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Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index for All Income Households in the Palawan (2018=100)

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

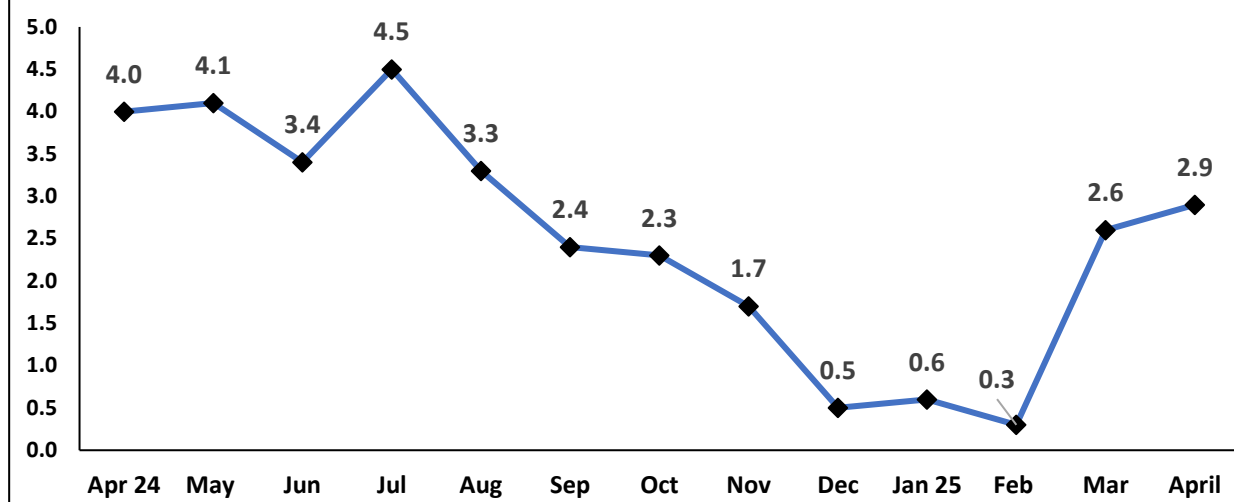
Area	April 2024	March 2025	April 2025	Year-to-date*
Philippines				
Headline	3.8	1.8	1.4	2.0
MIMAROPA				
Headline	4.4	2.1	1.7	2.1
Palawan				
Headline	4.0	2.6	2.9	1.6

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

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

The headline inflation in the province of Palawan accelerated to 2.9 percent in April 2025 from 2.6 percent in the previous month. In April 2024, inflation rate was recorded at 4.0 percent. (Table A and Figure 1)

Figure 1. Headline Inflation Rates for All Income Households in Palawan, All Items, In Percent (2018=100)



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 Palawan, All Items, In Percent (2018=100)

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Apr '24	Mar '25	Apr '25
Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages	4.6	2.6	2.9
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	3.6	1.8	2.8
Clothing and Footwear	1.9	1.5	1.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels	8.0	1.3	1.8
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	1.7	3.1	3.1
Health	1.8	3.0	6.0
Transport	(1.8)	0.7	(1.6)
Information and Communication	0.1	15.3	15.3
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	7.4	1.1	0.8
Education Services	7.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	0.5	7.2	8.3
Financial Services	(1.1)	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.9	2.8	3.0

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

The uptrend in the provincial inflation during the month was primarily brought by the higher index for food and non-alcoholic beverages at 2.9 percent inflation in April 2025 from 2.6 percent in March 2025. This was followed by housing, water, electricity gas and other fuels, which posted an inflation rate of 1.8 percent during the month from 1.3 percent in

the previous month. Also contributing to the acceleration is the higher increment of health, which registered 6.0 percent inflation rate this month from 3.0 percent in last month.

Furthermore, higher inflation rates were also observed in the indices of the following;

- a) Restaurants and accommodation services, 8.3 percent from 7.2 percent;
- b) Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, 2.8 percent from 1.8 percent;
- c) Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services, 3.0 percent from 2.8 percent; and
- d) Clothing and footwear, 1.6 percent from 1.5 percent.

On the other hand, slowdown in inflation rates were observed in transport with an annual decline of 1.6 percent in April 2025 from 0.7 percent in the previous month and recreation, sport and culture at 0.8 percent during the month from 1.1 percent in March 2025.

Meanwhile, constant inflation rates were recorded in furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance at 3.1 percent, and information and communication, education services and financial services, both at 0.0 percent.

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

Food Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	Apr '24	March '25	Apr '25
Food	4.8	2.4	2.7
Cereals and cereal products	12.2	(5.2)	(6.0)
Cereals	14.7	(6.5)	(7.5)
Rice	15.0	(6.8)	(7.8)
Corn	(1.8)	21.4	15.2
Flour, Bread and other Bakery Products, Pasta Products and other Cereals	1.5	0.8	0.7
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	2.9	11.8	12.3
Fish and other seafood	(5.5)	8.3	20.4
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	(0.1)	2.3	2.0
Oils and Fats	(5.7)	6.9	7.4
Fruits and Nuts	4.8	8.4	10.0
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	5.8	9.3	1.8
Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts	(8.9)	0.1	(1.1)
Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c.	2.4	3.6	3.7

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

Food index for all income households in April 2025 accelerated to 2.7 percent inflation rate from 2.4 percent in the previous month. In April 2024, the food index was higher, at 4.8 percent inflation rate. (Table C)

The faster food inflation rates for the month were brought about by the higher indices of fish and other seafood at 20.4 percent inflation in April 2025 from 8.3 percent in March 2025 and fruits and nuts at 10.0 percent inflation rate in the current month from 8.4 percent last month. This was followed by.

Moreover, higher inflation rates were also observed in the following food groups:

- a. Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, 12.3 percent from 11.8 percent;
- b. Oils and fats, 7.4 percent from 6.9 percent; and
- c. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c, 3.7 percent from 3.6 percent;

On the other hand, slower annual increments were recorded in the following food groups:

- a. Rice, - 7.8 percent from -6.8 percent;
- b. Corn, 15.2 percent from 21.4 percent;
- c. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 2.0 percent from 2.3 percent;
- d. Vegetables, Tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, 1.8 percent from 9.3 percent, and
- e. Sugar, confectionary and desserts, -1.1 percent from 0.1 percent.

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

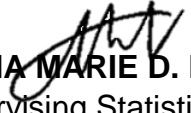
Month	Inflation Rate			
	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	4.4	8.7	3.7	0.6
February	4.8	8.7	4.0	0.3
March	5.4	9.0	3.5	2.6
April	6.6	6.9	4.0	2.9
May	7.6	6.5	4.1	
June	8.4	6.9	3.4	
July	10.1	5.4	4.5	
August	10.2	5.9	3.3	
September	9.8	7.1	2.4	
October	10.8	6.0	2.3	
November	9.9	5.5	1.7	
December	9.9	4.9	0.5	
Average	8.2	6.8	3.1	

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

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).


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