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## Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index for the Bottom 30% Income Households in Palawan (2018=100)

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**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households:  
Philippines, MIMAROPA, and Palawan  
All Items, In Percent  
(2018=100)**

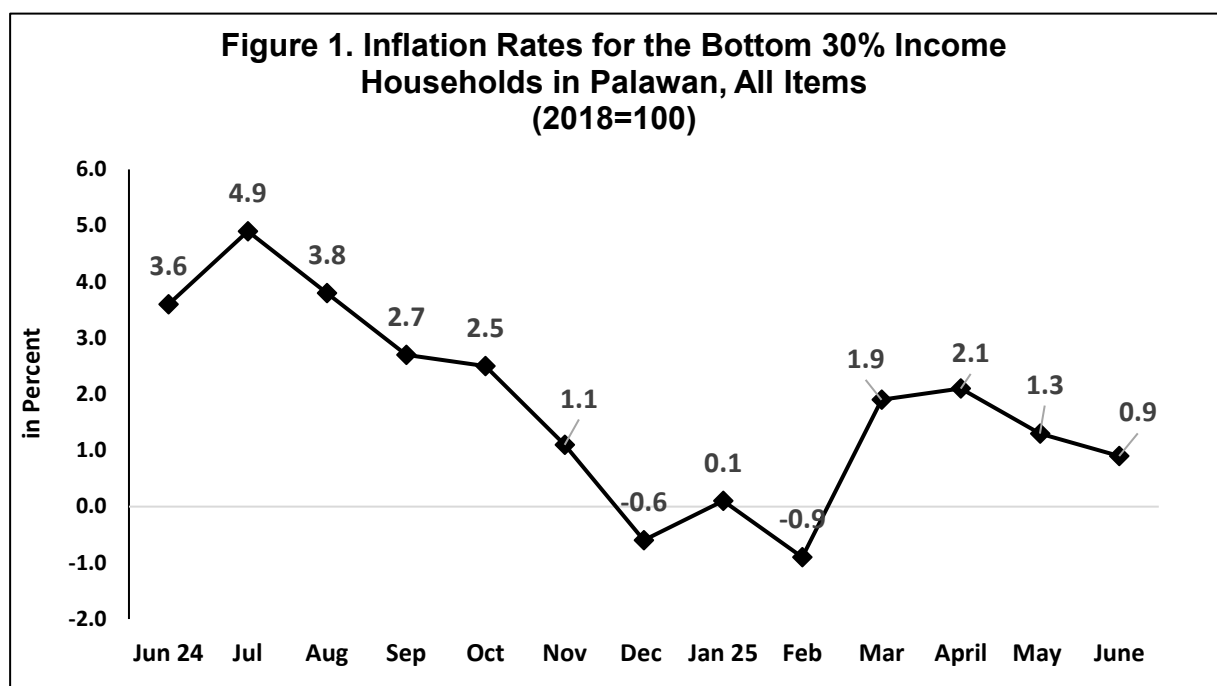
Area	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	Year-to-date*
Philippines	5.5	0.0	-0.4	0.8
MIMAROPA	5.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.8
Palawan	3.6	1.3	0.9	0.9

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

\* Year-on-year change of average CPI for June 2025 vs. 2024

Palawan's inflation rate for the bottom 30% income households decelerated to 0.9 percent in June 2025 from 1.3 percent in May 2025. In June 2024, inflation rate was higher at 3.6 percent. (Table A and Figure 1).

The main driver to the downward trend in the Provincial inflation for this income group in June 2025 was the lower year-on-year growth in the heavily weighted Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages at a decline of 0.2 percent from 0.4 percent, Transport at a decline of 4.0 percent from an annual decline of 3.4 percent, and Recreation, Sport, and Culture at 0.8 percent from 1.0 percent.



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

**Table B. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households in Palawan, All Items, In Percent (2018=100)**

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Jun '24	May '25	June '25
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	4.2	0.4	(0.2)
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.5	2.3	2.3
Clothing and Footwear	1.6	1.3	1.3
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	6.8	1.9	1.9
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	1.4	1.3	2.4
Health	4.0	1.7	2.8
Transport	(2.8)	(3.4)	(4.0)
Information and Communication	(0.1)	23.7	23.7
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	4.7	1.0	0.8
Education Services	7.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	0.5	8.4	8.4
Financial Services	(1.1)	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.9	3.5	3.7

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

In contrast, higher annual growth rates were noted in the indices of Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance at 2.4 percent from 1.3 percent, Health at 2.8 percent from 1.7 percent, and Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services at 3.7 percent from 3.5 percent.

Meanwhile, the indices of the following commodity groups remained unchanged from their previous month's levels;

- a) Alcoholic beverages and tobacco at 2.3 percent;
- b) Clothing and footwear at 1.3 percent;
- c) Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other fuels at 1.9 percent;
- d) Information and Communication at 23.7 percent;
- e) Education Services at 0.0 percent;
- f) Restaurants and Accommodation Services at 8.4 percent; and
- g) Financial Services at 0.0 percent.

**Table C. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households in Palawan, By Food Group, In Percent (2018=100)**

Food Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Jun '24	May '25	June '25
Food	4.5	(0.1)	(0.7)
Cereals and cereal products	10.2	(8.0)	(9.7)
Cereals	11.7	(9.2)	(11.2)
Rice	11.8	(9.5)	(11.6)
Corn	(1.8)	18.8	22.4
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	1.0	0.7	0.7
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	1.9	12.5	12.9
Fish and other seafood	(8.0)	12.7	14.6
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	1.4	3.8	3.2
Oils and Fats	(5.2)	19.1	22.5
Fruits and Nuts	0.9	11.6	12.5
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	9.7	1.3	0.2
Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts	(9.9)	(0.1)	(0.2)
Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c.	1.9	3.3	3.2

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

Food inflation for the bottom 30% income households in Palawan continue to decline at 0.7 percent from an annual decline of 0.1 percent in the previous month. In June 2024, the inflation was higher at 4.5 percent. (Table C)

The downtrend in the food inflation in the province was mainly due to the slower growth in the Cereals and Cereal Products at a decline of 9.7 percent from an annual decline of 8.0 percent, Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses at 0.2 percent from 1.3 percent, and Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs at 3.2 percent from 3.8 percent.

Moreover, lower inflation rates as compared with the previous month were also recorded in the indices of the following commodity groups;


- a) Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c., 3.2 percent from 3.3 percent; and
- b) Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts, -0.2 percent from -0.1 percent.

Meanwhile, the indices in Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, Fish and other seafood, Oils and Fats, and Fruits and nuts recorded faster annual rates in June 2025 at 12.9 percent, 14.6 percent, 22.5 percent and 12.5 percent, consecutively.

**Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households in Palawan, All Items, In Percent  
January 2022 – June 2025 (2018=100)**

Month	Inflation Rate			
	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	5.0	8.7	4.1	0.1
February	5.3	8.6	4.5	(0.9)
March	5.7	9.2	4.1	1.9
April	6.9	7.1	4.3	2.1
May	7.9	6.9	4.4	1.3
June	8.6	7.4	3.6	0.9
July	10.8	6.2	4.9	
August	11.2	6.2	3.8	
September	10.3	8.1	2.7	
October	11.3	6.8	2.5	
November	10.3	6.2	1.1	
December	10.2	5.5	(0.6)	
Average	8.6	7.2	3.3	

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).
- **CPI for Bottom 30%** is an indicator of the change in the average prices of goods and services commonly purchased by consumers whose per capita income fall below the bottom 30%.