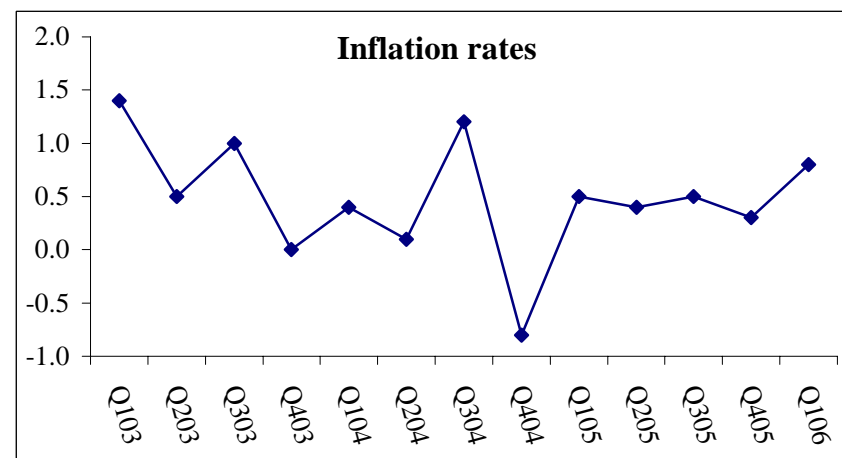


## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – QUARTER 1 OF 2006

Expenditure Group	% Change Over Dec-05	% Change Over Mar-05
Food	1.2	3.1
Drinks & Tobacco	0.5	2.1
Clothing & Footwear	0.0	0.0
Housing & Utilities	1.1	3.5
Household Supplies	0.0	-1.5
Transport & Communication	0.6	0.9
Recreation, Education, Health, etc.	0.0	0.2
<b>All Groups</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Underlying Measure</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>



### HIGHLIGHTS

- During the first quarter of 2006, Consumer Price Index registered 0.7% change over the fourth quarter of 2005, and 2.0% over the first quarter of 2005.
- The Expenditure Groups contributing to the increase over the first quarter were Food (1.2%), Housing Utilities (1.1%), Transport & Communication (0.6) and Drinks & Tobacco (0.5%).
- The increases were due to rises in the price of cigarette, electricity and fuel.
- However, clothing & footwear, Household Supplies and Recreation, Education, Health, etc indicated no changes compared to the previous quarter of the year.
- The underlying inflation rates contributed an increase of 0.1% during period change of the fourth quarter and the third quarter of the same year while an increase of 0.2% compared to the two periods between the fourth quarter of 2005 and the same period in 2004.

**Table 1 Consumer Price Index**  
**Tableau 1 Indices des Prix à la consommation**

**Base: 1st Quarter 2000 = 100**  
**Base: 1er Trimestre 2000 = 100**

Year Quarter	Consumer price Index			Rate of Change Over Previous Quarter			Rate of Change Over Same Quarter Previous Year			Annual Average Change			Année Trimestre
	Indice des prix à la Consommation			Variation par rapport au trimestre précédent			Variation par rapport de même trimestre de l'année précédente			Taux moyen annuel			
	Total / Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total / Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total / Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total / Global	Port Vila	Luganville	
2000 1st	100.0	100.0	100.6	0.4	0.4	1.3	0.5	0.4	2.7	0.5	0.4	2.7	2000 1er
2nd	101.2	101.3	101.0	1.2	1.3	0.4	1.6	1.5	3.3	1.6	1.6	2.4	2ème
3rd	103.2	103.4	100.3	2.0	2.1	-0.7	3.9	4.0	3.0	3.2	3.3	0.9	3ème
4th	103.9	103.9	101.4	0.7	0.5	1.1	4.3	4.3	2.7	2.9	2.8	1.2	4ème
2001 1st	105.0	104.9	103.6	1.1	1.0	2.2	5.0	4.9	3.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	2001 1er
2nd	105.8	105.6	104.1	0.8	0.7	0.5	4.5	4.2	3.1	2.4	2.2	2.5	2ème
3rd	105.8	105.7	105.1	0.0	0.1	1.0	2.5	2.2	4.8	1.3	1.2	2.7	3ème
4th	106.1	106.0	105.6	0.3	0.3	0.5	2.1	2.0	4.1	0.9	0.9	2.0	4ème
2002 1st	106.3	106.3	105.8	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.2	1.3	2.1	0.6	0.7	1.1	2002 1er
2nd	108.0	108.2	105.9	1.6	1.8	0.1	2.1	2.5	1.7	1.9	2.2	0.7	2ème
3rd	108.2	108.4	106.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	2.3	2.6	1.0	1.5	1.7	0.6	3ème
4th	108.5	108.5	107.7	0.3	0.1	0.6	2.3	2.4	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.7	4ème
2003 1st	110.0	110.3	108.1	1.4	1.7	0.4	3.5	3.8	2.2	2.1	2.3	1.6	2003 1er
2nd	110.6	110.9	108.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	2.4	2.5	2.4	1.8	1.9	1.3	2ème
3rd	111.7	112.0	109.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	3.2	3.3	3.1	2.2	2.3	1.8	3ème
4th	111.7	111.8	110.2	0.0	-0.2	0.6	2.9	3.0	2.3	1.4	1.2	1.6	4ème
2004 1st	112.1	112.3	111.8	0.4	0.4	1.5	1.9	1.8	3.4	1.0	0.9	2.5	2004 1er
2nd	112.1	112.4	111.5	0.0	0.1	-0.3	1.4	1.4	2.9	0.5	0.6	1.4	2ème
3rd	113.5	113.8	111.9	1.2	1.2	0.4	1.6	1.6	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.0	3ème
4th	112.6	112.8	112.0	-0.8	-0.9	0.1	0.8	0.9	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.6	4ème
2005 1st	113.2	113.0	114.4	0.5	0.2	2.1	1.0	0.6	2.3	0.6	0.2	2.3	2005 1er
2nd	115.3	113.3	115.3	1.9	0.3	0.8	2.9	0.8	3.4	2.2	0.3	2.5	2ème
3rd	115.6	113.9	115.6	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.9	0.1	3.3	1.7	0.6	1.9	3ème
4th	114.6	114.3	116.2	-0.9	0.4	0.5	1.8	1.3	3.8	0.4	0.9	1.6	4ème
2006 1st	115.5	115.3	116.5	0.8	0.9	0.3	2.0	2.0	1.8	0.7	1.5	1.0	2006 1er

**Table 2 Underlying Consumer Price Index**  
**Tableau 2 Indice sous-jacent des prix à la consommation**

**Base: 1st Quarter 2000 = 100**  
**Base: 1er Trimestre 2000 = 100**

Year Quarter	Underlying Consumer price Index			Rate of Change Over Previous Quarter			Rate of Change Over Same Quarter Previous Year			Annual Average Change			Année Trimestre
	Indice sous-jacent des prix à la Consommation			Variation par rapport au trimestre précédent			Variation par rapport de même trimestre de l'année précédente			Taux moyen annuel			
	Total/Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total/Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total/Global	Port Vila	Luganville	Total/Global	Port Vila	Luganville	
2001 1st	102.2	102.4	101.2	0.6	0.5	0.9	2.2	2.4	1.2	1.4	1.4	1.1	2001 1er
2nd	102.6	102.7	102.1	0.4	0.3	0.9	2.3	2.4	1.9	1.2	1.1	1.7	2ème
3rd	102.3	102.3	101.8	-0.3	-0.4	-0.3	0.9	0.5	1.9	0.3	0.1	0.9	3ème
4th	102.1	102.4	100.6	-0.2	0.1	-1.2	0.5	0.5	0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.7	4ème
2002 1st	101.9	102.0	101.5	-0.2	-0.4	0.9	-0.3	-0.4	0.3	-0.4	-0.4	0.1	2002 1er
2nd	103.3	103.5	102.1	1.4	1.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.0	1.1	1.1	0.6	2ème
3rd	103.9	104.2	102.2	0.6	0.7	0.1	1.6	1.9	0.4	1.5	1.6	0.7	3ème
4th	104.2	104.7	101.6	0.3	0.1	0.6	2.3	2.4	1.3	1.4	1.6	0.0	4ème
2003 1st	105.2	105.5	103.8	1.0	0.8	2.2	3.2	3.4	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.9	2003 1er
2nd	106.0	106.4	104.2	0.8	0.9	0.4	2.6	2.8	2.1	1.8	1.8	1.7	2ème
3rd	106.6	106.9	104.9	0.6	0.5	0.7	2.6	2.6	2.6	1.7	1.6	1.9	3ème
4th	106.8	106.9	106.3	0.2	0.0	1.3	2.5	2.1	4.6	1.2	1.0	2.6	4ème
2004 1st	107.1	107.2	106.6	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.8	1.6	2.7	0.9	0.7	1.7	2004 1er
2nd	107.3	107.4	107.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	1.2	0.9	2.9	0.6	0.5	1.6	2ème
3rd	108.1	108.3	107.5	0.7	0.8	0.3	1.4	1.3	2.5	1.1	1.1	1.2	3ème
4th	108.1	108.3	107.6	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.2	1.3	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.7	4ème
2005 1st	108.3	108.0	109.9	0.2	-0.3	2.1	1.1	0.7	3.1	0.6	0.2	2.5	2005 1er
2nd	108.1	107.8	110.0	-0.2	-0.2	0.1	0.7	0.4	2.6	0.1	-0.2	1.8	2ème
3rd	108.2	107.8	109.9	0.1	0.0	-0.1	0.1	-0.5	2.2	0.0	-0.3	1.1	3ème
4th	108.3	107.9	110.4	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.2	-0.4	2.6	0.1	-0.1	1.0	4ème
2006 1st	109.2	108.9	110.7	0.8	0.9	0.3	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.9	1.0	0.6	2006 1er