

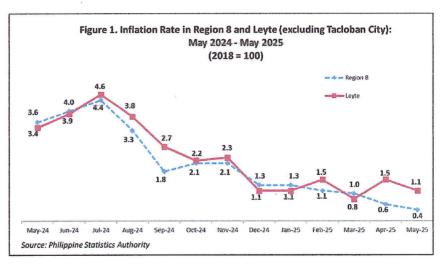
## SPECIAL RELEASE

# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MAY 2025 PRICE SITUATION IN LEYTE (excluding Tacloban City) {2018=100}

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#### Leyte's inflation rate slows down to 1.1 percent in May 2025

Leyte's inflation rate slowed to 1.1 percent in May 2025, down from 1.5 percent in April 2025. In comparison, the rate in the same month last year was higher at 3.4 percent. Likewise, the region's inflation rate slowed to 0.4 percent in May 2025 from 0.6 percent in April 2025. Among provinces and the highly urbanized city (HUC) in the region, only Eastern



Samar, Northern Samar, and Biliran recorded increases in their respective inflation rates for May 2025.

Main Drivers Contributing to the Downward Trend of Leyte's Inflation

The following commodity groups emerged as the main drivers to the downward trend in the May 2025 inflation rate of Leyte:

- a. Food and non-alcoholic beverages recorded an inflation rate of 1.0 percent, down from 1.3 percent in the previous month. The main contributors to this downward trend were the slower rate of increases in the prices of meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals; vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses; and fruits and nuts, as well as the faster rate of decrease in the prices of cereals and cereal products;
- b. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels posted an inflation rate of 3.6 percent, down from 5.0 percent in the previous month. This decrease was attributed to the slower rate of increase in the prices of electricity;
- c. Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance registered an inflation rate of 1.3 percent, down from 1.4 percent in the previous month. This was driven by the slower rate of increase in the prices of metorized tools and equipment;
- d. Health posted an inflation rate of 0.7 percent, down from 1.3 percent in the previous month. This was caused by the slower rate of increase in the prices of medicines and outpatient dental services, as well as the decrease in the prices of medical products;
- e. Personal care, and miscellaneous goods and services recorded an inflation rate of 1.5 percent, down from 1.8 percent in the previous month. This decrease was attributed to

the slower rate of increase in the prices of other appliances, articles and products for personal care; hairdressing salons and personal grooming establishments; and other services; and

f. Transport posted a deflation rate of -4.2 percent, down from a deflation rate of -4.0 percent in the previous month. This was driven by the faster rate of decrease in the prices of fuels and lubricants for personal transport equipment and passenger transport by air.

On the other hand, the following commodity groups maintained their inflation rates from their previous month's rate:

- a. Education services at 12.6 percent
- b. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco at 1.3 percent;
- c. Recreation, sport and culture at 1.1 percent;
- d. Restaurants and accommodation services at 0.2 percent;
- e. Information and communication at 0.1 percent; and
- f. Financial services at zero percent.

Furthermore, clothing and footwear maintained a deflation of -0.2 percent in May 2025.

Top Three Commodity Groups Contributing to the Downward Trend of Leyte's Inflation

The top three commodity groups contributing to the trend of May 2025 inflation of Leyte were the following:

- a. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with 57.4 percent share;
- b. Food and non-alcoholic beverages with 30.8 percent share; and
- c. Health with 4.3 percent share.

The inflation rate is the general rise in 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 instead; 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 specific area. The overall CPI in Leyte for May 2025 was 124.3. This implies that the average retail price of goods and services in Leyte is 24.3 percent higher than the average retail prices in 2018 (base year).

### Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) retained at 80 centavos in May 2025

The Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) in Leyte remained at 80 centavos in May 2025. Likewise, the PPP in the region maintained at 80 centavos in May 2025. The 80 centavos purchasing power of peso in Leyte indicates that the same basket of goods and services worth 80 pesos in 2018 (base year) is worth 100 pesos during the reference period.

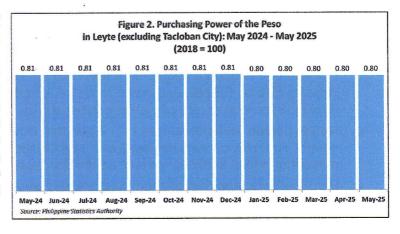


Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Income Households in Leyte (Excluding Tacloban City): May 2024 - May 2025 (2018 = 100)

(2018 = 100)														
COMMODITY GROUP	2024 May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec								2025 Jan Feb Mar Apr May					
ALL ITEMS	123.0	123.2	123.9	123.7	123.7	123.5	124.2	124.1	124.9	125.6	124.8	125.1	124.3	
J. POOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	132.8	132.9	133.5	133.8	132.7	133.0	133.8	133.9	135.0	135.8	134.6	135.1	134.1	
* Food	134.0	134.1	134.7	135.0	133.8	134.2	135.0	135.1	136.3	137.1	135.8	136.3	135.2	
Cereals and Cereal Products	130.3	129.4	129.3	128.6	129.1	128.7 126.7	129.3 127.4	128.4 126.3	128.1 125.8	126.3 123.7	124.8 121.8	122.5 118.9	120.3 116.2	
Cereals Rice	128.8 130.2	127.6 129.0	127.5 128.9	126.7 128.0	127.2 128.5	128.0	128.7	127.6	127.0	124.7	122.7	119.5	116.7	
Сот	105:5	105:5	105:5	105.5	106.5	106.5	106.2	105.8	106.1	106.8	107.4	108.2	108.6	
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	137.3 139.4	137.7 142.7	137.7 144.2	137.7 144.3	137.9 144.2	138.0 144.5	138.0 144.2	138.2 144.0	138.8 143.1	138.8 146.2	139.2 148.0	139.4 152.3	139.4 150.7	
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals Fish and Other Seafood	125.9	125.8	126.1	129.4	125.5	126.5	128.8	128.4	135.0	139.1	135.0	139.4	139.2	
Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs	127.9	128.1	128.9	127.6	127.2	127.8	128.3	128.8	129.6	129.9	128.8	131.0	132.3	
Oits and Fats Fruits and Nuts	116.8 190.5	116.8 190.5	116.8 191.0	116.8 194.4	116.8 188.8	116.8 193.8	116.8 196.1	116.9 197.4	116.8 194.9	116.8 193.6	117.1 191.4	117.2 194.0	117.2 195.9	
Vegetables, Tubers, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	140.7	140.1	143.4	144.1	137.1	138.8	140.7	146.4	150.9	156.4	156.2	153.6	152.1	
Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	153.4	153.5	151.7	151.7	151.7	151.7	151.9	151.9	151.8 128.9	152.9	152.4 129.0	152.5 129.3	152.1 129.7	
Ready-I lade Food and Other Food Products N.E.C.  * Non-alcoholic Beverages	125.8 116.0	126.7 116.7	128.8 116.7	128.3 116.7	127.9 116.7	127.3 116.7	127.4 116.7	128.0 117.1	117.1	129.8 117.2	118.0	118.6	118.5	
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	122.4	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	122.5	123.9	123.9	124.0	124.0	124.0	124.0	
Alcoholic Beverages Tobacco	105.1 144.9	105.1 145.1	105.1 145.1	105.1 145.1	105.1 145.1	105.1 145.1	105.1 145.1	105.9 147.4	105.9 147.4	106.0 147.4	106.0 147.4	106.0 147.4	106.0 147.4	
Other Vegetable-Based Tobacco Products	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	94.8	
NON-FOOD	114.2	114.5	115.4	114.6	115.7	115.0	115.6	115.3	115.8	116.4	115.9	116.1	115.5	
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	106.4	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	196.3	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	106.2	
Clothing Footwear	104.2 111.9	104.0 111.9	104.0 111.9	104.0 111.9	104.0 111.9	104.0 111.9	104.0 111.9	103.9 111.9	103.9 111.9	103.9 111.9	103.9 111.9	103.9 111.9	103.9 111.9	
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	110.6	112.0	112.7	111.4	115.1	113.5	115.2	113.6	114.5	116.1	115.2	115.9	114.6	
Actual Rentals for Housing	120.0	120.0	120.0	120.0	124.0 108.7	124.0 108.7	124.0 108.7	124.0 109.1	124.0 109.5	124.0 109.5	124.0 109.4	124.0 109.2	124.0 109.2	
Maintenance, Repair and Security of the Dwelling Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling	109.8 103.7	108.6 103.7	108.6 103.7	108.7 103.7	103.7	103.7	103.7	109.1	109.5	109.5	103.4	109.2	103.7	
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	97.7	101.4	103.4	100.0	103.9	99.6	104.2	99.7	102.3	106.4	104.0	105.9	102.4	
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD	115.3	115.4	115.4	115.4	115.5	115.5	115.5	115.7	115.7	115.7	116.5	116.7	116.8	
MAINTENANCE Furniture and Furnishings, and Loose Carpets	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.3	102.3	102.2	102.2	102.2	
Household Textiles	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.0	103.1	103.1	103.1	103.1	
Household Appliances	101.7 100.8	101.7 100.8	101.7 100.8	101.7 100.8	101.7 100.7	101.7 100.7	101.6 100.7	101.6 100.7	101.6 100.8	101.6 100.8	101.6 100.8	101.3 100.8	101.3 100.8	
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	100.8	100.8	107.8	107.8	107.8	100.7	107.8	107.8	107.9	100.8	107.9	107.8	107.8	
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	120.0	120.2	120.2	120.2	120.3	120.3	120.3	120.6	120.6	120.6	121.7	122.0	122.2	
VI. HEALTH	<b>112.2</b> 113.1	<b>112.4</b> 113.3	<b>112.4</b> 113.3	<b>112.5</b> 113.4	<b>112.6</b> 113.5	<b>112.6</b> 113.5	<b>112.6</b> 113.6	<b>112.8</b> 113.6	<b>112.8</b> 113.6	<b>112.8</b> 113.6	<b>112.9</b> 113.7	<b>113.1</b> 113.9	<b>113.0</b> 113.8	
Medicines and Health Products Outpatient Care Services	115.1	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	116.8	117.4	117.4	
Inpatien Care Services	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	107.3	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	108.2	
Other H∈alth Services	117.8	117.8	117.8	117.8	117.8	117.8	117.8	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	117.3	
VII. TRANSPORT	<b>126.1</b> 114.5	<b>124.8</b> 114.5	<b>126.2</b> 114.5	<b>124.1</b> 114.5	<b>122.7</b> 114.5	<b>121.9</b> 114.5	<b>122.1</b> 114.5	<b>123.4</b> 114.5	<b>124.0</b> 114.5	<b>124.3</b> 114.5	<b>122.8</b> 114.5	<b>121.7</b> 114.5	<b>120.8</b> 114.5	
Purchase of Vehicles Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	138.0	133.9	138.6	132.3	127.7	125.3	125.9	129.7	132.1	132.9	127.9	124.6	121.4	
Passenger Transport Services	124.7	124.9	124.6	124.4	124.4	124.4	124.3	124.5	124.3	124.3	124.4	124.4	124.6	
Transport Services of Goods	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	105.7	
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION  Information and Communication Equipment	<b>102.0</b> 101.7	102.0 101.7	<b>102.0</b> 101.7	<b>102.0</b> 101.7	102.0 101.7	<b>102.0</b> 101.7	102.0 101.7	102.1 101.5	<b>102.1</b> 101.5	102.1 101.5	<b>102.1</b> 101.5	102.1 101.5	<b>102.1</b> 101.5	
Information and Communication Services	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.2	102.3	102.3	102.3	102.3	102.3	102.3	
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	105.0	105.0	105.0	106.0	106.0	105.9	105.9	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.0	106.2	106.2	
Recreational Durables	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Other Recreational Goods Garden Products and Pets	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.2	102.1 114.3	102.1 114.3	102.5 114.3	102.5 114.3	
Recreational Services	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.4	92.5	92.5	
Cultural Goods	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.9	103.5	103.5	103.5	103.5	
Cultural Services Newspapers, Books and Stationery	102.1 108.2	102.1 108.2	102.1 108.3	102.1 111.4	102.1 111.2	102.1 111.0	102.1 110.9	102.1 111.3	102.1 111.3	102.1 111.3	102.1 111.3	102.1 111.6	102.1 111.6	
Package Holidays	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
X. EDUCATION  Pro prim by and Primary Education	<b>109.1</b> 103.1	<b>109.1</b> 103.1	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	<b>122.8</b> 138.9	
Pre-primary and Primary Education Secondary Education	119.1	119.1	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	135.9	
Tertiary Education Education Not Definable by Level	103.7 128.6	103.7 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	104.5 128.6	
		123.0	123.0	123.0	122.9	122.9	122.9	123.0	123.0	123.0	123.0	123.3	123.3	
XI. RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES Food and Beverage Serving Services	<b>123.0</b> 124.4	124.4	124.4	124.4	124.3	124.3	124.3	124.3	124.3	124.3	124.3	124.6	124.6	
Accommodation Services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.1	102.7	102.7	
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES Financial Services	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	<b>146.0</b> 146.0	
XIII. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.7	111.9	111.9	111.9	112.1	112.3	112.4	112.8	113.4	113.4	
Personal Care	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.6	112.9	112.9	112.9	113.1	113.3	113.4	113.9	114.6	114.6	
Other Personal Effects Other Services	105.2 114.1	105.2 115.0	105.2 115.0	105.2 115.0	105.2 115.0	105.2 115.0	105.4 115.0	105.3 115.0	105.3 115.0	105.5 115.0	105.5 115.0	105.5 115.0	105.5 115.0	
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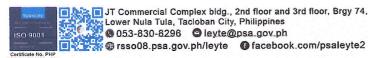
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Table 2. Inflation Rate by Commodity Group in Leyte (Excluding Tacloban City): May 2024 - May 2025 (2018 = 100)

(2018 = 100)														
COMMODITY GROUP	2024 May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec							Dec	2025 Jan Feb Mar Apr May					
ALL ITEMS	3.4	3.9	4.6	3.8	2.7	2.2	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.5	0.8	1.5	1.1	
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	5.6	6.3	6.8	6.7	3.8	3.6	3.2	1.1	0.7	0.9	-0.1	1.3	1.0	
* Food	5.8 17.3	6.5 16.6	7.0 15.3	6.9 15.4	3.9 12.2	3.7 11.8	3.3 9.2	1.0	0.6 -2.7	0.8 -4.0	-0.3 -5.4	1.3 -7.1	0.9 -7.7	
Cereals and Cereal Products Cereals	21.1	20.4	18.9	19.2	14.8	14.3	10.9	1.7	-3.8	-5.3	-6.9	-9.0	-9.7	
Rice	22.0	21.2	19.7	20.0	15.2 6.5	14.8 6.5	11.3 5.1	1.5 -4.2	-4.0 1.0	-5.7 1.6	-7.4 2.0	-9.6 2.6	-10.4 3.0	
Corn Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	5.8 2.8	5.8 2.6	5.8 1.9	5.5 1.8	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.3	2.0	1.9	1.4	1.5	1.5	
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	-2.8	0.3	0.0	0.9	1.3	1.8	2.1	2.3	1.1	4.1	5.6	9.4	8.1	
Fish and Other Seafood Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs	-7.3 5.2	-8.4 4.3	-5.1 5.0	-3.2 3.7	-7.4 1.3	-9.5 1.7	-6.7 1.7	-2.1 1.4	6.1 1.8	6.9 2.2	2.7 1.1	7.7 2.7	10.6 3.4	
Oils and Fats	-1.4	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-0.5	-0.2	0.0	0.5	0.3	0.3	
Fruits and Nuts	16.9	23.2	22.5 5.1	20.7	13.5 -7.2	15.7 -5.0	15.4 -4.5	4.8 -3.5	3.7 -0.3	5.0 0.4	1.9 3.3	4.9 10.7	2.8 8.1	
Vegetables, Tubers, Cooking Bananas and Pulses Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	-3.8 2.9	3.0	1.7	1.1	1.3	1.4	0.9	2.8	0.3	1.3	1.0	0.8	-0.8	
Ready-Made Food and Other Food Products N.E.C.	5.4	5.8	7.0	6.7	5.5	4.6	4.5	4.6	5.2	5.5	4.7	5.1	3.1	
*Non-alcoholic Beverages	3.2	3.5	3.4	2.9	2.4	2.1	1.8	2.1	1.8	1.7	2.3	2.3	2.2	
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	2.4	1.6	1.3	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	2.2	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.3	
Alcoholic Beverages	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.4 3.1	-0.4 3.1	0.4 4.1	0.2 4.0	0.3 3.1	0.2 3.1	0.9 1.7	0.9 1.7	
Tobacco Other Vegetable-Based Tobacco Products	4.4 0.0	3.0 0.0	2.5	3.1 0.0	3.1 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
NON-FOOD	1.2	1.5	2.5	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.3	1.1	1.6	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.1	
	-0.6	-0.6	-0.5	-0,5	-0.6	-0.5	-0.6	-0.7	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR Clothing	-0.8	-0.8	-0.6	-0.6	-0.8	-0.7	-0.7	-0.9	-0.5	-0.5	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	
Footwear	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	-0.5	1.1	2.3	0.7	4.1	2.5	3.0	1.6	2.9	5.0	4.3	5.0	3.6	
Actual Rentals for Housing	1.2	1.2	1.2	-0.5	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.3	3.3	
Maintenance, Repair and Security of the Dwelling Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling	-0.1 6.9	-1.1 6.9	-1.1 0.0	-0.9 0.0	-0.8 0.0	-0.7 0.0	-0.7 0.0	-0.3 0.0	-0.3 0.0	-0.3 0.0	-0.4 0.0	-1.4 0.0	-0.5 0.0	
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-4.1	0.5	4.8	3.3	7.3	2.7	4.3	-0.3	3.6	10.0	7.9	9.3	4.8	
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.1	2.4	1.6	-0.9	0.9	1.6	1.4	1.3	
Furniture and Furnishings, and Loose Carpets	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6 0.5	-0.6 -0.1	-0.6 -0.2	0.0	0.0 0.1	0.0 0.1	
Household Textiles Household Appliances	-0.1 0.1	0.4 0.1	0.4 -0.7	0.4 -0.7	0.4 -0.7	0.4 -0.7	0.4 -0.8	-0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	1.0	1.7	8.0	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	5.2 5.4	5.6 5.6	5.6 5.5	5.5 5.5	5.4 5.2	5.4 4.2	5.4 3.3	5.4 2.0	5.4 1.1	5.3 1.1	5.4 1.9	3.3 1.8	0.4 1.8	
	1.7	1.7	1.3	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.7	1.3	0.7	
VI. HEALTH  Medicines and Health Products	1.8	1.7	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	1.6	1.2	0.6	
Outpatient Care Services	2.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	2.2	1.4	
Inpatient Care Services	0.9	0.9 1.1	0.9 1.1	0.9 0.4	0.9 0.4	0.9 0.4	0.9 0.4	0.8 0.0	0.8 0.0	0.8	0.8 0.0	0.8 -0.4	0.8 -0.4	
Other Health Services	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.4	0.4	0.4	0,4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.4	-0.4	
VII. TRANSPORT	3.1	1.6	3.3	-1.0	-3.8	-3.5	-2.2	-0.2	-0.1 0.0	<b>-1.0</b> 0.0	-2.4 0.0	<b>-4.0</b> 0.0	<b>-4.2</b> 0.0	
Purchase of Vehicles Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	2.8 4.8	2.8 0.2	2.8 5.0	2.8 -6.6	2.8 -14.2	2.4 -13.2	2.4 -8.2	0.0 -0.5	0.0	-2.7	-7.0	-11.4	-12.0	
Passenger Transport Services	1.8	2.2	2.0	1.6	1.7	1.8	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	
Transport Services of Goods	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Information and Communication Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.2 0.1	-0.2 0.1	-0.2 0.1	-0.2 0.1	-0.2 0.1	-0.2 0.1	
Information and Communication Services	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1				
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	1.4	1.4	1.2	1.9	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.5 0.0	1.1 0.0	1.0 0.0	<b>1.0</b> 0.0	1.1 0.0	<b>1.1</b> 0.0	
Recreational Durables Other Recreational Goods	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	0.0 2.1	2.3	0.0	0.0	-0.3	0.4	0.4	
Garden Products and Pets	2.3	2.3	1.3	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	
Recreational Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0:0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	
Cultural Goods	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	-0.4 0.0	-0.4 0.0	-0.4 0.0	-0.4 0.0	
Cultural Services Newspapers, Books and Stationery	1.7	1.5	1.7	4.4	4.1	3.7	2.7	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.9	3.1	3.1	
Package Holidays	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	
X. EDUCATION	0.0	0.0	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	12.6	
Pre-primary and Primary Education	0.0	0.0	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7	34.7 14.1	34.7 14.1	34.7 14.1	
Secondary Education Tertiary Education	0.0	0.0 0.0	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	14.1 0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	
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	
DECTALIDANTS AND ACCOUNTABLE TON CENTRAL	2.8	2.3	2.3	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	
RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES Food and Beverage Serving Services	3.0	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	
Accommodation Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.7	2.7	
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES	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	
Financial Services	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	
II. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	2.2	1.9	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.1	1.2	0.8	1.2	1.8	1.5	
Personal Care	2.5	2.1	1.8	1.7	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.3	1.3 -0.5	1.0 -0.3	1.4 -0.3	2.0 0.3	1.8 0.3	
Other Personal Effects Other Services	0.3 8.5	0.3 9.3	0.3 9.3	0.3 9.3	0.3 9.3	0.3 9.3	0.5 9.3	-0.3 6.8	-0.5 6.8	-0.3 6.8	-0.3 4.3	1.1	0.3	
Oniel Geraldes	0.5	3.0	5.0	5.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5						

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



#### **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 2018.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

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

**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.

**WEIGHTS** - The weights for the 2018-based CPI were derived from the expenditure data of the 2018 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.

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