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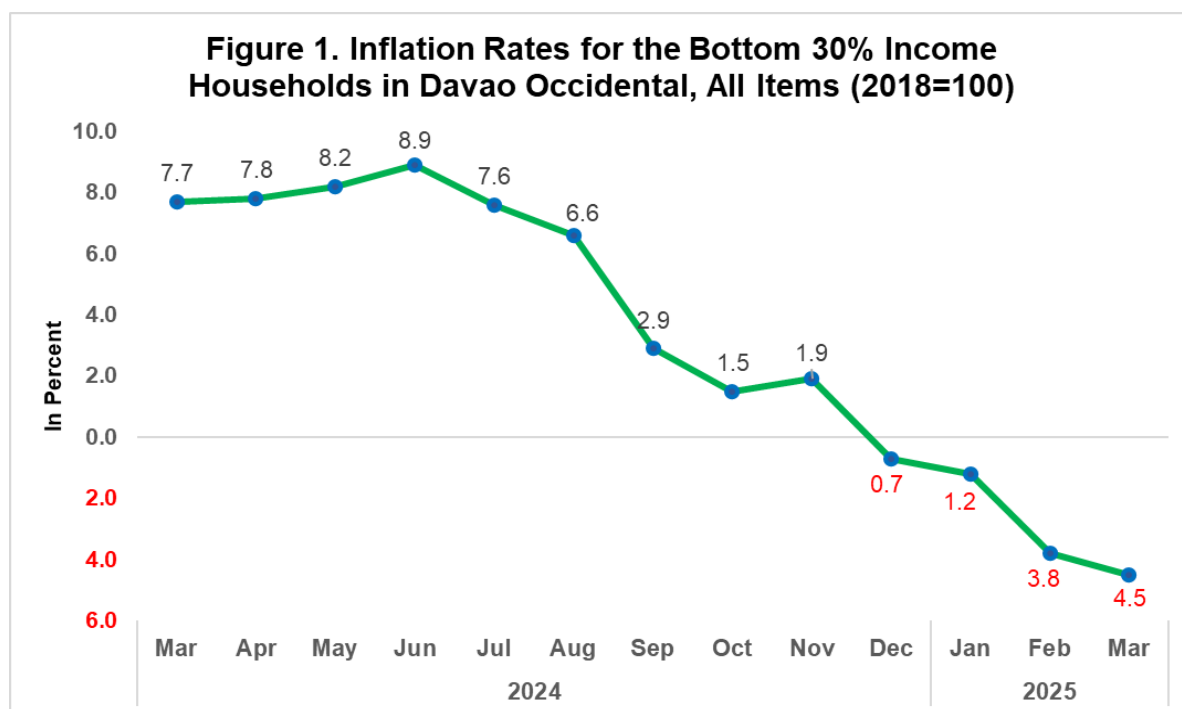
Summary Inflation Report of Davao Occidental Consumer Price Index for the Bottom 30% Income Households (2018=100) March 2025

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

| Area | March 2024 | February 2025 | March 2025 | Year-to-date* |
|------------------|------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Philippines | 4.6 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.7 |
| Davao Region | 5.3 | -1.5 | -1.6 | -0.8 |
| Davao Occidental | 7.7 | -3.8 | -4.5 | -3.2 |

Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index, Philippine Statistics Authority
*Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to December 2024 vs. 2023



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The Davao Occidental headline inflation rate for the bottom 30% income households declined further to negative 4.5 percent in March 2025 from negative 3.8 percent in February 2025. In March 2024, the inflation rate was higher at 7.7 percent.

(Table A and Figure 1)

The drivers of the downward trend of the overall inflation for this income group in March 2025 was the slower year-on-year growth of the following commodity groups;

- Restaurant and accommodation services, from 19.4 percent to 16.8 percent;
- Furnishing, household equipment and routine household maintenance, from 8.1 percent to 7.8 percent;
- Health, from 4.6 percent to 4.4 percent;
- Clothing and footwear, from 5.2 percent to 4.4 percent;
- Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels; from negative 0.3 percent to negative 6.5 percent; and
- Transport, from negative 1.8 percent to negative 3.2 percent.

In contrast, higher annual growth rates were noticed in the following commodity groups;

- Recreation, sport and culture, from 13.3 percent to 15.3 percent;
- Information and communication, from 0.0 percent to 1.0 percent; and
- Food and non-alcoholic beverages from negative 7.7 percent to negative 7.3 percent.

The indices of the rest of the commodity groups retained their respective previous month's annual rates. (Tables B)

Table B. Consumer Price Index by Subgroup, Month-on-Month and Year-on-Year Percent Changes of Bottom 30% Income Household in Davao Occidental (2018=100)

| Commodity Group | CPI | | | Inflation Rate | |
|---|------------|---------------|------------|----------------|--------------|
| | March 2024 | February 2025 | March 2025 | Month-on-Month | Year-on-Year |
| ALL ITEMS | 127.2 | 122.8 | 121.5 | -1.1 | -4.5 |
| 01 FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 127.3 | 118.9 | 118.0 | -0.8 | -7.3 |
| FOOD | 126.9 | 117.5 | 116.5 | -0.9 | -8.2 |
| Cereals and cereal products | 127.2 | 104.1 | 102.0 | -2.0 | -19.8 |
| Cereals | 126.0 | 100.0 | 97.6 | -2.4 | -22.6 |
| Rice | 131.4 | 107.9 | 105.0 | -2.7 | -20.1 |
| Corn | 107.9 | 73.2 | 72.6 | -0.9 | -32.8 |
| Flour, Bread And Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals | 137.2 | 140.6 | 140.9 | 0.2 | 2.7 |
| Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals | 127.5 | 139.2 | 137.9 | -0.9 | 8.2 |
| Fish and other seafood | 143.3 | 139.3 | 140.6 | 0.9 | -1.9 |
| Milk, other dairy products and eggs | 143.8 | 152.0 | 149.2 | -1.8 | 3.8 |
| Oils and fats | 83.5 | 136.3 | 147.0 | 7.9 | 76.0 |
| Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses | 95.1 | 100.2 | 96.7 | -3.5 | 1.7 |
| Sugar, confectionery and desserts | 161.5 | 149.6 | 158.7 | 6.1 | -1.7 |
| Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. | 124.6 | 137.8 | 136.6 | -0.9 | 9.6 |
| 02 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 221.1 | 225.2 | 225.2 | 0.0 | 1.9 |
| 03 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 116.2 | 121.3 | 121.3 | 0.0 | 4.4 |
| 04 HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS | 122.2 | 120.0 | 114.2 | -4.8 | -6.5 |
| 05 FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE | 117.5 | 125.7 | 126.7 | 0.8 | 7.8 |
| 06 HEALTH | 116.6 | 122.1 | 121.7 | -0.3 | 4.4 |
| 07 TRANSPORT | 120.3 | 117.2 | 116.4 | -0.7 | -3.2 |
| 08 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION | 100.7 | 100.7 | 101.7 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| 09 RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE | 149.6 | 169.3 | 172.5 | 1.9 | 15.3 |
| 10 EDUCATION SERVICES | 110.5 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 11 RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES | 147.8 | 170.8 | 172.7 | 1.1 | 16.8 |
| 12 FINANCIAL SERVICES | 163.6 | 163.6 | 163.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 13 PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 100.4 | 100.4 | 100.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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

Food inflation for the bottom 30% income households at the provincial level slightly increased to negative 8.2 percent in March 2025 from negative 8.6 percent in February 2025. In March 2024, the inflation rate was higher at 12.8 percent.

The acceleration of food inflation in March 2025 of this income group were contributed of the following food groups;

- a. Oils and fats, from 65.0 percent to 76.0 percent;
- b. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c., from 9.2 percent to 9.6 percent;
- c. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses from negative 3.7 percent to 1.7 percent;
- d. Sugar, confectionery and desserts from negative 8.4 percent to negative 1.7 percent; and
- e. Fish and other seafood, from negative 4.3 percent to negative 1.9 percent;

In contrast, compared with their previous month's inflation rates, lower annual growth rate was observed in the following food groups;

- a. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, from 4.2 percent to 3.8 percent;
- b. Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals from 11.2 percent to 8.2 percent;
- c. Rice from negative 18.7 percent to negative 20.1 percent; and
- d. Corn from negative 31.8 percent to negative 32.8 percent. (Table C)

Table C. Year-on-Year Inflation Rate by Subgroup, Percent Changes of Bottom 30% Income Households in Davao Occidental (2018=100)

| Commodity Group | | INFLATION | | |
|-----------------|---|------------|---------------|------------|
| | | March 2024 | February 2025 | March 2025 |
| | ALL ITEMS | 7.7 | -3.8 | -4.5 |
| 01 | FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 12.5 | -7.7 | -7.3 |
| | FOOD | 12.8 | -8.6 | -8.2 |
| | Cereals and cereal products | 27.8 | -18.5 | -19.8 |
| | Cereals | 31.2 | -21.2 | -22.6 |
| | Rice | 36.4 | -18.7 | -20.1 |
| | Corn | 13.4 | -31.8 | -32.8 |
| | Flour, Bread And Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals | 5.5 | 4.0 | 2.7 |
| | Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals | -4.1 | 11.2 | 8.2 |
| | Fish and other seafood | 8.6 | -4.3 | -1.9 |
| | Milk, other dairy products and eggs | 8.9 | 4.2 | 3.8 |
| | Oils and fats | -21.3 | 65.0 | 76.0 |
| | Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses | -6.5 | -3.7 | 1.7 |
| | Sugar, confectionery and desserts | -13.3 | -8.4 | -1.7 |
| | Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. | 1.0 | 9.2 | 9.6 |
| 02 | ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 15.1 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 03 | CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 3.5 | 5.2 | 4.4 |
| 04 | HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS | -10.7 | -0.3 | -6.5 |
| 05 | FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE | 2.1 | 8.1 | 7.8 |
| 06 | HEALTH | 2.3 | 4.6 | 4.4 |
| 07 | TRANSPORT | 4.0 | -1.8 | -3.2 |
| 08 | INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION | 0.3 | 0.0 | 1.0 |
| 09 | RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE | 8.6 | 13.3 | 15.3 |
| 10 | EDUCATION SERVICES | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 11 | RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES | 23.3 | 19.4 | 16.8 |
| 12 | FINANCIAL SERVICES | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 13 | PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates of Bottom 30% Income Households Davao Occidental, All Items of In Percent
January 2019 – December 2024
(2018=100)

| Month | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------------|
| January | 9.4 | -1.2 | 1.6 | 2.9 | 11.7 | 5.4 | -1.2 |
| February | 9.8 | -3.9 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 11.6 | 7.8 | -3.8 |
| March | 6.7 | -2.1 | 4.5 | 1.9 | 10.6 | 7.7 | -4.5 |
| April | 5.0 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 4.5 | 8.2 | 7.8 | |
| May | 5.0 | 0.1 | 2.8 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 8.2 | |
| June | 4.7 | -1.4 | 3.8 | 8.3 | 3.3 | 8.9 | |
| July | 2.9 | -2.3 | 5.0 | 9.6 | 2.0 | 7.6 | |
| August | 1.4 | -1.2 | 3.7 | 11.1 | 2.9 | 6.6 | |
| September | -4.7 | -2.3 | 4.2 | 11.1 | 5.5 | 2.9 | |
| October | -3.7 | -2.0 | 4.1 | 11.5 | 4.8 | 1.5 | |
| November | -3.5 | -1.0 | 2.5 | 12.0 | 3.3 | 1.9 | |
| December | -2.6 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 12.9 | 4.7 | -0.7 | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Average | 2.3 | -1.4 | 3.3 | 7.8 | 6.1 | 5.4 | -3.2 |

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Note: CPIs and inflation rates for the bottom 30% income households by region and province are posted at the PSA OpenSTAT portal at https://openstat.psa.gov.ph/PXWeb/pxweb/en/DB/DB_2M_PI_BIH_2018/?tablelist=true .

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