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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX February 2018

Key findings:

The Consumer Price Index for February 2018 decreased by 0.4 percent compared to the previous month.

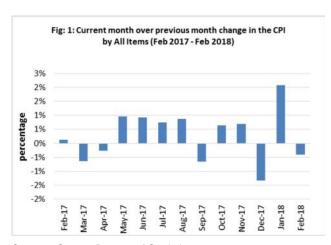
- Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels decreased by 2.3 percent
- Transport index also decreased by 1.9 percent.
- Education index increased by 14.1 percent.
- The Average Annual Inflation for the year ended February 2018 was 2.4 percent.

In the year to February 2018, the CPI rose 3.6 percent.

SUMMARY

The Consumer Price Index for February 2018 was 0.4 percent lower than in January 2018 and was 3.6 percent higher than February 2017.

The Local Goods Component registered a decrease of 0.6 percent, while Imported Component also recorded a decrease of 0.3 percent from the previous month. Figure 1 shows the month to month percentage changes in the Consumer Price Index by All Divisions from February 2017 to February 2018.

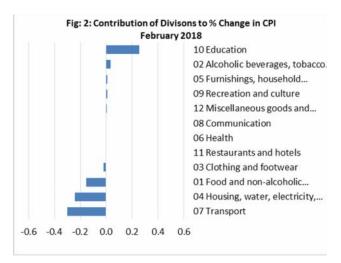


Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Total All Divisions Contribution

As depicted in Fig 2, Transport, Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels and Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages divisions were the main contributors to the overall decrease of 0.4 percent in the All Division Consumer Price Index.

On the other hand there were offsetting contributions from Education division with 0.3 percent increase.



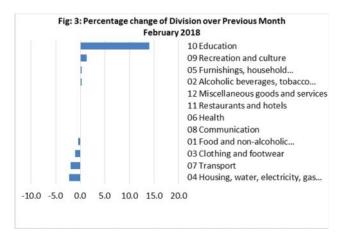
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Consumer Price Index (% Change)

The 0.4 percent decrease in the Overall Index is attributed mainly to a decrease of 2.3 percent in the Housing, Water, Electricity Gas and Other Fuel index, 1.9 percent decrease in the Transport index, 1.0 percent decrease in the Clothing and Footwear index and a slight decrease of 0.4 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index.

On the contrary, increases were recorded for other divisions namely Education with 14.1 percent. Recreation and culture with 1.4 percent. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Maintenance with 0.3 percent. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco with 0.2 percent and Miscellaneous Goods and Services with 0.1 percent.

No changes were recorded for the Health, Communication and Restaurants indices. Graphically presented in Fig 3 is the February 2018 percentage change for all divisions from January 2018.



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

Local Goods Component

The Local Goods Component of the Consumer Price Index registered a decrease of 0.6 percent when compared to the previous month. This decrease was mainly due to lower prices recorded for airline fare, electricity (kwh), taro, fresh fish (string and large) and koko samoa.

Imported Goods Component

Decreased prices recorded for fuel (petrol and diesel) and school uniform (ie faitaga) have resulted in the 0.3 percent decrease in the Imported Goods Component.

Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels Index

The 2.3 percent decrease in the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels index was a result of the lower prices recorded for electricity (kwh) and paint (high gloss).

Transport Index

A decrease of 1.9 percent in the Transport index was a reflection of the lower prices recorded for fuel (petrol) and airline fare (Apia-Auckland-Apia).

Clothing and Footwear Index

Lower prices recorded for school uniform (ie faitaga) and jandals resulted in the 1.0 percent decrease in the Clothing and Footwear index.

Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages Index

The 0.4 percent decrease in the Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages index was mainly due to lower prices recorded for chicken leg quarter, turkey wing, mutton neck, taro, fresh fish (string and large) and koko samoa.

Education

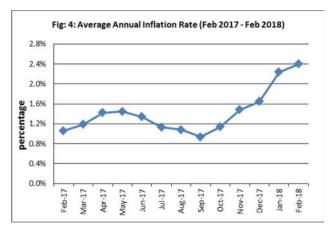
The 14.1 percent increase in the Education index was a result of the higher prices recorded for National University of Samoa registration fees and Parents Teachers Association (PTA) fees.

Underlying Indices 1/

The All Items Underlying Index for February 2018 registered an increase of 0.3 percent when compared to January 2018, and an increase of 3.9 percent when compared to February 2017. The Local Items Underlying Index registered an increase of 1.4 percent, while Imported Items Underlying Index recorded a decrease of 0.1 percent.

Average Annual Inflation Rate

The average annual inflation rate for the year ended February 2018 was 2.4 percent. For the twelve months ending February 2017 the inflation rate was 1.1 percent. Presented in Fig 4 is the Average annual inflation rate (February 2017 - February 2018).



Source: Samoa Bureau of Statistics

The attached Tables and Graphs provide the user with more detailed analysis.

Technical Notes:

The Consumer Price (CPI) measures the rate of inflation for Samoa. It is designed to measure the change in prices for the goods purchased by households in Samoa. The CPI measures the change in prices by comparing the prices for a basket of goods and services at the collection period with the price for the same goods in a base period.

The basket of goods that is priced is based on the average expenditures of households as recorded in the Household Income and Expenditure Survey (HIES). The HIES survey identifies how much households spend on different items. The more households spend on an item on average, the more important it is to the price index, and the higher the weight in the index.

^{1/} Monthly movements in the 'headline' CPI series can be volatile. This volatility reflects price changes in particular items that may be due, among other factors, to fluctuations in commodity markets and agricultural conditions, policy changes, or seasonal or infrequent price resetting.

Underlying inflation is measure of inflation that excludes certain items that face volatile price movements. Underlying inflation eliminates products that can have temporary price shocks because these shocks can diverge from the overall trend of inflation and give a false measure of inflation.

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The next Consumer Price Index will be released on 11th April 2018.

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Table 1. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.
(Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	1000.0	403.7	128.4	21.2	119.6	30.8	4.6	148.5	51.5	6.1	19.7	22.4	43.5
Ave - 2015	99.8	97.9	97.7	98.6	106.0	99.7	99.9	108.7	100.0	99.9	100.0	98.7	99.2
Ave - 2016	101.1	103.7	102.8	98.8	92.6	99.4	99.2	101.3	100.0	95.4	101.1	99.3	100.6
Ave - 2017	102.8	104.8	107.6	96.6	92.2	99.1	95.6	107.3	101.2	90.7	97.9	98.3	98.1
2017													
February	101.6	102.6	106.1	97.8	91.3	98.3	94.5	108.0	100.0	87.7	96.8	98.0	99.6
March	101.0	101.2	105.8	98.6	90.9	99.6	94.5	107.5	100.3	88.5	96.8	98.0	99.3
April	100.7	100.4	107.5	97.5	89.9	99.9	94.5	107.5	100.3	90.1	96.8	98.0	98.6
May	101.7	102.1	107.6	98.5	91.2	99.7	95.3	108.0	100.3	90.1	97.8	98.0	98.2
June	102.6	103.8	107.4	97.0	92.8	99.3	95.3	109.0	100.3	90.4	97.8	98.3	97.5
July	103.4	106.5	108.2	95.0	94.7	99.1	95.3	105.0	100.3	90.4	97.8	98.3	97.4
August	104.3	107.8	108.5	95.4	94.1	99.1	95.3	107.9	100.3	91.7	97.8	98.3	97.2
September	103.6	107.2	108.3	95.1	94.0	99.2	95.3	104.3	101.8	92.0	97.8	98.3	97.1
October	104.3	108.1	108.5	95.3	90.5	98.9	95.3	108.1	103.7	92.0	97.8	98.6	98.1
November	105.0	108.0	108.7	95.7	94.7	98.9	95.3	109.8	103.4	92.0	97.8	98.6	97.7
December	103.6	104.9	108.7	95.8	92.7	98.3	95.3	110.6	103.4	92.0	97.8	98.6	97.6
2018													
January	105.7	108.6	110.3	95.7	93.0	98.3	95.3	113.5	103.4	91.7	97.8	98.6	97.5
February (P)	105.3	108.2	110.6	94.7	90.9	98.6	95.3	111.3	103.4	92.9	111.6	98.6	97.6
						Percentage Change (<u>(P)</u>						
Feb 2018													
over Jan 2018	-0.4%	-0.4%	0.2%	-1.0%	-2.3%	0.3%	0.0%	-1.9%	0.0%	1.4%	14.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Feb 2018													
over	3.6%	5.5%	4.3%	-3.1%	-0.5%	0.3%	0.9%	3.1%	3.4%	5.9%	15.3%	0.6%	-2.1%
Feb 2017													
ALL ITEMS UNDI	ERLYING INDEX												
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Table 2. AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED COMMODITIES

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2016		2017	20	18	
	***	Onit	Dec	Jan	Feb	Dec	Jan	Feb (P)
01 Food and non-alcoholic beverage	es							
Leg Quarters Chicken	62.2	kg	3.39	3.35	3.31	4.39	4.06	3.99
Raw Sugar	21.3	kg	3.06	3.12	3.13	2.96	2.95	2.99
Bread	17.2	loaf	1.72	1.73	1.75	1.68	1.68	1.72
Corned Beef (a)	15.9	12 oz	8.67	8.67	8.37	8.22	8.22	8.22
Taro	15.2	kg	2.25	2.18	1.69	1.81	2.08	1.98
Re-packed medium grain rice	13.4	kg	3.37	3.22	3.13	3.20	3.21	3.25
Prepacked medium grain rice (a)	13.4	907g	3.22	3.28	3.33	3.05	3.19	3.00
Canned fish between \$3.00 and \$3.99 Natural Oil	12.7	15 oz	3.42	3.46	3.40	3.50	3.51	3.48
Bongo	10.2	20grms	0.82	0.84	0.81	0.83	0.83	0.83
Keke Saina Biscuits (a)	9.2	pkt 10	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.38	6.40	6.40
Tip Top Ice Cream (a)	9.2	2 ltr	14.92	14.95	14.97	15.07	15.03	15.03
Ramen maggie	9.0	85gms	1.12	1.11	1.11	1.12	1.12	1.12
Fish (Piece)	7.9	kg	15.14	18.22	15.48	14.31	16.82	17.13
Butter Anchor	7.7	454g	11.79	12.19	12.19	13.24	13.46	13.46
Round Pancake (a)	7.5	sml	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Mutton Flaps	6.6	kg	16.53	17.02	16.92	20.85	20.95	20.76
Canned fish \$4:00 or over N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	4.66	4.77	4.91	4.83	4.58	4.58
Canned fish under \$3.00 in N/Oil	6.4	15 oz	2.53	2.53	2.62	2.50	2.53	2.52
Wings Turkey	6.3	kg	3.93	4.13	4.12	6.97	6.70	6.06
Fish (string)	6.0	kg	9.18	9.51	8.46	9.01	11.06	9.76
Fish (large)	6.0	kg -	14.48	16.95	14.17	15.86	18.58	16.47
02 Alcoholic beverages, tobacco and	d narc	cotics						
Lager Beer	37.9	355 mls	3.42	3.43	3.44	3.44	3.46	3.52
Pall Mall Filter Cigarettes (Red)	24.3	20 rolls	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.20	12.60	12.60
Pall Mall Menthol Cigarettes (Green)	24.3	20 rolls	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.20	12.60	12.60
Beer (a)	16.3	330 mls	3.31	3.33	3.33	3.31	3.34	3.34
Winfield Tobacco (a)	12.6	packet	14.60	14.68	14.68	15.00	15.00	15.00
03 Clothing and footwear								
Uniform le Faitaga College boys	4.3	size 8-10	33.00	33.00	33.00	32.33	32.33	31.33
Uniform Pa'ave (a)	3.7	size 7	33.67	33.67	33.67	32.67	32.67	32.67
04 Housing, water, electricity, gas al	nd oth	ner fuels						
Electricity / Cashpower / kwh 1- 100 / total cost per unit / l	50.6	kwh	0.70	0.63	0.71	0.67	0.67	0.62
Reservoir treated Water	28.5	15-40 m3	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40	1.40
Liquid gas	15.8	9kg	59.50	59.50	59.50	59.50	59.50	61.00
Government house Rent	12.2	2 b/room	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
05 Furnishings, household equipme	nt and	d routine	housel	hold ma	aintena	nce		
Washing powder (a)	6.3	200g	1.87	1.87	1.84	1.84	1.84	1.81
Soap yellow Washing soap	5.9	bar	2.80	2.79	2.79	2.94	2.94	2.98
Mosquito coil	4.4	10 coil	1.28	1.28	1.28	1.20	1.18	1.18
06 Health								
Amoxicillin mg Tablets (a)	2.5	500 mg	7.33	7.33	6.67	6.83	6.83	6.83
Hospital Charge	1.1	night	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.50

Commodities	Wt	Unit	2016		2017		20	18
		•	Dec	Jan	Feb	Dec	Jan	Feb (P)
07 Transport								
Petrol	60.8	1 ltr	2.41	2.32	2.52	2.56	2.70	2.67
Taxi Fare PO Motootua Hosp	8.2	per trip	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.80
Taxi Fares PO Malua	8.2	per trip	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30	31.30
Taxi Fares PO Falefa	8.2	per trip	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20	43.20
Air Fares Fagalii Pago Fagalii	6.8	return trip	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00	380.00
Air Fares Apia Auckland Apia	6.8	1 month	1377.70	949.25	1548.80	1489.07	1480.93	1005.50
08 Communication								
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.0	2 per minute	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.0	2 per mb	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.25	0.25	0.25
Calling per minute Rate cell phone (a)	10.0	2 per minute	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.44
Internet data bundles per mb Rate (a)	10.0	2 per mb	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20
09 Recreation and culture								
Television (a)	2.3	0 LCD	966.17	1007.83	941.00	1007.83	966.00	966.00
Exercise Book warwick	1.4	4 1B4 64 pag	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.37	1.37	1.45
Laptop (a)	1.3	3 each	2999.60	2999.60	2729.60	2808.60	2952.60	2952.60
10 Education								
Fees PTA Primary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	7.2	3 Year 6	72.50	72.50	62.50	62.50	62.50	82.50
Fees PTA Secondary Y Urban Registration fees (a)	5.1	1 Year 10	48.00	48.00	48.00	50.00	50.00	52.00
Fees Tertiary NUS registration School Fees	3.7	9 registration	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	292.00	320.00
Fees Secondary Y Examination Fees (a)	3.6	1 Y12-13	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50	25.50
11 Restaurants and hotels								
Fish & Meal	7.7	9 1 serve	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.17	9.17	9.17
Curry & Meal	4.8	7 1 serve	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Chicken & Meal (a)	4.8	7 1 serve	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.36
Steam rice & chicken Meal (a)	4.8	7 1 serve	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83	4.83
12 Miscellaneous goods and service	es							
Paper Sofan deluxe ply Toilet Paper	8.5	2 250 sheets	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98
Hair Gel	4.5	9 1124ml	4.97	4.69	5.11	4.81	4.77	4.81
Remains price for Storage of remains (a)	4.4	1 per day	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00
Basic Casket (a)	4.4	1 each	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67	1966.67
Standard Embalming (a)	4.4	1 1 person	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00
Toilet soap (a)	4.3	8 90g	1.85	1.85	1.84	1.83	1.83	1.83
Diapers (a)	4.1	9 5kg-10kg	10.67	10.67	10.67	9.94	9.94	9.97

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics

(a) : New commodity from February 2016

(P): Provisional figures

Note: Please note unit of convvertion was in pound's (lb's) but been converted into kilograms (kg)

Table 3. IMPORTED GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	494.7	269.1	23.8	15.2	28.3	26.9	2.5	88.6	n.a	5.6	n.a	n.a	34.7
Ave - 2015	104.5	104.5	103.0	99.5	104.5	99.1	100.5	114.0		96.8			99.2
Ave - 2016	102.5	103.9	105.1	98.8	98.7	99.3	98.5	101.8		95.0			100.7
Ave - 2017 2017	107.3	110.1	110.0	97.0	97.6	98.9	91.7	111.2		90.0			97.1
February	105.0	105.3	110.2	97.6	98.3	98.1	89.5	112.1		86.8			99.0
March	105.1	105.0	109.7	98.2	98.4	99.5	89.5	113.5		87.6			98.6
April	104.6	104.1	110.3	98.5	98.5	99.8	89.5	112.9		89.3			97.7
May	104.6	105.3	108.6	98.2	97.9	99.6	91.1	110.3		89.3			97.1
June	107.0	109.5	108.9	95.9	98.2	99.2	91.1	111.7		89.7			96.3
July	107.7	111.6	110.1	95.7	97.6	99.0	91.1	109.2		89.7			96.1
August	108.5	113.9	110.5	96.3	96.9	98.9	91.1	107.1		91.1			95.9
September	108.6	113.7	110.2	95.9	96.8	99.1	91.1	107.8		91.4			95.8
October	110.4	115.7	110.2	96.3	96.5	98.7	91.1	112.1		91.4			97.0
November	111.3	115.9	110.5	96.7	97.5	98.8	91.1	115.7		91.4			96.5
December	110.5	114.4	110.5	96.5	97.6	98.0	91.1	116.3		91.4			96.4
2018			110.0	00.0	07.0	00.0	0			· · · ·			00.1
January	110.3	112.1	110.5	96.9	98.7	98.0	91.1	121.6		91.0			96.3
February (P)	110.0	111.8	110.3	95.5	99.9	98.4	91.1	120.5		92.4			96.4
1 ebidary (i)	110.0	111.0	110.5	95.5		centage Change (P)	31.1	120.5		32.4			30.4
Feb 2018					ren	centage Change (F)							
over	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.2%	-1.4%	1.3%	0.4%	0.0%	-0.9%		1.5%			0.1%
Jan 2018													
Feb 2018													
over Feb 2017	4.7%	6.1%	0.1%	-2.2%	1.7%	0.3%	1.8%	7.5%		6.4%			-2.6%
IMPORTED ITEMS	UNDERLYING IN	IDEX											
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	401.2	269.1	n.a	15.2	24.2	26.9	2.5	23.0	n.a	5.6	n.a	n.a	34.7
Ave - 2015	103.4	104.5		99.5	102.0	99.1	100.5	105.9		96.8			99.2
Ave - 2016	102.4	103.9		98.8	97.5	99.3	98.5	100.1		95.0			100.7
Ave - 2017 2017	106.0	110.1		97.0	93.8	98.9	91.7	104.5		90.0			97.1
February	102.7	105.3		97.6	94.1	98.1	89.5	101.0		86.8			99.0
March	102.6	105.0		98.2	94.1	99.5	89.5	101.0		87.6			98.6
April	102.0	104.1		98.5	94.3	99.8	89.5	101.0		89.3			97.7
•													
May	102.9	105.3		98.2	94.3	99.6	91.1	104.0		89.3			97.1
June	105.5	109.5		95.9	94.4	99.2	91.1	104.0		89.7			96.3
July	106.9	111.6		95.7	94.4	99.0	91.1	104.0		89.7			96.1
August	108.4	113.9		96.3	94.3	98.9	91.1	103.5		91.1			95.9
September	108.3	113.7		95.9	93.7	99.1	91.1	103.5		91.4			95.8
October	109.8	115.7		96.3	92.6	98.7	91.1	107.2		91.4			97.0
November	110.3	115.9		96.7	92.8	98.8	91.1	112.8		91.4			96.5
December	109.1	114.4		96.5	92.6	98.0	91.1	111.1		91.4			96.4
2018					00.5	98.0	91.1	113.3		91.0			96.3
	107.7	112.1		96.9	92.5	00.0	31.1						
January	107.7 107.5	112.1 111.8		96.9 95.5	92.5 94.1	98.4	91.1	112.6		92.4			96.4
January February (P)					94.1					92.4			96.4
January February (P) Feb 2018	107.5	111.8		95.5	94.1 <u>Per</u>	98.4 centage Change (P)	91.1	112.6					
2018 January February (P) Feb 2018 over Jan 2018					94.1	98.4				92.4			96.4
January February (P) Feb 2018 over Jan 2018 Feb 2018	-0.1%	-0.3%		95.5	94.1 <u>Per</u> 1.7%	98.4 centage Change (P) 0.4%	91.1	-0.5%		1.5%			0.1%
January February (P) Feb 2018 over Jan 2018	107.5	111.8		95.5	94.1 <u>Per</u>	98.4 centage Change (P)	91.1	112.6					

Source : Samoa Bureau Statistics (P): Provisional figures Note: n.a. Not applicable

Table 4. LOCAL GOODS COMPONENT OF THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (Base Period : Average Prices February 2016 = 100)

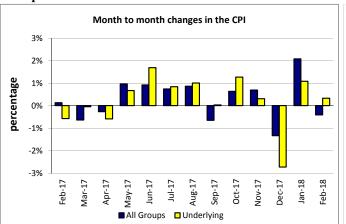
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	505.3	134.6	104.6	6.0	91.3	3.9	2.2	59.9	51.5	0.4	19.7	22.4	8.8
Ave - 2015	96.9	92.0	96.7	97.6	106.4	101.3	98.2	104.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	98.7	
Ave - 2016	99.7	102.5	102.3	98.6	90.7	100.0	100.0	100.5	100.0	100.0	101.1	99.3	
Ave - 2017	98.4	94.2	107.1	95.7	90.6	100.1	100.0	101.6	101.2	100.0	97.9	98.3	102.3
2017													
February	98.3	97.1	105.1	98.2	89.2	100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
March	97.0	93.7	104.9	99.6	88.5	100.0	100.0	98.6	100.3	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
April	97.0	92.9	106.9	94.9	87.3	100.0	100.0	99.5	100.3	100.0	96.8	98.0	102.3
May	98.9	95.8	107.4	99.3	89.2	100.0	100.0	104.4	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.0	102.3
June	98.4	92.6	107.1	99.7	91.1	100.0	100.0	105.1	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
July	99.2	96.4	107.7	93.0	93.8	100.0	100.0	98.9	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
August	100.1	95.5	108.0	93.2	93.2	100.2	100.0	109.0	100.3	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
September	98.8	94.3	107.9	93.1	93.2	100.2	100.0	99.2	101.8	100.0	97.8	98.3	102.3
October	98.2	93.0	108.1	92.7	88.7	100.3	100.0	102.2	103.7	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
November	98.8	92.2	108.3	93.1	93.8	100.3	100.0	101.2	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
December	96.8	86.0	108.3	93.8	91.3	100.3	100.0	102.2	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
2018													
January	101.3	101.6	110.3	92.6	91.3	100.3	100.0	101.5	103.4	100.0	97.8	98.6	102.3
February (P)	100.7	101.0	110.7	92.8	88.1	100.3	100.0	97.7	103.4	100.0	111.6	98.6	102.3
						Percentage Change	<u>(P)</u>						
Feb 2018													
over	-0.6%	-0.6%	0.3%	0.2%	-3.5%	0.0%	0.0%	-3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	14.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Jan 2018													
Feb 2018													
over	2.4%	4.0%	5.3%	-5.5%	-1.2%	0.3%	0.0%	-4.0%	3.4%	0.0%	15.3%	0.6%	0.0%
Feb 2017													

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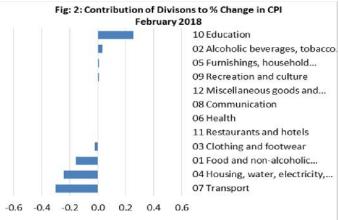
Group	All Items	Food and Non Alcoholic Beverages	Alcoholic Beverages, Tobacco and Narcotics	Clothing and Footwear	Housing,Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	Furnishings, Household Equipment and Maintenance	Health	Transport	Communication	Recreation and Culture	Education	Restaurants	Miscellaneous goods and services
Weights	185.5	76.1	n.a	6.0	n.a	3.9	1.0	3.4	51.5	n.a	12.3	22.4	8.8
Ave - 2015	99.9	100.3		97.6	98.8	101.3	91.7	100.0		100.0		98.7	
Ave - 2016	100.3	100.6		98.6		100.0	100.0	101.0				99.3	
Ave - 2017	99.4	98.7		95.7		100.1	100.0	101.8	101.2		96.7	98.3	102.3
2017													
February	100.0	101.2		98.2		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.0		94.8	98.0	102.3
March	100.1	101.2		99.6		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		94.8	98.0	102.3
April	99.5	100.0		94.9		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		94.8	98.0	102.3
May	99.7	99.9		99.3		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.0	102.3
June	99.5	99.3		99.7		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
July	99.3	99.3		93.0		100.0	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
August	99.3	99.3		93.2		100.2	100.0	101.8	100.3		96.5	98.3	102.3
September	99.7	99.3		93.1		100.2	100.0	101.8	101.8		96.5	98.3	102.3
October	100.6	100.1		92.7		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.7		96.5	98.6	102.3
November	100.6	100.3		93.1		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
December	94.0	84.2		93.8		100.3	100.0	101.8	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
2018													
January	100.6	100.2		92.6		100.3	100.0	105.7	103.4		96.5	98.6	102.3
February (P)	102.0	100.4		92.8		100.3	100.0	108.6	103.4		115.6	98.6	102.3
Percentage Change (P)													
Feb 2018													
over	1.4%	0.3%		0.2%		0.0%	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%		19.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Jan 2018													
Feb 2018													
over	2.0%	-0.8%		-5.5%		0.3%	0.0%	6.7%	3.4%		21.9%	0.6%	0.0%
Feb 2017													

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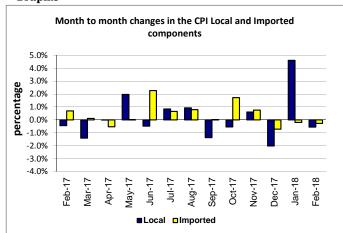




Graph.2



Graph.3



Graph.4

