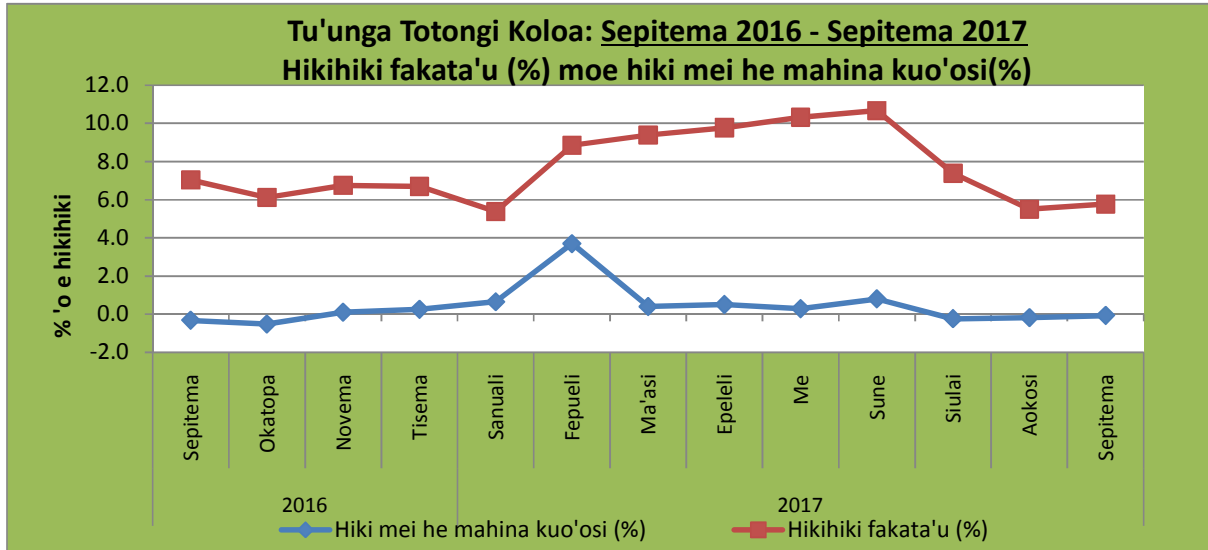




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Na'e holo peseti 'e 0.1 'a e tu'unga totongi koloa 'i Sepitema 2017. Pea ko e hikihiki fakata'u 'o e totongi e koloa na'e hiki peseti 'e 5.8



Ko e tu'unga 'o e totongi koloa ki he mahina **Sepitema 2017**, 'i hono fakaha mei he **Potungae Sitetisitika**, na'e holo 'a e totongi 'o e koloa 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 0.1** mei '**Aokosi 2017**, na'e holo peseti **1.3** 'a e totongi 'o e koloa **fakalotofonua** pea hiki **peseti 'e 0.9** 'a e **koloa humai**. Ko e ongo mahina 'e ua kimu'a, na'e holo peseti 'e **0.2** 'i '**Aokosi 2017** pea toe holo peseti 'e **0.2 aipe** 'i **Siulai 2017**.

Ko e **Hikihiki fakata'u** 'o e totongi koloa ki he mahina ko **Sepitema 2017** na'e hiki **peseti 5.8** fakahoa ki he hiki **peseti 5.5** 'o e mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**. Na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 2.6** 'a e totongi **koloa fakalotofonua** pea hiki **peseti 'e 8.1** 'a e **koloa hu mai**. Ko e **hiki fakata'u** 'i **Sepitema 2016** na'e hiki peseti 'e **7.0**.

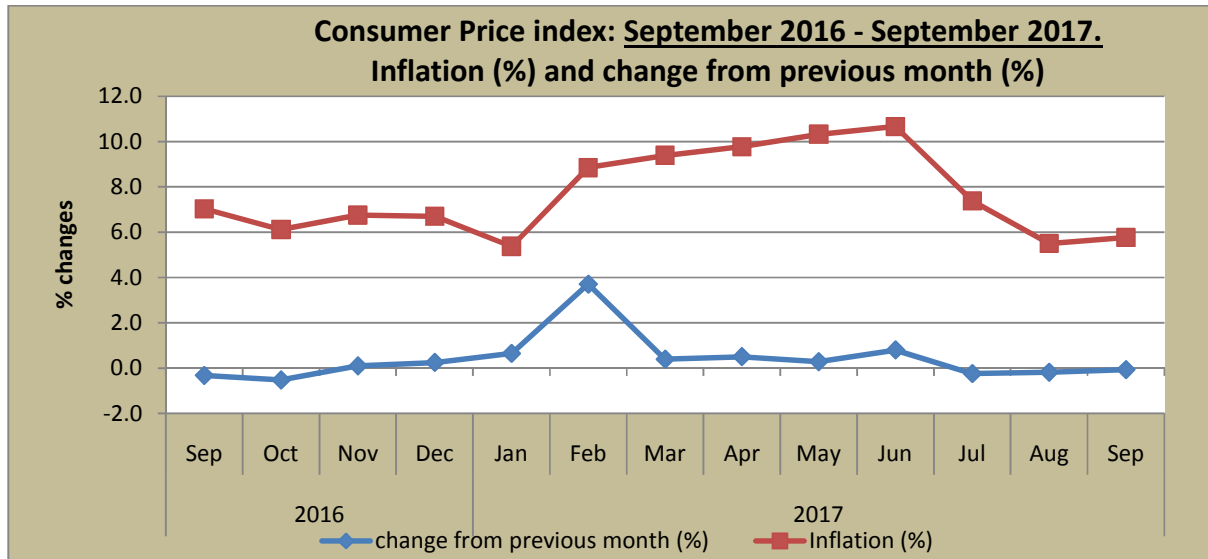
- Koe kulupu ko 'eni 'o e **koloa me'a tokoni** na'e holo 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 0.4** 'i he **tu'unga totongi koloa ki he mahina ko Sepitema 2017**. Neongo na'e hiki 'a e totongi 'o e koloa fakalotofonua mo e hu mai 'i he kulupu mei he **kakano'i manu mo e ika** pea mo e **koloa me'a tokoni kehe** ka na'e **mahulu ange** 'a e holo 'i he tu'unga totongi 'o e **fua'i'akau mo e vesitapolo fakalotofonua** mo e **suka**. Ko e hiki ko eni 'i he totongi 'o e feke, puaka tunu, ika, sipi, alanga'i moa, kapapulu, pulu masima, siamu, mailo, puha inu mo e pinati pata. Na'e holo leva e totongi 'o e vesitapolo mo e ngoue foha kau ai 'a e faina, temata, kaloti, lu, meleni, pele, kumala mo e talo tonga.
- Ko e **Koloa Naunau Langa**, na'e hiki 'aki 'a e peseti 'e **0.1** makatu'unga mei he hiki 'i he totongi 'o e kapa vali fakahoa ki he mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**.
- Ko e **Koloa Naunau Faka'api** na'e hiki 'aki 'a e peseti 'e **0.3** fakahoa ki he mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**. Neongo na'e holo e totongi e kasa, ka na'e mahulu ange 'a e hiki e totongi 'o e ngatu mo e fala.
- Ko e **koloa vala moe su** na'e tu'unga tatau pe 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**.
- Ko e **Koloa Fefononga 'aki** na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 2.0** makatu'unga mei he hiki 'i he totongi 'o e **tisolo mo e penisini** 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**.
- Ko e koloa **Tapaka, 'olokaholo moe kava tonga** na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 0.2** kau ki ai 'a e hiki 'a e tu'unga totongi 'o e **tapaka ko e uinifila** 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina '**Aokosi 2017**.
- Ko e **ngaahi koloa kehe mo e sevesi** na'e holo 'aki 'a e peseti 'e 1.2 makatu'unga mei he holo 'i he totongi 'o e faka'ahu namu moe pepa ako fakahoa ki he mahina ko '**Aokosi 2017**.

Koe ngaahi fakaikiiki 'o e fakamatala ni 'e ma'u atu ia mei he Potungae Sitetisitika pe ko ho'o vakai ki he'emau website www.tonga.prism.spc.int



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Consumer Price Index for September 2017 recorded a decrease of 0.1%
With an Annual Inflation Rate of 5.8%.



The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for **September 2017** recorded a decrease of **0.1%** from **August 2017 (120.0)** and now stands at **119.9**. In comparison with the previous month, local index recorded a decrease of **1.3%** and import index increased by **0.9%**. For the previous two months, **August 2017** recorded a decrease of **0.2%** and **July 2017** also decrease by **0.2%**.

The **annual rate of inflation** for **September 2017** was **5.8%** compares to **5.5%** in previous month. The **annual inflation** for the same month of previous year, **September 2016** was **7.0% (Inflation)**. **Local Index** marked an increase by **2.6%** and **Imported Index** increased by **8.1%** in **September 2017**.

- **Food Group** recorded a decrease of **0.4%** towards the index position of **September 2017**. Although there was an increase in both local and imported **meat, fish and poultry** and **other food** but this increase was offset by decrease in prices of **fruits and vegetables** and **sugar**. Price increase included octopus, suckling pig, frozen fish, mutton flaps, chicken pieces, corned beef, salted beef, jam, milo, fruit juice and peanut butter. Decrease in price of vegetables and most crops include pineapples, tomatoes, carrots, taro leaves, watermelon, pele (leafy vegetable), sweet potatoes and taro wetland.
- **Housing Group**- Price of items in this group recorded an increase by **0.1%** due to an increase in price of high gloss paint compare to the previous month
- **Household Operations** – Price of items in this group recorded an increase by **0.3%** compare to the previous month. Although the price of **LP gas** was decreasing but this decrease was offset by increase in price of tapa and local mat.
- **Clothing & Footwear** – Price of items in this group recorded no change compare to the previous month.
- **Transportation group index** – Price of items in this group recorded an increase by **2.0%** due to an increase in price of **diesel and petrol** compare to the previous month.
- **Tobacco, Alcohol & Kava Tonga** – Price of items in this group recorded an increase by **0.2%** due to increase in price of **Tobacco** such as Winfield compare to the previous month.
- **Misc. Goods and Services** - Price of items in this group recorded a decrease by **1.2%** due to decrease in price of mosquito coil and exercise book compare to the previous month.

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