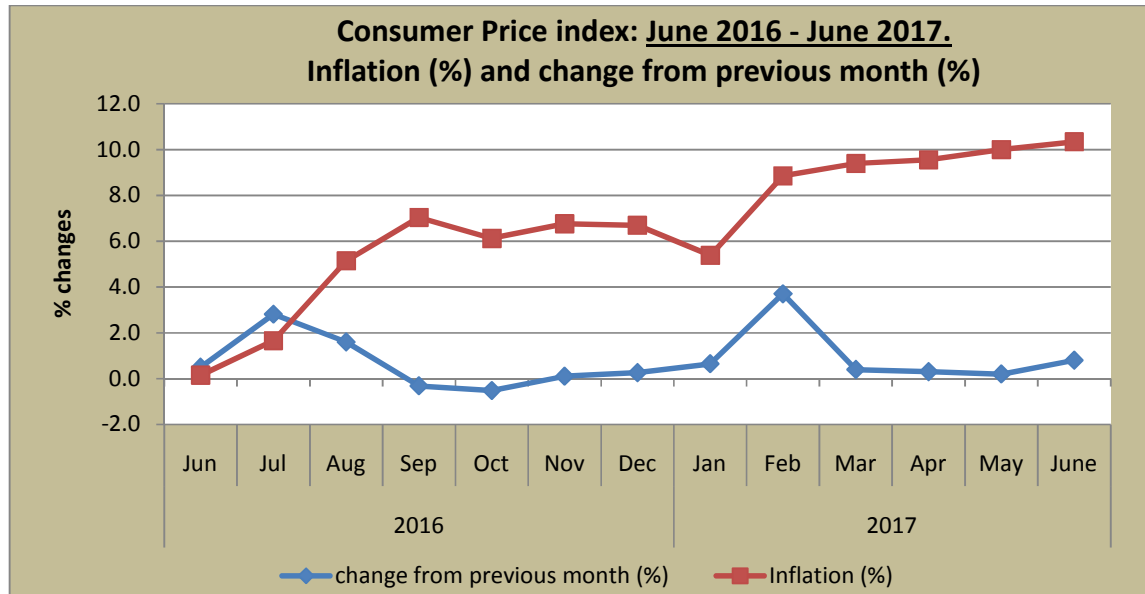




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**Consumer Price Index for June 2017 recorded an increase of 0.8%**  
**With an Annual Inflation Rate of 10.3%.**



The **Consumer Price Index (CPI)** for **June 2017** recorded an increase of **0.8%** from **May 2017 (119.2)** and now stands at **120.2**. In comparison with the previous month, local index recorded an increase of **1.0%** and import index increased by **0.7%**. For the previous two months, **May 2017** recorded an increase of **0.2%** and **April 2017** increased by **0.3%**.

The **annual rate of inflation for June 2017** was **10.3%** compares to **10.0%** in previous month. The **annual inflation** for the same month of previous year, **June 2016** was **0.1% (Inflation)**. **Local Index** marked an increase by **8.7%** and **Imported Index** increased by **11.7%** in **June 2017**.

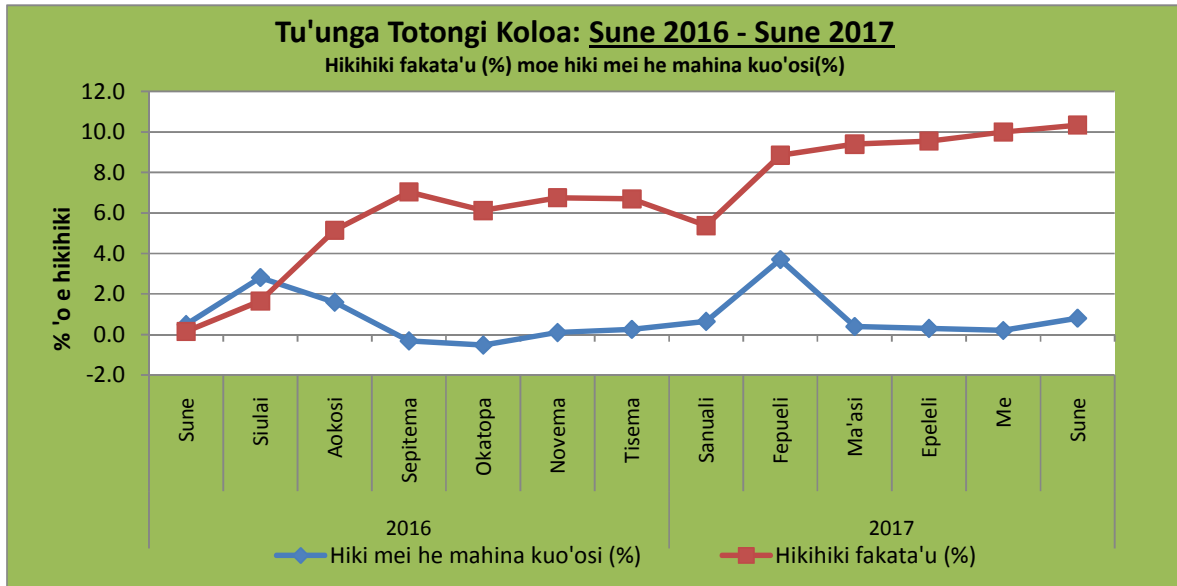
- **Food Group** recorded an increase of **1.7%** towards the index position of **June 2017**. This was mainly due to increase in prices of some local **fruits and vegetables** items such as pineapples, ripe banana, capsicum, taro leaves, cucumber and imported oranges and apples. Prices of some **meat, fish & poultry** items such as frozen fish, cockles and pipis, rump steak beef, suckling pigs, mutton flaps and chicken legs increased throughout the month.
- **Housing Group**- Price of items in this group recorded an increase by **0.3%** due to increase in price of cement bag compare to the previous month.
- **Household Operations** – There were some price changes in this group but the overall balance remained unchanged for the month of **June 2017** compare to the previous month.
- **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 a decrease by **0.1%** due to decrease in price of **diesel** compare to the previous month.
- **Tobacco, Alcohol & Kava Tonga** – Price of items in this group remains unchanged compare to the previous month.
- **Misc. Goods and Services** - Price of items in this group recorded a decrease by **0.1%** which include a decrease in price of **deodorant, roll** compare to the previous month.

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**Na'e hiki peseti 'e 0.8 'a e tu'unga totongi koloa 'i Sune 2017. Pea ko e hikihiki fakata'u 'o e totongi e koloa na'e hiki peseti 'e 10.3**



Ko e **tu'unga 'o e totongi koloa** ki he mahina **Sune 2017**, 'i hono fakaha mei he **Potungae Sitetisitika**, na'e hiki 'a e totongi 'o e koloa 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 0.8** mei **Me 2017**, na'e hiki peseti **1.0** 'a e totongi 'o e koloa **fakalotofonua** pea hiki **peseti 'e 0.7** 'a e **koloa humai**. Ko e ongo mahina 'e ua kimu'a, na'e hiki peseti 'e **0.2** 'i **Me 2017** pea hiki peseti 'e **0.3** 'i **'Epeleli 2017**.

Ko e **Hikihiki fakata'u** 'o e totongi koloa ki he mahina ko **Sune 2017** na'e hiki **peseti 10.3** fakahoa kihe hiki **peseti 10.0** 'o e mahina ko **Me 2017**. Na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 8.7** 'a e totongi **koloa fakalotofonua** pea hiki **peseti 'e 11.7** 'a e **koloa hu mai**. Ko e **hiki fakata'u 'i Sune 2016** na'e hiki peseti 'e **0.1**.

- Koe kulupu ko 'eni 'o e **koloa me'a tokoni** na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 1.7** 'i he **tu'unga totongi koloa kihe mahina ko Sune 2017**. Ko e hiki ko 'eni na'e makatu'unga ia mei he **hiki 'a e totongi 'o e fua'i'akau moe vesitapolo fakalotofonua** 'a 'ia koe **faina, siaine momoho, polo, lu, kiukamipa mo e moli mo e 'apele hu mai**. Na'e hiki moe totongi 'o e **kulupu mei he kakano'i manu moe ika** 'a ia ko e **ika, kaloa'a, pulu 'aisi, puaka tunu, alanga'i moa moe sipi** .
- Ko e **Koloa Naunau Langa**, na'e hiki 'aki 'a e **peseti 0.3** makatu'unga mei he hiki 'a e tu'unga totongi koloa 'o e **tangai sima** 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina **Me 2017**.
- Ko e **Koloa Naunau Faka'api** na'e tu'unga tatau pe 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko **Me 2017** .
- Ko e **koloa vala moe su** na'e tu'unga tatau pe 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko **Me 2017**.
- Ko e **Koloa Fefononga 'aki** na'e holo 'aki 'a e **peseti 'e 0.1** makatu'unga mei he holo 'ihe totongi 'oe **tisolo** 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko **Me 2017**.
- Ko e koloa **Tapaka, 'olokaholo moe kava tonga** na'e 'i he tu'unga tatau pe 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina ko **Me 2017**.
- Ko e **ngaahi koloa kehe mo e sevesi** na'e holo 'aki 'a e **peseti 0.1** kau ki ai 'a e holo 'a e tu'unga totongi 'o e **'otolono** 'i hono fakahoa ki he mahina **Me 2017**.

Koe ngaahi fakaikiiki 'o e fakamatala ni 'e ma'u atu ia mei he **Potungae Sitetisitika** pe ko ho'o vakai ki he'emaui website [www.spc.int/prism/tonga/](http://www.spc.int/prism/tonga/)