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January 2025 Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index (2018=100)

City of Puerto Princesa

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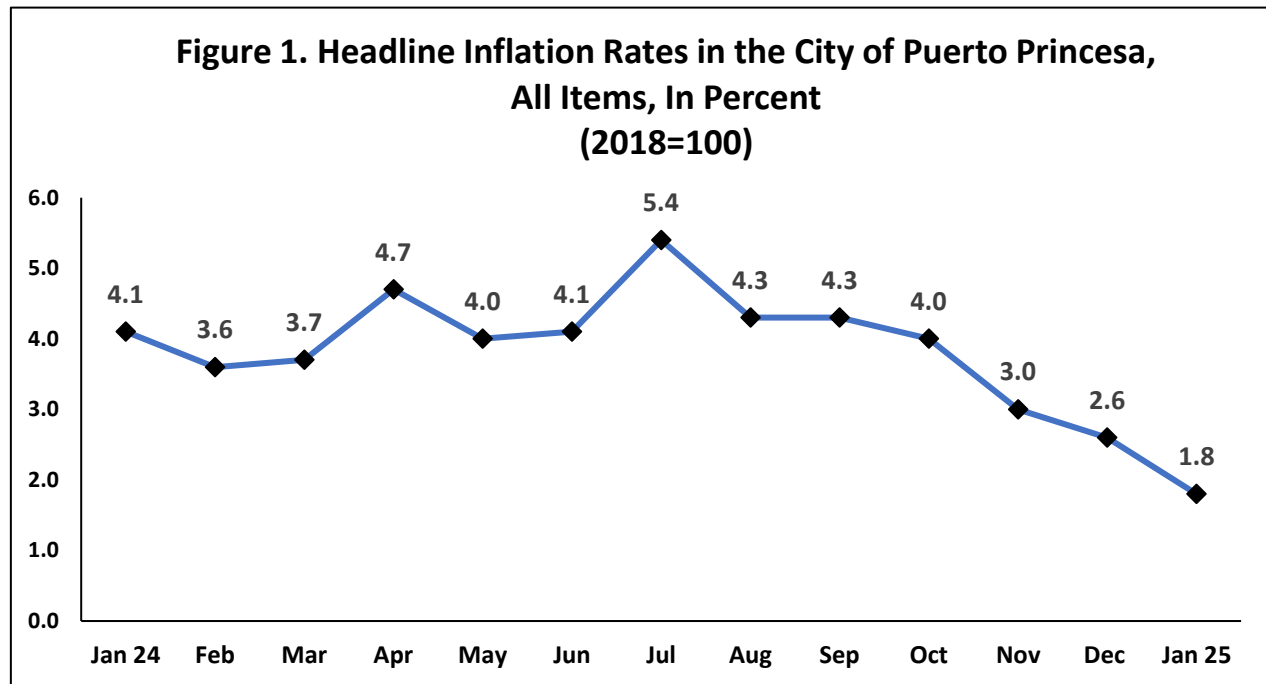
**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates: Philippines, MIMAROPA,
and Puerto Princesa City
All Items, In Percent
(2018=100)**

Area	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025	Year-to-date*
Philippines				
Headline	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9
MIMAROPA				
Headline	3.6	2.9	2.4	2.4
City of Puerto Princesa				
Headline	4.1	2.6	1.8	1.8

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

* Year-on-year change of average CPI for January 2025 vs 2024

The headline inflation in the City of Puerto Princesa decelerated further to 1.8 percent in January 2025, from 2.6 percent in the previous month. In January 2024, inflation rate is higher at 4.1 percent. (Table A and Figure 1)



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

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

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Jan '24	Dec '24	Jan '25
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	1.4	2.8	2.4
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	12.4	2.8	2.2
Clothing and Footwear	2.9	0.7	1.2
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	9.6	3.1	(0.9)
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routing Household Maintenance	3.8	2.5	2.5
Health	3.5	1.2	1.2
Transport	(0.2)	1.0	0.3
Information and Communication	(0.4)	(0.8)	(0.5)
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	6.1	2.0	2.5
Education Services	0.9	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	6.3	4.3	8.4
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.2	2.8	2.7

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

The main driver of the slowdown in the inflation rate of Puerto Princesa City was the lower annual increment in housing water electricity gas and other fuels at -0.9 percent from 3.1 percent in December 2024. This was followed by food and non-alcoholic beverages at 2.4 percent from 2.8 percent, and transport at 0.3 percent from 1.0 percent.

Also contributing to the downtrend was the slower inflation rate reported in alcoholic beverages and tobacco at 2.2 percent from 2.8 percent in the previous month and personal care and miscellaneous goods and services at 2.7 percent from 2.8 percent.

Meanwhile, higher inflation rates were observed in the indices of clothing and footwear at 1.2 percent from 0.7 percent, information and communication at -0.5 percent from -0.8 percent, recreation sports and culture at 2.5 percent from 2.0 percent, and restaurants and accommodation services at 8.4 percent from 4.3 percent.

On the other hand, furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance and health retained their previous month's levels with 2.5 percent and 1.2 percent inflation rates, respectively. Education services also remained at zero percent inflation.

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

Food Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Jan '24	Dec '24	Jan '25
Food	1.1	2.7	2.3
Cereals and cereal products	10.3	(2.2)	(3.4)
Cereals	13.6	(3.8)	(5.3)
Rice	13.6	(3.9)	(5.5)
Corn	14.6	5.8	4.7
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	0.4	3.2	2.9
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	(0.6)	4.9	4.9
Fish and other seafood	(1.2)	10.7	8.4
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	5.0	1.9	1.7
Oils and Fats	(5.0)	(0.6)	(0.6)
Fruits and Nuts	(2.4)	7.8	10.6
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	(19.7)	2.6	6.3
Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts	(1.4)	0.1	(0.5)
Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c.	2.8	5.8	5.5

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

Food index for January 2025 decelerated to 2.3 percent inflation rate from 2.7 percent in the previous month. In January 2024, the food index was lower, at 1.1 percent. (Table C)

The slowdown of the food inflation for the month was brought about by the lower index for cereals and cereal products at -3.4 percent inflation rate, from -2.2 percent last

month. This was followed by fish and other seafood at 8.4 percent from 10.7 percent. Also contributing to the slowdown was sugar, confectionery and desserts at -0.5 percent from 0.1 percent in the previous month.

Lower annual increments were also observed in the following commodity groups; milk, other dairy products and eggs at 1.7 percent from 1.9 percent, ready-made food and other food products at 5.5 percent from 5.8 percent, and flour, bread and other bakery products, pasta products and other cereals at 2.9 percent from 3.2 percent.

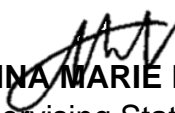
In contrast, higher inflation rates were observed in fruits and nuts at 10.6 percent from 7.8 percent and vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses at 6.3 percent from 2.6 percent.

Meanwhile, meat and other parts of slaughtered animals and oils and fats retained their previous month's inflation rate of 4.9 percent and -0.6 percent, respectively.

**Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Puerto Princesa City,
All Items, In Percent
January 2022 – January 2025
(2018=100)**

Month	Inflation Rate			
	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	4.1	6.6	4.1	1.8
February	4.1	7.5	3.6	
March	5.2	5.9	3.7	
April	5.7	4.6	4.7	
May	7.3	4.2	4.0	
June	7.7	4.2	4.1	
July	9.3	2.9	5.4	
August	9.2	3.3	4.3	
September	8.6	4.4	4.3	
October	8.5	4.5	4.0	
November	8.6	4.3	3.0	
December	7.9	4.8	2.6	
Average	7.2	4.8	4.0	

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


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Technical Notes

Consumer Price Index is an indicator of the change in the average prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to a base year.

- **Market Basket** is a sample of goods and services, which is meant to represent the totality of all the goods and services purchased by households relative to a base year.
 - To determine the commodities that will form the market basket for the 2018-based CPI, the Survey of Key Informants (SKI) was conducted in March 2021. The survey, which was conducted nationwide to store managers, sellers or proprietors, obtained information on the most commonly purchased of goods and availed of services by the households.
 - The commodities in the 2018-based CPI market basket are grouped/classified according to the 2020 Philippine Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (PCOICOP) which is based on the United Nations COICOP. Meanwhile, the commodities in the 2012-based CPI market basket used the 2009 PCOICOP version of classification of commodities.
- **Base year** is a reference period, usually a year, at which the index number is set to 100. It is the reference point of the index number series. The CPI is rebased from base year 2012 to base year 2018.
- **Inflation Rate** is the annual rate of change or the year-on-year change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI).