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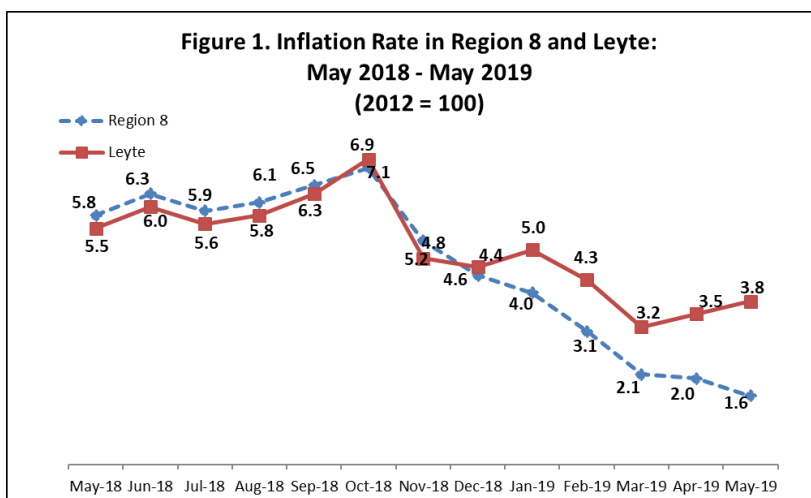
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MAY 2019 PRICE SITUATION IN LEYTE (2012=100)

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Leyte's Inflation rate rises to 3.8 percent in May 2019

The inflation rate in Leyte accelerated to 3.8 percent in May 2019, representing an increase of 0.3 percentage point compared to the 3.5 percent inflation rate in the previous month. Furthermore, this month's rate is lower by 1.7



percentage points compared with the 5.5 percent inflation rate in the same period of last year. Leyte's inflation rate remained higher compared to region's inflation rate since December 2018.

All of the commodity groups contributed to the 3.8 percent overall inflation rate except Education which posted -18.4 percent inflation rate attributable to the significant impact of the Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act. The following major commodity groups contributed to the provincial inflation rate: Furnishings, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house (6.3 percent); Transport (6.1 percent); Food and non-alcoholic beverages (5.3 percent); Health (4.8 percent); Recreation and Culture (4.2 percent); Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (4.0 percent); Restaurant and miscellaneous goods and services (2.8 percent); Alcoholic beverages and tobacco (2.9 percent); Clothing and Footwear (2.9 percent); and Communication (0.4 percent).

Four major commodity groups posted increases on its month-on-month rate of price change. Transport reported the biggest increase with 0.5 percentage point from 5.6 percent



in April 2019 to 6.1 percent in May 2019. This was followed by the 0.3 percentage point increment on the inflation rates of Food and non-alcoholic beverages house, 0.1 percentage point for Health, and Restaurant and Miscellaneous goods and services.

Previous month's inflation rates for Furnishing, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house (6.3 percent), Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels (4.0 percent), Clothing and footwear (2.9 percent), Communication (0.4 percent), and Education (-18.4 percent) were sustained during the month-in-review.

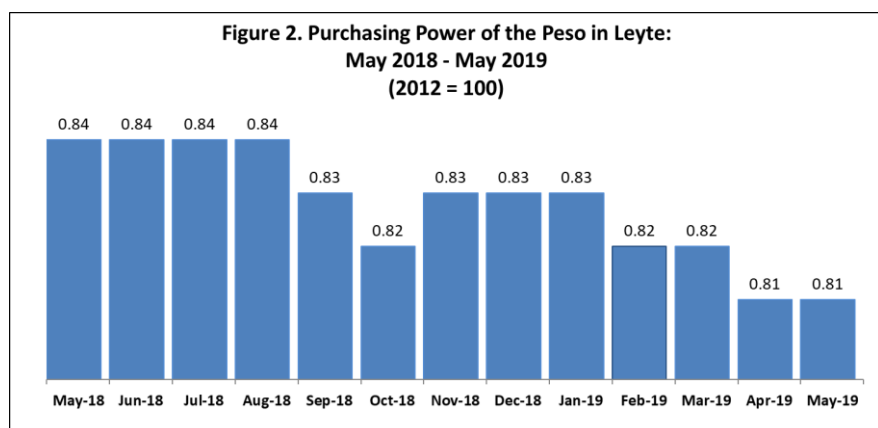
On the other hand, Alcoholic beverages and tobacco reported a drop of 0.3 percentage point, from 3.2 percent in April 2019 to 2.9 percent in May 2019. Likewise, Recreation and culture reported a drop from 4.4 percent in previous month to 4.2 in the reference month.

Inflation rate is the general rise of prices over a period. It indicates how fast or how slow price changes over two-time periods. Contrary to common knowledge, low inflation does not necessarily connote that prices are falling, rather, it means that prices continue to increase at a slower rate. It is a derived indicator of the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The CPI is a measure of change in the average retail prices of goods and services commonly purchased by a particular group of people in a particular area. The overall CPI in Leyte for May 2019 was recorded at 123.3. This means that the average retail prices of goods and services in Leyte is 23.3 percent higher than the average retail prices in 2012 (base year).

Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) remains at 81 centavos in May 2019

The Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) in Leyte for May 2019 remained at 81 centavos. Likewise, the PPP for Region 8 stood still at 80 centavos since January 2019. This



purchasing power of the peso indicates that the same basket of goods and services worth 81 pesos in 2012 (base year) is worth 100 pesos during the reference period.

**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Income Households in Leyte: May 2018 - May 2019
(2012 = 100)**

| COMMODITY GROUP | 2018 | | | | | | | | 2019 | | | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May |
| ALL ITEMS | 118.8 | 119.4 | 118.8 | 119.6 | 121.2 | 122.0 | 120.2 | 120.1 | 121.0 | 121.6 | 121.7 | 122.8 | 123.3 |
| I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 122.3 | 122.8 | 123.3 | 124.2 | 126.6 | 127.6 | 125.8 | 125.4 | 126.6 | 127.0 | 127.0 | 128.4 | 128.8 |
| * Food | 122.9 | 123.4 | 124.0 | 124.9 | 127.4 | 128.4 | 126.5 | 126.1 | 127.3 | 127.7 | 127.6 | 129.0 | 129.4 |
| Bread and Cereals | 124.3 | 124.9 | 125.8 | 127.2 | 130.7 | 131.5 | 128.9 | 127.6 | 128.1 | 129.2 | 128.8 | 128.9 | 129.5 |
| Rice | 126.5 | 127.2 | 128.3 | 130.0 | 134.3 | 134.9 | 131.6 | 129.9 | 130.0 | 131.3 | 130.8 | 130.9 | 131.3 |
| Corn | 133.7 | 133.7 | 133.7 | 136.3 | 139.7 | 139.7 | 139.6 | 139.5 | 142.9 | 144.9 | 146.8 | 146.8 | 147.5 |
| Other Cereals, Flour, Cereal Preparation, Bread, Pasta and Other Bakery Products | 113.9 | 114.0 | 114.0 | 114.1 | 114.1 | 115.9 | 116.3 | 116.6 | 118.0 | 118.5 | 118.7 | 118.9 | 119.6 |
| Meat | 118.2 | 117.8 | 117.4 | 117.1 | 118.8 | 121.2 | 120.7 | 120.7 | 122.3 | 122.2 | 120.2 | 122.7 | 121.0 |
| Fish | 129.9 | 131.8 | 132.7 | 134.4 | 138.1 | 140.0 | 134.9 | 134.9 | 136.4 | 136.2 | 136.2 | 140.9 | 144.3 |
| Milk, Cheese and Eggs | 116.2 | 116.5 | 117.6 | 117.6 | 117.6 | 119.3 | 119.6 | 119.9 | 120.3 | 120.4 | 120.4 | 120.6 | 121.5 |
| Oils and Fats | 112.1 | 112.1 | 112.2 | 112.4 | 112.5 | 113.5 | 114.3 | 115.2 | 115.8 | 115.8 | 116.3 | 116.9 | 117.1 |
| Fruit | 136.7 | 136.0 | 133.7 | 134.5 | 134.4 | 130.0 | 131.1 | 133.5 | 130.3 | 121.5 | 122.1 | 125.9 | 122.9 |
| Vegetables | 114.8 | 114.9 | 115.8 | 115.8 | 116.0 | 116.3 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 124.3 | 127.9 | 130.5 | 131.7 | 128.4 |
| Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery | 119.4 | 119.4 | 120.1 | 120.1 | 120.8 | 121.8 | 122.3 | 123.4 | 124.6 | 126.6 | 127.0 | 129.1 | 131.7 |
| Food Products N.E.C. | 112.0 | 112.1 | 112.1 | 112.0 | 112.1 | 113.5 | 113.5 | 113.2 | 114.5 | 115.0 | 115.5 | 116.1 | 116.0 |
| * Non-alcoholic Beverages | 115.0 | 115.0 | 115.2 | 115.5 | 116.6 | 117.6 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 117.8 | 118.4 | 119.1 | 120.8 | 121.0 |
| II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 247.9 | 247.9 | 247.9 | 248.7 | 249.7 | 249.9 | 249.9 | 249.9 | 252.0 | 253.8 | 254.0 | 255.0 | 255.1 |
| Alcoholic Beverages | 164.4 | 164.4 | 164.5 | 164.6 | 164.7 | 165.1 | 165.1 | 165.1 | 165.3 | 165.5 | 165.8 | 166.0 | 166.3 |
| Tobacco | 322.3 | 322.3 | 322.3 | 323.7 | 325.4 | 325.4 | 325.4 | 325.4 | 329.2 | 332.6 | 332.6 | 334.3 | 334.3 |
| NON-FOOD | 111.8 | 112.4 | 110.9 | 111.5 | 112.4 | 113.1 | 111.3 | 111.4 | 111.9 | 112.7 | 112.8 | 113.7 | 114.3 |
| III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 105.2 | 105.2 | 105.3 | 105.4 | 105.9 | 105.9 | 105.9 | 105.9 | 106.9 | 108.0 | 108.1 | 108.3 | 108.3 |
| Clothing | 105.6 | 105.6 | 105.8 | 105.9 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 106.9 | 107.9 | 108.0 | 108.2 | 108.2 |
| Footwear | 104.1 | 104.1 | 104.1 | 104.1 | 105.5 | 105.5 | 105.5 | 105.5 | 106.8 | 108.4 | 108.4 | 108.7 | 108.7 |
| IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS | 117.2 | 118.7 | 119.2 | 119.6 | 121.3 | 122.9 | 117.8 | 118.0 | 119.2 | 121.4 | 120.7 | 121.0 | 121.9 |
| Actual Rentals for Housing | 122.0 | 122.0 | 122.0 | 122.0 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 130.0 | 130.0 |
| Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling | 120.3 | 120.4 | 120.5 | 121.0 | 121.8 | 123.1 | 123.2 | 123.8 | 123.7 | 123.9 | 124.2 | 125.1 | 126.2 |
| Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 | 99.2 |
| Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | 112.2 | 116.1 | 117.4 | 118.3 | 119.5 | 123.4 | 110.2 | 110.8 | 113.8 | 119.4 | 117.7 | 110.7 | 112.8 |
| V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE | 108.3 | 108.3 | 108.7 | 110.7 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 111.0 | 111.2 | 112.6 | 113.5 | 113.7 | 115.0 | 115.1 |
| Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings | 98.9 | 98.9 | 98.9 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.0 | 99.3 | 99.6 | 99.8 | 100.1 | 100.1 |
| Household Textiles | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.8 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 | 101.9 |
| Household Appliances | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.2 | 100.9 | 100.9 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
| Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils | 104.9 | 104.9 | 105.0 | 105.1 | 105.1 | 105.1 | 105.1 | 105.1 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 105.1 | 105.1 | 105.1 |
| Tools and Equipment for House and Garden | 102.3 | 102.8 | 102.3 | 102.4 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.5 | 102.9 | 103.4 | 103.4 |
| Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.6 | 114.3 | 114.6 | 114.6 | 114.8 | 115.0 | 116.9 | 118.2 | 118.4 | 120.1 | 120.3 |
| VI. HEALTH | 109.6 | 109.8 | 109.8 | 109.9 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 113.6 | 114.2 | 114.7 | 114.7 | 114.7 | 114.9 |
| Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment | 104.4 | 104.8 | 104.9 | 105.0 | 106.1 | 106.1 | 106.1 | 106.4 | 106.8 | 106.8 | 106.9 | 106.9 | 107.3 |
| Out-patient Services | 116.1 | 116.1 | 116.1 | 116.2 | 116.2 | 116.2 | 116.2 | 116.2 | 118.4 | 120.7 | 120.7 | 120.7 | 120.7 |
| Hospital Services | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 118.9 | 118.9 | 118.9 | 118.9 | 118.9 | 118.9 |
| VII. TRANSPORT | 108.5 | 108.6 | 108.7 | 109.5 | 111.7 | 113.1 | 111.1 | 108.7 | 107.6 | 106.9 | 109.0 | 113.3 | 115.1 |
| Operation of Personal Transport Equipment | 87.9 | 90.6 | 90.9 | 91.6 | 95.4 | 98.3 | 91.8 | 83.8 | 81.8 | 86.1 | 91.3 | 94.4 | 96.6 |
| Transport Services | 119.0 | 117.8 | 117.8 | 118.7 | 119.5 | 120.4 | 120.4 | 120.4 | 119.5 | 115.9 | 117.0 | 123.0 | 125.1 |
| VIII. COMMUNICATION | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
| Postal Services | 110.3 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 110.3 | 113.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 |
| Telephone and Telefax Equipment | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 | 100.8 |
| IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE | 114.5 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 119.3 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 119.0 | 119.1 | 119.3 | 119.3 |
| Audio-visual, Photographic and Information Processing Equipment | 98.6 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 98.6 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.1 | 98.3 | 98.5 | 98.5 |
| Other Major Durables for Recreation and Culture | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.4 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 |
| Other Recreational Items and Equipment, Gardens and Pets | 110.4 | 110.4 | 110.4 | 110.4 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 110.6 | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 | 110.7 |
| Recreational and Cultural Services | 174.8 | 174.8 | 174.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 202.8 | 203.1 |
| Newspapers, Books and Stationery | 109.0 | 109.1 | 109.1 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.3 | 109.5 | 109.5 |
| X. EDUCATION | 124.2 | 124.7 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 | 101.4 |
| Pre-primary and Primary Education | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 | 145.6 |
| Secondary Education | 131.6 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 | 133.8 |
| Tertiary Education | 118.7 | 119.0 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 | 85.9 |
| Education Not Definable by Level | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 | 125.1 |
| XI. RESTAURANT AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 105.8 | 105.9 | 106.2 | 106.3 | 106.7 | 106.8 | 106.9 | 107.0 | 107.0 | 107.4 | 107.6 | 108.4 | 108.8 |
| Catering Services | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.3 | 102.8 | 102.8 | 104.5 | 104.6 |
| Personal Care | 107.4 | 107.6 | 108.2 | 108.4 | 109.1 | 109.3 | 109.6 | 109.8 | 109.8 | 110.0 | 110.4 | 110.7 | 111.4 |
| Personal Effects N.E.C. | 115.1 | 115.5 | 115.4 | 115.4 | 115.4 | 115.4 | 115.4 | 115.5 | 115.5 | 116.4 | 116.4 | 116.4 | 116.4 |

Table 2. Inflation Rate by Commodity Group in Leyte: May 2018 - May 2019
(2012 = 100)

| COMMODITY GROUP | 2018 | | | | | | | | | 2019 | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | |
| ALL ITEMS | 5.5 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 5.8 | 6.3 | 7.1 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 3.8 | |
| I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 7.7 | 7.6 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.9 | 9.2 | 7.3 | 6.5 | 7.0 | 5.7 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 5.3 | |
| * Food | 7.7 | 7.6 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 7.3 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 5.5 | 4.3 | 5.0 | 5.3 | |
| Bread and Cereals | 4.8 | 5.0 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 4.6 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 4.2 | |
| Rice | 5.6 | 5.8 | 6.7 | 7.4 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 6.8 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 4.6 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.8 | |
| Corn | -0.1 | -2.6 | -2.6 | -0.7 | 2.9 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 6.7 | 8.2 | 9.6 | 9.6 | 10.3 | |
| Other Cereals, Flour, Cereal Preparation, Bread, Pasta and Other Bakery Products | 2.2 | 1.8 | 2.2 | 1.7 | 0.8 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 5.0 | |
| Meat | 10.5 | 9.8 | 9.0 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 8.0 | 7.4 | 5.8 | 8.1 | 5.5 | 1.7 | 2.7 | 2.4 | |
| Fish | 18.7 | 18.7 | 21.2 | 23.3 | 22.2 | 22.2 | 16.4 | 14.6 | 13.2 | 10.4 | 7.3 | 9.9 | 11.1 | |
| Milk, Cheese and Eggs | 3.3 | 2.3 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.7 | 4.6 | |
| Oils and Fats | 4.7 | 2.0 | 4.8 | 3.7 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 4.5 | |
| Fruit | 4.4 | 11.8 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 10.6 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 0.5 | -6.9 | -7.4 | -7.2 | -10.1 | |
| Vegetables | 8.1 | 4.3 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 4.9 | 10.3 | 11.9 | 14.1 | 14.1 | 11.8 | |
| Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 7.3 | 10.3 | |
| Food Products N.E.C. | 7.6 | 6.9 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.0 | 3.1 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 3.6 | |
| * Non-alcoholic Beverages | 7.4 | 7.4 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 8.7 | 8.6 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 5.2 | |
| II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 34.1 | 31.7 | 32.8 | 31.0 | 29.7 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 29.8 | 23.8 | 11.1 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 2.9 | |
| Alcoholic Beverages | 10.6 | 10.1 | 10.2 | 10.2 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 8.7 | 3.9 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.2 | |
| Tobacco | 48.6 | 44.8 | 46.6 | 43.4 | 41.7 | 41.7 | 41.7 | 41.7 | 32.1 | 14.7 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.7 | |
| NON-FOOD | 2.0 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 3.8 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.2 | |
| III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 1.5 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.9 | |
| Clothing | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.2 | 2.2 | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.5 | |
| Footwear | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 2.6 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.4 | |
| IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS | 2.1 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 6.6 | 9.8 | 3.2 | 4.6 | 5.8 | 7.1 | 5.8 | 4.0 | 4.0 | |
| Actual Rentals for Housing | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 6.5 | 6.6 | |
| Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling | 5.8 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 4.1 | 4.9 | |
| Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling | -5.1 | -5.1 | -5.1 | -5.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | 5.6 | 12.2 | 13.8 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 25.3 | 5.6 | 9.9 | 13.1 | 16.9 | 13.0 | 0.7 | 0.5 | |
| V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE | 2.8 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 4.7 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 4.1 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 6.3 | 6.3 | |
| Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.2 | |
| Household Textiles | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.4 | |
| Household Appliances | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.1 | -0.5 | -0.7 | -0.6 | -0.7 | -0.7 | |
| Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils | 2.3 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | |
| Tools and Equipment for House and Garden | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 1.0 | 1.1 | |
| Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 6.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 5.3 | 6.5 | 6.7 | 8.2 | 8.3 | |
| VI. HEALTH | 3.6 | 3.7 | 2.5 | 2.6 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 1.3 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.8 | |
| Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment | -0.9 | -0.9 | -0.9 | -0.8 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | |
| Out-patient Services | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | |
| Hospital Services | 6.2 | 6.2 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | |
| VII. TRANSPORT | 1.8 | 7.6 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 8.8 | 10.2 | 7.1 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 1.4 | 2.4 | 5.6 | 6.1 | |
| Operation of Personal Transport Equipment | 21.4 | 28.0 | 26.6 | 23.0 | 26.4 | 26.7 | 15.0 | 5.7 | 1.1 | 2.1 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 9.9 | |
| Transport Services | -5.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 3.3 | 2.7 | 0.2 | 1.4 | -1.6 | -0.7 | 4.4 | 5.1 | |
| VIII. COMMUNICATION | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | |
| Postal Services | 10.3 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 10.3 | 2.8 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.5 | 5.4 | |
| Telephone and Telefax Equipment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Telephone and Telefax Services | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | |
| IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE | 1.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 4.7 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.2 | |
| Audio-visual, Photographic and Information Processing Equipment | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | -0.1 | |
| Other Major Durables for Recreation and Culture | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | |
| Other Recreational Items and Equipment, Gardens and Pets | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.3 | |
| Recreational and Cultural Services | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.0 | 16.2 | |
| Newspapers, Books and Stationery | 3.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.5 | |
| X. EDUCATION | 2.6 | 0.6 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | -18.4 | |
| Pre-primary and Primary Education | 9.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| Secondary Education | 9.1 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 1.7 | |
| Tertiary Education | 0.0 | 0.3 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | -27.6 | |
| Education Not Definable by Level | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | |
| XI. RESTAURANT AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 2.8 | |
| Catering Services | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 2.5 | 2.2 | |
| Personal Care | 1.0 | 1.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.7 | |
| Personal Effects N.E.C. | 7.4 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | |

TECHNICAL NOTES

Rebasing of the CPI is necessary to ensure that this barometer of economic phenomena is truly reflective of current situation. Consumer taste, fashion and technology change over time causing the fixed market basket of goods and services to become outmoded. To capture such changes for a more meaningful price comparison, revision or updating of the fixed market basket, the sample outlets, the weights and the base year had to be done periodically.

BASE PERIOD – refers to the reference period of the index number. It is a period at which the index is set to 100. Current base period is 2012.

MARKET BASKET - refers to a sample of goods and services used to represent all goods and services bought by a particular group of consumers in a particular area.

WEIGHTS - The weights for the 2012-based CPI were derived from the expenditure data of the 2012 Family Income and Expenditure Survey (FIES). The weight for each item of expenditure is a proportion of that expenditure item to the total national expenditure. The total (all items) national expenditure weights is equal to 100.

MONITORING OF PRICES - is to establish baseline information for prices of the items in the base year and monitoring of the prices of the items on a regular basis.

Except for Food, Beverage and Tobacco which is monitored on a weekly basis in NCR, price collection is done twice a month. First collection phase is done during the first five days of the month while the second phase is on the 15th to 17th day of the month.


COMPUTING THE CPI - The formula used in computing the CPI is the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives, a variant of the Laspeyres formula with fixed base year period weights

RETAIL PRICE - refers to the actual price at which retailers sell a commodity on spot or earliest delivery, usually in small quantities for consumption and not for resale. It is confined to transactions on cash basis in the free market and excludes black-market prices and prices of commodities that are on sale as in summer sales, anniversary sales, Christmas sales, etc.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX – is a measure of change in the average retail prices of goods and services commonly purchased by a particular group of people in a particular area.

INFLATION RATE – refers to the annual rate of change or year-on-year change in CPI.

PURCHASING POWER PESO – it is a measure of how much the peso in the base period is worth in another period. It gives an indication of the real value in a given period relative to the peso value in the base period.


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