

Analysis - Tinian

Section 1 – Quarterly Inflation

Table 4 below shows the quarterly inflation rate for each quarter since the 2nd quarter 2010, by group. As can be seen from this table the index rose by 1.9 percent for the 4th quarter. The trend for “All Items” can also be seen in Chart 6 on the following page, illustrating a sharper rise when compared to the previous quarter.

Chart 7 shows that “Medical Care” had the largest increase during the last quarter with a rise of 19.4 percent. Most other groups decreased during the quarter, with the greatest decline occurring in the “Alcoholic Beverages” group with a drop of 3.1 percent.

The sharp rise for “Medical Care” was due to a 23 percent increase in the cost of Health Insurance.

Table 4: Quarterly inflation, by group, Tinian: Qtr 2 2010 – Qtr 4 2010

Group	2nd Qtr 2010	3rd Qtr 2010	4th Qtr 2010
All Items	2.3	0.5	1.9
Food	-0.9	-0.1	-1.9
Alcoholic Beverages	2.1	0.0	-3.1
Housing & Utilities	7.1	1.6	1.1
Apparel	-0.1	-0.6	-0.4
Transportation	1.1	0.7	-0.4
Medical Care	0.3	0.0	19.4
Recreation	0.2	0.2	0.1
Education & Communication	0.5	0.5	-1.2
Other Goods & Services	1.6	0.0	0.9

Chart 6: Quarterly inflation, Tinian: Qtr 2 2010 – Qtr 4 2010

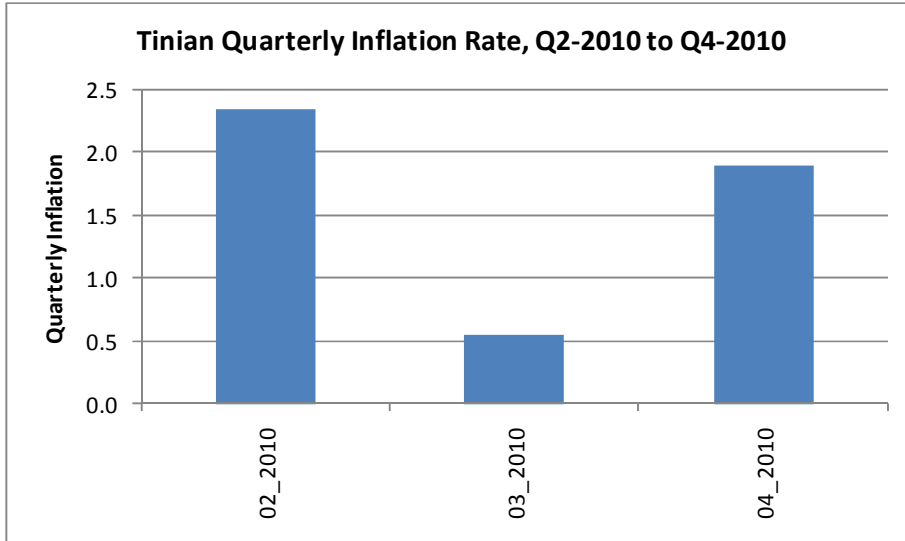
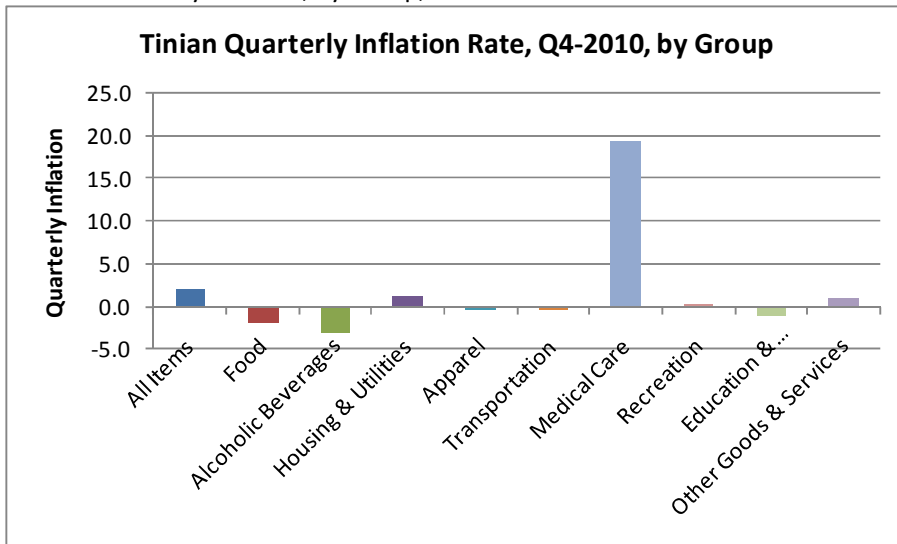


Chart 7: Quarterly inflation, by Group, Tinian: Qtr 4 2010



Section 2 – Annual Inflation

Since the series for Tinian only commenced in the first quarter of 2010, there will be no annual inflation figures until the data from the first quarter of 2011 is analysed.