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### Oriental Mindoro's Inflation Slowed Down Further to 1.6% in May 2025



Table 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates (%) in the Philippines, MIMAROPA Region, and Oriental Mindoro Province, All Items (2018=100)

Area	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025
Philippines	3.9	1.4	1.3
MIMAROPA Region	4.6	1.7	1.1
Oriental Mindoro	3.1	2.7	1.6

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

Oriental Mindoro's headline inflation or overall inflation slowed down further to 1.6 percent in May 2025 from 2.7 percent in April 2025. This brings the provincial average inflation rate from January to May 2025 to 2.8 percent. In May 2024, inflation was higher at 3.1 percent.

The downtrend in the overall inflation in May 2025 was primarily brought about by the slower annual increment in the index of housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels at 2.3 percent in May 2025 from 5.1 percent in the previous month.

Also contributing to the downtrend was the food and non-alcoholic beverages at 2.5 percent during the month from 3.2 percent in April 2025. In addition, restaurants and accommodation services index recorded a slower annual growth of 1.6 percent during the month from 3.2 percent in April 2025.

Moreover, faster annual decline was recorded in transport index at 4.2 percent in May 2025 from a 4.0 percent annual drop in the previous month. Alcoholic beverages and tobacco index also recorded a slower annual growth of 4.4 percent during the month from 5.2 percent in April 2025.

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## PSA Oriental Mindoro Conducts June 2025 Monthly Palay and Corn Situation System (MPCSRS)

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Provincial Statistical Office of Oriental Mindoro will collect data for the Monthly Palay and Corn Situation Reporting System (MPCSRS) in June 2025. This survey is in accordance with Republic Act (RA) No. 10625 or the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013, which authorizes the PSA to prepare and conduct periodic censuses on various sectors of the economy, and Executive Order No. 352 mandating the conduct of the survey every month.

The MPCSRS is one of the major agricultural surveys conducted by the PSA. This survey aims to update the estimates for the current quarter based on standing crops, area, and production of palay and corn across the country. Such estimates are subject to changes depending on weather conditions, inputs and outputs, prices, and other factors that contribute largely to the deviations of the actual data compared to the initial estimates. A close monitoring of the growing conditions of the crop is deemed necessary.

In the Province of Oriental Mindoro, 91 sample households from the municipalities of Naujan, Victoria, Pinamalayan, Bansud, Bongabong, and Bulalacao will be interviewed.

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# Calapan City Selected as Pilot Testing Site of Administrative Petition for Correction Automated System



Training participants proudly pose together during the Training and Pilot Test for the Administrative Petition for Correction Automated System (APCAS), held from May 27 to 29, 2025, at Calapan City Hall.

PSA in partnership with the Local Civil Registry Office (LCRO) of Calapan City, launched the pilot implementation of the Administrative Petition for Automated System (APCAS) Correction 27-29 May 2025. This three-day pilot activity aims to modernize the processing of administrative correction petitions by introducing an automated, streamlined system that supports implementation of Republic Acts No. 9048 and 10172.

The first day of the pilot test commenced with an opening program attended by officials from the PSA

Regional Statistical Service Office MIMAROPA, the PSA Provincial Statistical Office of Oriental Mindoro, and the City Civil Registry Department. PSA Undersecretary Claire Dennis S. Mapa highlighted in his video message the importance of digital innovation in improving public service delivery, while Calapan City Mayor Malou Flores-Morillo and City Civil Registrar Deo Mar Francis Mauro expressed their support for the initiative. Atty. Evelyn A. Beltran of the PSA Legal Service provided an overview of the training and system components, followed by the presentation of an audiovisual introduction to APCAS.

Participants received a detailed walkthrough of the system, including the enrollment process for Local Civil Registry accounts and the APCAS workflow, led by Administrative Officer Miguelito B. Castillo. In the afternoon, Administrative Assistant Jean M. Bermal demonstrated the system installation and account setup, followed by a training session on APCAS functionalities.

Calapan City's participation in this pilot marks an important step in PSA's efforts to digitize civil registration services and ensure efficient, accessible, and responsive service to the public.

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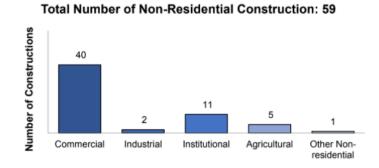
## Non-residential Buildings had the Highest Number of Constructions in March 2025

Based on the preliminary results of March 2025 Building Construction Statistics in Oriental Mindoro, non-residential buildings reported the highest number of construction with 59 approved building permits or 53.2 percent of the total number of constructions during the month. Majority of non-residential constructions were commercial buildings with 40 constructions (67.8 percent).

Meanwhile, residential building type constructions followed in terms of number of constructions at 41, constituting 36.9 percent of the total number of constructions. Most of the residential constructions were single-type houses with 36 constructions (87.8 percent).

Addition, which refers to any new construction that increases the height or area of an existing building, alteration, and repair of existing structures had a total of seven constructions which contributed 6.3 percent, while other constructions including demolition and fencing permits, street furniture, landscaping, and signboards had a total of four construction which accounts for 3.6 percent of the total number of constructions in the province during the reference month.

Figure 1. Number of Construction by Type, Oriental Mindoro: March 2025 (Preliminary)





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