.1 | 110.9 | 110.8 | 113.2 | 113.2 | 113.8 | 112.0 | 111.9 | 114.8 | 114.4 | 111.7 | 112.9 | 111.5 | 111.8 | 111.4 |
| Dairy Farm & Vegetable Produ | 107.0 | 106.3 | 106.6 | 106.3 | 106.7 | 107.1 | 107.3 | 106.4 | 106.9 | 107.3 | 107.1 | 107.2 | 107.9 | 107.7 | 108.0 |
| Cereals and Cereal Products | 108.6 | 108.4 | 108.3 | 108.0 | 108.0 | 108.1 | 108.0 | 108.0 | 107.6 | 107.7 | 107.0 | 107.6 | 107.6 | 107.7 | 107.7 |
| Other Food | 103.0 | 101.3 | 100.7 | 100.3 | 100.9 | 101.1 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.2 | 101.6 | 101.6 | 102.5 | 101.3 | 101.5 | 101.5 |
| Drinks, Sweets & Meals away | 100.0 | 99.8 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 99.7 | 100.4 |
| B.HOUSING GROUP | 99.8 | 99.6 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 99.3 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.6 | 100.6 | 100.6 |
| House Maintenance Goods | 99.6 | 98.9 | 98.0 | 98.2 | 98.2 | 98.2 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 97.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 101.6 | 101.6 | 101.5 |
| House Maintenance Services | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| C.HOUSEHOLD OPERATION GROUP | 101.8 | 103.4 | 104.7 | 104.8 | 103.9 | 101.3 | 101.3 | 101.2 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.8 | 101.8 | 103.3 | 104.8 | 103.2 |
| Domestic Fuel and Power | 105.0 | 108.5 | 112.3 | 112.6 | 110.0 | 102.2 | 102.2 | 102.2 | 104.1 | 104.2 | 104.1 | 104.1 | 108.4 | 112.7 | 107.8 |
| H/hold Appl., Equipment & Ute | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Household Furni., Furn. & Text | 100.0 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| H/hold Supplies & Services | 100.2 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.1 | 100.1 | 99.9 | 99.9 | 100.0 | 99.6 | 99.6 | 99.7 | 99.9 | 100.1 |
| Communications Services | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| D.CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR GROUP | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 | 104.6 |
| Clothing Supplies & Services | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.8 |
| Footwear | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| E.TRANSPORTATION GROUP | 112.6 | 113.0 | 114.3 | 110.7 | 110.2 | 112.2 | 114.4 | 114.1 | 113.2 | 112.3 | 113.1 | 115.1 | 114.7 | 112.1 | 110.5 |
| Public Transportation | 104.7 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.0 |
| Private Transportation | 115.7 | 116.2 | 118.0 | 113.0 | 112.3 | 115.1 | 118.1 | 117.8 | 116.5 | 115.3 | 116.4 | 119.1 | 118.5 | 115.0 | 112.7 |
| F.TOBACCO, ALCOHOL & KAVA GROU | 101.6 | 102.4 | 101.9 | 101.8 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.4 | 102.4 | 102.4 | 101.7 | 99.0 | 99.1 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 |
| Tobacco | 103.3 | 109.5 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 109.4 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.4 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 |
| Alcohol | 100.0 | 94.6 | 93.5 | 93.2 | 93.7 | 93.7 | 94.7 | 94.7 | 94.7 | 101.4 | 94.7 | 94.9 | 94.9 | 94.9 | 94.9 |
| Kava | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| G. MISC. GOODS & SERVICES | 101.7 | 102.1 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.4 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 101.7 | 101.8 | 102.0 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 |
| Medical Health Services & Sup | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Cosmetics and Toiletries | 102.2 | 102.9 | 103.2 | 103.2 | 103.4 | 103.3 | 103.3 | 102.1 | 102.3 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 102.8 |
| Personal Goods | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Newspapers & Stationery Supp | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.3 | 115.1 | 115.1 | 115.1 | 115.1 | 115.1 |
| Craft Supplies | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Other Goods and Services | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Education | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| ALL GROUPS | 104.4 | 105.6 | 106.7 | 106.2 | 105.7 | 105.3 | 105.4 | 105.3 | 106.2 | 105.0 | 105.2 | 106.3 | 107.1 | 107.0 | 106.9 |

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Table 6: Monthly average price of selected local items

| | | Annual | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | Unit | 2011 | 2012 | Jun 12 | Jul 12 | Aug 12 | Sept 12 | Oct 12 | Nov 12 | Dec 12 | Jan 13 | Feb 13 | Mar 13 | Apr 13 | May 13 | Jun 13 |
| <u>ROOT CROPS</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Talo - Futuna | 1 kg | 0.86 | 0.86 | 0.87 | 0.79 | 0.89 | 0.88 | 1.05 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 1.07 | 0.95 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.96 |
| 2 | Talo - Tonga | 1kg | 1.14 | 1.22 | 0.91 | 1.11 | 1.24 | 1.11 | 1.15 | 1.89 | 1.35 | 1.29 | 1.12 | 0.96 | 0.93 | 0.97 | 1.17 |
| 3 | Manioke | 1 kg | 0.50 | 0.52 | 0.50 | 0.57 | 0.58 | 0.60 | 0.59 | 0.58 | 0.57 | 0.57 | 0.61 | 0.62 | 0.63 | 0.58 | 0.65 |
| 4 | Kumala | 1 kg | 1.10 | 1.23 | 1.21 | 1.02 | 1.50 | 1.32 | 1.35 | 1.81 | 1.49 | 1.07 | 0.99 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 0.89 | 1.06 |
| 5 | Yams; early | 1 kg | 4.34 | 4.52 | 4.27 | 4.93 | 4.72 | 4.30 | 4.69 | 5.29 | 7.17 | 4.61 | 3.50 | 2.94 | 3.07 | 3.30 | 4.79 |
| 6 | Yams, late | 1 kg | 2.38 | 2.69 | 1.98 | 2.49 | 2.63 | 3.49 | 3.53 | 3.21 | 5.36 | 5.71 | 5.71 | 2.12 | 2.00 | 1.78 | 2.46 |
| <u>VEGETABLES</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Lu | 1 kg | 3.86 | 4.08 | 4.32 | 4.11 | 4.19 | 3.59 | 3.11 | 2.94 | 4.02 | 3.82 | 3.34 | 3.31 | 2.92 | 3.48 | 4.10 |
| 2 | Pele | 1 kg | 2.22 | 2.41 | 2.34 | 2.48 | 2.49 | 2.18 | 3.13 | 2.24 | 2.33 | 2.13 | 1.67 | 2.12 | 2.13 | 1.98 | 2.31 |
| 3 | Tomatoes | 1 kg | 4.13 | 3.60 | 5.69 | 4.49 | 2.34 | 2.04 | 2.12 | 1.92 | 2.01 | 1.04 | 2.89 | 6.09 | 7.04 | 6.87 | 6.31 |
| 4 | H/Cabbage | 1 kg | 2.23 | 2.26 | 2.25 | 1.62 | 1.35 | 1.33 | 1.02 | 0.69 | 1.33 | 1.34 | 2.92 | 2.47 | 5.80 | 5.12 | 4.64 |
| 7 | Carrots | 1 kg | 4.22 | 3.77 | 6.76 | 4.49 | 3.07 | 2.51 | 2.07 | 2.27 | 2.46 | 2.24 | 2.80 | 4.09 | 4.34 | 5.27 | 5.10 |
| 8 | Capsicum | 1 kg | 8.28 | 6.21 | 8.19 | 7.68 | 6.66 | 6.55 | 7.05 | 4.28 | 4.30 | 4.55 | 4.69 | 8.93 | 9.85 | 8.19 | 8.28 |
| <u>FRUITS AND NUTS</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Bananas ripe | 1 kg | 2.81 | 2.95 | 3.68 | 3.23 | 3.08 | 2.81 | 2.71 | 3.09 | 2.64 | 2.69 | 2.14 | 2.34 | 2.33 | 2.11 | 2.82 |
| 2 | Watermelon | 1 kg | 1.11 | 1.12 | 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.53 | 1.53 | 1.18 | 0.79 | 1.17 | 1.10 | 1.17 | 1.01 | 1.57 | 1.27 | 1.39 |
| 3 | Pineapple | 1 kg | 5.32 | 5.22 | 5.88 | 6.78 | 7.69 | 7.69 | 4.24 | 3.08 | 3.16 | 3.85 | 3.80 | 4.35 | 6.25 | 7.78 | 7.75 |
| 4 | Pawpaw | 1 kg | 1.83 | 1.93 | 2.06 | 2.30 | 2.36 | 2.05 | 2.50 | 1.53 | 1.52 | 1.61 | 1.41 | 1.72 | 2.38 | 1.95 | 1.99 |
| 5 | Coconut (dry) | 1 kg | 0.35 | 0.35 | 0.33 | 0.34 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.33 | 0.37 | 0.46 | 0.39 | 0.40 | 0.35 | 0.35 | 0.36 | 0.39 |
| 6 | Coconut (green) | 1 kg | 0.60 | 0.61 | 0.58 | 0.58 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.56 | 0.64 | 0.56 | 0.57 | 0.62 | 0.75 | 0.63 | 0.67 |
| 7 | Peanuts | 1 kg | 18.90 | 20.06 | 18.11 | 18.33 | 21.33 | 22.33 | 20.89 | 20.93 | 28.00 | 20.57 | 18.39 | 23.33 | 22.00 | 22.33 | 22.33 |
| <u>MARINE AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Sausages | 1 kg | 6.98 | 7.11 | 7.20 | 7.20 | 7.20 | 7.20 | 7.07 | 7.07 | 7.07 | 7.00 | 7.00 | 7.07 | 7.07 | 7.07 | 7.07 |
| 2 | Eggs | 1 egg | 15.58 | 15.49 | 15.00 | 15.50 | 16.13 | 16.63 | 16.63 | 16.38 | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.50 | 16.25 | 16.25 |
| 3 | Tuna | 1 kg | 12.16 | 12.63 | 13.00 | 14.75 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 12.75 | 12.00 | 11.67 | 11.25 | 10.80 | 9.50 | 10.04 | 9.19 |
| 4 | Octopus | 1 kg | 12.84 | 12.79 | 11.40 | 12.51 | 11.84 | 11.38 | 11.50 | 17.37 | 21.33 | 14.81 | 13.38 | 13.32 | 13.95 | 14.98 | 18.76 |
| 5 | Cockles (to'o) | 1 kg | 3.56 | 3.51 | 3.84 | 4.88 | 4.37 | 4.38 | 2.75 | 4.52 | 3.95 | 3.66 | 3.30 | 2.16 | 2.52 | 3.29 | 3.94 |
| 7 | Stringed fish (Mixed) | 1 kg | 8.18 | 8.62 | 8.22 | 9.66 | 10.47 | 11.49 | 9.03 | 8.00 | 8.90 | 7.56 | 7.43 | 7.73 | 6.46 | 6.90 | 7.54 |

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Table 7: Monthly average price of selected imported items

| | Unit | Annual | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Annual change % | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------------|---------|------|
| | | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | Jun 12 | Jul 12 | Aug 12 | Sept 12 | Oct 12 | Nov 12 | Dec 12 | Jan 13 | Feb 13 | Mar 13 | Apr 13 | May 13 | | June 13 | |
| FOOD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fruits and Vegetables | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Potatoes | 1 kg | 2.87 | 3.00 | 2.95 | 2.85 | 3.13 | 3.03 | 3.13 | 3.28 | 3.03 | 3.03 | 2.78 | 2.78 | 2.53 | 2.53 | 2.83 | 2.85 | 0% |
| 2 | Onions | 1 kg | 2.95 | 2.89 | 2.93 | 3.19 | 2.75 | 2.88 | 2.88 | 2.75 | 3.25 | 3.30 | 3.18 | 3.18 | 2.85 | 2.93 | 3.00 | 2.85 | -11% |
| 3 | Apples | 1 kg | 8.45 | 8.03 | 8.54 | 8.64 | 8.14 | 9.01 | 8.95 | 8.46 | 7.96 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 8.63 | 0% |
| 4 | Oranges | 1 kg | 12.15 | 11.87 | 11.74 | 11.57 | 11.57 | 11.31 | 11.07 | 11.07 | 13.10 | 12.89 | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12.90 | 12% |
| Meats, Fish & Poultry | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Mutton Flaps | 1 kg | 9.42 | 10.05 | 10.48 | 10.36 | 10.57 | 10.57 | 10.51 | 10.42 | 10.50 | 10.79 | 10.96 | 10.96 | 11.13 | 11.11 | 11.03 | 11.03 | 7% |
| 6 | Chicken Pieces | 1 kg | 3.43 | 3.59 | 3.71 | 3.71 | 3.68 | 3.68 | 3.69 | 3.75 | 3.77 | 4.01 | 3.95 | 3.91 | 3.91 | 3.91 | 3.74 | 3.68 | -1% |
| Other Food | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Flour | 1 kg | 1.81 | 1.85 | 1.91 | 1.90 | 1.90 | 1.91 | 1.88 | 1.88 | 1.88 | 1.85 | 1.87 | 1.86 | 1.83 | 1.86 | 1.87 | 1.87 | -2% |
| 2 | Sugar | 1 kg | 2.52 | 2.47 | 2.40 | 2.43 | 2.42 | 2.42 | 2.40 | 2.35 | 2.35 | 2.31 | 2.33 | 2.33 | 2.28 | 2.29 | 2.29 | 2.27 | -7% |
| TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND KAVA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tobacco | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | Winfield Blue | Packet | 11.24 | 11.81 | 12.15 | 12.09 | 12.09 | 12.08 | 12.09 | 12.09 | 12.09 | 12.09 | 11.24 | 11.24 | 11.24 | 11.24 | 11.24 | 11.24 | -7% |
| 4 | Port Royal Tobacco | Packet | 19.70 | 23.09 | 23.29 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 23.21 | 0% |
| TRANSPORTATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Private Transportation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Petrol | litre | 2.63 | 2.81 | 2.82 | 2.87 | 2.74 | 2.72 | 2.79 | 2.87 | 2.86 | 2.82 | 2.79 | 2.82 | 2.90 | 2.89 | 2.80 | 2.74 | -5% |
| 2 | Diesel | litre | 2.68 | 2.88 | 2.90 | 2.93 | 2.82 | 2.80 | 2.87 | 2.95 | 2.95 | 2.92 | 2.90 | 2.92 | 2.96 | 2.93 | 2.84 | 2.79 | -5% |

About the Consumer Price Index

The Monthly Consumer Price Index (CPI) published by the Statistics Department is accepted as the official measure of inflation in Tonga. The CPI measures the changing price of a fixed basket of goods and services purchased by Tongan households. The selection and relative importance of the goods and services in the CPI basket represents the overall expenditure pattern of Tongan households.

The CPI is used by ministries and other agencies for monitoring economic performance and by the National Reserve Bank of Tonga to help set monetary policy.

The new index reference period of October 2010 (=100.0) was first published for the month of October 2010. Data from the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) 2009 was used to determine the expenditure pattern of consumers. The proportion of expenditure on each item or group is referred to the weight. The previous reference period was November 2002 based on the results of HIES 2001.

There are 222 items in the Tonga basket classified to seven major groups. The items are further classified by whether they are imported or have been produced locally. The pricing outlets selected in Tongatapu include the Talamahu market (agriculture produce), the Vuna Wharf (fresh fish), super-markets, village stores, petrol stations, restaurants, airlines etc. The CPI covers price changes in Tongatapu Division only due to communication problems with outer island divisions.

The groups and their index reference period weights are shown in the table below.

| CPI group | October 2010 Weights | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|----------|--------|
| | Local | Imported | Total |
| A. Food | 17.82 | 27.94 | 45.76 |
| B. Housing | 1.70 | 0.82 | 2.52 |
| C. Household operations | 17.29 | 3.51 | 20.80 |
| D. Clothing and footwear | - | 3.16 | 3.16 |
| E. Transportation | 0.46 | 11.47 | 11.93 |
| F. Tobacco, alcohol and kava | 1.50 | 4.51 | 6.00 |
| G. Miscellaneous goods and services | 3.47 | 6.36 | 9.83 |
| Total | 42.23 | 57.77 | 100.00 |

Further definitions

A **price index** measures the change in price between time periods for a given set of goods and services. It summarises a set of prices for a variety of goods and services collected from a number of outlets.

The **index reference period** is the benchmark to which prices in other periods are compared (e.g. if the index number in a later period is 115, prices have increased by 15.0 percent since the index reference period). Prices for later periods can also be compared in similar fashion.

