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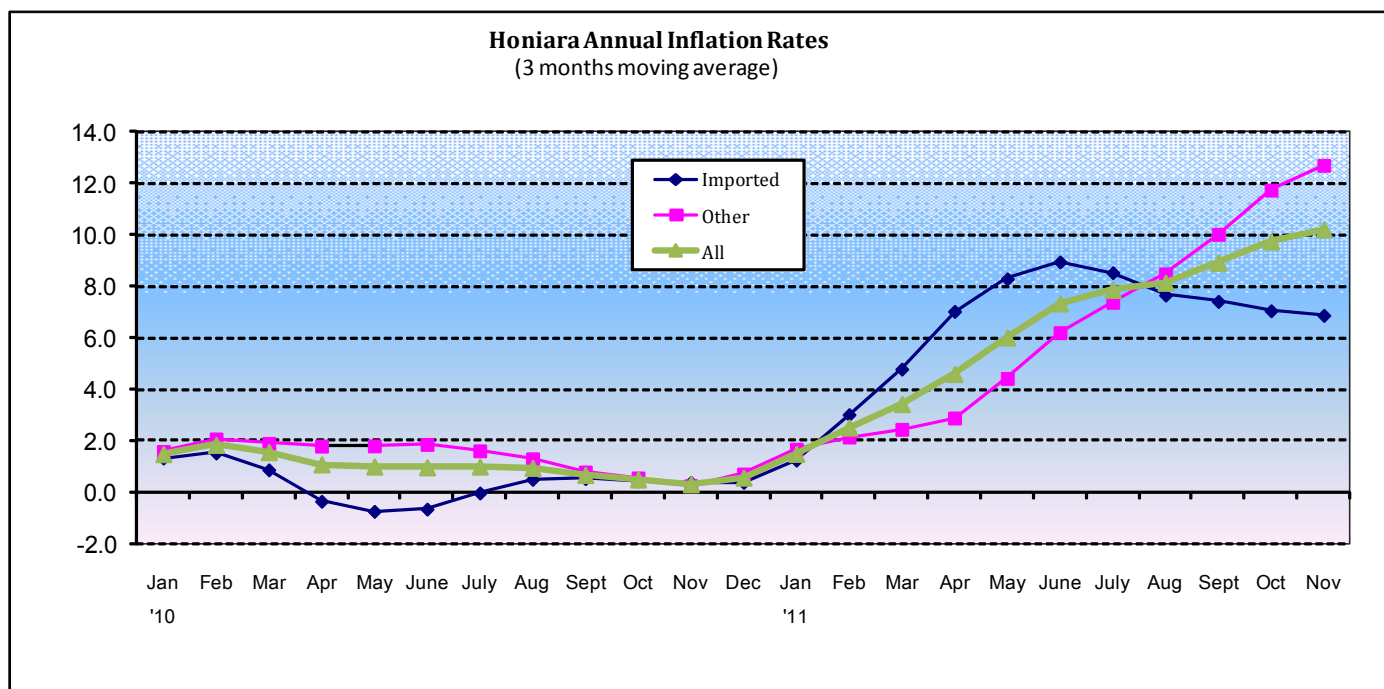
The Honiara Consumers Price Index for November slightly fell by 0.4% from 163.1 in October to 162.4. This was largely driven by declines in the prices of locally produced food and fuel, which outweighed increases in the prices of imported canned meat and betel-nut.

The domestic Food sub-index fell 2.2% due to declines in the prices of second-grade-taiyo, which fell 5% to \$4.83/180g can, as well as local fruit and vegetables notably .kumara, which was down 13% to \$4.86/kg, green pepper 13% to \$16.82/kg and slippery cabbage 6%. These had outweighed increases in the prices of some imported foods such as corned beef which rose 3%, canned mackerel (5%), cooking oil (4%) and pork luncheon meat to result in a 1.1% decline in the overall Food sub-index.

Changes in other sub-indexes are as follows:-

- The Drinks & Tobacco sub-index rose 2.1% on account of 9% increase (from 87 to 95cents/nut) in the price of betel-nut.
- Housing & Utilities fell 0.2% due to a decline in the price of kerosene which was down 6.7% to \$12.03/litre.
- Household Operations group was up 1.6% largely due to increases in the prices of imported regular household supplies such as washing powder and bleach.
- Transport & Communications was down 0.9% due mainly to declines in the prices of petrol and diesel. The prices of petrol and diesel fell 3% to \$11.24/litre and 5% to \$11.14/litre respectively.

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



The overall annual inflation rate for the month of November 2011 calculated on a three months moving average basis was 10.2%, up 0.4 of a percentage point from 9.8% in October. The annual inflation rates for imported and other items were 6.9% and 12.7% respectively.

Table 1. THE HONIARA CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing & Utilities	Household Operations	Transport & Commu- -nications	Recreation health & Oth. Serv.	Misce- llaneous	All Items	(%) Change	
	Wght	429	47	38	181	47	164	76	18	1000	
2010	March	162.2	145.9	139.7	147.0	152.8	137.3	119.2	159.9	150.0	1.1
	April	157.1	160.6	139.7	146.7	152.7	137.4	119.2	160.7	148.5	-1.0
	May	155.9	145.9	140.0	147.0	153.2	138.8	119.2	167.4	147.7	-0.5
	June	154.5	144.7	141.4	147.3	158.4	139.8	119.2	171.1	147.6	0.0
	July	154.6	147.3	141.1	148.6	158.4	138.9	119.2	171.0	147.9	0.2
	August	152.1	147.5	141.1	149.1	163.3	140.4	119.2	171.0	147.4	-0.4
	September	151.7	141.5	141.1	149.1	163.3	135.0	119.2	171.8	146.1	-0.9
	October	153.2	143.9	141.5	149.3	164.4	136.4	120.0	170.1	147.2	0.7
	November	153.6	146.3	141.7	149.6	164.3	136.4	120.0	173.4	147.5	0.3
	December	152.1	151.4	141.7	150.5	164.3	140.8	120.0	173.4	148.0	0.3
2011	January	155.8	157.1	141.7	165.1	165.4	142.4	122.7	174.0	153.1	3.4
	February	156.8	157.5	141.7	165.1	165.6	142.4	122.5	178.6	153.6	0.3
	March	159.5	158.2	141.8	166.2	165.6	144.0	122.5	179.4	155.3	1.1
	April/r	164.6	167.0	141.1	169.5	165.6	144.7	122.9	176.9	158.5	2.1
	May	163.9	178.6	141.1	170.0	165.8	146.7	122.9	176.9	159.2	0.4
	June	162.7	177.9	141.2	170.0	165.9	146.7	122.9	176.6	158.7	-0.4
	July	163.7	178.2	141.2	177.3	167.8	144.8	122.9	176.6	160.2	1.0
	August	165.4	168.4	141.2	176.0	167.9	143.8	122.9	176.6	160.1	-0.1
	September	165.9	171.1	141.4	176.0	166.2	144.3	122.9	175.6	160.4	0.2
	October	166.5	170.8	141.3	189.5	166.9	143.7	122.9	175.5	163.1	1.6
	November	164.8	174.3	142.3	189.1	169.6	142.5	122.9	176.8	162.4	-0.4
Percentage Change in the CPI by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-4.2	10.9	7.7	1.8	4.9	6.8	6.1	9.8	0.8	
	July	-3.5	14.0	7.5	2.7	4.9	3.6	6.1	9.7	1.0	
	August	-4.7	14.0	7.2	3.3	7.0	6.3	5.9	9.7	1.0	
	September	-4.3	7.9	7.2	2.9	6.6	0.2	5.9	10.2	0.0	
	October	-2.9	7.7	7.4	1.3	6.5	1.0	6.6	8.3	0.5	
	November	-3.2	6.0	7.5	1.4	6.5	1.8	6.5	10.4	0.4	
	December	-3.8	9.3	7.5	2.1	6.5	4.1	6.5	10.4	0.8	
2011	January	-1.9	9.2	1.5	12.1	7.1	5.1	3.0	9.3	3.3	
	February	-1.0	3.8	1.5	12.8	8.1	4.4	2.8	11.7	3.5	
	March	-1.7	8.5	1.6	13.1	8.4	4.9	2.8	12.2	3.5	
	April/r	4.7	4.0	1.0	15.5	8.4	5.3	3.1	10.1	6.8	
	May	5.2	22.4	0.8	15.7	8.2	5.7	3.1	5.7	7.8	
	June	5.3	22.9	-0.2	15.4	4.7	4.9	3.0	3.2	7.5	
	July	5.8	21.0	0.1	19.4	5.9	4.2	3.0	3.3	8.3	
	August	8.8	14.2	0.1	18.1	2.8	2.4	3.0	3.3	8.6	
	September	9.3	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	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-3.7	19.3	12.6	-0.1	3.6	6.1	6.1	7.6	1.0	
	July	-3.9	14.4	10.0	2.0	4.2	5.5	6.1	9.4	1.0	
	August	-4.1	13.0	7.5	2.6	5.6	5.6	6.1	9.7	1.0	
	September	-4.1	11.9	7.3	2.9	6.2	3.3	6.0	9.9	0.7	
	October	-4.0	9.8	7.2	2.5	6.7	2.5	6.1	9.4	0.5	
	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	-2.2	7.3	3.4	9.0	7.2	4.5	4.0	10.5	2.5	
	March	-1.5	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	2.7	11.4	1.1	14.8	8.3	5.3	3.0	9.3	6.0	
	June	5.1	16.0	0.6	15.6	7.1	5.3	3.1	6.3	7.3	
	July	5.4	22.1	0.2	16.8	6.3	4.9	3.1	4.1	7.9	
	August	6.6	19.4	0.0	17.6	4.5	3.8	3.0	3.3	8.1	
	September	8.0	18.7	0.1	18.5	3.5	4.5	3.0	2.9	8.9	
	October	8.9	17.9	0.1	21.0	2.0	4.9	2.8	2.9	9.8	
	November	8.4	19.6	0.2	23.8	2.1	5.6	2.6	2.4	10.2	

Table 2. PRICE INDEX OF IMPORTED ITEMS BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks	Clothing	Housing	Household	Transport	Recreation	Misce-	All	(%)	
		& Tobacco	& Footwear	& Utilities	Operations	& Commu- -nications	health & Oth. Serv.	llaneous	Items	Change	
	Wght	186	4	31	52	34	50	23	18	398	
2010	March	170.2	138.2	120.5	146.5	145.4	147.4	138.5	159.9	155.6	0.5
	April	162.5	138.2	120.5	145.3	145.0	147.8	138.5	160.7	152.0	-2.4
	May	162.3	138.2	120.9	146.3	145.7	152.5	138.5	167.4	153.0	0.7
	June	162.7	138.2	122.7	156.0	150.0	156.1	138.7	171.1	155.5	1.7
	July	165.0	138.2	122.3	154.5	150.4	153.3	138.7	171.0	156.1	0.3
	August	164.7	138.2	122.2	156.4	150.9	157.9	138.7	171.0	156.8	0.5
	September	165.0	139.5	122.2	156.4	151.0	157.9	138.7	171.8	157.0	0.2
	October	165.7	139.5	122.7	157.2	150.6	158.0	141.4	170.1	157.5	0.3
	November	166.6	139.5	123.0	158.0	150.5	158.0	141.4	173.4	158.2	0.4
	December	163.1	139.5	123.0	161.4	150.5	172.6	141.4	173.4	158.9	0.4
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
Percentage Change in Imported Items Index by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-6.7	0.0	2.3	11.6	4.1	15.7	1.2	9.8	0.5	
	July	-4.9	0.0	2.0	10.6	4.4	5.4	1.2	9.7	0.3	
	August	-5.3	0.0	1.6	11.9	3.8	10.2	0.7	9.7	0.7	
	September	-5.1	0.9	1.6	10.3	3.3	10.2	0.5	10.2	0.6	
	October	-5.9	0.9	1.9	9.5	2.8	10.1	2.5	8.3	0.0	
	November	-5.7	0.9	2.0	9.6	2.7	12.7	2.1	10.4	0.5	
	December	-7.5	0.9	2.0	12.0	2.7	19.2	2.1	10.4	0.6	
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	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-7.0	3.6	1.4	6.7	3.5	13.2	1.1	7.6	-0.7	
	July	-6.2	1.8	1.7	9.0	3.9	11.2	1.1	9.4	0.0	
	August	-5.6	0.0	2.0	11.4	4.1	10.3	1.0	9.7	0.5	
	September	-5.1	0.3	1.7	10.9	3.9	8.6	0.8	9.9	0.5	
	October	-5.4	0.6	1.7	10.6	3.3	10.2	1.2	9.4	0.4	
	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	

Table 3. PRICE INDEX OF OTHER ITEMS BY GROUP (4th Qtr 2005=100)

Year/ Month	Food	Drinks	Clothing	Housing	Household	Transport	Recreation	Misce-	All	All	(%) Change
		& Tobacco	& Footwear	& Utilities	Operations	& Commu- -nications	health & Oth. Serv.	llaneous	Items		
	Wght	243	43	7	129	13	114	53		602	
2010	March	156.1	146.6	224.5	147.2	172.0	132.8	110.8	--	146.3	1.5
	April	153.0	162.6	224.5	147.2	172.9	132.8	110.8	--	146.2	-0.1
	May	150.9	146.6	224.5	147.2	172.9	132.8	110.8	--	144.2	-1.4
	June	148.2	145.3	224.5	143.8	180.6	132.7	110.8	--	142.4	-1.2
	July	146.7	148.1	224.5	146.2	179.6	132.7	110.8	--	142.5	0.1
	August	142.5	148.4	224.5	146.2	195.7	132.7	110.8	--	141.1	-0.9
	September	141.5	141.7	224.5	146.2	195.7	125.0	110.8	--	138.8	-1.6
	October	143.6	144.3	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.3	1.1
	November	143.6	146.9	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.5	0.1
	December	143.6	152.5	224.5	146.2	200.4	126.8	110.8	--	140.9	0.3
2011	January	147.8	158.8	234.1	161.2	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	146.7	4.1
	February	147.7	159.2	234.1	161.2	199.5	127.0	114.6	--	146.7	0.0
	March	151.9	160.0	234.1	162.9	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	148.9	1.5
	April/r	159.1	169.3	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.4	3.0
	May	157.1	181.9	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	153.6	0.1
	June	154.9	181.2	234.1	167.3	199.5	127.8	114.6	--	152.6	-0.6
	July	155.2	181.5	234.1	177.5	199.5	125.8	114.6	--	154.6	1.3
	August	157.9	170.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	155.0	0.3
	September	158.0	173.8	234.1	177.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	155.3	0.2
	October	158.4	173.3	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	159.4	2.7
	November	154.9	177.2	234.1	196.5	199.5	126.2	114.6	--	158.3	-0.7
Percentage Change in Other Items Index by Group											
<i>(a) on the same month a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-1.9	12.0	23.6	-2.0	6.6	2.7	9.1	--	1.1	
	July	-2.2	15.4	23.6	-0.4	5.9	2.7	9.1	--	1.5	
	August	-4.1	15.4	23.6	-0.1	13.9	4.4	9.1	--	1.3	
	September	-3.6	8.6	23.6	-0.1	13.9	-4.7	9.1	--	-0.5	
	October	-0.1	8.3	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.9	
	November	-0.9	6.4	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.4	
	December	-0.4	10.0	23.6	-1.8	14.8	-3.3	9.1	--	0.9	
2011	January	2.3	9.9	4.3	8.5	14.3	-3.2	3.5	--	3.7	
	February	-1.2	4.1	4.3	9.5	16.0	-4.4	3.5	--	1.8	
	March	-2.7	9.1	4.3	10.6	16.0	-3.8	3.5	--	1.8	
	April/r	4.0	4.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	5.0	
	May	4.1	24.1	4.3	13.6	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	6.5	
	June	4.5	24.7	4.3	16.4	10.5	-3.7	3.5	--	7.2	
	July	5.8	22.6	4.3	21.5	11.1	-5.2	3.5	--	8.5	
	August	10.9	15.1	4.3	21.5	2.0	-4.9	3.5	--	9.8	
	September	11.6	22.6	4.3	21.5	2.0	1.0	3.5	--	11.8	
	October	10.2	20.1	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	13.6	
	November	7.9	20.6	4.3	34.4	-0.4	-0.5	3.5	--	12.7	
<i>(b) 3 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2010	June	-0.9	20.9	23.6	-2.6	3.8	2.9	9.1	--	1.9	
	July	-1.8	15.7	23.6	-0.7	4.8	2.8	9.1	--	1.6	
	August	-2.7	14.3	23.6	-0.8	8.8	3.3	9.1	--	1.3	
	September	-3.3	13.1	23.6	-0.2	11.3	0.8	9.1	--	0.8	
	October	-2.6	10.7	23.6	-0.7	14.2	-1.2	9.1	--	0.6	
	November	-1.5	7.8	23.6	-1.2	14.5	-3.7	9.1	--	0.3	
	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	0.2	7.9	9.8	5.4	15.0	-3.6	5.2	--	2.2	
	March	-0.6	7.7	4.3	9.5	15.4	-3.8	3.5	--	2.5	
	April/r	0.0	5.7	4.3	11.2	15.8	-4.0	3.5	--	2.9	
	May	1.7	12.1	4.3	12.6	15.6	-3.8	3.5	--	4.4	
	June	4.2	17.1	4.3	14.5	13.7	-3.8	3.5	--	6.2	
	July	4.8	23.8	4.3	17.1	12.3	-4.2	3.5	--	7.4	
	August	7.0	20.7	4.3	19.8	7.7	-4.6	3.5	--	8.5	
	September	9.4	20.0	4.3	21.5	4.9	-3.1	3.5	--	10.0	
	October	10.9	19.2	4.3	25.8	1.2	-1.5	3.5	--	11.8	
	November	9.9	21.1	4.3	30.1	0.4	0.0	3.5	--	12.7	

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)											
2009	March	513.0	447.4	169.7	587.9	404.9	518.8	393.7	331.8	470.5	1.6
	April	513.4	401.9	169.4	565.1	406.0	523.1	393.9	332.6	465.7	-1.0
	May	513.7	396.7	170.4	539.2	407.5	525.5	393.9	333.7	462.2	-0.7
	June	510.3	420.9	183.9	539.2	413.4	525.5	393.9	337.2	463.5	0.3
	July	507.1	416.7	183.9	539.2	413.4	538.4	393.9	337.2	463.5	0.0
	August	505.1	417.4	184.4	537.9	417.6	530.2	394.7	337.2	461.9	-0.3
	September	501.8	423.1	184.4	540.0	419.2	541.4	394.9	337.3	462.5	0.1
	October	499.6	431.0	184.5	549.1	422.3	541.8	394.9	339.8	463.6	0.2
	November	502.3	445.2	184.6	549.6	422.3	537.7	395.4	339.8	465.0	0.3
	December	500.7	447.0	184.6	549.6	422.3	543.3	395.4	339.8	465.1	0.0
2010	January	502.6	464.2	195.6	548.8	422.3	544.3	417.9	344.4	469.4	0.9
	February	501.4	489.3	195.6	545.2	419.2	547.5	417.9	346.0	469.7	0.1
	March	513.5	470.5	195.6	547.7	418.1	551.2	417.9	346.0	474.8	1.1
	April	497.5	517.9	195.6	546.5	418.0	551.7	417.9	347.7	470.1	-1.0
	May	493.4	470.6	196.1	547.5	419.3	557.4	417.9	362.3	467.6	-0.5
	June	489.1	466.8	198.1	548.7	433.6	561.4	418.1	370.2	467.4	0.0
	July	489.6	475.0	197.6	553.5	433.6	557.9	418.1	370.0	468.2	0.2
	August	481.5	475.9	197.6	555.5	446.7	563.8	418.1	370.0	466.6	-0.4
	September	480.4	456.5	197.6	555.5	446.9	542.3	418.1	371.8	462.5	-0.9
	October	485.0	464.0	198.1	556.4	449.8	547.5	421.0	368.1	465.9	0.7
	November	486.1	471.7	198.4	557.2	449.6	547.5	421.0	375.2	467.1	0.3
	December	481.4	488.4	198.4	560.9	449.6	565.3	421.0	375.2	468.7	0.3
2011	January	493.2	506.9	198.5	615.2	452.5	571.8	430.4	376.4	484.6	3.4
	February	496.3	508.1	198.5	615.2	453.1	571.8	429.5	386.6	486.2	0.3
	March	505.0	510.3	198.6	619.4	453.1	578.2	429.5	388.2	491.6	1.1
	April/r	521.0	538.7	197.6	631.4	453.1	580.9	430.9	382.8	501.8	2.1
	May	518.9	576.1	197.6	633.4	453.6	589.0	430.9	382.8	504.1	0.4
	June	515.0	573.9	197.8	633.4	454.1	589.0	430.9	382.2	502.3	-0.4
	July	518.2	574.9	197.8	660.7	459.2	581.4	430.9	382.2	507.2	1.0
	August	523.8	543.3	197.8	655.8	459.4	577.4	430.9	382.2	506.9	-0.1
	September	525.2	552.0	198.1	655.8	454.7	579.5	430.9	379.9	507.9	0.2
	October	527.3	550.8	197.9	706.1	456.6	577.0	430.9	379.7	516.2	1.6
	November	521.7	562.2	199.4	704.4	464.0	572.1	430.9	382.6	514.1	-0.4
Percentage Change in the CPI by Group											
<i>12 months moving average on same period a year ago</i>											
2009	June	25.5	7.2	3.2	13.6	14.4	12.9	-1.0	14.3	17.1	
	July	23.4	6.3	3.9	11.6	13.6	10.7	-1.6	12.5	15.3	
	August	20.5	6.1	4.5	9.6	12.7	8.3	-2.2	11.0	13.3	
	September	18.1	5.9	5.3	7.7	12.7	6.4	-2.8	10.1	11.6	
	October	16.0	5.8	6.1	5.4	12.8	5.2	-3.3	9.3	10.0	
	November	13.9	6.0	6.9	2.9	11.9	4.3	-3.8	8.6	8.4	
	December	11.9	6.3	7.6	0.7	10.9	4.6	-4.3	7.8	7.1	
2010	January	10.0	6.6	7.4	-1.0	10.0	5.0	-3.1	7.1	6.0	
	February	8.0	7.2	7.2	-2.7	9.0	4.9	-2.2	6.6	4.9	
	March	5.7	6.5	8.3	-4.3	8.1	4.5	-1.4	6.0	3.5	
	April	3.6	8.9	9.4	-5.1	7.2	4.3	-0.5	5.4	2.5	
	May	2.1	10.4	10.6	-5.1	6.4	4.1	0.3	5.4	1.9	
	June	1.0	10.9	10.5	-4.6	5.9	4.4	1.2	5.4	1.5	
	July	0.1	11.7	10.3	-4.1	5.5	4.8	2.1	5.7	1.3	
	August	-0.6	12.2	10.1	-3.5	5.2	5.7	2.9	5.9	1.3	
	September	-1.2	12.1	9.9	-2.9	4.9	5.7	3.8	6.4	1.1	
	October	-1.7	12.0	9.6	-2.3	4.6	5.6	4.7	6.6	1.0	
	November	-2.1	11.5	9.4	-1.5	4.8	5.4	5.6	7.3	1.0	
	December	-2.6	11.8	9.2	-0.8	5.0	4.9	6.5	7.9	0.9	
2011	January	-2.9	11.8	8.7	0.8	5.2	4.5	5.9	8.3	1.0	
	February	-3.0	11.0	8.2	2.6	5.6	4.2	5.6	8.9	1.2	
	March	-3.2	11.3	7.1	4.3	6.0	4.1	5.3	9.6	1.4	
	May	-1.8	9.7	4.8	7.1	6.9	4.1	4.8	9.8	2.5	
	June	-1.0	10.7	4.1	8.2	6.9	4.0	4.6	9.2	3.0	
	July	-0.2	11.4	3.5	9.6	7.0	4.0	4.3	8.6	3.6	
	August	0.9	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	

Table 5. COMPARATIVE PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

DESCRIPTION	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010				2011				
	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Year	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Qtr 4	Qtr 1	Qtr 2	Qtr 3	Oct	Nov
FOOD																	
RICE (Solris 20kg Bag)	67.69	81.08	83.85	91.70	99.78	107.94	169.84	205.85	193.56	167.33	172.78	171.33	172.50	172.47	173.11	177.50	175.83
NOODLE (Maggi 55g pkt)	1.50	1.76	1.84	2.02	2.15	2.27	2.50	2.82	2.82	2.93	2.96	2.96	3.00	3.10	3.07	3.00	3.00
FLOUR (plain white flour 25kg bag)	60.23	93.36	114.86	110.05	114.13	127.53	182.10	188.90	176.50	176.17	174.06	181.83	191.61	195.67	198.56	195.00	195.00
CHICKEN WING (imported, 500g pkt)	15.44	20.42	20.63	18.67	20.88	24.33	33.13	31.25	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00
TUNA (second grade Taro, 180g can)	3.73	3.93	4.70	4.94	5.04	5.24	6.27	6.58	6.51	6.56	6.21	6.10	5.90	5.57	5.43	5.08	4.83
KUMARA HEAPS (\$/kg)	3.65	2.05	1.72	2.28	2.28	3.20	3.68	3.94	3.83	3.39	3.26	3.30	3.84	3.36	4.25	5.59	4.86
SLEEPY CABBAGE \$/kg	5.82	3.88	4.24	4.94	5.01	6.18	9.26	8.37	7.13	9.20	7.40	5.21	5.58	7.93	7.27	6.87	6.48
WHITE SUGAR (Chelsea 500gmm pkt)	2.77	3.22	3.36	3.47	3.64	4.28	4.85	5.06	6.57	6.87	6.98	6.90	7.26	8.33	8.51	8.25	8.58
SALT (Sly salt 4kg,)	3.17	3.95	3.71	4.22	4.50	4.61	4.46	4.54	4.47	4.47	4.49	4.72	4.78	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.65
DRINKS & TOBACCO																	
SOLBREW BEER (Solbrew, 355ml bottle)	4.87	6.07	6.07	6.16	6.83	7.80	8.75	9.08	9.10	9.10	9.07	9.00	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25
TWIST TOBACCO (per stick)	5.50	7.02	7.02	7.31	7.40	7.49	7.78	10.03	14.73	15.41	15.50	15.50	18.26	18.75	19.75	19.75	19.75
UTILITIES																	
WATER CHARGES (500gal)	26.13	29.20	29.20	29.20	29.20	53.70	62.10	58.42	56.00	56.00	56.00	56.00	65.66	65.66	79.00	111.77	111.77
ELECTRICITY (40 units)	44.89	74.50	74.50	81.90	101.02	116.42	177.00	192.19	182.61	176.96	177.34	177.34	210.31	224.76	233.48	232.77	232.77
TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION																	
PETROL (cents per litre)	247.36	350.20	350.20	499.08	535.69	628.24	956.45	799.42	887.00	941.23	907.07	949.03	1193.13	1203.67	1187.00	1165.00	1124.00
TELEPHONE CHARGES (per call, within Honiara)	0.46	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.65	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55
MISCELLANEOUS GOODS & SERVICES																	
BATH SOAP (Gir, 85g cake)	1.54	1.73	1.73	1.80	1.83	2.00	2.31	2.43	2.52	2.66	2.79	2.74	2.52	2.51	2.51	2.52	2.60
TOOTH PASTE (Cograte, 110g)	6.63	7.91	7.91	8.88	8.95	10.29	13.46	15.51	15.68	17.35	17.18	17.25	18.92	18.92	18.89	18.82	18.82

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