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Summary Inflation Report of the City of Puerto Princesa Consumer Price Index (2018=100)

August 2022

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**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates: Philippines,
MIMAROPA, and the City of Puerto Princesa
All Items, In Percent
(2018=100)**

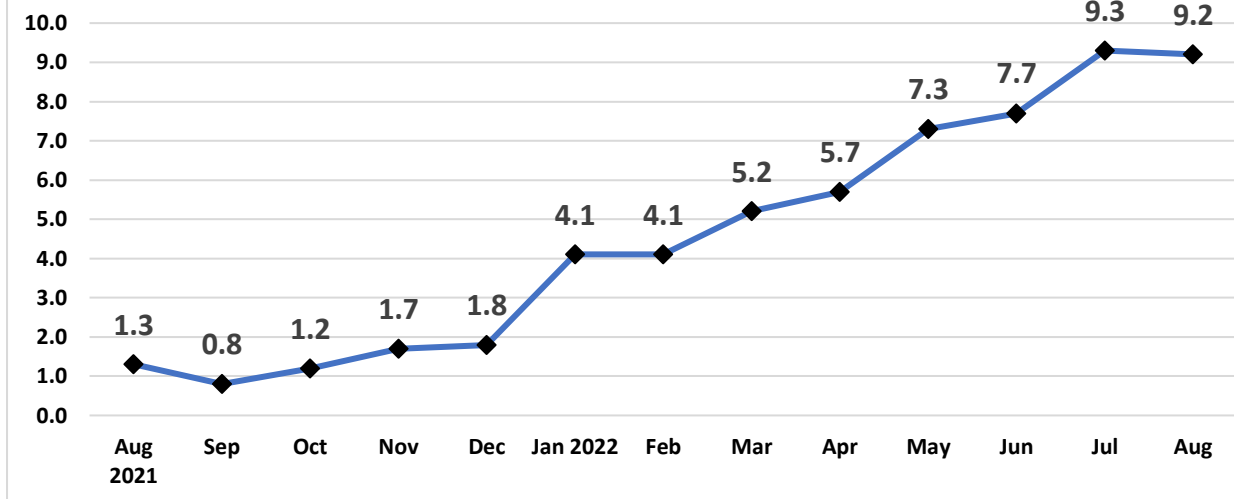
Area	August 2021	July 2022	August 2022	Year-to-date*
Philippines				
Headline	4.4	6.4	6.3	4.9
MIMAROPA				
Headline	4.1	7.1	7.1	4.9
City of Puerto Princesa				
Headline	1.3	9.3	9.2	6.6

Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index
Philippine Statistics Authority

* Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to August, 2022 vs. 2021



**Figure 1. Headline Inflation Rates in the City of Puerto Princesa,
All Items, In Percent
(2018=100)**



*Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index
Philippine Statistics Authority*

City of Puerto Princesa

The headline inflation in the City of Puerto Princesa eased to **9.2** percent, after four months of consecutive acceleration. In August 2021, the inflation rate was posted at 1.3 percent. The average inflation for the first eight months of the year stood at 6.6 percent (Table A and Figure 1).

The decrease in the inflation of the city can be solely attributed to index for Transport at **14.9** percent. On the other hand, other commodity groups posted higher indices as follows;

- a. Clothing and footwear, **10.5** percent;
- b. Recreation, sport, and culture, **6.4** percent;
- c. Personal care, and miscellaneous goods and services, **6.4** percent;
- d. Furnishings, household equipment, and routine household maintenance, **6.0** percent;
- e. Information and communication, 2.7 percent;
- f. Health, **3.0** percent.

Meanwhile, the rest of the commodity groups retained their previous month's rate.

**Table B. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in City of Puerto Princesa,
All Items, In Percent
(2018=100)**

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Aug '21	Jul '22	Aug '22
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	0.1	13.6	13.6
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	12.0	11.0	11.0
Clothing and Footwear	6.7	9.7	10.5
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	0.0	4.1	4.1
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routing Household Maintenance	2.0	5.6	6.0
Health	5.4	2.7	3.0
Transport	2.9	18.5	14.9
Information and Communication	(0.5)	2.4	2.7
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	(0.3)	5.7	6.4
Education Services	2.9	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	2.3	5.8	5.8
Financial Services	45.8	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.4	5.9	6.4

The food index for August 2022 stood at **14.4** percent, retaining its previous month's value. In August 2021, the food index was lower at -0.1 percent (Table C).

Higher growth rates were observed in the following food indices for August 2022:

- a. Rice, **6.2** percent;
- b. Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, **23.9** percent;
- c. Flour, Bread And Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals, **12.1** percent
- d. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, **7.4** percent;
- e. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c., **7.9** percent;
- f. Sugar, confectionery and desserts, **34.6** percent; and
- g. Oils and fats, **14.9** percent.



On the other hand, indices of the following commodity groups that slowed down for the month of July 2022 are as follows:

- a. Fish and other seafood, **25.5** percent;
- b. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas, pulses, **9.6** percent;
- c. Fruits and nuts, **16.7** percent; and
- d. Corn, **-2.4** percent;

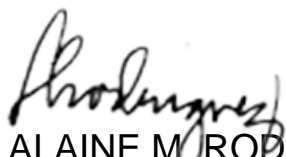
Table C. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in City of Puerto Princesa, By Food Group, In Percent (2018=100)

Food Commodity Group	Inflation Rate		
	Aug '21	Jul '22	Aug '22
Food	(0.1)	14.4	14.4
Cereals and cereal products	(7.1)	4.9	7.4
Cereals	(9.7)	3.6	6.0
Rice	(10.3)	3.7	6.2
Corn	37.6	(1.9)	(2.4)
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	3.2	9.0	12.1
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	9.2	23.0	23.9
Fish and other seafood	2.7	33.2	25.5
Milk, other dairy products, and eggs	0.9	5.7	7.4
Oils and fats	5.7	14.7	14.9
Fruits and nuts	0.3	25.5	16.7
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	7.6	11.4	9.6
Sugar, confectionery, and desserts	1.7	25.2	34.6
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	2.4	7.7	7.9



**Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in City of Puerto Princesa,
All Items, In Percent
January 2019 – August 2022
(2018=100)**

Month	Inflation Rate			
	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	6.4	1.0	3.8	4.1
February	6.0	0.9	3.6	4.1
March	5.2	0.4	4.2	5.2
April	4.8	0.4	4.3	5.7
May	4.6	1.9	2.6	7.3
June	4.5	2.8	1.7	7.7
July	3.8	3.0	1.3	9.3
August	3.5	3.0	1.3	9.2
September	1.3	3.2	0.8	
October	(0.1)	3.0	1.2	
November	0.4	3.8	1.7	
December	0.7	4.1	1.8	
Average	3.4	2.3	2.4	



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