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Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index for All Income Households in the City of Puerto Princesa (2018=100)

April 2025

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

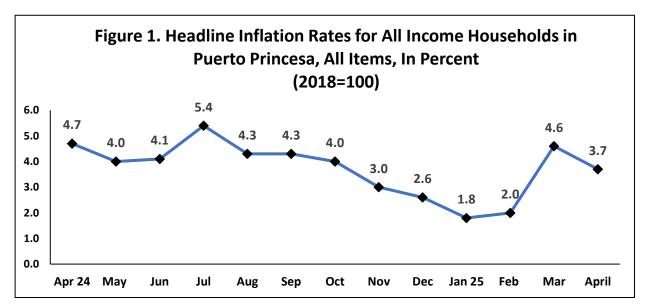
Area	April 2024	March 2025	April 2025	Year- to-date*			
Philippines							
Headline	3.8	1.8	1.4	2.0			
MIMAROPA							
Headline	4.4	2.1	1.7	2.1			
City of Puerto Princesa							
Headline	4.7	4.6	3.7	3.0			

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

The headline inflation in the City of Puerto Princesa decelerated to 3.7 percent in April 2025 from 4.6 percent in the previous month. In April 2024, inflation rate is higher at 4.7 percent. (Table A and Figure 1)

^{*} Year-on-year change of average CPI for April 2025 vs 2024

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

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

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
Commodity Group	Apr '24	Mar '25	Apr '25
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	5.6	5.9	3.3
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	5.6	2.2	2.7
Clothing and Footwear	0.5	0.8	0.8
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	9.0	1.4	1.9
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine	1.5	2.2	2.2
Household Maintenance	1.0		
Health	4.0	6.0	6.6
Transport	(1.0)	(1.5)	(3.3)
Information and Communication	(0.9)	28.2	28.2
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	4.1	3.2	3.2
Education Services	0.9	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	2.4	11.2	12.0
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.5	3.5	3.7

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

The downtrend in the overall inflation rate in Puerto Princesa City in April 2025 was primarily brought by the lower index for food and non-alcoholic beverages posted at 3.3 percent from 5.9 percent in March 2025. This was followed by transport with a decline of 3.3 percent in the current month from an annual decline of 1.5 percent in the previous month.

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Meanwhile, the following commodity groups exhibited annual increments:

- a) Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, 2.7 percent from 2.2 percent;
- b) Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels, 1.9 percent from 1.4 percent;
- c) Health, 6.6 percent from 6.0 percent;
- d) Restaurants and accommodation services, 12.0 percent from 11.2 percent; and
- e) Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services, 3.7 percent from 3.5 percent.

On the other hand, the indices for clothing and footwear, furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance, information and communication, recreation, sport and culture, education services, and financial services retained their previous month's inflation rates.

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

Food Commodity Group	Inflation Rates			
Food Commodity Group			Apr '25	
Food	5.9	6.0	3.0	
Cereals and cereal products	14.4	(0.6)	(4.4)	
Cereals	19.6	(1.7)	(6.6)	
Rice	19.6	(1.8)	(6.8)	
Corn	19.4	4.5	4.0	
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	(0.5)	3.0	3.2	
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	4.3	9.1	10.0	
Fish and other seafood	1.1	19.7	10.0	
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	1.0	3.1	3.2	
Oils and Fats	(5.7)	0.3	2.0	
Fruits and Nuts	6.4	11.7	11.1	
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	(2.1)	6.7	5.7	
Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts	(4.3)	1.1	0.5	
Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c.	1.9	5.1	4.7	

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

Food index for April 2025 in Puerto Princesa City decelerated to 3.0 percent inflation rate from 6.0 percent in the previous month. In April 2024, the food index was higher at 5.9 percent inflation rate. (Table C)

The downtrend in the food inflation for the month was brought about by the lower index for fish and other seafood at 10.0 percent inflation rate during the month from 19.7

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percent last month. This was followed by rice with a decline of 6.8 percent from an annual decline of 1.8 percent and vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses at 5.7 percent from 6.7 percent.

Furthermore, lower inflation rates were also observed in the following food groups:

- a) Fruits and nuts, 11.1 percent from 11.7 percent;
- b) Sugar, confectionery and desserts, 0.5 percent from 1.1 percent; and
- c) Ready-made food and other products n.e.c., 4.7 percent from 5.1 percent.

On the other hand, higher annual increment was observed in meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals at 10.0 percent in April 2025 from 9.1 percent in the previous month, milk, other dairy products and eggs at 3.2 percent from 3.1 percent, and oils and fats at 2.0 percent from 0.3 percent.

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

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

Month	Inflation Rate				
	2022	2023	2024	2025	
January	4.1	6.6	4.1	1.8	
February	4.1	7.5	3.6	2.0	
March	5.2	5.9	3.7	4.6	
April	5.7	4.6	4.7	3.7	
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		

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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 2012based 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).