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Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index: Davao del Norte (2018=100) March 2025

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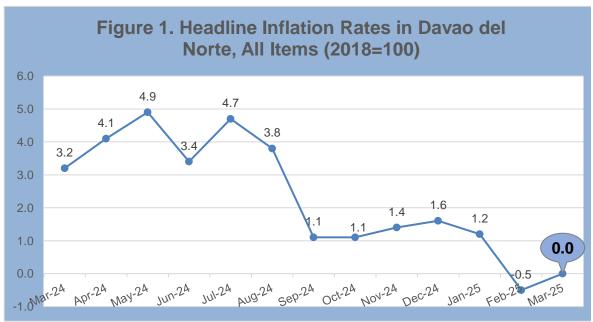
Inflation rate of Davao del Norte increased by 0.5 percentage points (2018=100) in March 2025

Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates: All Items in Percent Philippines, Region 11, and Davao del Norte March 2024, February – March 2025

Area	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Year-to- Date*
Philippines	3.7	2.1	1.8	2.2
Region 11	4.8	0.6	0.6	1.1
Davao del Norte	3.2	(0.5)	0.0	0.2

^{*} Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to March 2025 vs. 2024

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



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1. Inflation in Davao del Norte

The headline inflation of Davao del Norte decreased by 3.2 percentage points in March 2025 (0.0%) compared to its inflation rate in the same month last year, which was recorded at 3.2 percent. The current inflation rate (0.0%) of the province is lower compared to the headline inflation of the Philippines and Davao Region which was recorded at 1.8 percent and 0.6 percent, respectively (Table A).

The average inflation of Davao del Norte for the year 2025 stood at 0.2 percent (Table B).

Table B. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Davao del Norte:
All Items in Percent
January 2022 – February 2025

Month	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	5.6	6.9	1.0	1.2
February	3.9	6.5	3.5	-0.5
March	4.0	6.0	3.2	0.0
April	4.7	4.2	4.1	
May	4.7	3.1	4.9	
June	5.7	2.5	3.4	
July	7.1	1.3	4.7	
August	6.9	1.6	3.8	
September	7.4	3.4	1.1	
October	7.2	2.8	1.1	
November	7.0	3.2	1.4	
December	6.6	2.9	1.6	
Average	5.9	3.7	2.8	0.2

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2. Share to the Trend of Inflation

Table D. Share to the Uptrend of Inflation in Davao del Norte: All income Households in Percent (2018=100)

Commodity Group	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Share to Uptrend
ALL ITEMS	3.2	(0.5)	0.0	100.0
Food and non- alcoholic beverages	6.6	(1.5)	(0.8)	66.5
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	12.0	5.3	5.7	1.6
Clothing and footwear	5.2	0.4	0.9	3.0
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	(7.0)	0.2	0.9	26.2
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	5.6	3.9	3.3	
Health	2.9	2.3	2.0	
Transport	3.3	(1.9)	(2.0)	
Information and communication	0.3	0.0	0.0	
Recreation, sport and culture	3.7	1.8	2.0	0.3
Education services	4.6	0.4	0.4	
Restaurants and accommodation services	1.4	(0.1)	(0.1)	
Financial services	(0.1)	0.0	0.0	
Personal care, and miscellaneous goods and services	4.1	2.6	2.9	2.5

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The increment in the inflation rate of Davao del Norte can be observed with its upward trend from -0.5 percent in February 2025 to 0.0 percent in March 2025. This trend is mainly contributed by the slower annual price decrease of food and non-alcoholic beverages, and the faster price increase of housing, water electricity, gas and other fuels; and clothing and footwear with a recorded inflation rate of 0.9 percent for both commodity groups (Table D).

Despite the increase in the inflation rate of province, a downward trend in March 2025 compared to their corresponding rates in February 2025 can be observed in Table D for the following commodities:

- Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance (from 3.9% to 3.3%);
- Health (from 2.3% to 2.0%); and
- Transport (from -1.9% to -2.0%).

It can also be observed that the following commodities has shown no sign of increase nor decrease in inflation rate in comparison to their corresponding rates in the last month:

- Information and communication (0.0%);
- Education services (0.4%);
- Restaurants and accommodation services (-0.1%); and
- Financial services (0.0%).

The inflation of the index for food increased from -2.0% in February 2025 to -1.2% in March 2025. The uptrend of the food inflation was mostly attributed by the slower annual price decrease of vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses. Also contributing to this trend is the faster annual price increase of meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals; and fish and other seafood (Table E).

Table E. Share to the Uptrend of Food Inflation in Davao del Norte:
All income Households in Percent (2018=100)

Commodity Group	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Share to Uptrend
FOOD	7.0	(2.0)	(1.2)	100.0
Rice	24.4	(5.0)	(7.0)	
Corn	(2.7)	(12.2)	(16.2)	
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta	7.4	1.3	1.4	0.0

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Commodity Group	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Share to Uptrend
Products, And Other Cereals				
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	(1.9)	2.4	4.5	27.0
Fish and other seafood	0.9	0.7	2.5	23.9
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	0.8	2.6	3.5	5.4
Oils and fats	(3.4)	(0.7)	0.2	0.9
Fruits and nuts	27.1	0.5	(3.7)	
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	4.2	(14.0)	(5.8)	42.8
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	(2.5)	(2.6)	(3.5)	
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	6.8	5.0	4.3	

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3. Davao del Norte's Inflation Rate vis-à-vis other Provinces of Davao Region

Table F. Inflation Rate by Province for All Income Households:
All Items, Davao Region

Area Name	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Trend
Davao Region	4.8	0.6	0.6	Equal
DAVAO DEL NORTE	3.2	(0.5)	0.0	Up
DAVAO CITY	4.4	1.8	1.9	Up
DAVAO DEL SUR	7.8	0.7	0.3	Down
DAVAO ORIENTAL	5.3	(1.7)	(2.1)	Down
DAVAO DE ORO	4.1	(1.2)	(1.2)	Equal

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DAVAO OCCIDENTAL	6.9	(0.3)	(0.7)	Down

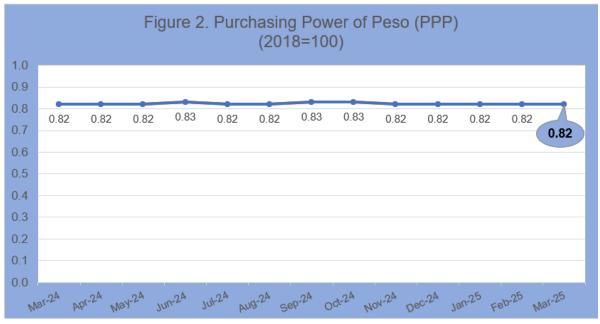
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Among the five provinces and one HUC of Davao Region, Davao Oriental has the slowest recorded inflation rate in March 2025 with -2.1 percent. This was followed by Davao de Oro (-1.2%), Davao Occidental (-0.7%), Davao del Norte (0.0%), Davao del Sur (0.3%), and Davao City (1.9%) (Table F).

4. Purchasing Power of Peso

The Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) measures the current value of the peso in reference to its value in the base year. It has an inverse relationship with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) which means that if the CPI increases, the PPP decreases.

Figure 2 showed that the PPP for the province of Davao del Norte steadied and was recorded at 0.82 from November 2024 to March 2025. This suggests that Php100.00 in 2018 is currently valued at PhP82.00.



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Technical Notes

Consumer Price Index (CPI). An indicator of the change in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to a base year.

Based Period. A reference date at which the index is equal to 100. The Base year is 2018.

Inflation Rate. The rate of change of the CPI expressed in percent. It is interpreted in terms of declining purchasing power of peso.

Purchasing Power of Peso. The measure of how much the peso in the base period is worth in the current period.

Note: Consumer Price Indices (CPI) and inflation rates by province and selected cities are posted at the PSA website (https://openstat.psa.gov.ph/).

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