



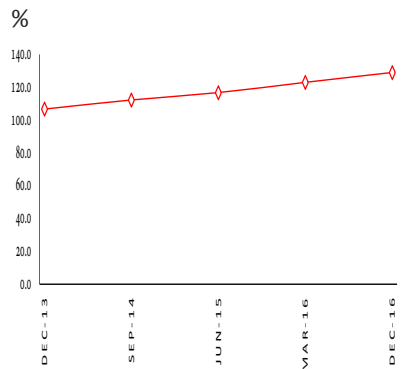
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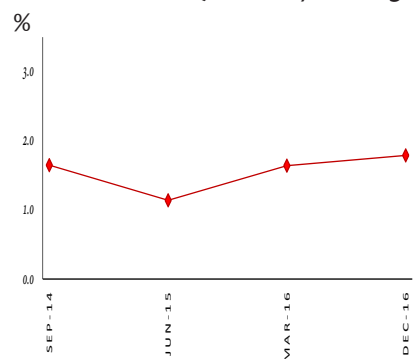


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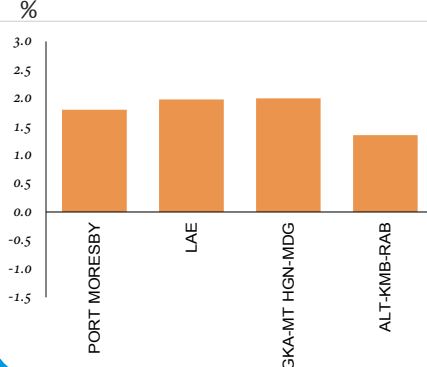
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ALL GROUPS: *Quarterly Change*



CPI TOWNS INDEX



DECEMBER QUARTER 2016 CPI FIGURES

Weighted Average of Eight (8) CPI Towns

	Sep Qtr 2016 - Dec Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2015 - Dec Qtr 2016
	<i>percentage change</i>	<i>percentage change</i>
All groups	1.8	6.6
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	0.8	2.8
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	5.8	30.4
Clothing and foot wear	0.2	2.9
Housing	2.6	5.1
Household equipment	3.0	5.6
Transport	1.5	3.1
Communication	0.0	0.2
Health	0.6	6.9
Recreation	0.6	2.7
Education	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	-0.9	1.5
Miscellaneous	0.2	0.5
All groupings excluding Housing	1.7	6.9

Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut, Household Equipment and Housing groups showed the biggest increases in the December quarter 2016.

CPI TOWNS COMPARISON

CPI TOWNS

	Sep Qtr 2016 - Dec Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2015 - Dec Qtr 2016
	<i>percentage change</i>	<i>percentage change</i>
Port Moresby	1.8	6.4
Lae	2.0	8.0
Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang	2.0	6.8
Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	1.4	5.1

MAIN HIGHLIGHTS OF ALL GROUP CPI

The quarterly increase from September Quarter 2016 to December Quarter 2016 was 1.8 percent.

The annual increase between December Quarter 2015 and December Quarter 2016 was 6.6 percent.

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The following abbreviations and symbols have been used in this bulletin

<i>Abbreviations:</i>	<i>NSO</i>	<i>National Statistical Office</i>
	<i>CPI</i>	<i>Consumer Price Index</i>
	<i>RPI</i>	<i>Retail Price Index</i>
	<i>Qtr</i>	<i>Quarter</i>
	<i>HIES</i>	<i>Household Income and Expenditure Survey</i>
	<i>COICOP</i>	<i>Classification of Individual Consumption according to Purpose</i>

<i>Symbols:</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>nil or less than half of the digit shown</i>
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THE MOVEMENT OF THE INDEXES

HEADLINE CPI

The headline CPI shows an increase of 1.8 percent in the December quarter 2016, compared with an increase of 1.7 percent in the September quarter 2016.

The headline CPI also shows an annual change of 6.6 percent increase from December quarter 2015 to December quarter 2016.

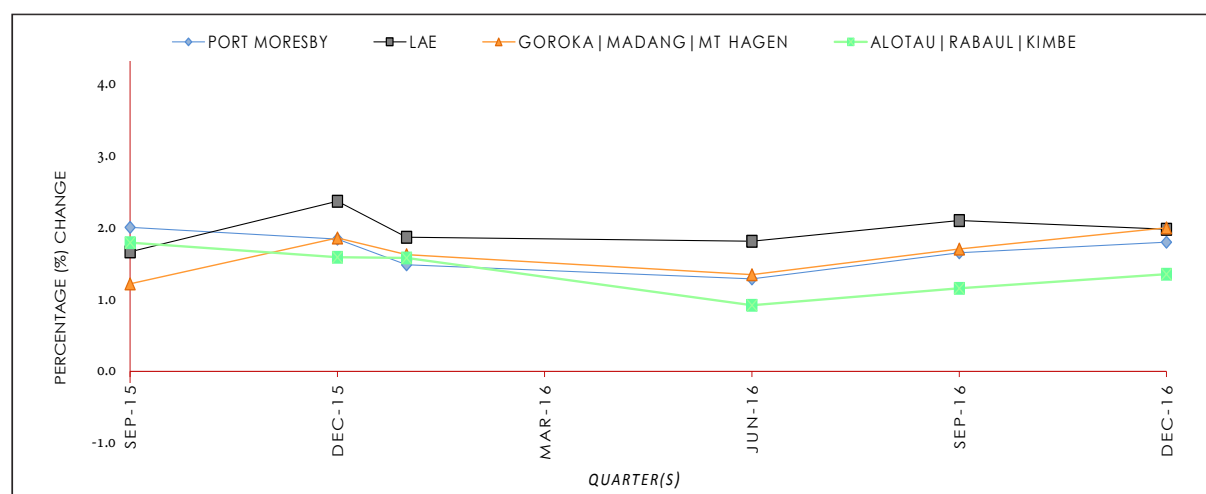
The quarterly percentage changes in the All CPI Towns are:

Port Moresby	1.8 %
Lae	2.0 %
Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang	2.0 %
Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	1.4 %

The percentage changes in the CPI by major expenditure groups from previous quarter are:

Food and non-alcoholic beverages	0.8
Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	5.8
Clothing and foot wear	0.2
Housing	2.6
Household equipment	3.0
Transport	1.5
Communication	0.0
Health	0.6
Recreation	0.6
Education	0.0
Restaurants and hotels	-0.9
Miscellaneous	0.2

Graph 1. Quarterly percentage change in the All CPI Towns.



The graph shows Lae and Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang displayed the highest indexes of 2.0 percent while Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul had the lowest index of 1.4 percent in the December quarter 2016.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE INDEXES *continued*

UNDERLYING CPI

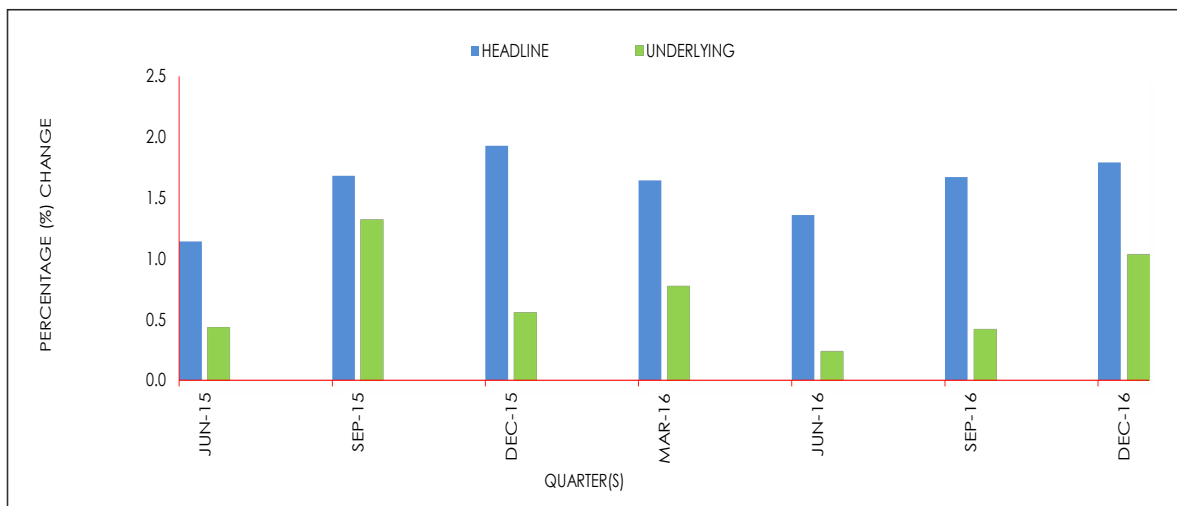
The underlying CPI shows an increase of 1.0 percent in the December quarter 2016, compared with an increase of 0.4 percent in the September quarter 2016.

The underlying CPI also shows an annual change of 2.5 percent increase from December quarter 2015 to December quarter 2016.

The quarterly underlying CPI excluding the three based measures stated below are:

CPI ex- seasonal	1.0 %
CPI ex- seasonal and excise	1.1 %
CPI ex- seasonal, excise and price control	0.9 %

Graph 2. Quarterly percentage change in the Headline and Underlying CPI.

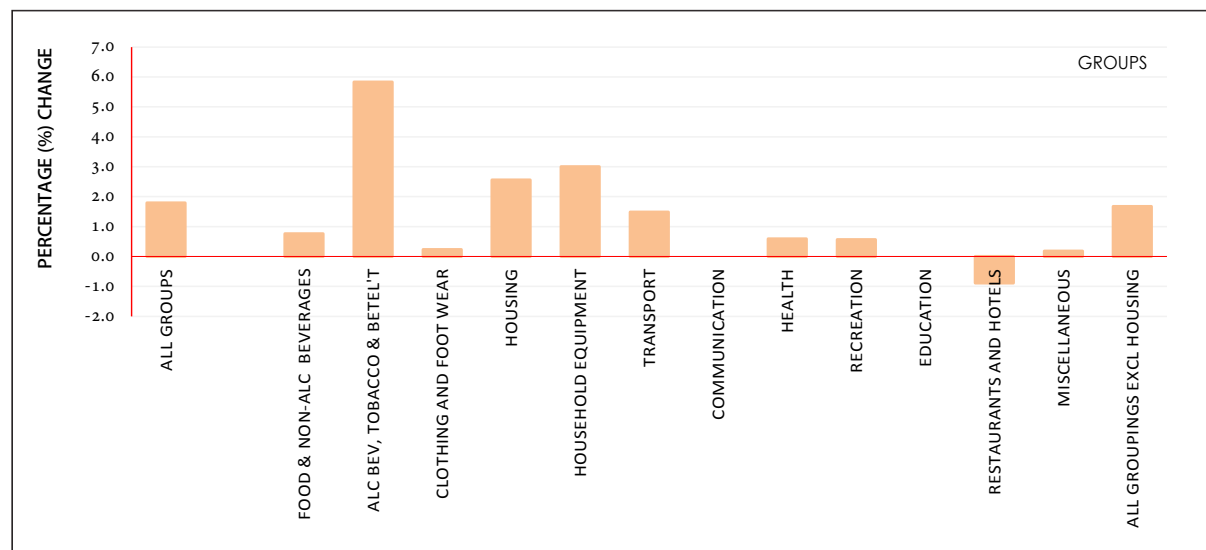


The graph shows the quarterly headline and underlying changes recorded since June quarter 2015 to December quarter 2016.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS

MAIN CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHANGE

Graph 3. Quarterly percentage change in CPI Groups, Weighted Average of Eight CPI Towns, September 2016 - December 2016.



Below are the reasons for the increase in the December quarter 2016 CPI. (see Tables 4, 6 and 7).

Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut (5.8%)

The Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut group increased by 5.8 percent in the December quarter. This was mainly due to increases in the Betelnut and Mustard subgroup (9.6%), as shown by Betelnut and Mustard (9.6%).

The Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut group recorded increases in all CPI towns. The largest movements were recorded in Lae (6.4%), Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang (5.8%) and Port Moresby (5.6%).

For the through year figures (*December Qtr. 2015 to December Qtr. 2016*), the Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut group increased by 30.4 percent.

Household Equipment (3.0%)

The increase in the Household Equipment group to 3.0 percent in the December quarter was mainly attributable to price increases of items in the Household Maintenance Goods (4.3%) Household Appliances (0.8%) and Household Furniture and Furnishngs subgroups. Price increases were shown in refrigerators (4.3%), washing machines (2.8%) and kerosene stoves (1.7%).

The Household Equipment group increased in all CPI towns, with the main changes shown in Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul (4.8%) and Port Moresby (2.8%).

For the through year figures (*December Qtr. 2015 to December Qtr. 2016*), the Household Equipment group increased by 5.6 percent.

ANALYSIS AND COMMENTS *continued*

Housing (2.6%)

The rise in the Housing group to 2.6 percent in the December quarter was mainly due to increase for the Rents subgroup (3.9%), as shown by the rentals (3.9%). The Electricity subgroup (0.0%) was unchanged, as was the Water subgroup (0.0%).

The group recorded rises in all CPI Towns. The largest movements were recorded in Lae (4.3%), then followed by Port Moresby (4.0%) and Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul (3.5%).

For the through year figures (*December Qtr. 2015 to December Qtr. 2016*), the Housing group increased by 5.1 percent.

Transport (1.5%)

The Transport group increased by 1.5 percent in the December quarter. Prices increased mainly in petrol (6.0%) and diesel (5.3%) in the fuels and lubricants subgroup (5.0%).

The Transport group increased in all CPI towns. The highest indexes were registered in Lae (1.7%), Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang (1.6%) and Port Moresby (1.4%).

For the through year figures (*December Qtr. 2015 to December Qtr. 2016*), the Transport group increased by 3.1 percent.

Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages (0.8%)

The Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group advanced 0.8 percent in the December quarter. This rise in the index was an effect of increases in the Meat (1.3%), Sugars and Confectionery (1.3%), cereals (0.9%) and fish (0.9%) subgroups.

The Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group increased in all CPI towns, with the highest indexes recorded in Goroka-Mt Hagen-Madang (1.6%), Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul (0.6%) and Port Moresby (0.5%).

For the through year figures (*December Qtr. 2015 to December Qtr. 2016*), the Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages group increased by 2.8 percent.

At the All groups' level, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased in all CPI towns during the December quarter 2016.

QUARTERLY SUMMARY

Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betel nut

The alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betel nut index increased in December quarter. The costs of betel nut and mustard accounted for most of its group increases.

The alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betel nut index increased over the last twelve months. The indexes for tobacco and betel nut and mustard increased.

Housing

The housing index increased in December quarter. The costs of rentals contributed the most to the increase in the rent index. The kerosene index also increased.

The housing index increased over the last twelve months.

Transport

The Transport index increased in the December quarter. This was mainly due to increases in the indexes for petrol , diesel, engine oil and car batteries. Motor vehicle purchases indexes also increased while indexes for Motor Vehicle Registration and Insurance were unchanged.

Over the twelve months to the December quarter, the group index increased.

TABLE 1
ALL GROUPS - INDEX NUMBERS (a)

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka Hagen-Madang	Alotau Kimbe-Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
2012	101.0	102.6	100.0	99.5	100.8
2013	103.9	115.5	103.5	100.4	105.8
2014	110.6	122.5	106.1	106.1	111.3
2015	123.2	128.3	110.0	110.5	118.0
2016	131.9	138.3	116.6	116.7	125.9
2012					
September	102.6	100.7	99.8	98.8	100.5
December	102.3	112.5	100.9	99.2	103.7
2013					
March	104.0	114.1	101.1	100.3	104.9
June	103.5	112.2	104.0	100.5	105.0
September	104.1	117.4	104.8	100.3	106.6
December	104.2	118.2	104.1	100.4	106.7
2014					
March	105.9	121.0	103.9	104.5	108.8
June	109.2	121.8	105.0	105.8	110.4
September	112.1	123.4	106.2	107.3	112.3
December	115.1	123.9	109.3	106.9	113.8
2015					
March	118.7	125.7	109.1	108.4	115.5
June	122.3	126.8	108.7	109.3	116.8
September	124.8	128.9	110.0	111.3	118.7
December	127.1	131.9	112.1	113.0	121.0
2016					
March	129.0	134.4	113.9	114.8	123.0
June	130.6	136.8	115.4	115.9	124.7
September	132.8	139.7	117.4	117.2	126.8
December	135.2	142.4	119.7	118.8	129.0

(a) Base of each index: June Qtr 2012 = 100.0

From March quarter 2011 to March quarter 2012, the index numbers have been created using Linear Regression Model

TABLE 2
ALL GROUPS - PERCENTAGE CHANGES

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)</i>					
2013	2.9	12.8	3.5	0.9	5.0
2014	6.4	6.2	2.5	5.7	5.2
2015	11.4	4.7	3.8	4.1	6.0
2016	7.1	7.8	6.0	5.6	6.7
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)</i>					
2012					
December	-0.3	11.7	1.0	-0.4	3.2
2013					
March	1.7	1.4	0.2	1.1	1.1
June	-0.5	-1.6	2.9	0.2	0.2
September	0.6	4.6	0.7	-0.1	1.5
December	0.2	0.7	-0.7	0.0	0.1
2014					
March	1.6	2.4	-0.2	4.1	2.0
June	3.2	0.6	1.0	1.2	1.5
September	2.7	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.6
December	2.7	0.4	2.9	-0.4	1.4
2015					
March	3.1	1.4	-0.2	1.4	1.5
June	3.1	0.9	-0.4	0.9	1.1
September	2.0	1.7	1.2	1.8	1.7
December	1.8	2.4	1.9	1.6	1.9
2016					
March	1.5	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.6
June	1.3	1.8	1.3	0.9	1.4
September	1.6	2.1	1.7	1.2	1.7
December	1.8	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.8
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)</i>					
2012					
December	3.7	19.1	2.1	-0.8	5.9
2013					
March	4.8	17.3	1.7	0.3	6.0
June	3.5	12.2	4.0	0.5	5.0
September	1.4	16.6	4.9	1.6	6.1
December	1.9	5.0	3.2	1.2	2.9
2014					
March	1.8	6.1	2.8	4.2	3.8
June	5.6	8.5	0.9	5.3	5.1
September	7.8	5.2	1.4	7.0	5.3
December	10.5	4.8	5.0	6.5	6.6
2015					
March	12.1	3.8	5.0	3.7	6.1
June	12.0	4.1	3.6	3.3	5.7
September	11.3	4.4	3.6	3.7	5.8
December	10.4	6.5	2.8	5.7	6.4
2016					
March	8.7	6.9	4.4	5.9	6.5
June	6.8	7.9	6.2	6.0	6.8
September	6.4	8.4	6.7	5.3	6.8
December	6.4	8.0	6.8	5.1	6.6

TABLE 3
CPI GROUPS, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS
- INDEX NUMBERS (a)

Period	Food and non alcoholic beverages	Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	Clothing and footwear	Housing	Household equipment	Transport
2012	99.5	109.2	100.4	101.8	100.7	99.7
2013	98.6	157.0	103.5	112.7	100.5	99.7
2014	103.4	164.3	107.1	126.3	105.7	106.4
2015	108.4	184.2	117.4	145.7	116.8	102.5
2016	113.9	232.3	122.4	153.3	123.3	104.3
2012						
December	98.4	144.2	101.0	105.3	100.8	99.7
2013						
March	98.2	149.0	102.9	112.1	100.7	99.6
June	97.7	151.0	103.9	112.3	101.2	99.5
September	99.1	165.2	104.1	113.0	98.2	99.8
December	99.2	162.6	103.3	113.4	101.7	99.9
2014						
March	100.9	160.8	102.6	122.7	101.4	104.7
June	103.1	162.8	104.5	125.7	102.3	105.7
September	104.2	165.7	108.6	126.3	108.0	108.0
December	105.3	167.9	112.6	130.3	111.0	107.3
2015						
March	106.2	177.3	113.7	136.4	114.0	104.1
June	107.0	179.4	116.7	143.6	115.3	102.2
September	108.5	184.7	119.8	151.1	118.3	101.6
December	111.9	195.3	119.5	151.5	119.6	101.9
2016						
March	112.5	210.9	121.1	149.4	122.1	103.6
June	113.8	222.9	122.7	149.2	122.1	105.0
September	114.2	240.6	122.7	155.3	122.6	103.5
December	115.1	254.6	123.0	159.3	126.3	105.1

(a) Base of each index: June Qtr 2012 = 100.0

From March Quarter 2011 to March Quarter 2012, the index numbers have been created using linear regression model

TABLE 3
CPI GROUPS, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS
- INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Communication	Health	Recreation	Education	Restaurant and hotels	Miscellaneous	All groups
2012	100.0	99.9	98.5	100.0	102.0	99.6	100.8
2013	100.0	105.5	95.4	100.4	109.3	93.9	105.8
2014	94.4	119.3	100.3	98.5	116.0	98.1	111.3
2015	94.5	140.1	99.7	98.5	121.9	94.7	118.0
2016	94.7	151.4	100.4	98.5	127.4	93.7	125.9
2012							
December	100.0	102.3	96.5	100.0	106.0	99.5	103.7
2013							
March	100.0	103.5	95.0	100.4	107.8	94.5	104.9
June	100.0	106.5	96.2	100.4	106.9	95.1	105.0
September	100.0	106.9	95.0	100.5	109.0	93.1	106.6
December	100.0	104.9	95.2	100.4	113.6	93.0	106.7
2014							
March	94.1	111.2	100.5	98.5	114.2	98.5	108.8
June	94.6	115.2	98.2	98.5	115.7	94.6	110.4
September	94.5	120.7	101.3	98.5	117.3	99.7	112.3
December	94.5	130.2	101.3	98.5	116.7	99.7	113.8
2015							
March	94.5	139.8	100.0	98.5	117.7	96.0	115.5
June	94.5	139.2	100.8	98.5	121.5	95.2	116.8
September	94.5	139.3	99.3	98.5	122.7	94.4	118.7
December	94.5	142.1	98.4	98.5	125.6	93.2	121.0
2016							
March	94.7	152.1	99.7	98.5	126.4	94.2	123.0
June	94.7	150.6	100.4	98.5	127.1	93.6	124.7
September	94.7	150.9	100.5	98.5	128.6	93.5	126.8
December	94.7	151.8	101.1	98.5	127.5	93.7	129.0

(a) Base of each index: June Qtr 2012 = 100.0

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TABLE 4
CPI GROUPS, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS
- PERCENTAGE CHANGE

Period	Food and non alcoholic beverages	Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	Clothing and footwear	Housing	Household equipment	Transport	Communication
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)</i>							
2012	-1.3	69.8	2.5	10.3	1.2	-0.5	0.0
2013	-1.0	47.6	3.2	10.8	-0.2	0.0	0.0
2014	4.9	4.8	3.4	12.0	5.2	6.8	-5.6
2015	4.9	12.1	9.7	15.3	10.6	-3.7	0.1
2016	5.1	26.0	4.3	5.3	5.5	1.8	0.2
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)</i>							
2012							
December	-1.0	40.2	-0.2	1.0	-1.5	0.5	0.0
2013							
March	-0.2	3.3	1.9	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
June	-0.5	1.4	1.0	0.1	0.5	-0.1	0.0
September	1.4	9.4	0.2	0.6	-2.9	0.3	0.0
December	0.1	-1.6	-0.8	0.4	3.5	0.2	0.0
2014							
March	1.7	-1.1	-0.6	8.2	-0.2	4.8	-5.9
June	2.2	1.3	1.8	2.4	0.9	1.0	0.5
September	1.0	1.8	3.9	0.4	5.6	2.2	-0.1
December	1.1	1.3	3.7	3.2	2.8	-0.7	0.0
2015							
March	1.0	5.6	1.0	4.7	2.7	-3.0	0.1
June	0.8	1.2	2.6	5.3	1.1	-1.8	0.0
September	1.4	2.9	2.6	5.2	2.6	-0.6	0.0
December	3.2	5.8	-0.2	0.3	1.1	0.3	0.0
2016							
March	0.5	8.0	1.4	-1.4	2.0	1.6	0.2
June	1.2	5.7	1.3	-0.2	0.0	1.4	0.0
September	0.3	7.9	0.0	4.1	0.4	-1.4	0.0
December	0.8	5.8	0.2	2.6	3.0	1.5	0.0
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)</i>							
2012							
December	-2.0	80.9	2.2	10.1	1.0	-0.5	0.0
2013							
March	-2.0	65.8	3.5	14.7	0.9	-0.4	0.0
June	-2.3	51.0	3.9	12.3	1.2	-0.5	0.0
September	-0.3	60.6	2.9	8.4	-4.0	0.6	0.0
December	0.8	12.7	2.3	7.7	0.9	0.3	0.0
2014							
March	2.7	7.9	-0.2	9.4	0.7	5.1	-5.9
June	5.5	7.8	0.6	12.0	1.1	6.3	-5.4
September	5.1	0.3	4.3	11.8	10.0	8.3	-5.5
December	6.2	3.2	9.0	14.9	9.2	7.4	-5.5
2015							
March	5.3	10.3	10.8	11.1	12.4	-0.6	0.4
June	3.8	10.2	11.7	14.2	12.7	-3.3	0.0
September	4.1	11.4	10.2	19.7	9.5	-5.9	0.1
December	6.5	16.4	6.1	16.3	7.7	-5.0	0.1
2016							
March	5.9	19.0	6.5	9.6	7.0	-0.5	0.2
June	6.4	24.2	5.2	3.9	5.9	2.7	0.2
September	5.3	30.3	2.5	2.8	3.6	1.9	0.2
December	2.8	30.4	2.9	5.1	5.6	3.1	0.2

TABLE 4
CPI GROUPS, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS
- PERCENTAGE CHANGE *continued*

Period	Health	Recreation	Education	Restaurants and hotels	Miscellaneous	All groups
.....						
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)						
2012	3.2	-4.4	0.2	8.5	-3.8	4.5
2013	5.6	-3.1	0.5	7.2	-5.7	5.0
2014	13.2	5.2	-1.9	6.1	4.5	5.2
2015	17.8	-0.6	0.0	5.1	-3.4	6.0
2016	8.0	0.8	0.0	4.6	-1.0	6.7
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)						
2012						
December	4.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	1.5	3.2
2013						
March	1.2	-1.6	0.4	1.7	-5.0	1.1
June	2.9	1.3	0.0	-0.8	0.6	0.2
September	0.3	-1.2	0.0	1.9	-2.1	1.5
December	-1.8	0.1	0.0	4.2	-0.1	0.1
2014						
March	6.0	5.6	-1.9	0.6	5.9	2.0
June	3.6	-2.3	0.0	1.3	-4.0	1.5
September	4.8	3.2	0.0	1.3	5.3	1.6
December	7.9	0.1	0.0	-0.5	0.1	1.4
2015						
March	7.4	-1.3	0.0	0.8	-3.7	1.5
June	-0.4	0.8	0.0	3.3	-0.9	1.1
September	0.0	-1.5	0.0	1.0	-0.8	1.7
December	2.0	-0.9	0.0	2.3	-1.3	1.9
2016						
March	7.1	1.3	0.0	0.6	1.0	1.6
June	-1.0	0.6	0.0	0.6	-0.6	1.4
September	0.2	0.2	0.0	1.2	-0.1	1.7
December	0.6	0.6	0.0	-0.9	0.2	1.8
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
2012						
December	4.1	-5.1	0.1	9.7	-2.5	5.9
2013						
March	4.5	-5.8	0.5	9.7	-6.4	6.0
June	6.5	-3.8	0.4	6.9	-4.9	5.0
September	8.7	-1.6	0.4	5.1	-5.0	6.1
December	2.6	-1.4	0.5	7.1	-6.5	2.9
2014						
March	7.4	5.8	-1.9	5.9	4.2	3.8
June	8.1	2.0	-1.9	8.2	-0.5	5.1
September	13.0	6.6	-1.9	7.6	7.0	5.3
December	24.1	6.5	-1.9	2.8	7.2	6.6
2015						
March	25.7	-0.5	0.0	3.1	-2.5	6.1
June	20.8	2.7	0.0	5.0	0.6	5.7
September	15.4	-1.9	0.0	4.7	-5.3	5.8
December	9.1	-2.9	0.0	7.6	-6.5	6.4
2016						
March	8.8	-0.3	0.0	7.4	-1.9	6.5
June	8.1	-0.5	0.0	4.6	-1.7	6.8
September	8.4	1.2	0.0	4.8	-1.0	6.8
December	6.9	2.7	0.0	1.5	0.5	6.6

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a)

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES					
2012					
December	98.0	99.7	98.9	97.5	98.4
2013					
March	98.1	100.5	98.1	97.0	98.2
June	97.7	101.9	97.5	95.3	97.7
September	98.4	105.1	98.8	95.9	99.1
December	98.7	105.8	99.2	95.3	99.2
2014					
March	100.5	103.8	100.6	99.4	100.9
June	106.3	106.2	100.8	101.0	103.1
September	107.3	107.7	102.2	101.5	104.2
December	106.3	106.6	107.7	102.0	105.3
2015					
March	107.4	107.9	106.7	103.8	106.2
June	109.4	108.6	106.7	104.7	107.0
September	109.3	111.2	108.0	106.6	108.5
December	113.2	114.6	111.4	109.9	111.9
2016					
March	114.7	113.4	111.5	111.4	112.5
June	117.6	114.6	113.0	111.6	113.8
September	119.0	114.8	113.7	111.2	114.2
December	119.6	114.9	115.5	111.9	115.1
ALCOHOL BEVERAGES, TOBACCO AND BETELNUT					
2012					
December	108.4	269.7	118.7	98.9	144.2
2013					
March	113.4	265.9	126.9	107.9	149.0
June	110.8	233.9	158.3	119.1	151.0
September	111.7	297.5	162.4	114.7	165.2
December	109.9	300.0	141.8	122.7	162.6
2014					
March	111.7	315.1	124.1	116.0	160.8
June	115.3	311.0	129.5	118.6	162.8
September	118.4	311.9	128.4	126.8	165.7
December	121.7	319.5	135.4	118.0	167.9
2015					
March	138.7	324.2	142.4	124.6	177.3
June	140.0	329.9	144.2	125.1	179.4
September	144.0	336.1	150.4	130.0	184.7
December	149.2	362.6	159.4	134.7	195.3
2016					
March	161.4	385.4	181.4	142.2	210.9
June	166.1	417.5	192.4	145.6	222.9
September	173.6	450.3	212.2	160.4	240.6
December	183.4	479.1	224.6	167.9	254.6

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
.....					
CLOTHING AND FOOT WEAR					
2012					
December	102.4	100.3	100.3	101.3	101.0
2013					
March	105.9	103.9	97.6	105.8	102.9
June	105.9	107.0	99.9	104.8	103.9
September	108.9	105.8	101.1	103.2	104.1
December	108.5	107.0	100.3	100.6	103.3
2014					
March	107.3	103.5	98.0	104.0	102.6
June	111.8	102.4	103.8	102.1	104.5
September	117.5	104.5	104.1	110.7	108.6
December	118.7	111.7	108.1	114.2	112.6
2015					
March	116.7	111.0	111.7	115.9	113.7
June	121.2	111.9	114.7	119.4	116.7
September	129.4	113.4	114.7	123.6	119.8
December	129.2	118.1	113.0	121.2	119.5
2016					
March	131.8	119.9	111.7	125.4	121.1
June	131.4	122.6	114.0	126.7	122.7
September	131.3	122.8	113.7	126.8	122.7
December	132.4	119.5	115.0	128.1	123.0
HOUSING					
2012					
December	115.1	100.4	100.2	100.6	105.3
2013					
March	119.7	107.3	108.9	110.4	112.1
June	119.7	107.1	109.6	111.2	112.3
September	120.2	107.1	111.3	113.0	113.0
December	121.4	107.1	111.5	113.0	113.4
2014					
March	128.6	117.2	116.0	130.8	122.7
June	130.3	122.8	117.3	132.2	125.7
September	135.6	122.6	115.0	126.8	126.3
December	149.6	122.2	113.7	124.4	130.3
2015					
March	161.9	129.7	112.2	120.8	136.4
June	182.0	132.3	112.6	116.9	143.6
September	191.9	138.0	121.0	122.2	151.1
December	192.0	139.1	120.6	122.5	151.5
2016					
March	191.0	137.0	118.9	117.4	149.4
June	191.3	133.9	119.7	122.1	149.2
September	201.6	138.5	124.3	124.1	155.3
December	207.7	141.9	126.6	126.5	159.3

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
.....					
HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENTS					
2012					
December	100.1	99.8	100.1	102.2	100.8
2013					
March	97.7	103.5	94.8	105.7	100.7
June	96.7	101.7	98.0	105.9	101.2
September	96.0	97.8	96.3	101.3	98.2
December	98.3	99.3	106.0	101.0	101.7
2014					
March	98.8	105.0	93.7	107.3	101.4
June	103.4	103.0	95.9	107.0	102.3
September	109.7	107.3	100.2	114.4	108.0
December	110.7	107.3	105.6	118.0	111.0
2015					
March	113.4	108.9	108.1	122.4	114.0
June	109.3	111.0	107.5	127.4	115.3
September	118.5	112.0	107.5	131.2	118.3
December	127.0	107.2	109.5	131.9	119.6
2016					
March	127.8	109.4	108.9	137.7	122.1
June	129.0	109.4	106.8	139.1	122.1
September	130.4	109.9	108.1	138.6	122.6
December	134.0	110.0	110.6	145.3	126.3
TRANSPORT					
2012					
December	99.2	99.9	99.9	99.6	99.7
2013					
March	102.0	100.1	98.6	97.1	99.6
June	100.7	100.5	98.7	97.3	99.5
September	101.0	99.9	99.1	98.7	99.8
December	101.7	99.9	99.1	98.6	99.9
2014					
March	101.1	107.1	105.1	105.0	104.7
June	107.8	103.5	105.5	107.1	105.7
September	110.9	105.9	110.7	103.4	108.0
December	110.1	105.4	110.4	101.9	107.3
2015					
March	104.7	104.0	107.2	98.3	104.1
June	103.5	103.5	102.1	98.3	102.2
September	104.4	100.7	102.3	98.1	101.6
December	104.9	101.1	102.5	98.1	101.9
2016					
March	106.3	102.7	104.5	99.7	103.6
June	109.9	103.0	105.7	100.5	105.0
September	105.7	101.8	105.3	100.8	103.5
December	107.2	103.5	107.0	101.8	105.1

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
COMMUNICATION					
2012					
December	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2013					
March	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
June	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
September	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
December	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2014					
March	94.3	99.1	94.4	87.4	94.1
June	94.4	99.1	95.8	87.4	94.6
September	94.4	99.2	95.4	87.4	94.5
December	94.3	99.1	95.5	87.4	94.5
2015					
March	94.4	99.2	95.5	87.4	94.5
June	94.4	99.2	95.5	87.4	94.5
September	94.4	99.2	95.5	87.4	94.5
December	94.4	99.2	95.5	87.4	94.5
2016					
March	94.6	99.5	95.7	87.5	94.7
June	94.6	99.5	95.7	87.5	94.7
September	94.6	99.5	95.7	87.5	94.7
December	94.6	99.5	95.7	87.5	94.7
HEALTH					
2012					
December	91.9	113.9	98.6	110.1	102.3
2013					
March	94.8	111.2	105.4	105.9	103.5
June	98.4	111.4	112.0	106.4	106.5
September	99.9	111.1	111.6	106.8	106.9
December	93.3	110.2	112.2	107.7	104.9
2014					
March	93.4	124.0	115.9	118.5	111.2
June	101.8	129.9	116.2	117.6	115.2
September	107.8	142.8	116.7	119.7	120.7
December	133.9	146.8	117.6	119.8	130.2
2015					
March	155.6	144.5	121.3	132.6	139.8
June	155.5	141.5	121.1	133.8	139.2
September	151.6	144.2	120.5	138.4	139.3
December	157.7	144.7	123.0	138.6	142.1
2016					
March	159.1	184.2	124.4	137.1	152.1
June	152.4	187.5	122.2	139.0	150.6
September	152.8	187.8	122.6	139.1	150.9
December	155.5	188.3	122.2	139.5	151.8

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
RECREATION					
2012					
December	99.1	97.7	96.6	93.8	96.5
2013					
March	101.9	98.9	89.9	91.2	95.0
June	100.8	98.8	97.5	90.2	96.2
September	101.9	100.8	93.3	87.3	95.0
December	100.5	102.4	97.8	84.1	95.2
2014					
March	98.0	104.1	109.6	92.8	100.5
June	89.5	95.5	105.5	100.6	98.2
September	91.8	107.0	102.7	102.7	101.3
December	92.1	105.9	103.9	102.6	101.3
2015					
March	88.9	109.2	98.8	102.1	100.0
June	91.7	109.1	99.9	101.9	100.8
September	92.3	108.4	96.9	99.5	99.3
December	94.1	104.2	96.5	98.7	98.4
2016					
March	96.3	104.6	98.1	100.0	99.7
June	98.9	103.8	96.8	101.6	100.4
September	98.8	104.3	95.9	102.5	100.5
December	99.4	104.4	97.3	102.7	101.1
EDUCATION					
2012					
December	100.0	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0
2013					
March	100.4	100.0	100.6	101.0	100.4
June	100.4	100.0	100.6	101.0	100.4
September	100.4	100.0	100.6	101.0	100.5
December	100.4	100.0	100.6	101.0	100.4
2014					
March	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.4	98.5
June	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
September	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
December	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
2015					
March	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
June	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
September	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
December	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
2016					
March	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
June	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
September	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5
December	101.5	87.8	99.2	108.3	98.5

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 5
CPI GROUPS, INDEX NUMBERS (a) *continued*

Period	Port Moreby	Lae	Goroka- Hagen- Madang	Alotau- Kimbe- Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS					
2012					
December	105.8	108.4	100.5	106.6	106.0
2013					
March	114.5	115.4	99.2	101.9	107.8
June	111.5	110.3	104.5	102.7	106.9
September	111.4	109.9	100.3	111.5	109.0
December	120.1	120.4	100.2	110.7	113.6
2014					
March	118.3	117.9	107.7	112.1	114.2
June	115.9	124.9	108.3	110.7	115.7
September	127.5	121.0	107.0	114.1	117.3
December	128.4	121.5	107.5	111.3	116.7
2015					
March	128.9	122.3	102.7	115.7	117.7
June	130.7	126.4	104.6	121.3	121.5
September	131.1	136.0	98.7	118.5	122.7
December	139.0	136.8	102.4	120.6	125.6
2016					
March	135.7	138.4	104.9	121.7	126.4
June	135.6	140.1	103.0	123.2	127.1
September	137.5	138.0	102.5	129.1	128.6
December	132.8	137.6	105.8	126.6	127.5
MISCELLANEOUS					
2012					
December	98.7	101.9	101.9	98.3	99.5
2013					
March	89.6	98.6	97.0	100.8	94.5
June	89.2	101.7	99.5	100.7	95.1
September	89.3	100.0	96.3	94.6	93.1
December	90.5	97.2	95.8	94.2	93.0
2014					
March	99.1	101.8	96.1	95.6	98.5
June	92.1	102.3	85.4	97.1	94.6
September	99.4	103.2	87.2	101.8	99.7
December	99.3	103.2	88.6	101.8	99.7
2015					
March	94.3	102.1	87.9	97.6	96.0
June	93.4	100.2	85.3	98.5	95.2
September	92.4	100.9	83.5	97.4	94.4
December	91.1	99.6	84.4	95.7	93.2
2016					
March	92.8	100.00	85.2	95.6	94.2
June	92.3	99.7	85.2	94.4	93.6
September	92.5	100.0	83.7	93.8	93.5
December	92.0	100.4	86.8	94.4	93.7

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 6
CONTRIBUTION TO CHANGE IN ALL GROUPS INDEXES
- DECEMBER QUARTER 2016 (a)

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka-Hagen-Madang	Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
<i>All Groups</i>	1.8	2.0	2.0	1.4	1.8
<i>Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>	0.5	0.1	1.6	0.6	0.8
<i>Cereals</i>	1.9	0.4	1.2	0.4	0.9
<i>Biscuits</i>	3.6	-0.1	-1.0	-2.0	-0.2
<i>Bread</i>	1.5	-4.0	0.3	-0.9	-0.8
<i>Cakes</i>	-3.7	0.1	-2.7	3.6	-1.4
<i>Break Fast Cereal</i>	0.2	6.1	2.5	-0.1	0.4
<i>Flour</i>	-0.2	-1.6	-1.5	-1.7	-1.3
<i>Rice</i>	3.7	1.4	3.7	1.0	2.2
<i>Pasta</i>	-3.7	7.3	-6.8	1.0	-2.6
<i>Chips</i>	-6.9	4.0	-2.4	-1.6	-2.4
<i>Meat</i>	1.5	-0.8	4.8	-1.0	1.3
<i>Beef</i>	2.5	1.4	2.9	1.0	1.9
<i>Chicken</i>	1.8	-0.3	5.5	-1.4	1.9
<i>Lamb</i>	1.6	-2.9	6.0	-3.1	1.5
<i>Pork</i>	-1.2	0.4	3.1	-1.9	-0.2
<i>Sausages</i>	3.9	0.4	0.6	6.2	2.7
<i>Tinned Meat</i>	-0.3	-1.4	2.1	0.8	0.1
<i>Tinned Curried Chicken</i>	6.3	1.1	1.2	3.1	3.3
<i>Fish</i>	-2.3	-1.6	3.1	2.1	0.9
<i>Frozen Fish</i>	-8.0	-1.6	5.1	4.1	0.4
<i>Tinned Fish</i>	1.6	-1.6	2.6	1.0	1.1
<i>Fruits and Vegetables</i>	-0.5	1.1	-0.5	1.7	0.4
<i>Fruits</i>	2.5	-5.0	0.8	1.1	-0.3
<i>Vegetables</i>	-1.3	3.4	-0.8	2.1	0.7
<i>Dairy Products, Eggs, Cheese</i>	0.2	-0.2	-1.2	-0.3	-0.2
<i>Cheese</i>	-5.8	-3.2	-3.7	-1.6	-4.6
<i>Fresh and Flavoured Milk</i>	1.2	-1.0	-2.8	-4.1	-1.2
<i>Powdered Milk</i>	-5.4	0.3	-1.0	0.9	-1.7
<i>Condensed Milk</i>	2.8	1.2	0.4	2.9	2.8
<i>Baby Milk</i>	6.2	-1.1	-0.4	3.7	2.6
<i>Eggs</i>	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.8	0.7
<i>Oils and Fats</i>	2.4	0.0	-1.0	0.5	-0.1
<i>Cooking Oil</i>	-0.1	-0.2	-0.1	0.5	0.0
<i>Butter and Margarine</i>	8.5	0.7	-2.8	-1.7	-0.3
<i>Peanut Butter</i>	2.2	-0.9	-5.0	8.3	0.0
<i>Vegemite</i>	-5.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.8
<i>Sugars and Confectionery</i>	0.0	0.0	3.4	2.1	1.3
<i>Jam</i>	-3.5	0.2	2.1	0.1	-1.0
<i>Sugarcane</i>	0.0	-0.7	5.1	-3.7	1.5
<i>Sugar</i>	-0.3	0.3	4.5	2.3	2.0
<i>Chocolate, Candy and Chewing Gum</i>	1.6	-2.2	0.7	4.7	1.1
<i>Ice-cream</i>	-2.8	2.1	-2.6	-1.1	-0.8
<i>Other Food Products</i>	-2.2	-0.3	0.9	3.4	0.7
<i>Tomato and Soy Sauce</i>	-2.8	1.6	0.1	-1.3	-0.9
<i>Tomato and Chicken Soup</i>	-4.1	0.4	-1.0	-0.2	-1.4
<i>Salt and Curry Powder</i>	-3.2	-4.2	2.6	5.8	1.9
<i>Stock Cubes</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Baby Food</i>	0.3	10.4	-3.1	-1.6	1.1
<i>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>	-1.2	-0.3	0.3	0.4	-0.2
<i>Instant Coffee</i>	-0.5	-0.5	2.1	8.5	2.8

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Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka-Hagen-Madang	Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
<i>Milo</i>	-0.2	1.6	1.5	2.3	1.5
<i>Tea-Bags</i>	1.2	-5.5	0.7	-1.2	-0.9
<i>Juice Drinks and Cordial</i>	-1.9	-0.3	-1.4	-0.5	-1.1
<i>Soft Drink</i>	-1.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	-0.2
<i>Bottle Water</i>	-2.9	-2.2	1.0	-0.2	-0.8
<i>Ice blocks</i>	-0.4	-0.3	3.5	-1.8	-0.7
<i>Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut</i>	5.6	6.4	5.8	4.6	5.8
<i>Alcoholic Beverages</i>	0.5	3.7	-0.7	-0.5	0.8
<i>Beer</i>	0.3	3.8	-0.9	-0.5	0.8
<i>Spirits</i>	2.6	-0.7	4.5	-0.5	1.6
<i>Wine</i>	2.0	-0.3	0.4	2.4	1.8
<i>Tobacco</i>	-1.5	-2.9	-0.2	-0.6	-1.4
<i>Cigarettes</i>	-1.8	-5.4	-0.4	-0.7	-2.0
<i>Drum, spear and other coarse cut</i>	0.1	0.3	0.6	-0.6	-0.1
<i>Betelnut and Mustard</i>	16.7	7.8	8.4	12.4	9.6
<i>Betelnut and Mustard</i>	16.7	7.8	8.4	12.4	9.6
<i>Clothing and Foot Wear</i>	0.8	-2.7	1.1	1.0	0.2
<i>Clothing</i>	2.8	-3.6	-1.4	1.3	0.1
<i>Baby clothes</i>	2.8	-3.6	-1.4	1.3	0.1
<i>Mens Wear</i>	3.7	-3.5	0.7	1.6	0.8
<i>Men's "T" shirt, All Cotton</i>	8.1	0.7	0.4	0.1	2.5
<i>Mens Shirt</i>	2.7	-2.6	0.1	2.7	1.5
<i>Men's Short, trousers and Jeans</i>	3.3	-4.8	1.0	1.5	0.5
<i>All men's underwear</i>	-5.7	-3.6	-2.9	1.9	-2.3
<i>Women and Girl Wear</i>	-3.2	-3.5	1.6	1.1	-0.4
<i>Women's Blouse, Skirts and Bras</i>	-6.0	-5.7	1.9	2.6	-1.2
<i>Women's underwear</i>	1.6	-1.3	4.9	1.4	1.6
<i>Girls Dress</i>	1.2	5.0	0.4	0.2	0.8
<i>Girls Underwear</i>	-3.1	4.1	2.3	-3.2	-2.5
<i>Boys Wear</i>	2.6	-2.3	0.4	0.8	0.5
<i>Boys Shorts</i>	4.2	-3.1	0.4	1.7	0.9
<i>Boys underwear</i>	-2.0	3.3	0.5	-0.1	-0.1
<i>Headwears</i>	-2.7	-4.6	2.9	-0.4	-0.6
<i>Cap</i>	-2.7	-4.6	2.9	-0.4	-0.6
<i>Sewing Items</i>	1.7	-1.4	2.4	1.9	1.2
<i>Cotton Thread,</i>	3.9	-0.8	3.7	-2.1	0.0
<i>Elastic / Rubber</i>	1.4	-2.8	1.1	1.3	-0.1
<i>Printed Cambric</i>	-1.5	-0.5	2.4	2.7	2.1
<i>Footwear</i>	1.6	-1.5	0.5	0.5	0.3
<i>Adults Sport Shoe</i>	-0.9	-4.2	-0.6	0.1	-1.5
<i>Gentlemen Shoes</i>	-3.9	2.2	1.1	-0.6	0.1
<i>Thongs</i>	6.1	-0.3	1.8	2.4	3.6
<i>Housing</i>	3.0	2.5	1.9	2.0	2.6
<i>Rent</i>	4.0	4.3	2.4	3.5	3.9
<i>Rentals</i>	4.0	4.3	2.4	3.5	3.9
<i>Housing maintenance</i>	2.2	1.0	5.1	-0.1	1.6
<i>Hardware Goods</i>	2.2	1.0	5.1	-0.1	1.6
<i>Electricity</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Electricity</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Water</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Water</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka-Hagen-Madang	Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
<i>Cooking</i>	-0.6	3.5	1.6	3.9	2.0
<i>Firewood</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Gas</i>	-4.6	7.8	0.1	0.2	1.0
<i>Kerosene</i>	0.5	1.7	2.2	5.1	3.0
<i>Household Equipment</i>	2.8	0.1	2.4	4.8	3.0
<i>Household Furniture and Furnishings</i>	-1.6	-0.1	2.3	0.9	0.8
<i>Bath Towel</i>	-0.9	1.4	3.6	-1.9	0.6
<i>Blankets</i>	0.8	0.1	1.2	0.7	0.8
<i>Matresses</i>	-5.7	-0.9	3.3	2.4	0.7
<i>Household Appliances</i>	5.1	0.3	1.4	4.2	2.9
<i>Electric Rice Cooker</i>	0.8	-0.6	0.9	1.9	0.5
<i>Kerosene Stove</i>	1.7	2.7	4.6	-0.1	1.7
<i>Pots and Plates</i>	4.6	-0.5	1.3	5.7	3.4
<i>Sewing Machine</i>	-1.7	3.4	1.7	-0.3	1.6
<i>Refrigerators</i>	5.3	-2.3	17.3	3.4	4.3
<i>Washing Machine</i>	6.4	0.0	-1.6	4.9	2.8
<i>Household Maintenance Goods</i>	1.8	0.1	3.8	6.6	4.3
<i>Matches</i>	0.0	2.7	0.8	2.2	2.3
<i>Foil Aluminium</i>	-2.7	0.3	0.7	1.8	-2.4
<i>Nails</i>	4.4	3.6	2.5	4.1	3.3
<i>Detergents</i>	3.1	-1.0	4.0	6.7	4.6
<i>Transport</i>	1.4	1.7	1.6	1.0	1.5
<i>Motor Vehicle Purchases</i>	1.6	1.5	1.4	-1.5	1.1
<i>Motor Vehicle</i>	1.6	1.4	1.4	-2.1	1.0
<i>Motor Bike</i>	2.4	0.5	1.6	2.5	2.2
<i>Outboard Motor</i>	1.6	2.3	3.0	1.3	2.1
<i>Operations of Transport</i>	1.3	3.2	1.6	0.1	2.2
<i>Tyres</i>	0.9	0.6	2.1	0.0	0.9
<i>Car Battery</i>	1.8	5.0	1.1	0.3	3.5
<i>Fares</i>	1.2	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.8
<i>Bus Fare</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>PMV Fare</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Taxi Fare</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Local Fare</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Air Fare</i>	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
<i>Car Hire</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Fuels and Lubricants</i>	3.5	2.5	7.8	6.2	5.0
<i>Diesel</i>	3.1	4.1	9.0	6.0	5.3
<i>Petrol</i>	3.7	4.2	7.7	6.3	6.0
<i>Engine Oil</i>	3.1	0.8	7.3	6.8	2.6
<i>Other Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Motor Vehicle Registration and Insurance</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Communication</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Postal Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Postal Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Mailbox Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Telephone Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Fixed Line Rate</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Prepaid</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Telephone Equipment</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Mobile Phone Handset</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Simcard</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Other Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Internet</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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CONTRIBUTION TO CHANGE IN ALL GROUPS INDEXES
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Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	Port Moresby	Lae	Goroka-Hagen-Madang	Alotau-Kimbe-Rabaul	Weighted average of eight CPI towns
<i>Health</i>	1.7	0.2	-0.3	0.2	0.6
<i>Medical Services</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Medical Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Medical Supplies</i>	4.0	0.4	-0.5	0.3	1.0
<i>Antibiotics Drugs</i>	3.9	0.4	0.0	0.8	0.7
<i>Pain killer Tablets</i>	4.0	0.4	-1.7	-0.4	1.3
<i>Recreation</i>	0.6	0.1	1.5	0.2	0.6
<i>Recreation</i>	0.6	0.1	1.5	0.2	0.6
<i>DVD Player</i>	7.5	-0.6	1.3	2.8	1.3
<i>Television</i>	0.7	-3.0	1.4	-4.6	-1.9
<i>Digital Camera</i>	-1.7	2.2	-1.1	1.9	0.3
<i>Batteries</i>	-2.7	1.4	2.1	1.0	1.0
<i>Flash drives</i>	2.7	0.8	3.9	4.9	2.2
<i>Biros</i>	0.0	0.0	7.5	1.4	1.7
<i>Bicycle</i>	-4.5	-0.8	0.7	2.9	-1.3
<i>Magazine</i>	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-0.1
<i>Newspaper</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Sports Gate and Movie Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Photography</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Education</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Education Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Primary School</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Secondary School</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Tertiary</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Other expenses</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Uniform, Text Book and Boarding Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Restaurants and Hotels</i>	-3.4	-0.3	3.2	-1.9	-0.9
<i>Accommodation</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Hotel Accommodation</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Takeaway Foods</i>	-3.8	-0.3	3.3	-2.6	-1.0
<i>Pies</i>	-1.2	0.6	2.7	0.3	0.7
<i>Fish and Sausage Flour</i>	-6.8	-1.7	4.6	-3.2	-2.3
<i>Chicken and Chips</i>	6.4	3.8	2.6	-8.1	0.4
<i>Rice and Beef</i>	-8.7	1.3	1.7	0.0	0.1
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	-0.6	0.4	3.6	0.6	0.2
<i>Other Goods and services</i>	-0.6	0.4	3.6	0.6	0.2
<i>Toiletries and Personal Care Products</i>	-0.4	-1.9	3.8	-0.8	-0.1
<i>Baby Oil and Powder</i>	1.0	5.7	3.7	-1.0	3.6
<i>Insect Repellant</i>	-5.7	1.6	3.9	2.0	-2.3
<i>Childrens toys</i>	0.0	3.3	3.2	4.4	3.3
<i>Barber Fees</i>	11.5	0.0	2.8	1.5	2.2
<i>Court Fees</i>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

TABLE 7
GROUP, SUB-GROUP AND EXPENDITURE CLASS, WEIGHTED
AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	BETWEEN.....		Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
<i>All Groups</i>	121.0	126.8	129.0	1.8	6.6	126.8	129.0	2.3
<i>Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>	111.9	114.2	115.1	0.8	2.8	39.9	40.2	0.0
<i>Cereals</i>	111.9	112.5	113.5	0.9	1.5	15.1	15.2	0.3
<i>Biscuits</i>	109.6	111.1	110.9	-0.2	1.2	1.6	1.6	0.1
<i>Bread</i>	103.1	101.1	100.3	-0.8	-2.8	1.7	1.7	0.0
<i>Cakes</i>	127.9	131.5	129.7	-1.4	1.4	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Break Fast Cereal</i>	102.3	115.1	115.6	0.4	13.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Flour</i>	115.3	114.9	113.4	-1.3	-1.6	0.9	0.9	0.0
<i>Rice</i>	112.8	113.6	116.0	2.2	2.9	9.1	9.3	0.0
<i>Pasta</i>	113.0	115.0	112.1	-2.6	-0.8	1.2	1.1	0.2
<i>Chips</i>	144.3	146.3	142.8	-2.4	-1.1	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Meat</i>	106.1	103.9	105.3	1.3	-0.7	7.2	7.3	0.0
<i>Beef</i>	103.5	106.0	108.0	1.9	4.3	0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Chicken</i>	103.9	99.7	101.6	1.9	-2.1	3.3	3.4	0.0
<i>Lamb</i>	114.4	113.7	115.5	1.5	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.1
<i>Pork</i>	96.6	95.4	95.2	-0.2	-1.4	1.1	1.1	0.0
<i>Sausages</i>	110.3	113.4	116.5	2.7	5.6	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Tinned Meat</i>	114.5	114.2	114.3	0.1	-0.1	1.1	1.1	0.0
<i>Tinned Curried Chicken</i>	125.8	129.8	134.1	3.3	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Fish</i>	111.8	114.7	115.7	0.9	3.5	3.2	3.2	0.0
<i>Frozen Fish</i>	113.1	117.9	118.4	0.4	4.7	1.0	1.0	0.0
<i>Tinned Fish</i>	111.3	113.4	114.6	1.1	3.0	2.2	2.3	0.0
<i>Fruits and Vegetables</i>	140.0	154.1	154.8	0.4	10.6	7.8	7.9	0.0
<i>Fruits</i>	129.3	140.5	140.1	-0.3	8.3	2.0	2.0	0.0
<i>Vegetables</i>	144.1	159.4	160.5	0.7	11.4	5.8	5.9	0.0
<i>Dairy Products, Eggs, Cheese</i>	119.0	120.4	120.2	-0.2	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.0
<i>Cheese</i>	129.3	127.3	121.4	-4.6	-6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Fresh and Flavoured Milk</i>	99.6	100.3	99.0	-1.2	-0.5	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Powdered Milk</i>	138.3	136.8	134.4	-1.7	-2.8	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Condensed Milk</i>	159.5	180.3	185.3	2.8	16.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Baby Milk</i>	116.2	118.2	121.2	2.6	4.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Eggs</i>	99.4	95.4	96.0	0.7	-3.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Oils and Fats</i>	97.2	97.7	97.6	-0.1	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Cooking Oil</i>	84.6	83.5	83.5	0.0	-1.2	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Butter and Margarine</i>	112.2	117.2	116.9	-0.3	4.1	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Peanut Butter</i>	137.4	136.7	136.7	0.0	-0.5	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Vegemite</i>	140.2	143.1	139.1	-2.8	-0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Sugars and Confectionery</i>	96.1	96.2	97.5	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Jam</i>	145.9	146.5	145.1	-1.0	-0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Sugarcane</i>	134.8	142.4	144.4	1.5	7.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Sugar</i>	82.8	83.3	85.0	2.0	2.7	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Chocolate, Candy and Chewing Gum</i>	119.0	118.2	119.5	1.1	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Ice-cream</i>	113.2	109.9	109.0	-0.8	-3.8	0.2	0.2	0.0

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GROUP, SUB-GROUP AND EXPENDITURE CLASS, WEIGHTED
AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS *continued*

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	BETWEEN.....		Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
<i>Other Food Products</i>	112.8	117.6	118.5	0.7	5.0	0.7	0.7	0.0
<i>Tomato and Soy Sauce</i>	106.7	108.7	107.7	-0.9	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Tomato and Chicken Soup</i>	115.1	114.9	113.4	-1.4	-1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Salt and Curry Powder</i>	116.8	115.2	117.3	1.9	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Stock Cubes</i>	110.1	125.1	125.1	0.0	13.6	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Baby Food</i>	108.6	113.3	114.5	1.1	5.4	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>	87.6	87.7	87.6	-0.2	0.0	2.6	2.6	0.0
<i>Instant Coffee</i>	136.6	140.7	144.7	2.8	5.9	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Milo</i>	126.2	122.6	124.4	1.5	-1.5	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Tea-Bags</i>	111.0	123.4	122.3	-0.9	10.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Juice Drinks and Cordial</i>	95.9	93.3	92.3	-1.1	-3.7	0.9	0.9	0.0
<i>Soft Drink</i>	66.0	66.2	66.1	-0.2	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.0
<i>Bottle Water</i>	104.2	106.3	105.5	-0.8	1.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Ice blocks</i>	112.8	117.3	116.5	-0.7	3.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betelnut</i>	195.3	240.6	254.6	5.8	30.4	19.0	20.1	1.1
<i>Alcoholic Beverages</i>	118.4	121.6	122.6	0.8	3.5	3.2	3.2	0.0
<i>Beer</i>	119.2	122.1	123.0	0.8	3.2	3.0	3.0	0.0
<i>Spirits</i>	107.4	113.4	115.2	1.6	7.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Wine</i>	108.7	122.7	124.9	1.8	14.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Tobacco</i>	149.0	153.5	151.5	-1.4	1.6	4.0	3.9	-0.1
<i>Cigarettes</i>	154.8	156.4	153.3	-2.0	-1.0	2.6	2.5	-0.1
<i>Drum, spear and other coarse cut</i>	138.6	148.4	148.2	-0.1	6.9	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Betelnut and Mustard</i>	313.6	438.5	480.4	9.6	53.2	11.9	13.0	1.1
<i>Betelnut and Mustard</i>	313.6	438.5	480.4	9.6	53.2	11.9	13.0	1.1
<i>Clothing and Foot Wear</i>	119.5	122.7	123.0	0.2	2.9	7.0	7.0	0.0
<i>Clothing</i>	110.6	113.8	113.9	0.1	3.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Baby clothes</i>	110.6	113.8	113.9	0.1	3.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Mens Wear</i>	114.5	116.2	117.1	0.8	2.3	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Men's "T" shirt, All Cotton</i>	97.1	103.4	106.0	2.5	9.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Mens Shirt</i>	108.7	117.6	119.3	1.5	9.7	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Men's Short, trousers & Jeans</i>	118.3	118.0	118.6	0.5	0.2	1.0	1.1	0.0
<i>All men's underwear</i>	127.3	127.6	124.7	-2.3	-2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Women and Girl Wear</i>	121.2	129.0	128.5	-0.4	6.0	2.2	2.2	0.0
<i>Women's Blouse, Skirts & Bras</i>	126.5	128.5	127.0	-1.2	0.4	1.2	1.2	0.0
<i>Women's underwear</i>	118.0	132.2	134.4	1.6	13.8	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Girls Dress</i>	114.1	130.3	131.3	0.8	15.1	0.5	0.6	0.0
<i>Girls Underwear</i>	120.4	124.0	123.9	-0.1	2.9	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Boys Wear</i>	120.1	122.3	122.9	0.5	2.4	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Boys Shorts</i>	119.9	121.4	122.4	0.9	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Boys underwear</i>	120.4	124.0	123.9	-0.1	2.9	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Headwears</i>	145.9	154.3	153.3	-0.6	5.1	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Cap</i>	145.9	154.3	153.3	-0.6	5.1	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Sewing Items</i>	83.6	84.7	85.7	1.2	2.5	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Cotton Thread</i>	99.9	103.0	103.0	0.0	3.1	0.1	0.1	0.0

TABLE 7
GROUP, SUB-GROUP AND EXPENDITURE CLASS, WEIGHTED
AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS *continued*

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	BETWEEN.....		Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
<i>Elastic / Rubber</i>	110.8	108.9	108.8	-0.1	-1.8	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Printed Cambric</i>	72.1	73.6	75.1	2.1	4.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
Footwear	131.2	131.4	131.9	0.3	0.5	2.2	2.2	0.0
<i>Adults Sport Shoes</i>	151.4	150.6	148.3	-1.5	-2.0	0.9	0.9	0.0
<i>Gentlemen Shoes</i>	111.0	116.9	116.9	0.1	5.3	0.6	0.6	0.0
<i>Thongs</i>	127.4	122.7	127.1	3.6	-0.2	0.6	0.6	0.0
Housing	151.5	155.3	159.3	2.6	5.1	17.4	17.8	0.4
Rent	208.4	223.9	232.6	3.9	11.6	9.5	9.8	0.4
<i>Rentals</i>	208.4	223.9	232.6	3.9	11.6	9.5	9.8	0.4
<i>Housing maintenance</i>	108.1	98.4	99.9	1.6	-7.6	2.0	2.0	0.0
<i>Hardware Goods</i>	108.1	98.4	99.9	1.6	-7.6	2.0	2.0	0.0
Electricity	156.2	156.2	156.2	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	0.0
<i>Electricity</i>	156.2	156.2	156.2	0.0	0.0	2.5	2.5	0.0
Water	125.1	125.1	125.1	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0
<i>Water</i>	125.1	125.1	125.1	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0
Cooking	95.0	93.6	95.5	2.0	0.5	2.2	2.3	0.0
<i>Firewood</i>	186.9	186.9	186.9	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Gas</i>	107.2	108.2	109.3	1.0	1.9	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Kerosene</i>	80.8	78.5	80.9	3.0	0.1	1.3	1.4	0.0
Household Equipment	119.6	122.6	126.3	3.0	5.6	5.6	5.7	0.2
Household Furniture and Furnishing	140.9	141.0	142.1	0.8	0.8	1.2	1.2	0.0
<i>Bath Towel</i>	115.4	119.5	120.3	0.6	4.2	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Blankets</i>	186.7	189.5	191.0	0.8	2.3	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Mattresses</i>	117.6	114.1	114.9	0.7	-2.3	0.4	0.4	0.0
Household Appliances	112.2	114.1	117.5	2.9	4.7	2.2	2.3	0.1
<i>Electric Rice Cooker</i>	79.9	84.6	85.0	0.5	6.4	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Kerosene Stove</i>	109.9	116.1	118.1	1.7	7.4	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Pots and Plates</i>	116.1	114.3	118.2	3.4	1.9	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Sewing Machine</i>	133.0	135.8	138.0	1.6	3.8	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Refrigerators</i>	95.7	97.4	101.6	4.3	6.1	0.4	0.5	0.0
<i>Washing Machine</i>	140.5	146.2	150.2	2.8	6.9	0.5	0.5	0.0
Household Maintenance Goods	117.8	123.3	128.6	4.3	9.2	2.2	2.3	0.1
<i>Matches</i>	116.8	120.4	123.2	2.3	5.5	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Foil Aluminium</i>	117.6	119.5	116.6	-2.4	-0.8	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Nails</i>	79.7	75.6	78.1	3.3	-2.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Detergent</i>	120.6	127.1	133.0	4.6	10.3	2.0	2.0	0.1
Transport	101.9	103.5	105.1	1.5	3.1	14.7	15.0	0.2
Motor Vehicle Purchases	110.4	119.7	121.0	1.1	9.6	5.1	5.2	0.1
<i>Motor Vehicle</i>	111.1	120.8	122.1	1.0	9.9	4.7	4.8	0.0
<i>Motor Bike</i>	88.1	91.2	93.1	2.2	5.7	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Outboard Motor</i>	104.9	110.0	112.3	2.1	7.1	0.3	0.3	0.0
Operations of Transport	107.1	119.7	122.3	2.2	14.2	1.6	1.6	0.0
<i>Tyres</i>	129.6	141.3	142.6	0.9	10.0	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Car Battery</i>	90.5	103.8	107.4	3.5	18.7	0.8	0.8	0.0

TABLE 7
GROUP, SUB-GROUP AND EXPENDITURE CLASS, WEIGHTED
AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS *continued*

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
			BETWEEN.....			
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2015 and Dec Qtr 2016	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
<i>Fares</i>	99.1	92.3	93.0	0.8	-6.2	5.6	5.6	0.0
<i>Bus Fare</i>	102.6	102.6	102.6	0.0	0.0	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>PMV Fare</i>	96.4	96.4	96.4	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.0
<i>Taxi Fare</i>	100.2	100.2	100.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Local Fare</i>	105.1	105.1	105.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Air Fare</i>	98.0	83.2	84.7	1.8	-13.5	2.3	2.4	0.0
<i>Car Hire</i>	102.4	102.4	102.4	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Fuels and Lubricants</i>	89.9	88.4	92.8	5.0	3.2	1.7	1.8	0.1
<i>Diesel</i>	74.9	79.4	83.6	5.3	11.5	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Petrol</i>	86.6	84.1	89.1	6.0	2.9	0.8	0.9	0.0
<i>Engine Oil</i>	126.8	117.0	120.0	2.6	-5.3	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Other Services</i>	97.7	114.4	114.4	0.0	17.1	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Motor Vehicle Registration and Insurance</i>	97.7	114.4	114.4	0.0	17.1	0.8	0.8	0.0
<i>Communication</i>	94.5	94.7	94.7	0.0	0.2	4.3	4.3	0.0
<i>Postal Services</i>	106.6	113.9	113.9	0.0	6.8	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Postal Services</i>	102.8	110.3	110.3	0.0	7.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Mailbox Fees</i>	108.5	115.7	115.7	0.0	6.6	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Telephone Services</i>	100.8	100.8	100.8	0.0	0.0	2.4	2.4	0.0
<i>Fixed Line Rate</i>	107.8	107.8	107.8	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Prepaid</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	2.2	0.0
<i>Telephone Equipment</i>	89.3	89.3	89.3	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.5	0.0
<i>Mobile Phone Handset</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Simcard</i>	85.7	85.7	85.7	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.0
<i>Other Services</i>	69.0	69.0	69.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Internet</i>	69.0	69.0	69.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Health</i>	142.1	150.9	151.8	0.6	6.9	4.0	4.0	0.0
<i>Medical Services</i>	162.3	190.0	190.0	0.0	17.0	1.8	1.8	0.0
<i>Medical Fees</i>	162.3	190.0	190.0	0.0	17.0	1.8	1.8	0.0
<i>Medical Supplies</i>	131.3	130.2	131.5	1.0	0.2	2.3	2.3	0.0
<i>Antibiotics Drugs</i>	120.7	120.8	121.7	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.0
<i>Pain killer Tablets</i>	138.9	136.9	138.7	1.3	-0.2	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Recreation</i>	98.4	100.5	101.1	0.6	2.7	2.9	2.9	0.0
<i>Recreation</i>	98.4	100.5	101.1	0.6	2.7	2.9	2.9	0.0
<i>DVD Player</i>	85.7	82.7	83.7	1.3	-2.4	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Television</i>	95.1	97.6	95.8	-1.9	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Digital Camera</i>	116.2	122.2	122.6	0.3	5.5	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Batteries</i>	115.4	122.9	124.2	1.0	7.6	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Flash drives</i>	77.2	80.8	82.6	2.2	7.0	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Biros</i>	97.1	96.3	98.0	1.7	0.9	0.2	0.2	0.0
<i>Bicycle</i>	119.8	122.4	120.8	-1.3	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Magazine</i>	180.8	182.3	182.2	-0.1	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Newspaper</i>	98.1	98.1	98.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Sports Gate and Movie Fees</i>	142.6	142.6	142.6	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.0
<i>Photography</i>	98.8	98.8	98.8	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0

TABLE 7

GROUP, SUB-GROUP AND EXPENDITURE CLASS, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS *continued*

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE BETWEEN.....		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2015 and Dec Qtr 2016	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
<i>Education</i>	98.5	98.5	98.5	0.0	0.0	7.3	7.3	0.0
<i>Education Fees</i>	94.6	94.6	94.6	0.0	0.0	5.0	5.0	0.0
<i>Primary School</i>	99.0	99.0	99.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	2.4	0.0
<i>Secondary School</i>	90.8	90.8	90.8	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.6	0.0
<i>Tertiary</i>	87.6	87.6	87.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<i>Other expenses</i>	108.6	108.6	108.6	0.0	0.0	2.3	2.3	0.0
<i>Uniform, Text Book and Boarding</i>	108.6	108.6	108.6	0.0	0.0	2.3	2.3	0.0
<i>Restaurants and Hotels</i>	125.6	128.6	127.5	-0.9	1.5	3.4	3.3	0.0
<i>Accommodation</i>	139.4	155.0	155.0	0.0	11.2	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Hotel Accommodation</i>	139.4	155.0	155.0	0.0	11.2	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Takeaway Foods</i>	123.9	125.4	124.1	-1.0	0.2	2.9	2.9	0.0
<i>Pies</i>	133.7	137.3	138.2	0.7	3.4	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Fish and Sausage Flour</i>	137.9	141.9	138.5	-2.3	0.4	1.5	1.5	0.0
<i>Chicken and Chips</i>	97.4	93.7	94.1	0.4	-3.4	0.5	0.5	0.0
<i>Rice and Beef</i>	109.5	108.8	108.9	0.1	-0.5	0.4	0.4	0.0
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	93.2	93.5	93.7	0.2	0.5	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Other Goods and services</i>	93.2	93.5	93.7	0.2	0.5	1.4	1.4	0.0
<i>Toiletries and Personal Care Products</i>	84.3	83.2	83.1	-0.1	-1.4	0.6	0.6	0.0
<i>Baby Oil and Powder</i>	114.9	117.2	121.5	3.6	5.8	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Insect Repellent</i>	98.7	107.0	104.6	-2.3	5.9	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Childrens toys</i>	103.4	105.0	108.5	3.3	4.9	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Barber Fees</i>	105.3	105.2	107.5	2.2	2.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
<i>Court Fees</i>	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0

TABLE 8
SPECIAL SERIES, WEIGHTED AVERAGE OF EIGHT CPI TOWNS

Group, Sub-Group and Expenditure Class	INDEX NUMBERS (a)			PERCENTAGE CHANGE		CONTRIBUTION TO TOTAL CPI (ALL GROUPS INDEX POINTS)		
	Dec Qtr 2015	Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	BETWEEN.....		Sep Qtr 2016	Dec Qtr 2016	Change between Sep Qtr 2016 and Dec Qtr 2016
All Groups	121.0	126.8	129.0	1.8	6.6	126.8	129.0	2.3
Selected Components								
Goods Component	116.3	118.6	120.1	1.2	3.2	53.9	54.6	0.7
Services Component	125.0	133.6	136.5	2.2	9.2	72.8	74.4	1.6
All Groups excluding								
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	125.9	133.5	136.5	2.3	8.4	86.9	88.9	2.0
Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Betel Nut	114.6	117.0	118.2	1.1	3.1	107.7	108.9	1.2
Clothing and Foot Wear	121.1	127.0	129.4	1.9	6.8	119.8	122.0	2.3
Housing	117.2	123.2	125.2	1.7	6.9	109.4	111.2	1.8
Household Equipment	121.1	127.0	129.2	1.7	6.7	121.2	123.3	2.1
Transport	124.2	130.6	133.0	1.8	7.1	112.0	114.1	2.1
Communication	122.3	128.3	130.7	1.9	6.9	122.5	124.8	2.3
Health	120.5	126.1	128.4	1.8	6.6	122.7	125.0	2.2
Recreation	121.7	127.6	129.9	1.8	6.7	123.9	126.1	2.3
Education	122.8	129.0	131.5	1.9	7.0	119.5	121.8	2.3
Restaurants and Hotels	120.9	126.7	129.1	1.9	6.8	123.4	125.7	2.3
Miscellaneous	121.4	127.3	129.6	1.8	6.7	125.4	127.7	2.3

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 9
ANALYTICAL SERIES, INDEX NUMBERS (a)

MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING SEASONAL ITEMS.....

Period	All Groups	All groupings excluding housing	All groupings excluding Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	Goods	Services	Total
2012	100.8	100.7	100.1	100.4	101.1	100.8
2013	105.8	104.9	101.4	103.7	107.6	105.6
2014	111.3	109.5	106.8	109.7	112.7	111.2
2015	118.0	114.5	112.3	114.8	120.7	117.7
2016	125.9	122.4	116.7	118.3	132.2	125.2
2012						
December	103.7	103.5	100.2	101.5	105.6	103.5
2013						
March	104.9	104.0	101.1	103.3	106.2	104.7
June	105.0	104.1	101.1	103.5	106.3	104.9
September	106.6	105.8	101.6	103.8	109.0	106.4
December	106.7	105.9	101.9	104.1	108.9	106.5
2014						
March	108.8	107.1	104.4	107.8	109.7	108.7
June	110.4	108.5	105.9	109.0	111.6	110.3
September	112.3	110.5	107.7	110.5	113.8	112.1
December	113.8	111.7	109.2	111.8	115.5	113.6
2015						
March	115.5	112.8	110.1	112.8	117.7	115.2
June	116.8	113.4	111.4	114.2	118.9	116.6
September	118.7	114.7	113.1	115.9	121.1	118.5
December	121.0	117.2	114.6	116.3	125.0	120.6
2016						
March	123.0	119.7	115.5	117.1	128.0	122.5
June	124.7	121.6	116.2	117.4	130.7	124.1
September	126.8	123.2	117.0	118.6	133.6	126.1
December	129.0	125.2	118.2	120.1	136.5	128.3

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 10
ANALYTICAL SERIES, INDEX NUMBERS

MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING SEASONAL ITEMS.....

Period	All Groups	All groupings excluding housing	All groupings excluding Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	Goods	Services	Total
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)</i>						
2012	4.5	3.8	0.9	2.6	6.2	4.4
2013	5.0	4.3	1.4	3.3	6.4	4.9
2014	5.2	4.3	5.3	5.9	4.7	5.3
2015	6.0	4.6	5.2	4.6	7.1	5.9
2016	6.7	6.9	3.9	3.1	9.6	6.4
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)</i>						
2012						
December	3.2	3.5	-0.1	0.8	5.2	3.0
2013						
March	1.1	0.4	0.9	1.8	0.6	1.2
June	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.2
September	1.5	1.6	0.5	0.3	2.5	1.4
December	0.1	0.0	0.3	0.3	-0.1	0.1
2014						
March	2.0	1.2	2.4	3.5	0.8	2.1
June	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.2	1.7	1.5
September	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.9	1.6
December	1.4	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.5	1.3
2015						
March	1.5	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.9	1.4
June	1.1	0.5	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.1
September	1.7	1.1	1.5	1.4	1.9	1.7
December	1.9	2.2	1.4	0.4	3.1	1.8
2016						
March	1.6	2.1	0.7	0.6	2.4	1.6
June	1.4	1.6	0.7	0.3	2.1	1.3
September	1.7	1.3	0.6	1.0	2.2	1.6
December	1.8	1.7	1.1	1.2	2.2	1.7

TABLE 10
ANALYTICAL SERIES, INDEX NUMBERS *continued*

MARKET GOODS AND SERVICES EXCLUDING SEASONAL ITEMS.....

Period	All Groups	All groupings excluding housing	All groupings excluding Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betelnut	Goods	Services	Total
.....						
PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of previous year)						
2012						
December	5.9	5.4	0.7	2.7	8.5	5.6
2013						
March	6.0	4.9	1.3	3.9	7.7	5.8
June	5.0	4.1	1.1	3.5	6.3	4.9
September	6.1	5.8	1.3	3.1	8.6	5.9
December	2.9	2.3	1.7	2.6	3.1	2.9
2014						
March	3.8	3.0	3.3	4.3	3.3	3.8
June	5.1	4.2	4.8	5.4	5.0	5.2
September	5.3	4.4	6.0	6.4	4.4	5.4
December	6.6	5.5	7.1	7.3	6.1	6.7
2015						
March	6.1	5.4	5.5	4.7	7.2	6.0
June	5.7	4.5	5.1	4.8	6.5	5.7
September	5.8	3.8	5.0	4.9	6.5	5.7
December	6.4	5.0	5.1	4.1	8.3	6.2
2016						
March	6.5	6.1	4.8	3.8	8.8	6.3
June	6.8	7.2	4.4	2.8	10.0	6.5
September	6.8	7.4	3.5	2.4	10.3	6.4
December	6.6	6.9	3.1	3.2	9.2	6.4

TABLE 11
HEADLINE AND UNDERLYING CPI, INDEX NUMBERS (a)

Period	Headline	Excluding seasonal	Excluding seasonal and customs excise	Excluding seasonal, customs excise and price control	Underlying
2012	100.8	97.2	94.7	81.8	91.2
2013	105.8	93.8	88.0	62.1	81.3
2014	111.3	98.8	92.8	65.7	85.8
2015	118.0	104.1	97.2	67.7	89.7
2016	125.9	107.0	99.9	69.1	92.0
2012					
December	103.7	92.8	87.1	62.1	80.7
2013					
March	104.9	93.6	87.7	61.8	81.0
June	105.0	93.6	87.8	61.9	81.1
September	106.6	93.9	88.0	62.1	81.3
December	106.7	94.3	88.4	62.4	81.7
2014					
March	108.8	96.6	90.7	64.1	83.8
June	110.4	97.6	91.9	64.9	84.8
September	112.3	99.9	93.7	66.6	86.7
December	113.8	101.2	94.8	67.3	87.8
2015					
March	115.5	102.6	95.8	67.5	88.6
June	116.8	103.4	96.5	67.2	89.0
September	118.7	104.9	97.9	67.8	90.2
December	121.0	105.4	98.5	68.3	90.7
2016					
March	123.0	106.3	99.2	68.7	91.4
June	124.7	106.5	99.5	68.9	91.6
September	126.8	107.1	99.9	69.1	92.0
December	129.0	108.2	101.0	69.8	93.0

(a) Base of each index: June Quarter 2012 = 100.0

TABLE 12
HEADLINE AND UNDERLYING CPI, PERCENTAGE CHANGE

Period	Headline	Ex. seasonal	Ex. seasonal and customs excise	Ex. seasonal, customs excise and price control	Underlying
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous financial year)</i>					
2012	4.5	1.3	0.8	-0.5	0.6
2013	5.0	1.5	1.0	-0.5	0.8
2014	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.9	5.5
2015	6.0	5.3	4.7	3.0	4.5
2016	6.7	2.8	2.8	2.1	2.6
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from previous quarter)</i>					
2012					
December	3.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.2
2013					
March	1.1	0.8	0.7	-0.4	0.4
June	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
September	1.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
December	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.5
2014					
March	2.0	2.4	2.6	2.7	2.5
June	1.5	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.2
September	1.6	2.4	2.0	2.5	2.3
December	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1	1.2
2015					
March	1.5	1.4	1.0	0.4	1.0
June	1.1	0.7	0.7	-0.4	0.4
September	1.7	1.5	1.5	0.8	1.3
December	1.9	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.6
2016					
March	1.6	0.9	0.8	0.6	0.8
June	1.4	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2
September	1.7	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4
December	1.8	1.0	1.1	0.9	1.0
<i>PERCENTAGE CHANGE (from corresponding quarter of the previous year)</i>					
2012					
December	5.9	1.3	0.6	-0.8	0.5
2013					
March	6.0	1.8	1.0	-1.1	0.8
June	5.0	1.5	0.9	-1.0	0.6
September	6.1	1.2	0.8	-0.5	0.6
December	2.9	1.6	1.5	0.5	1.3
2014					
March	3.8	3.2	3.4	3.7	3.4
June	5.1	4.3	4.8	4.9	4.6
September	5.3	6.5	6.5	7.2	6.7
December	6.6	7.3	7.3	7.7	7.4
2015					
March	6.1	6.3	5.6	5.3	5.8
June	5.7	5.9	4.9	3.6	5.0
September	5.8	5.0	4.5	1.8	4.0
December	6.4	4.2	3.8	1.5	3.4
2016					
March	6.5	3.6	3.6	1.7	3.1
June	6.8	3.0	3.2	2.5	2.9
September	6.8	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
December	6.6	2.6	2.6	2.2	2.5

TABLE 13
QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
<i>Cereals</i>					
Biscuits, Paradise No.1 3 Biscuits	100g pkt	1.64	1.51	1.60	1.62
Biscuits, Morobe Wopa 4 Biscuits	125g	1.96	1.72	1.62	1.72
Biscuits, SAO Arnott	250g pkt	8.68	8.40	8.42	8.27
Biscuits, Scotch Finger Paradise	200g pkt	5.82	5.57	5.74	6.11
Biscuits, Cabin Biscuits	125g	1.26	1.12	2.05	1.26
Biscuits, Oreo	137g pk	3.78	3.14	3.33	3.13
Bread, White,milk loaf,sliced & Bilas or equiv	560g loaf	5.11	4.20	3.55	3.92
Bread, Brown bread	560g loaf	5.43	4.50	3.68	4.13
Scone, Mothers Choice	6' s	4.66	4.66	3.49	3.69
Baguette - French Stop n Shop	50-70 cm	4.52	4.19	4.22	4.30
Other cakes and rolls Lamington	1 cake	2.86	2.73	2.58	2.71
Birthday cake, Blackforest	Medium	90.36	85.15	91.89	86.63
Cornflakes, Kellogg's	165g pkt	10.26	10.70	8.39	8.08
Weet Bix, Sanit Weet Bix	375g	6.94	6.93	8.75	8.71
Flour, Plain Flame	10kg bag	45.43	43.13	41.18	42.67
Flour, Plain Flame	2kg bag	10.04	9.77	9.80	10.47
Flour, self raising Flame	1kg bag	5.36	4.96	5.22	5.43
Flour, Whole meal flour Flame	1kg bag	5.28	4.73	4.90	5.49
Rice, white, short grained Roots	20kg bag	77.03	66.88	73.35	67.56
Rice, white, short grained Roots	10kg bag	40.60	36.50	38.27	35.94
Rice, white, short grained Roots	5kg bag	23.38	21.02	21.12	20.67
Rice, white, short grained Roots	1kg bag	4.53	4.11	4.25	3.96
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	20kg bag	89.23	83.40	81.24	80.34
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	10kg bag	46.09	44.22	43.30	42.01
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	5kg bag	26.31	25.39	23.76	24.36
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	1kg bag	5.16	5.15	4.65	4.57
Rice, white,long grained Jasmina	1kg bag	5.41	5.24	4.76	4.97
Rice,Brown,short grained Trukai	1kg bag	5.20	4.99	4.85	4.75
Spaghetti,tomato sauce & cheese Heinz	420g can	4.53	4.52	5.38	5.48
Spaghetti, dried Vetta	500g pkt	9.47	9.10	9.34	10.46
Other - dried noodles Rice Vermececi	500g pkt	7.87	7.48	7.53	9.80
Noodles, Maggi	80g	1.10	1.20	1.10	1.10
Cheezepops/Twisties	25g pkt	0.67	0.68	0.76	0.71
Potato chips, Crisps	50g pkt	4.55	4.50	4.85	4.80
<i>Meat</i>					
Beef, Blade Steak, PNG	1kg	32.12	27.87	28.00	27.86
Beef, Rump Steak, PNG	1kg	41.29	45.47	43.32	46.58
Beef, Chuck Steak, PNG	1kg	36.59	29.39	25.28	26.82
Beef, Mince (Hamburger), PNG	1kg	23.31	25.12	27.20	26.21
Chicken, Leg/Maryland, PNG	1kg	22.72	17.84	16.83	17.13
Chicken, wings, Zenag, PNG	700g pack	15.30	14.62	16.90	16.01
Chicken, cocktails, Zenag, PNG	700g pack	17.96	16.08	17.00	17.12
Chicken, other pieces, Kwikkai, PNG	900g pack	13.40	13.57	14.42	13.93
Chicken, Roasting,Frozen, PNG	Size 11	21.30	20.81	21.68	20.87
Lamb,Loin Chops, Overseas	1kg	51.63	44.47	45.55	45.90
Lamb, Fores, Overseas	1kg	27.56	30.12	27.14	26.00
Lamb, Flaps, Overseas	1kg	19.97	18.84	16.97	17.48
Lamb, Neckchops, Overseas	1kg	19.70	18.53	15.34	15.64
Pork, Loin Chops, PNG	1kg	33.53	28.90	25.65	26.45
Pork, Shoulder, PNG	1kg	24.67	24.50	18.99	19.99
Sausages, Beef,Thick,loose, PNG	1kg	13.87	12.80	16.18	16.77
Sausages, Beef,Thick pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	11.13	9.89	9.90	10.17
Sausages, Pork, Thick pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	11.26	9.44	10.80	10.17
Frankfurt,pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	10.74	9.61	10.8/0	10.68
Meat, Tinned,Corned Beef Ox & Palm (Blue Label)	340g taper can	10.58	9.57	9.35	9.45
Meat, Tinned,Corned Beef Imperial (Blue Label)	340g taper can	10.21	9.50	10.41	9.98
Meat,Tinned,Corned Meat loaf Sita (PNG)	300g round can	8.89	5.65	6.65	5.32
Meat,Tinned,Braised Steak Onions, Globe	415g can	9.52	9.40	8.30	9.34
Tinned Curried Chicken Marlin	200g can	5.18	4.40	4.15	4.30

TABLE 13

QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
<i>Cereals</i>					
Biscuits, Paradise No.1 3 Biscuits	100g pkt	1.64	1.50	1.60	1.37
Biscuits, Morobe Wopa 4 Biscuits	125g	1.88	1.92	1.69	1.81
Biscuits, SAO Arnett	250g pkt	7.85	8.28	7.75	8.09
Biscuits, Scotch Finger Paradise	200g pkt	5.73	5.62	5.67	5.54
Biscuits, Cabin Biscuits	125g	1.18	1.27	1.25	1.22
Biscuits, Oreo	137g pk	3.41	3.51	3.86	3.36
Bread, White,milk loaf,sliced & Bilas or equiv	560g loaf	3.27	4.78	4.12	4.76
Bread, Brown bread	560g loaf	3.38	4.92	4.12	5.52
Scone, Mothers Choice	6' s	3.93	4.00	4.03	4.33
Baguette - French Stop n Shop	50-70 cm	3.54	4.31	4.04	4.31
Other cakes and rolls Lamington	1 cake	6.18	2.68	2.97	2.34
Birthday cake, Blackforest	Medium	73.46	85.38	81.65	86.00
Cornflakes, Kellogg's	165g pkt	10.88	9.76	10.66	10.57
Weet Bix, Sanit Weet Bix	375g	7.85	7.53	6.50	7.34
Flour, Plain Flame	10kg bag	44.67	46.74	45.07	47.03
Flour, Plain Flame	2kg bag	9.81	11.00	13.63	10.43
Flour, self raising Flame	1kg bag	5.09	5.22	5.07	5.26
Flour, Whole meal flour Flame	1kg bag	4.77	6.16	4.93	5.18
Rice, white, short grained Roots	20kg bag	71.92	68.41	72.70	64.46
Rice, white, short grained Roots	10kg bag	37.86	35.82	36.49	34.10
Rice, white, short grained Roots	5kg bag	21.13	21.19	21.55	19.96
Rice, white, short grained Roots	1kg bag	4.27	5.39	4.25	3.69
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	20kg bag	81.56	80.15	82.23	83.54
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	10kg bag	42.59	44.04	43.68	44.12
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	5kg bag	23.30	22.09	19.79	22.64
Rice, white, short grained Trukai	1kg bag	4.74	6.41	4.58	9.05
Rice, white,long grained Jasmina	1kg bag	5.00	4.65	4.74	4.56
Rice,Brown,short grained Trukai	1kg bag	4.62	4.63	4.78	4.43
Spaghetti,tomato sauce & cheese Heinz	420g can	5.50	4.45	4.40	4.44
Spaghetti, dried Vetta	500g pkt	7.41	8.13	8.61	7.94
Other - dried noodles Rice Vermececi	500g pkt	7.32	8.65	8.45	8.51
Noodles, Maggi	80g	1.10	1.11	1.10	1.12
Cheezepops/Twisties	25g pkt	0.67	0.85	0.85	0.72
Potato chips, Crisps	50g pkt	4.90	4.50	4.60	4.55
<i>Meat</i>					
Beef, Blade Steak, PNG	1kg	27.20	29.53	26.91	29.99
Beef, Rump Steak, PNG	1kg	43.23	37.20	39.12	38.56
Beef, Chuck Steak, PNG	1kg	26.66	25.34	25.68	25.37
Beef, Mince (Hamburger), PNG	1kg	27.54	27.56	23.87	28.31
Chicken, Leg/Maryland, PNG	1kg	18.99	18.26	17.83	18.86
Chicken, wings, Zenag, PNG	700g pack	15.90	15.28	15.03	14.57
Chicken, cocktails, Zenag, PNG	700g pack	17.20	15.79	16.18	15.74
Chicken, other pieces, Kwikkai, PNG	900g pack	13.13	15.69	16.16	14.44
Chicken, Roasting,Frozen, PNG	Size 11	20.95	21.41	20.92	21.44
Lamb,Loin Chops, Overseas	1kg	45.88	49.76	50.21	51.32
Lamb, Fores, Overseas	1kg	26.00	26.80	27.12	28.63
Lamb, Flaps, Overseas	1kg	17.47	25.12	17.62	18.50
Lamb, Neckchops, Overseas	1kg	19.22	20.18	20.43	20.85
Pork, Loin Chops, PNG	1kg	25.55	29.49	29.24	29.07
Pork, Shoulder, PNG	1kg	19.87	25.82	26.40	20.98
Sausages, Beef,Thick,loose, PNG	1kg	17.00	15.50	15.98	15.88
Sausages, Beef,Thick pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	9.90	10.14	10.69	15.15
Sausages, Pork, Thick pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	11.20	10.59	10.69	11.33
Frankfurt,pre-packed, PNG	500g pack	10.00	10.37	10.31	11.14
Meat, Tinned,Corned Beef Ox & Palm (Blue Label)	340g taper can	9.21	9.39	9.53	9.09
Meat, Tinned,Corned Beef Imperial (Blue Label)	340g taper can	9.50	9.44	9.37	9.20
Meat,Tinned,Corned Meat loaf Sita (PNG)	300g round can	6.18	6.33	6.59	5.90
Meat,Tinned,Braised Steak Onions, Globe	415g can	9.17	8.74	8.80	8.66
Tinned Curried Chicken Marlin	200g can	4.20	4.43	4.50	4.50

TABLE 13
QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Fish</i>					
Frozen fish, Reef Fish	1kg	23.28	19.23	17.88	18.69
Tuna steaks, Tuna	1kg	19.54	17.04	17.87	18.54
Whole Fish, Skip Jack	1kg	19.71	20.05	22.50	21.75
Fished, Canned, Mackerel in Oil Besta	15oz (425g) can	6.82	5.97	6.54	5.55
Fished, Canned, Dianna Dianna Tuna	180g	2.09	1.92	1.90	1.89
Fished, canned, Mackerel in Natural Oil 777	15oz (425g) can	8.20	7.85	8.02	8.32
<i>Fruits and Vegetables</i>					
Pineapple (whole)	.	7.11	4.40	4.41	5.64
Fruits, Fresh Apples Red Overseas	1kg	12.90	14.95	14.91	14.65
Oranges, Overseas	1kg	17.46	18.00	15.80	16.56
Lemon	.	2.04	2.97	4.65	4.66
Pears, Overseas	1kg	15.38	15.97	17.80	17.31
Watermelon, Local (Shops)	1kg	8.39	7.07	7.89	7.88
Pawpaw (whole)	.	3.15	1.44	2.66	2.68
Pineapple pieces, Golden Circle	450g	10.00	10.39	11.55	11.17
Potatoes, English PNG	1kg	8.17	4.96	6.11	6.51
Sweet Potato	.	4.50	1.10	0.97	1.55
Onions, Brown Overseas	1kg	12.65	8.80	10.55	11.88
Broccoli	1kg	21.11	10.23	8.50	7.32
Cabbage	1kg	11.19	4.93	4.99	4.60
Carrots	1kg	14.16	7.43	6.88	6.88
Garlic	1kg	24.21	30.01	21.24	19.88
Ginger	1kg	16.41	10.51	12.65	12.98
Tomatoes	1kg	16.35	8.47	7.21	6.88
Taro	.	8.27	5.75	2.05	2.68
Cassava (Tapiok)	.	4.62	0.78	3.45	3.80
Sago (Saksak)	.	4.91	2.46	5.00	5.00
Corn	.	4.85	2.25	1.99	1.88
Pumpkin	.	12.03	2.01	1.88	1.88
Pumkin Tips	.	5.62	2.02	2.59	2.68
Aibika	.	5.69	1.58	2.37	2.21
Unspecified Greens - (Aupa)	.	6.72	1.39	2.90	2.90
Choko Leaves (Siakau)	.	5.60	1.13	2.70	2.98
Cucumber	.	3.96	2.11	2.35	2.46
Beans	.	13.87	4.42	3.58	3.46
Peanuts (Fresh)	.	20.76	16.54	15.66	16.55
Cooking Bananas	.	7.57	3.62	1.68	1.98
Eating Bananas (Mau banana)	.	4.89	4.16	1.98	1.99
Coconut - Dry (without husk)	.	3.06	0.68	1.54	1.88
Coconut - Green (without husk)	.	4.27	0.80	1.80	1.90
<i>Dairy Products, Eggs, Cheese</i>					
Processed Cheese - Slices Mainland	250g pkt	13.14	11.73	13.43	13.57
Cheddar Cheese Vintage Mainland	250g pkt	11.83	10.68	12.47	14.04
Long life milk (UHT) Pauls	1 ltr	5.24	5.83	5.46	6.18
Flavoured milk T' Shake	250g pkt	2.01	2.02	2.13	1.93
Powdered Milk, INSTANT Sunshine	200g pkt	9.02	8.48	9.72	7.64
Powdered Milk, INSTANT Sunshine	400g can	28.80	27.95	24.24	22.50
Condensed Milk Nestles	395g tin	9.30	12.65	9.00	8.99
Baby Powder milk Lactogen	350g	28.68	23.16	22.34	21.90
Eggs, Hens, Fresh, Large PNG	1 doz (60g)	11.45	10.80	10.52	11.58
<i>Oils and Fats</i>					
Vegetable Oil - Highlands Highlands	1 ltr	6.54	5.90	5.69	5.20
Butter Anchor	227g pkt	10.47	9.00	11.05	11.89
Margarine Meadow Lea	500g pack	7.92	7.80	8.95	9.93
Peanut Butter Kraft - Smooth	250g jar	11.94	13.70	11.57	13.48
Vegemite spread Kraft	250g jar	11.84	12.85	11.90	12.50

TABLE 13
QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Fish</i>					
Frozen fish, Reef Fish	1kg	19.38	17.04	15.00	15.17
Tuna steaks, Tuna	1kg	18.79	16.80	16.10	18.43
Whole Fish, Skip Jack	1kg	23.59	16.82	17.07	17.89
Fished, Canned, Mackerel in Oil Besta	15oz (425g) can	6.13	6.35	6.30	6.40
Fished, Canned, Dianna Dianna Tuna	180g	1.90	2.00	2.00	2.00
Fished, canned, Mackerel in Natural Oil 777	15oz (425g) can	8.40	8.11	8.40	8.45
<i>Fruits and Vegetables</i>					
Pineapple (whole)	.	5.57	4.30	4.30	4.25
Fruits, Fresh Apples Red Overseas	1kg	15.89	14.11	15.21	15.34
Oranges, Overseas	1kg	16.42	18.78	18.90	18.88
Lemon	.	4.65	5.98	5.82	5.85
Pears, Overseas	1kg	16.73	16.40	16.81	16.94
Watermelon, Local (Shops)	1kg	7.55	7.03	6.91	7.80
Pawpaw (whole)	.	3.39	5.21	5.21	5.32
Pineapple pieces, Golden Circle	450g	10.88	9.99	10.56	9.93
Potatoes, English PNG	1kg	6.20	7.06	7.05	6.38
Sweet Potato	.	3.34	3.50	3.80	3.83
Onions, Brown Overseas	1kg	13.73	14.28	14.02	14.50
Broccoli	1kg	8.57	25.49	25.31	24.90
Cabbage	1kg	4.69	11.35	10.90	10.31
Carrots	1kg	6.51	9.42	9.52	8.17
Garlic	1kg	20.65	21.25	22.97	21.35
Ginger	1kg	12.88	15.02	13.01	18.94
Tomatoes	1kg	6.63	14.07	10.46	21.26
Taro	.	3.59	8.36	10.21	10.50
Cassava (Tapiok)	.	3.55	2.81	2.72	2.80
Sago (Saksak)	.	5.68	4.92	5.31	5.02
Corn	.	1.69	5.47	5.65	1.83
Pumpkin	.	2.10	2.06	2.03	2.10
Pumkin Tips	.	2.88	2.12	2.02	2.23
Aibika	.	2.66	2.68	3.10	3.02
Unspecified Greens - (Aupa)	.	2.88	2.60	2.53	2.77
Choko Leaves (Siakau)	.	2.69	2.69	2.36	2.63
Cucumber	.	2.57	4.46	5.65	4.61
Beans	.	3.68	6.65	7.84	6.98
Peanuts (Fresh)	.	15.65	7.83	8.78	11.01
Cooking Bananas	.	2.25	2.64	2.64	0.97
Eating Bananas (Mau banana)	.	1.89	4.21	5.95	5.50
Coconut - Dry (without husk)	.	1.55	1.17	1.20	1.30
Coconut - Green (without husk)	.	1.93	1.64	2.03	1.19
<i>Dairy Products, Eggs, Cheese</i>					
Processed Cheese - Slices Mainland	250g pkt	13.63	12.09	10.60	13.28
Cheddar Cheese Vintage Mainland	250g pkt	11.55	10.56	8.92	11.27
Long life milk (UHT) Pauls	1 ltr	5.84	5.90	5.69	5.79
Flavoured milk T' Shake	250g pkt	2.13	2.19	2.16	1.98
Powdered Milk, INSTANT Sunshine	200g pkt	8.46	9.07	8.86	9.07
Powdered Milk, INSTANT Sunshine	400g can	28.03	25.72	25.43	25.59
Condensed Milk Nestles	395g tin	9.10	11.40	12.24	12.15
Baby Powder milk Lactogen	350g	23.16	22.68	23.23	23.52
Eggs, Hens, Fresh, Large PNG	1 doz (60g)	9.88	10.86	10.90	10.78
<i>Oils and Fats</i>					
Vegetable Oil - Highlands Highlands	1 ltr	5.83	6.20	5.96	6.43
Butter Anchor	227g pkt	9.27	8.69	9.18	8.47
Margarine Meadow Lea	500g pack	8.04	8.47	8.79	7.83
Peanut Butter Kraft - Smooth	250g jar	9.17	11.00	11.90	12.45
Vegemite spread Kraft	250g jar	10.90	10.69	10.47	12.00

TABLE 13
QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Sugars and Confectionery Sugars</i>					
Jams, IXL	250g pkt	8.21	8.50	8.90	9.00
Sugarcane	.	4.42	1.42	1.99	1.99
Sugar, White Fine white Sugar	1kg pkt	4.73	4.98	4.61	4.33
Chocolate - Mars	53g pkt	5.05	5.30	5.60	5.83
Candies - Mints Chews Fruity Plus	200g pkt	2.86	2.41	3.30	3.50
Chewing gum, PK	4 pellets (1pkt)	0.43	0.41	0.40	0.40
Ice Cream, all flavours, BRAND PNG	2 ltr cont	18.54	18.47	18.05	18.90
Ice Cream, all flavours, BRAND Imported	2 ltr cont	22.71	26.27	27.36	21.84
<i>Other Food Products</i>					
Tomato sauce, Heinz	300ml bottle	5.12	5.20	5.27	6.49
Soy Sauce - Mushroom Pearl River Bridge	500ml bottle	6.34	4.50	4.89	4.23
Tinned soup - Tomato Regulletto	500g Bottle	9.35	9.80	10.36	9.53
Packet soup, Chicken soup Continental	425g pkt	6.19	5.50	5.18	5.03
Salt - Saxa Saxa	750g plt.cont	8.81	8.26	8.47	9.41
Curry powder, Star of India	110g jar	4.60	4.73	4.67	4.81
Stock cubes, Maggi	1 cube	0.50	0.42	0.50	0.50
All baby food, Custard Heinz	110g jar	3.36	3.46	3.60	3.80
<i>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
Instant Coffee, Blend 43 Nescafe Overseas	100g jar	35.64	33.14	35.00	34.76
Instant Coffee, Niugini Blend Nescafe(PNG)	50g pkt	7.36	6.77	6.81	6.79
Milo, Nestles	200g pkt	9.51	8.85	9.02	8.73
Tea Bags, PNG National No.1	25 bags	3.34	2.87	2.90	2.95
Tea Bag, PNG Bushels	25 bags	2.47	2.28	2.74	2.25
Milo drinks in can Milo	240ml	2.47	2.16	2.16	1.89
Orange Juice, Golden Circle	1 Ltr	7.18	7.99	8.63	7.06
Cordials - unspecified Golden crush	750ml bottle	5.15	5.32	4.80	4.64
Juice, Mix Tang	15g	1.09	1.02	0.96	0.96
Soft drinks in cans Coke	330ml can	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Soft drinks in cans Fanta	330ml can	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Spring Water Natures Own	1.5 L	4.51	4.73	4.73	4.44
Ice blocks Polly pops	50g	1.93	1.89	2.00	1.90
<i>Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Betel Nut</i>					
<i>Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
Beer in Bar	330ml bottle	10.00	10.11	10.00	10.00
Beer from shop, take away SP Cold stubbies	1ctn 24 btles	110.00	110.01	103.27	99.20
Cold Beer, Stubby 6 Packs	330ml bottle	29.53	28.73	28.14	27.11
White canned cold beer, 6 Packs	330ml can	33.31	33.36	33.09	32.00
VB beer, 6 Packs	330ml can	37.80	35.88	36.00	32.44
Rum, PNG Negrita	700ml Bottle	73.41	70.46	69.04	68.20
Whisky, (Red label) Johnnie Walker	700ml Bottle	144.88	126.01	137.50	140.87
Whisky, Scotch PNG Trade Winds	700ml Bottle	106.29	74.50	78.00	74.00
Absolut Vodka	1 L Bottle	165.95	143.14	154.89	165.00
Gordons Gin	700ml Bottle	136.32	96.47	157.91	152.00
Bacardi	700ml Bottle	123.37	107.53	139.88	135.00
Red Wine Jacobs Creek	1 ltr	56.10	45.64	56.00	57.60
<i>Tobacco</i>					
Packet of cigarettes Pall mall	25 s' Pack	23.23	22.35	23.80	25.11
Loose Cigarettes- STATE BRAND Pall mall	1 each	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Drum, spear and other coarse cut Spear	7.5g pkt	5.51	5.16	5.10	5.00
<i>Betel Nut</i>					
Betel nut (Buai)	-	47.91	27.26	25.12	27.11
Mustard (Daka)	-	49.55	25.97	36.12	37.31

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Sugars and Confectionery Sugars</i>					
Jams, IXL	250g pkt	8.50	6.90	6.96	6.55
Sugarcane		1.99	1.53	1.45	1.50
Sugar, White Fine white Sugar	1 kg pkt	4.63	4.74	4.75	5.01
Chocolate - Mars	53g pkt	5.70	4.38	4.45	5.22
Candies - Mints Chews Fruity Plus	200g pkt	3.80	2.68	2.79	2.44
Chewing gum, PK	4 pellets (1 pkt)	0.40	0.44	0.44	0.40
Ice Cream, all flavours, BRAND PNG	2 ltr cont	21.29	20.32	19.45	19.85
Ice Cream, all flavours, BRAND Imported	2 ltr cont	25.40	24.55	24.39	23.32
<i>Other Food Products</i>					
Tomato sauce, Heinz	300ml bottle	6.62	5.24	4.49	5.34
Soy Sauce - Mushroom Pearl River Bridge	500ml bottle	5.21	5.69	6.43	5.69
Tinned soup - Tomato Regulletto	500g Bottle	9.96	8.73	8.27	9.11
Packet soup, Chicken soup Continental	425g pkt	5.79	5.33	5.20	5.19
Salt - Saxa Saxa	750g plt.cont	8.55	8.05	8.30	8.27
Curry powder, Star of India	110g jar	5.11	4.44	4.62	4.54
Stock cubes, Maggi	1 cube	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50
All baby food, Custard Heinz	110g jar	3.70	3.00	2.94	2.92
<i>Non-Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
Instant Coffee, Blend 43 Nescafe Overseas	100g jar	33.50	32.89	35.60	34.17
Instant Coffee, Niugini Blend Nescafe(PNG)	50g pkt	6.90	6.47	6.69	6.55
Milo, Nestles	200g pkt	8.74	8.73	9.13	8.85
Tea Bags, PNG National No.1	25 bags	3.00	2.89	2.98	2.97
Tea Bag, PNG Bushels	25 bags	2.32	2.55	2.38	2.30
Milo drinks in can Milo	240ml	2.32	2.62	2.50	2.57
Orange Juice, Golden Circle	1 Ltr	6.76	6.68	6.76	6.38
Cordials - unspecified Golden crush	750ml bottle	4.52	5.13	4.89	5.49
Juice, Mix Tang	15g	0.99	0.97	0.94	0.99
Soft drinks in cans Coke	330ml can	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Soft drinks in cans Fanta	330ml can	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Spring Water Natures Own	1.5 L	4.56	4.74	4.94	4.67
Ice blocks Polly pops	50g	2.00	1.97	2.08	1.93
<i>Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco & Betel Nut</i>					
<i>Alcoholic Beverages</i>					
Beer in Bar	330ml bottle	10.00	9.54	10.00	8.50
Beer from shop, take away SP Cold stobbies	1ctn 24 btles	111.48	109.46	111.21	114.09
Cold Beer, Stubby 6 Packs	330ml bottle	29.58	29.34	28.65	29.43
White canned cold beer, 6 Packs	330ml can	33.98	34.83	35.78	34.60
VB beer, 6 Packs	330ml can	37.27	44.46	41.31	37.84
Rum, PNG Negrita	700ml Bottle	72.42	72.87	72.72	66.96
Whisky, (Red label) Johnnie Walker	700ml Bottle	137.61	134.14	157.84	114.60
Whisky, Scotch PNG Trade Winds	700ml Bottle	73.60	84.80	76.01	76.21
Absolut Vodka	1 L Bottle	155.88	151.43	153.32	147.62
Gordons Gin	700ml Bottle	142.48	127.69	131.23	103.93
Bacardi	700ml Bottle	138.95	111.33	124.59	102.53
Red Wine Jacobs Creek	1 ltr	58.00	56.00	58.00	55.00
<i>Tobacco</i>					
Packet of cigarettes Pall mall	25 s' Pack	24.00	22.63	21.60	23.88
Loose Cigarettes- STATE BRAND Pall mall	1 each	1.00	1.05	1.01	1.13
Drum, spear and other coarse cut Spear	7.5g pkt	4.95	4.99	4.84	5.08
<i>Betel Nut</i>					
Betel nut (Buai)	-	29.13	13.21	16.44	20.13
Mustard (Daka)	-	39.21	22.45	26.55	27.65

TABLE 13
QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Clothing and Foot Wear</i>					
<i>Clothing</i>					
Diapers, Huggies 5 - 10 kg	22 Diapers	22.39	21.49	21.56	22.01
<i>Mens Ware</i>					
Men's "T" shirt, All Cotton	Size 30" - 50"	17.02	18.15	16.27	16.20
Short Sleeve	Size 15" - 18"	31.44	25.13	28.00	23.23
Long Sleeve	Size 15" - 18"	29.52	32.45	28.37	26.78
Polyester/Cotton or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	36.81	33.91	29.99	30.50
Polyester/Cotton or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	44.30	36.59	28.19	29.82
Red Joe or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	37.64	31.13	35.66	33.55
All men's underwear		5.94	5.30	5.21	4.20
<i>Women and Girl Wear</i>					
Meri Blouses		38.96	30.42	29.29	29.68
Skirts		19.00	18.00	19.20	20.46
Bras	Size 34 - 38	9.83	8.54	8.86	11.75
Women's underwear, Kappa	Adult Size	6.25	4.94	4.68	5.77
Girls Dress		32.90	16.80	18.20	17.87
Girls Underwear	Small Size	4.41	3.14	3.30	3.15
<i>Boys Wear</i>					
Boys Shorts, Semi-Boxer, Cotton Drill or equivalent	24" - 28"	25.11	22.36	23.19	20.00
Boys underwear		3.82	2.80	3.80	3.90
<i>Other accessories</i>					
<i>Headwears</i>					
Cap, NRL or equivalent	Mens Size	10.25	10.36	9.59	12.23
<i>Sewing Items</i>					
Cotton Thread, Flying wing or equivalent	40 - 500 yards	1.06	1.20	1.00	1.10
Elastic / Rubber	5 metres	5.17	4.76	4.33	3.28
Printed fabric, Jumping Fish	Per mtr	2.31	1.85	1.70	1.65
<i>Footwear</i>					
Adults Sport Shoe, Nike	Mens Size	155.79	118.45	144.40	127.06
Adults Sport Shoe, Other Sport Shoes (Fake Nike)	Mens Size	50.01	46.84	39.33	67.10
Adults Shoes (Formal), Gentlemen or Office	Mens Size	47.13	39.93	43.60	45.50
Adults Thongs, Plastic, Bata or Bata/Batu	10" - 11"	11.00	9.53	9.00	10.00
Children's Shoes, Gentlemen or Office	4" - 6"	23.01	28.91	29.26	31.49
Children's Thong's, Bata/Batu	4" - 6"	9.77	9.02	7.50	7.70
<i>Housing</i>					
<i>Rent</i>					
Rentals, Real Estate	per week	780.00	730.00	550.00	570.00
<i>Housing maintenance</i>					
PVC Pipe, PVC pipe	15mm	50.96	55.00	22.00	23.62
Paint, Paint	4L	136.50	161.00	92.55	91.98
Silicone, Silicone	320g	32.10	26.00	34.48	41.32
Cement, Cement	50kg Bag	34.50	33.00	34.20	31.50
Tiles, Tiles	Box	41.83	56.00	41.40	61.33
Timber, Timber	100 x 50	60.50	55.00	65.90	69.33
Plywood, Plywood	16mm	129.83	120.00	147.50	145.66
<i>Electricity</i>					
Electricity, Pre-paid PNG Power	20.5 Units	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
<i>Water</i>					
Water, Water Rates Water Board	15 - 30 kl	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
<i>Cooking</i>					
Firewood, Firewood	1 Bundle	10.00	5.00	8.33	8.33
Gas, Cooking Gas	9 kg	93.50	105.67	97.83	116.67
Kerosene, Kerosene	per ltr	2.08	2.32	2.35	2.43

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

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Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Clothing and Foot Wear</i>					
<i>Clothing</i>					
Diapers, Huggies 5 - 10 kg	22 Diapers	21.68	22.00	22.05	22.87
<i>Mens Ware</i>					
Men's "T" shirt, All Cotton	Size 30" - 50"	16.15	16.29	16.43	16.12
Short Sleeve	Size 15" - 18"	25.36	27.25	29.61	25.53
Long Sleeve	Size 15" - 18"	30.42	29.38	28.88	28.00
Polyester/Cotton or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	28.90	30.83	30.54	28.60
Polyester/Cotton or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	32.11	35.98	36.23	35.55
Red Joe or equivalent	32" - 38" waist	34.19	32.52	34.07	35.21
All men's underwear		4.87	4.76	4.81	4.80
<i>Women and Girl Wear</i>					
Meri Blouses		30.53	34.00	32.99	34.10
Skirts		18.20	21.50	23.23	22.33
Bras	Size 34 - 38	7.30	8.72	8.46	7.36
Women's underwear, Kappa	Adult Size	4.17	5.09	5.06	5.47
Girls Dress		17.90	17.82	18.90	16.80
Girls Underwear	Small Size	3.20	3.55	3.57	3.50
<i>Boys Wear</i>					
Boys Shorts, Semi-Boxer, Cotton Drill or equivalent	24" - 28"	23.50	22.31	22.80	22.00
Boys underwear		3.75	3.54	3.55	3.55
<i>Other accessories</i>					
<i>Headwears</i>					
Cap, NRL or equivalent	Mens Size	9.38	10.67	10.80	10.50
<i>Sewing Items</i>					
Cotton Thread, Flying wing or equivalent	40 - 500 yards	1.20	1.01	1.10	0.85
Elastic / Rubber	5 metres	5.56	4.72	4.66	4.74
Printed fabric, Jumping Fish	Per mtr	1.60	2.48	2.50	2.55
<i>Footwear</i>					
Adults Sport Shoe, Nike	Mens Size	123.89	117.80	136.12	105.86
Adults Sport Shoe, Other Sport Shoes (Fake Nike)	Mens Size	52.51	55.35	45.25	58.24
Adults Shoes (Formal), Gentlemen or Office	Mens Size	44.90	39.24	38.72	36.86
Adults Thongs, Plastic, Bata or Bata/Batu	10" - 11"	10.50	10.74	10.65	10.50
Children's Shoes, Gentlemen or Office	4" - 6"	30.81	29.52	31.40	25.73
Children's Thong's, Bata/Batu	4" - 6"	8.50	9.92	9.80	9.85
<i>Housing</i>					
<i>Rent</i>					
Rentals, Real Estate	per week	600.00	669.00	660.00	690.00
<i>Housing maintenance</i>					
PVC Pipe, PVC pipe	15mm	25.84	26.03	26.70	27.44
Paint, Paint	4L	95.65	155.06	146.20	140.00
Silicone, Silicone	320g	34.40	42.95	40.21	44.31
Cement, Cement	50kg Bag	38.62	41.11	39.29	39.00
Tiles, Tiles	Box	37.13	81.76	66.55	54.31
Timber, Timber	100 x 50	65.55	65.57	78.77	89.86
Plywood, Plywood	16mm	147.99	172.60	166.85	165.54
<i>Electricity</i>					
Electricity, Pre-paid PNG Power	20.5 Units	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
<i>Water</i>					
Water, Water Rates Water Board	15 - 30 kl	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
<i>Cooking</i>					
Firewood, Firewood	1 Bundle	8.33	8.67	8.67	8.67
Gas, Cooking Gas	9 kg	89.00	133.30	130.28	132.00
Kerosene, Kerosene	per ltr	2.46	2.35	2.98	2.15

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Household Equipment</i>					
<i>Household Furniture and Furnishings</i>					
Bath Towel	120cm x 60cm	16.96	19.35	19.69	15.87
Blankets	154cm x 200cm	48.40	39.00	55.90	56.80
Mattresses Single	3"	109.34	101.10	104.14	108.48
<i>Household Appliances</i>					
Electric Rice Cooker	26cm	90.27	85.49	89.55	82.41
Kerosene Stove, Butterfly or Equivalent	Double Burner	186.82	165.00	165.80	155.87
Cooking Pot	26"	32.02	26.03	24.32	27.01
Plate, Floral Plastic	24cm	2.91	2.90	2.77	3.37
Sewing Machine, Singer or equivalent - Manual		285.14	210.00	227.57	287.74
Refrigerators, Akita 2 doors	200L	2804.17	2700.00	1487.00	1588.00
Refrigerators, Fisher & Paykel	196L	2746.33	1651.76	2500.00	2500.00
Washing Machine, Fisher & Paykel	7kg	691.33	663.00	765.00	750.00
<i>Household Maintenance Goods</i>					
Matches, Matches Melanesian	10 packs per box	2.50	1.90	2.00	2.20
Foil Aluminium, Heavy Duty or equivalent	37.5 sqm	11.48	10.53	10.70	11.00
Nails, Nails	4 Inch packet	3.55	2.90	2.50	2.90
Powder Soap, Powder soap Cold powder	200g pkt	1.83	1.83	1.82	2.11
Laundry Bleach, Laundry Bleach Dazzle	500ml	3.87	3.77	3.38	3.88
Laundry Soap, Laundry Soap Klina x 6 Packet	90g x 6	5.14	4.72	4.54	4.27
Loose Soap, Loose Soap, any Soap Waswas	90g	0.82	0.80	0.80	0.79
Dishwashing Liquid, Axion dishwashing	200g	2.82	2.74	3.08	3.21
Bath Soap, Protex	90g	2.01	2.04	2.16	2.01
<i>Transport</i>					
<i>Motor Vehicle Purchases</i>					
Sedan Car(Sedan), Ela Motors	Sedan	35000.00	28800.00	32000.00	46000.00
Truck, Truck Ela Motors	Single Cab Hilux	96000.00	83000.00	85000.00	87000.00
Bus, Bus Ela Motors	25 Seater	185000.00	170000.00	175000.00	177000.00
Motor Bike, Motorbike Ela Motors		12800.00	13600.00	12500.00	12900.00
Outboard Motor, Outboard Motor Ela Motors	40 hp	13000.00	13500.00	12000.00	12500.00
<i>Operations of Transport</i>					
Tyres, Tyres Ela Motors	R14	555.00	332.00	493.13	450.00
Car Battery, Car Battery Ela Motors	N40	259.66	210.00	280.50	275.50
<i>Fares</i>					
Bus Fare, Busfares ICCC	Rate	1.00	0.70	0.93	0.93
PMV Fare, PMV fares ICCC	Rural Rate	5.00	4.60	5.00	5.00
Taxi Fare, Taxi fare ICCC	per km	1.50	1.63	1.70	1.70
Local Fare, Local Ferry ICCC	Boat Local	300.00	250.00	260.00	260.00
Air Fare (POM-LAE), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-LAE	536.10	536.10	536.10	536.10
Air Fare (POM-KOKOPO), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-KOKOPO	835.30	835.30	835.30	835.30
Air Fare (POM-MT HAGEN), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-MT HAGEN	653.80	653.80	653.80	653.80
Air Fare (POM-BRISBANE), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-BRISBANE	2099.85	2099.85	2099.85	2099.85
Air Fare (POM-MANILA), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-MANILA	4197.95	4197.95	4197.95	4197.95
Car Hire, Hire Cars (Sedan) AVIS	per km	0.95	1.05	1.00	1.00
<i>Fuels and Lubricants</i>					
Diesel, Diesel	1 ltr	2.39	2.49	2.60	2.77
Petrol, Unleaded Petrol	1 ltr	3.00	3.09	3.20	3.37
Engine Oil (Petrol Engine), Petrol Engine Oil	1 ltr	25.50	20.00	24.00	25.50
Engine Oil (Diesel Engine), Diesel Engine Oil	1 ltr	17.82	22.83	22.00	25.00
<i>Other Services</i>					
Motor Vehicle Registration, Registration MVIL	MVIL	385.40	385.40	385.40	385.40
Motor Vehicle Insurance Third Party, Insurance MVIL	MVIL	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Household Equipment</i>					
<i>Household Furniture and Furnishings</i>					
Bath Towel	120cm x 60cm	16.77	17.89	17.61	17.75
Blankets	154cm x 200cm	57.00	47.82	48.00	45.00
Mattresses Single	3"	105.66	102.66	105.72	101.78
<i>Household Appliances</i>					
Electric Rice Cooker	26cm	88.50	91.75	89.00	90.81
Kerosene Stove, Butterfly or Equivalent	Double Burner	161.68	199.82	197.00	195.00
Cooking Pot	26"	27.24	30.19	32.00	32.96
Plate, Floral Plastic	24cm	2.81	4.00	3.29	4.47
Sewing Machine, Singer or equivalent - Manual		296.07	264.70	260.00	253.00
Refrigerators, Akita 2 doors	200L	1457.00	1975.03	1443.00	1856.00
Refrigerators, Fisher & Paykel	196L	2650.00	2132.16	2246.00	2315.00
Washing Machine, Fisher & Paykel	7kg	760.00	688.46	700.00	714.67
<i>Household Maintenance Goods</i>					
Matches, Melanesian	10 packs per box	2.15	1.92	2.02	1.93
Foil Aluminium, Heavy Duty or equivalent	37.5 sqm	10.55	10.92	10.90	10.67
Nails, Nails	4 Inch packet	2.80	3.31	3.50	3.65
Powder Soap, Powder soap Cold powder	200g pkt	1.79	2.20	2.10	2.25
Laundry Bleach, Laundry Bleach Dazzle	500ml	3.82	3.75	3.60	3.50
Laundry Soap, Laundry Soap Klina x 6 Packet	90g x 6	5.01	4.56	4.66	4.48
Loose Soap, Loose Soap, any Soap Waswas	90g	0.74	1.00	1.00	1.00
Dishwashing Liquid, Axion dishwashing	200g	3.08	2.82	2.71	2.90
Bath Soap, Protex	90g	2.09	2.45	2.40	2.50
<i>Transport</i>					
<i>Motor Vehicle Purchases</i>					
Sedan Car(Sedan), Ela Motors	Sedan	33000.00	34500.00	34000.00	34000.00
Truck, Truck Ela Motors	Single Cab Hilux	88250.00	75000.00	98000.00	88000.00
Bus, Bus Ela Motors	25 Seater	179000.00	175000.00	174000.00	189000.00
Motor Bike, Motorbike Ela Motors		13000.00	13500.00	13500.00	14500.00
Outboard Motor, Outboard Motor Ela Motors	40 hp	14300.00	12000.00	13000.00	14500.00
<i>Operations of Transport</i>					
Tyres, Tyres Ela Motors	R14	455.00	455.00	445.00	450.00
Car Battery, Car Battery Ela Motors	N40	279.90	245.00	255.00	252.00
<i>Fares</i>					
Bus Fare, Busfares ICCC	Rate	0.93	1.00	1.00	1.00
PMV Fare, PMV fares ICCC	Rural Rate	5.00	4.83	4.83	4.83
Taxi Fare, Taxi fare ICCC	per km	1.70	1.57	1.57	1.57
Local Fare, Local Ferry ICCC	Boat Local	260.00	132.00	132.00	132.00
Air Fare (POM-LAE), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-LAE	536.10	536.10	536.10	536.10
Air Fare (POM-KOKOPO), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-KOKOPO	835.30	835.30	835.30	835.30
Air Fare (POM-MT HAGEN), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-MT HAGEN	653.80	653.80	653.80	653.80
Air Fare (POM-BRISBANE), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-BRISBANE	2099.85	2099.85	2099.85	2099.85
Air Fare (POM-MANILA), Airfares Air Niugini	POM-MANILA	4197.95	4197.95	4197.95	4197.95
Car Hire, Hire Cars (Sedan) AVIS	per km	1.00	1.05	1.05	1.05
<i>Fuels and Lubricants</i>					
Diesel, Diesel	1 ltr	2.46	2.41	3.04	2.26
Petrol, Unleaded Petrol	1 ltr	3.37	3.03	3.74	2.92
Engine Oil (Petrol Engine), Petrol Engine Oil	1 ltr	21.00	22.00	25.00	22.50
Engine Oil (Diesel Engine), Diesel Engine Oil	1 ltr	20.00	21.00	20.00	20.50
<i>Other Services</i>					
Motor Vehicle Registration, Registration MVIL	MVIL	385.40	385.40	385.40	385.40
Motor Vehicle Insurance Third Party, Insurance MVIL	MVIL	160.00	160.00	160.00	160.00

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The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Communication</i>					
<i>Postal Services</i>					
Local Postal Services (package), Local Post PNG	50g	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.45
International Postal Services, Int'l Post PNG	50g	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.60
Mailbox Fees Mailbox Fees, Post PNG	per month	135.00	135.00	135.00	135.00
<i>Telephone Services</i>					
Fixed Line Rental STD Lines, Telikom	per call	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99
Fixed Line Local Rate Local Rates, Telikom	per call	0.33	0.33	1.33	1.33
B-Mobile Prepaid, Pre-paid Bmobile	per card	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Digicel Prepaid, Pre-paid Digicel	per card	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
<i>Telephone Equipment</i>					
Mobile Phone Handset, Nokia Phone Nokia 100	Rural Rate	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
Bmobile Simcard, Sim Cards Bmobile	per card	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Digicel Simcard, Sim Cards Digicel	per card	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
<i>Other Services</i>					
Internet, Internet Fees Telikom/Digicel/Bmobile	per MB	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19
<i>Health</i>					
<i>Medical Services</i>					
Medical Private Consultations Fees		125.00	100.00	50.00	50.00
Medical Admission Fees Govt.		10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
<i>Medical Supplies</i>					
Antibiotics, Antibiotics Amoxillin	500g	15.99	18.46	16.71	16.24
Anti-Malaria, Anti - malaria Artemiter		20.70	18.33	20.26	22.45
Panadol Tablets, Panadol tablets Panadol	1pkt 24 tablets	11.74	11.00	12.50	14.15
Asprin, Aspro Clear tablets Aspro	1pkt 24 tablets	16.55	22.90	20.13	19.88
<i>Recreation</i>					
<i>Recreation</i>					
DVD Player, Akita or equivalent	Auto	193.47	165.00	161.83	155.90
Television, Akita or equivalent	21"	652.14	523.04	593.48	549.17
Television, LCD TV	32" LCD	1872.14	1683.21	1697.73	1315.40
Cameras digital, Sony or Equivalent	Auto	510.99	483.42	426.61	552.97
Batteries, PANASONIC Alkaline 4s	"AA"	3.39	3.20	3.10	3.00
Batteries, ABC Alkaline 4s	"AA"	4.10	3.25	3.00	3.50
Flash drives, Kingston or equivalent	4 GB	36.71	26.65	29.90	28.00
Biros, Kilometrico	Kilometric	0.97	1.00	1.00	1.00
Bicycle, BMX		343.00	266.46	290.00	288.00
Magazine, Magazine Women's weekly		19.90	16.90	22.57	22.57
Newspaper, Newspaper Post Courier		1.00	1.50	1.70	1.70
Newspaper, Newspaper National		1.00	1.00	1.50	1.50
Sports gate fees, Rugby Gate Fees Digicel Cup	per game	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Movie Fees, Movie Admission	per movie	25.00	20.00	20.60	20.60
Photography, Film processing CHM	per film	1.90	1.90	6.30	6.30
<i>Education</i>					
<i>Education Fees</i>					
Primary School, Primary Schools Fees		100.00	150.00	173.30	172.30
Secondary School, Secondary Schools Fees		200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Tertiary Tertiary, School Fees		1432.00	1749.00	1714.00	1754.00
<i>Other expenses</i>					
Boy's Shirt, School Short Sleeves 1 Pocket "Dolphin	11" - 14" collar	18.00	22.39	18.50	18.50
Education Text Books Tertiary		70.00	162.00	160.60	160.50
Education Boarding & Lodging Fees		1200.00	1302.40	1783.30	1685.30

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Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
Communication					
Postal Services					
Local Postal Services (package), Local Post PNG	50g	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.45
International Postal Services, Int'l Post PNG	50g	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.60
Mailbox Fees Mailbox Fees, Post PNG	per month	135.00	135.00	135.00	135.00
Telephone Services					
Fixed Line Rental STD Lines, Telikom	per call	0.99	0.99	0.99	0.99
Fixed Line Local Rate Local Rates, Telikom	per call	1.33	0.33	0.33	0.33
B-Mobile Prepaid, Pre-paid Bmobile	per card	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Digicel Prepaid, Pre-paid Digicel	per card	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Telephone Equipment					
Mobile Phone Handset, Nokia Phone Nokia 100	Rural Rate	120.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
Bmobile Simcard, Sim Cards Bmobile	per card	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Digicel Simcard, Sim Cards Digicel	per card	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Other Services					
Internet, Internet Fees Telikom/Digicel/Bmobile	per MB	0.19	0.19	0.19	0.19
Health					
Medical Services					
Medical Private Consultations Fees		50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Medical Admission Fees Govt.		10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Medical Supplies					
Antibiotics, Antibiotics Amoxillin	500g	22.94	15.98	15.44	14.95
Anti-Malaria, Anti - malaria Artemiter		19.99	20.24	20.15	21.50
Panadol Tablets, Panadol tablets Panadol	1pkt 24 tablets	14.11	13.80	15.23	13.95
Asprin, Aspro Clear tablets Aspro	1pkt 24 tablets	20.15	19.05	18.93	18.69
Recreation					
Recreation					
DVD Player, Akita or equivalent	Auto	186.00	171.51	177.10	175.50
Television, Akita or equivalent	21"	583.47	657.56	655.00	692.20
Television, LCD TV	32" LCD	1252.83	1714.14	1714.08	1362.73
Cameras digital, Sony or Equivalent	Auto	524.87	534.12	539.00	547.00
Batteries, PANASONIC Alkaline 4s	"AA"	3.15	3.44	3.00	3.20
Batteries, ABC Alkaline 4s	"AA"	3.50	3.87	4.20	3.81
Flash drives, Kingston or equivalent	4 GB	30.00	34.97	35.00	34.22
Biros, Kilometrico	Kilometric	1.00	0.97	1.00	0.99
Bicycle, BMX		286.00	273.10	280.00	296.00
Magazine, Magazine Women's weekly		22.57	16.37	16.37	16.37
Newspaper, Newspaper Post Courier		1.70	1.80	1.80	1.80
Newspaper, Newspaper National		1.50	1.73	1.73	1.73
Sports gate fees, Rugby Gate Fees Digicel Cup	per game	10.00	7.67	7.65	7.67
Movie Fees, Movie Admission	per movie	20.60	21.67	21.60	21.67
Photography, Film processing CHM	per film	6.30	2.60	2.60	2.60
Education					
Education Fees					
Primary School, Primary Schools Fees		173.30	126.67	126.20	126.67
Secondary School, Secondary Schools Fees		200.00	200.00	200.00	216.67
Tertiary Tertiary, School Fees		1714.00	1350.00	1349.00	1350.00
Other expenses					
Boy's Shirt, School Short Sleeves 1 Pocket "Dolphin	11" - 14" collar	18.50	20.66	20.56	20.50
Education Text Books Tertiary		160.60	123.00	123.10	123.00
Education Boarding & Lodging Fees		1783.30	1200.00	1210.00	1200.00

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	POM	LAE	GKA	MT HGN
<i>Restaurants and Hotels</i>					
<i>Accommodation</i>					
Hotel Accommodation	per day	680.00	600.00	460.00	450.00
<i>Takeaway Foods</i>					
Pies, Fastfood outlet	-	5.52	5.31	4.89	3.87
Fish, Flour Fastfood outlet	-	5.22	5.99	4.93	4.11
Sausage flour, Fastfood outlet	-	3.17	3.07	3.91	2.46
Chicken & Chips, Fastfood outlet	-	14.36	13.50	11.00	12.00
Rice & Beef, Fastfood outlet	-	14.25	12.14	10.50	11.50
<i>Miscellaneous</i>					
<i>Other Goods and services</i>					
Deodorant - For men Brut	150g	15.45	13.66	17.36	15.13
Hair shampoo - Palmolive Palmolive	100ml	4.86	4.42	4.48	4.24
Shaving Razor, Blades Gillette	Packet(4)	1.52	1.77	1.55	1.70
Hair Oil, Tonic Curls	200g	6.95	5.97	7.13	6.02
Tooth paste, Dental Cream Colgate	150ml/100g	6.52	6.00	6.32	7.15
Toilet Paper, Nambawan	6's Pack	5.66	6.66	6.58	6.74
Baby Oil, Johnsons & Johnsons	125ml	10.37	11.16	10.78	13.79
Baby Powder Johnsons & Johnsons	100g jar	6.89	5.87	6.18	7.97
Insect Spray, Mortein	300g	10.25	11.14	10.50	11.20
Mosquito coil, Motein	120g	1.88	2.10	2.10	2.10
Pollar Bear		39.33	35.65	34.84	35.00
Barbers Fees	per trim	33.83	35.00	25.00	23.50
District Court Fees, Law & Justice	per Case	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00

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QUARTERLY AVERAGE PRICES *continued*

The following table shows the quarterly average prices (*in kina*) for all items for the eight CPI Towns over the last three months.

Groups / Subgroups/ Items, Details, Brand	Size	MDG	ALT	KMB	RAB
<i>Restaurants and Hotels</i>					
<i>Accommodation</i>					
Hotel Accommodation	per day	460.00	440.00	455.00	455.00
<i>Takeaway Foods</i>					
Pies, Fastfood outlet	-	3.41	3.30	5.50	5.80
Fish, Flour Fastfood outlet	-	4.27	4.32	4.50	4.50
Sausage flour, Fastfood outlet	-	2.04	3.50	3.80	3.80
Chicken & Chips, Fastfood outlet	-	12.00	12.65	12.76	12.93
Rice & Beef, Fastfood outlet	-	10.00	10.5	11.53	10.29
<i>Miscellaneous</i>					
<i>Other Goods and services</i>					
Deodorant - For men Brut	150g	15.53	14.65	13.93	15.41
Hair shampoo - Palmolive Palmolive	100ml	4.58	4.65	4.55	4.56
Shaving Razor, Blades Gillette	Packet(4)	1.96	1.86	1.86	1.49
Hair Oil, Tonic Curls	200g	6.04	6.45	6.41	6.11
Tooth paste, Dental Cream Colgate	150ml/100g	6.53	6.60	6.61	6.39
Toilet Paper, Nambawan	6's Pack	6.97	6.87	6.38	6.59
Baby Oil, Johnsons & Johnsons	125ml	11.36	10.56	8.32	10.68
Baby Powder Johnsons & Johnsons	100g jar	8.82	8.55	5.69	7.86
Insect Spray, Mortein	300g	11.10	10.55	11.34	10.84
Mosquito coil, Motein	120g	2.09	2.87	1.75	1.88
Pollar Bear		32.00	32.50	34.00	32.00
Barbers Fees	per trim	27.07	29.00	30.00	29.90
District Court Fees, Law & Justice	per Case	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00

Explanatory Notes

1. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures change in the price of goods and services that represent the spending pattern of urban dwellers in Papua New Guinea.
2. Since the production of CPI by National Statistical Office (NSO) began in PNG, three CPI series have been produced.
3. The Retail Price Index (RPI) was the first series of Index used as measures of the changes in prices of goods and services in PNG. The weightings of the RPI basket were based on the estimates from the household expenditure survey conducted in 1961/62. The RPI was in use from September Quarter 1961 to June quarter 1973 and covered only expatriate households in the urban areas.
4. The second series of the Index was the CPI that covered the public servant's households in PNG. Its weights were based on an Urban Expenditure Survey conducted by the Department of Labour in 1970 and 1971. This series was in use from March quarter 1971 to December quarter 1978. More detailed information on this series are contained in the December 1978 issue of the CPI.
5. The third published Index by the National Statistical Office was known as the cost of living indexes. The weightings were based on the results of survey of PNG wage earners households in the urban areas conducted in 1975/76. This series was in use since December quarter 1975 to December quarter 2013.
6. The current series of Consumer Price Index is based on the 2009/10 Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES) and measures quarterly change in the prices of a "basket" of goods and services which account for a high proportion of expenditures by town households in Papua New Guinea. This basket constitutes a wide range of goods and services grouped into the following twelve groups: food and alcoholic beverages; alcoholic drinks, tobacco and betelnut; clothing and footwear; housing; household equipment; transport; communication; health; recreation; education; restaurant and hotels; and miscellaneous. These twelve groups were selected using the COICOP structure (International Classification of Individual Consumption according to Purpose). Each group was then divided into sub-groups and expenditure class.
7. From the information collected in the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES), list of items (also known as regimen) were drawn..... etc.
8. The current indexes are fixed-weighted index using the relative prices multiplied by 100. The relative price for an item is the ratio of its price in a given period to its average price in the base year.
9. Base period refers to a given year in which weights and the items in the selected basket of goods and services in the CPI were adjusted. That is the price level for the selected items in a given period which are compared to those in the base period. For instance, the price of the basket increased by 10% since the base year would show the index value of 110%. Similarly, a decline by 10% represents the index level of 90.
10. From the information collected in the household income and Expenditure Survey (HIES), list of items (also known as the 'regimen') were drawn. The regimen is used in compilation of the index. The prices of the regimen are collected from a total of 300 specifications, which represented 141 expenditure classes. These items were further divided into groups, subgroups and expenditure classes as shown below:
 - (a) Food and non-alcoholic beverages: cereals; meat and fish; fruits and vegetables; dairy products; eggs; cheese; oil and fats; sugar and confectionery; other products and non-alcoholic beverages.
 - (b) Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and betel nut and mustard: alcoholic beverages; tobacco; betelnut and mustard.
 - (c) Clothing and footwear: clothing, men's wear; women and girl's wear; boy's wear; headgear; sewing items and footwear

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- (d) Housing: rents; housing maintenance; electricity; water and cooking (such as gas, firewood and kerosene).
 - (e) Household equipment: household furniture and furnishings; household appliances and household maintenance goods.
 - (f) Transport: motor vehicle purchases (motor vehicle, motor bike and outboard motor); operation of transport (tyres and batteries); fares (bus fares, PMV fares, taxi fares, local fares, air fares and car hires); fuels and lubricants (diesel, petrol, engine oils) and other services (motor vehicle registration and insurance).
 - (g) Communications: postal services (postal services and mailbox fees); telephone services fixed line rate and prepaid; telephone equipment (mobile phone handset and sim card) and other communication services (internet).
 - (h) Health: medical services (medical fees) and medical supplies, antibiotic drugs and pain killer tablets).
 - (i) Recreation: recreation (DVD player, television, digital camera, batteries, flash drive, biros, bicycle, magazine, newspaper, sports gate and movie fees and photograph).
 - (j) Education: education fees (primary school, secondary school and tertiary school) and other education expenses such as uniform, text book and boarding fees.
 - (k) Restaurant and Hotels: accommodation (hotel accommodation) and takeaway foods (pie, fish and sausage flour, chicken and chips, and rice and beef stew).
 - (l) Miscellaneous: other goods and services such as toiletries and personal care, baby oil and powder, insect repellent, children's toys, barber fees and court fees.
11. In calculating the index, the relative price of each item or group of items is multiplied by a factor (or weight) that reflects the importance of the item or group in relation to the household covered in the CPI. The factor including the groups, sub-groups and specific items are contained in Revised Technical Note No. 3 published by the NSO.
- This technical Note also provides information on the system of weighting used to derive differences in expenditure pattern between the different CPI towns.
12. Revised Technical Note. 4 provides description of methods used in the price collection and the compilation of the index. Copies of this Revised Technical Note. 4 and also 3 can be obtained from the National Statistical Office by contacting the Statistical Information Officer on telephone: 325 0244 or 325 0255.
13. Table 2, 4, 6, 10 and 12 shows percentage change in the index for all groups by both quarter and year. This enables the users to make direct comparison between various quarters and from year to year. The movement in the index from one period to another is usually expressed as percentage change rather than as differences in index value (or index point), because the level of the index relative to the base period affects the index point

Explanatory Notes - *continued*

14. Table 7 and 8 shows the contributions to the total CPI.

INDEX POINTS AND PERCENTAGE CHANGE

15. Movement in index for one period to another can be expressed as a percentage change or changes in index points. The differences between the two approaches to describe movements in indexes is shown by the following example:

All groups CPI: Weighted average of all town index numbers:

March Quarter 2013	104.0
Less December Quarter	102.3
Change in index points	1.7

16. The index number 104.0 for March Quarter 2013 indicates an increase of 4.0 % since the reference base period is June Quarter 2012.

The percentage change in an index between any two periods is calculated by subtracted the index value for the earlier period from the later period, and dividing the result by the value for the earlier period, and then multiplied by 100.

17. Percentage change from December quarter 2012 to March quarter 2013

$$= 1.7/102.3 \times 100 = 1.662$$

18. The percentage changes in the index shown in this bulletin are calculated from unrounded values expressed in three decimal places.
19. The contribution of any group, sub-group or expenditure class to the change in an overall index is calculated by multiplying the change in the index for the group, sub-group or expenditure class item by its percentage weight in the overall index and dividing the result by 100.
20. The table 11 shows the index numbers for headline and the underlying measures while table 12 shows its percentage change.
21. The explanatory notes for the two measures of inflation; underlying and headline measures are highlighted below.
22. Table 13 has been created showing quarterly average prices for all items for the eight CPI towns.
23. The index numbers and the percentage changes for the goods and the services components in table 8 have been separated from the total CPI.

SYMBOLS USED

24. The following symbols have been used throughout this bulletin

-	:	nil or less than half of the digit shown
na	:	not available

Note: Differences between published totals and actual sums of components are due to rounding technique used.

Explanatory Notes - *continued*

RANGE OF INFORMATION AVAILABLE

25. Users are advised that a range of price indexes and the weighted town average index for all expenditure groups are available. There are separate indexes for each of the eight towns and the expenditure groups are also available. A detailed indexes and average price information can be made available on request.

UNDERLYING INFLATION

26. The CPI measures price changes across a range of goods and services that represent the spending pattern of PNG's town population. Inflation measured by the CPI is called "headline" inflation. The CPI can be highly volatile partly due to climate effects (droughts and floods), seasonal patterns, or government policy decisions such as tax reform. High volatility hampers interpretation of current inflation and forecasting future inflation. In response to this problem, the June quarter 2012 issue of the Consumer Price Index introduced an additional measure of price change called the "underlying rate of inflation".
27. The underlying rate filters out passing movements in inflation while retaining persistent movements. This is more useful than the headline for developing and monitoring monetary policy. A variety of underlying rate measures can be constructed though there is no ideal measure that perfectly satisfies both the needs for forward looking policy making and backward looking measurement of price change. NSO has developed a single measure of price change. NSO has developed a single measure of underlying inflation based on the average of three "exclusion-based" measures.
- i CPI excluding seasonal:
Excludes the CPI item Betel nut and Mustard, and the subgroup Fruit and Vegetables
 - ii CPI excluding seasonal and excise:
Excludes the seasonal items in (i) plus the subgroups affected by changes excise duties – Alcoholic beverages and tobacco.
 - iii CPI excluding seasonal, excise and price control:
Excludes the seasonal and excise affected items and subgroups noted in plus the selected price-regulated category Rents, Electricity, Water, Fares, Fuels and Lubricant, Other Services, Postal Services, Telephone Services, Other Communication Services, Medical Services and Education Fees subgroups.
28. The underlying rate of inflation presented here is the average of these three exclusions based measures.



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