

### **Special Release**

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

#### September 2022

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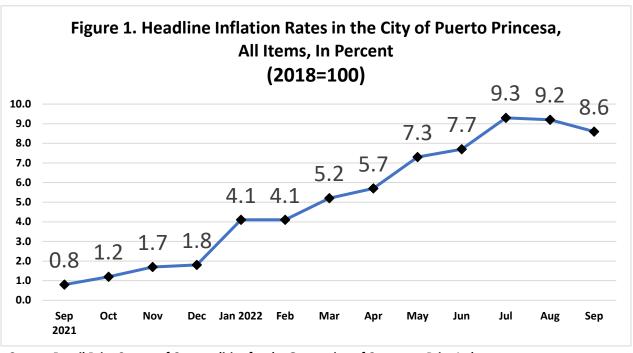
# Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates: Philippines, MIMAROPA, and the City of Puerto Princesa All Items, In Percent (2018=100)

Area	September 2021	August 2022	September 2022	Year- to-date*
Philippines				
Headline	4.2	6.3	6.9	5.1
MIMAROPA				
Headline	3.3	7.1	7.6	5.2
City of Puerto Princesa				
Headline	0.8	9.2	8.6	6.8

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



<sup>\*</sup> Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to September, 2022 vs. 2021



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### **City of Puerto Princesa**

The headline inflation in the City of Puerto Princesa continued to ease as it moved to **8.6** percent in September 2022, from **9.2** percent in August 2022. The average inflation for the first nine months of the year stood at **6.8** percent. (Table A and Figure 1)

The main cause of the downtrend was the lower index for housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels at **2.5** percent, from **4.1** percent from the previous month. Food and non-alcoholic beverages index followed at **12.7** percent, from **13.6** percent in August 2022. Then, Transport at **14.5** percent, from the previously recorded **14.9** percent. (Table B)

The following commodity groups also showed lower indices during the month:

- a. Information and communication; 1.8 percent; and
- b. Furnishings, household equipment and routing household maintenance, **5.9** percent.

On the other hand, the following commodity groups exhibited higher indices for this month:

- a. Restaurant and accommodation services, **7.6** percent;
- b. Clothing and footwear, 11.0 percent;
- c. Personal care and miscellaneous good and services, 6.8 percent;
- d. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, 11.5 percent;
- e. Health, 3.1 percent; and
- f. Recreation, sport and culture, **7.5** percent.

Meanwhile, Education Services and Financial Services 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 Croup	Inflation Rates		
Commodity Group	Sep '21	Aug '22	Sep '22
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	(0.4)	13.6	12.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	11.8	11.0	11.5
Clothing and Footwear	6.6	10.5	11.0
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	(0.5)	4.1	2.5
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routing Household Maintenance	0.9	6.0	5.9
Health	5.4	3.0	3.1
Transport	1.9	14.9	14.5
Information and Communication	(2.6)	2.7	1.8
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	(0.5)	6.4	7.5
Education Services	2.9	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	1.9	5.8	7.6
Financial Services	45.8	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.3	6.4	6.8

Food index for September 2022 was posted at **13.3** percent, lower than its previous month's value of **14.4** percent. In September 2021, the food index was lower, at **-0.7** percent (Table C).

Commodity groups which had the highest contribution for the decline was Fish and other seafood, at **20.0** percent, followed by Rice, at **4.9** percent and Fruits and Nuts, at **13.1** percent.

Lower growth rates were also observed in the following food indices for September 2022:

- a. Sugar, confectionery and desserts, 31.6 percent; and
- b. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, **9.2** percent.

On the other hand, indices of the following commodity groups that accelerated for the month of September 2022 are as follows:

- a. Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals, **13.4** percent;
- b. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 7.7 percent;
- c. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c., 8.6 percent;
- d. Oils and fats, 17.6 percent; and
- e. Corn, -1.7 percent.

On the other hand, Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals retained its previous value at **23.9** percent.

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

Food Commodity Cyour	Inflation Rate		
Food Commodity Group	Sep '21	Aug '22	Sep '22
Food	(0.7)	14.4	13.3
Cereals and cereal products	(7.3)	7.4	6.8
Cereals	(9.9)	6.0	4.7
Rice	(10.5)	6.2	4.9
Corn	38.2	(2.4)	(1.7)
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	2.1	12.1	13.4
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	9.1	23.9	23.9
Fish and other seafood	4.8	25.5	20.0
Milk, other dairy products, and eggs	0.3	7.4	7.7
Oils and fats	7.2	14.9	17.6
Fruits and nuts	(3.8)	16.7	13.1
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	3.7	9.6	9.2
Sugar, confectionery, and desserts	0.8	34.6	31.6
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	(0.2)	7.9	8.6

## Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in City of Puerto Princesa, All Items, In Percent January 2019 – September 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	8.6	
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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