

Special Release

Summary Inflation Report of Davao Oriental Consumer Price Index (2018=100) May 2025

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**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates, All Items
In Percent
(2018=100)**

Area	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025	Year-to-date*
Philippines	3.9	1.4	1.3	1.9
Davao Region	5.3	0.5	0.2	0.8
Davao Oriental	6.0	-3.3	-3.3	-1.9

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

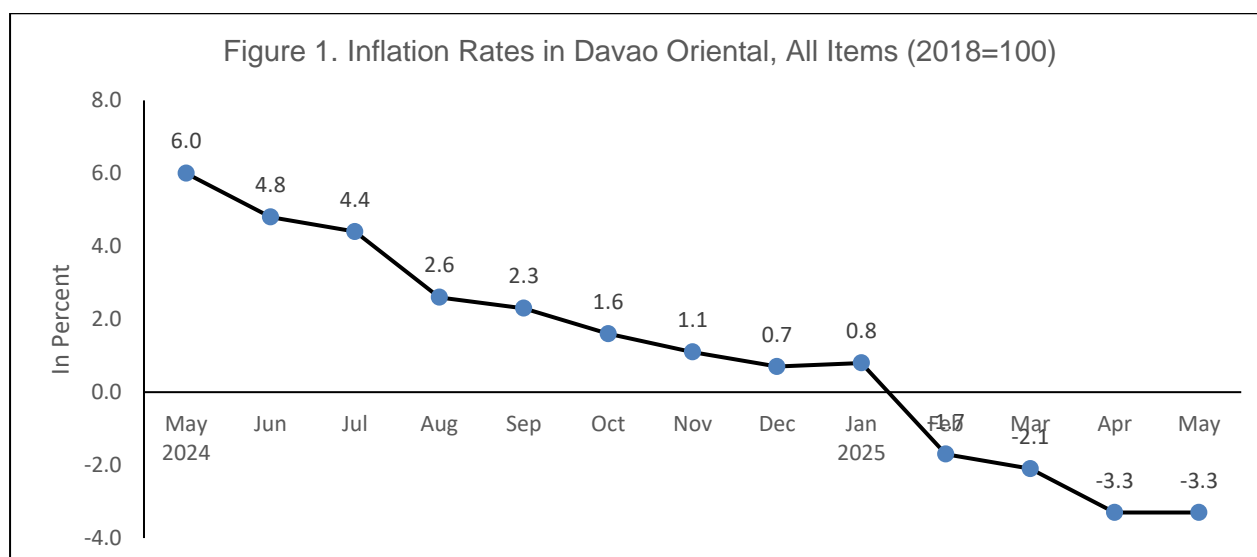
* Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to May 2025 vs. 2024

The inflation rate in Davao Oriental has remained stable at -3.3 percent, consistent with the rate recorded in the previous month. This stability results in an average inflation rate of -1.6 percent for the province from January to May 2025. For comparison, the inflation rate in May 2024 was higher at 6.0 percent. (as shown in Tables A and B, and Figure 1)

**Table B. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Davao Oriental, All Items
In Percent
January 2021 – May 2025
(2018=100)**

Month	Year				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	1.9	8.3	10.0	4.3	0.8
February	5.2	4.2	11.3	6.9	-1.7
March	7.2	4.1	12.4	5.3	-2.1
April	7.0	6.2	10.2	4.2	-3.3
May	7.4	5.9	7.5	6.0	-1.9
June	6.7	7.4	6.6	4.8	
July	7.6	8.5	5.0	4.4	
August	9.6	7.7	7.0	2.6	
September	8.1	9.6	6.5	2.3	
October	9.5	8.1	7.2	1.6	
November	7.7	9.3	6.7	1.1	
December	9.1	9.2	6.0	0.7	
Average	7.2	7.4	8.0	3.7	-1.6

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The constant level in overall inflation in May 2025 was primarily influenced by the faster annual decline in the index of food and non-alcoholic beverages, which was -6.3 percent in May 2025 from -5.9 percent of the previous month. Another contributor to the steady trend was transport, which recorded an annual decline of -8.3 percent during the month from -8.6 percent in the previous month.

Moreover, an increase in annual increments were noted in the indices of the following commodity groups during the month:

- a. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels, 1.7 percent from 1.0 percent;
- b. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services, 3.2 percent from 2.8 percent;
- c. Recreation, Sport and Culture, 1.9 percent from 1.7 percent; and
- d. Clothing and Footwear, 2.9 percent from 2.8 percent.

In contrast, Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance registered lower inflation rates with 1.4 percent from 1.6 percent of the previous month. Meanwhile, the indices of the rest of the commodity groups retained their respective previous month's annual rates. (as shown in Table C)

At the provincial level, food inflation eased further to -7.0 percent in May 2025 from -6.5 percent in the previous month. In May 2024, food inflation was higher at 10.0 percent. (as shown in Table D)

The deceleration of food inflation in May 2025 was primarily brought about by the slower inflation rate of Oils and Fats at -3.4 percent during the month from 0.6 percent in April 2025. This was followed by the faster year-on-year decline of Corn at -23.7 percent during the month from -20.3 percent in April 2025.

In addition, lower inflation rates during the month were noted in the indices of the following food items:

- a. Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts, 3.5 percent from 5.8 percent;
- b. Cereals (ND), -18.7 percent from -17.3 percent;
- c. Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, 5.9 percent from 7.1 percent
- d. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, -0.5 percent from 0.5 percent;
- e. Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta, and Other Cereals, 0.5 percent from 0.6 percent; and

- f. Ready-made food and other food products N.E.C, 3.0 percent from 3.7 percent.

In contrast higher annual increments were noted in the indices of the following food groups during the month:

- a. Fruits and Nuts, 7.5 percent from 5.6 percent;
- b. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 4.8 percent from 3.5 percent; and
- c. Fish and Other Seafoods, -12.3 percent from -13.1 percent.
(as shown in Table D)

**Table C. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Davao Oriental,
by Commodity Group
In Percent
(2018=100)**

Commodity Group	Inflation Rates		
	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025
ALL ITEMS	6.0	-3.3	-3.3
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	9.3	-5.9	-6.3
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	1.9	2.0	1.9
Clothing and Footwear	3.9	2.8	2.9
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels	-1.0	1.0	1.7
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	2.6	1.6	1.4
Health	3.0	0.5	0.5
Transport	5.5	-8.6	-8.3
Information and Communication	0.0	0.8	0.8
Recreation, Sport and Culture	11.8	1.7	1.9
Education Services	11.0	2.4	2.4
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	3.4	1.1	1.1
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.7	2.8	3.2

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**Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Davao Oriental,
by Food Group
In Percent
(2018=100)**

Food Group	Inflation Rates		
	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025
FOOD	10.0	-6.5	-7.0
Cereals and cereal products	21.8	-13.9	-15.1
Cereals (ND)	27.2	-17.3	-18.7
Rice	30.8	-16.5	-17.1
Corn	16.9	-20.3	-23.7
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	2.3	0.6	0.5
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	-4.7	7.1	5.9
Fish and other seafood	10.5	-13.1	-12.3
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	0.4	3.5	4.8
Oils and fats	0.5	0.6	-3.4
Fruits and nuts	3.4	5.6	7.5
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	9.6	0.5	-0.5
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	-8.8	5.8	3.5
Ready-made food and other food products N.E.C.	5.5	3.7	3.0

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

In May 2025, a mixed inflation trend was observed across all provinces and the highly urbanized city in the Davao Region, compared to April 2025. Davao City, Davao de Oro, Davao Occidental, and Davao del Norte recorded lower inflation rates, while Davao Oriental maintained the same rate as the previous month. Conversely, Davao del Sur experienced a slight increase in its inflation rate. Davao Oriental reported the lowest inflation

rate at -3.3 percent, whereas Davao City had the highest rate at 1.4 percent. (as shown in Table E)

Table E. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Davao Region, All Items In Percent (2018=100)

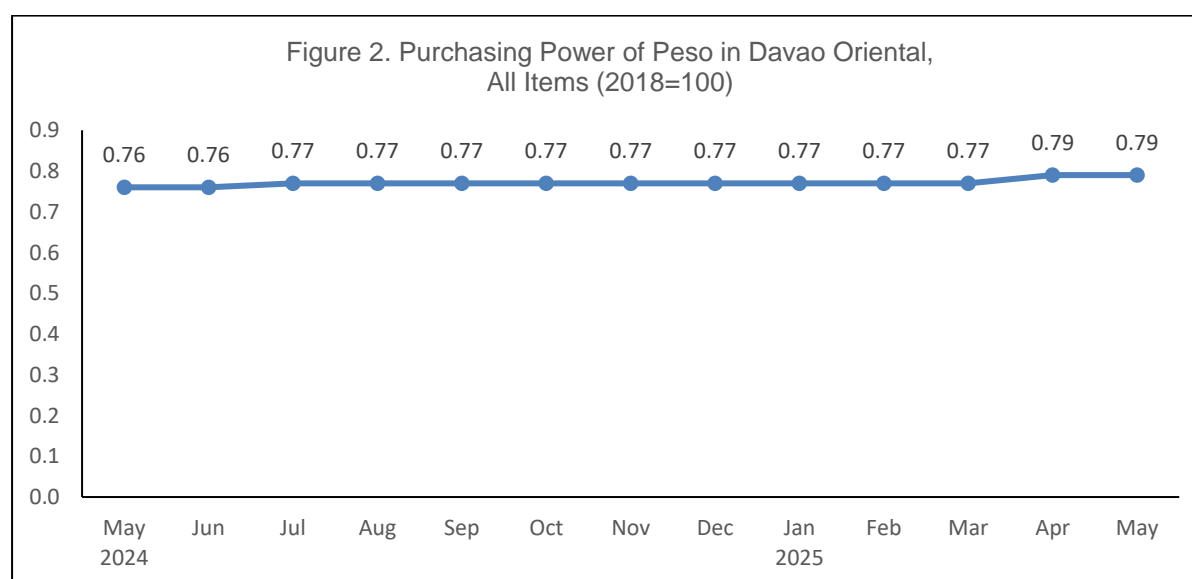
Areas	Inflation Rates		
	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025
Davao Region	5.3	0.5	0.2
Davao Del Norte	4.9	-0.4	-0.6
Davao City	4.7	1.9	1.4
Davao Del Sur	7.1	0.5	0.8
Davao Oriental	6.0	-3.3	-3.3
Davao De Oro	4.5	-1.6	-1.8
Davao Occidental	8.3	-1.2	-2.6

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Purchasing Power of the Peso (PPP)

The purchasing power of the peso (PPP) shows how much the peso in the base year (2018) is worth in another period. It is computed by getting the reciprocal of the CPI and multiplying the result by 100.

As of May 2025, the purchasing power of the peso (PPP) in Davao Oriental remained at 0.79, indicating that PhP 1.00 in 2018 is now equivalent to PhP0.79. The PPP was higher than in May 2024 at 0.76. (as shown in Figure 2)



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

TECHNICAL NOTES

Uses of CPI

The CPI is most widely used in the calculation of the inflation rate and purchasing power of peso. It is a major statistical series used for economic analysis and as a monitoring indicator of government economic policy.

Computation of CPI

The computation of the CPI involves consideration of the following important points:

- a. **Base Year/Period** - A period, usually a year, at which the index number is set to 100. It is the reference point of the index number series.
- b. **Market Basket** - A sample of the thousands of varieties of goods purchased for consumption and services availed by the households in the country selected to represent the composite price behavior of all goods and services purchased by consumers.
- c. **Weighting System** - The weighting pattern uses the expenditures on various consumer items purchased by households as a proportion to total expenditure.
- d. **Formula** - The formula used in computing the CPI is the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives, the Laspeyre's formula with a fixed base year period (2006) weights.
- e. **Geographic Coverage** - CPI values are computed at the national, regional, and provincial levels, and for selected cities.

Note: CPIs and inflation rates by province and selected city are posted at the PSA website (<https://openstat.psa.gov.ph/>).

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