

SPECIAL RELEASE

Davao Region Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index (2018=100)

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Table 1. Year-on-Year Provincial and Highly Urbanized City
Inflation Rates, All Items: Region XI
In Percent
(2018=100)

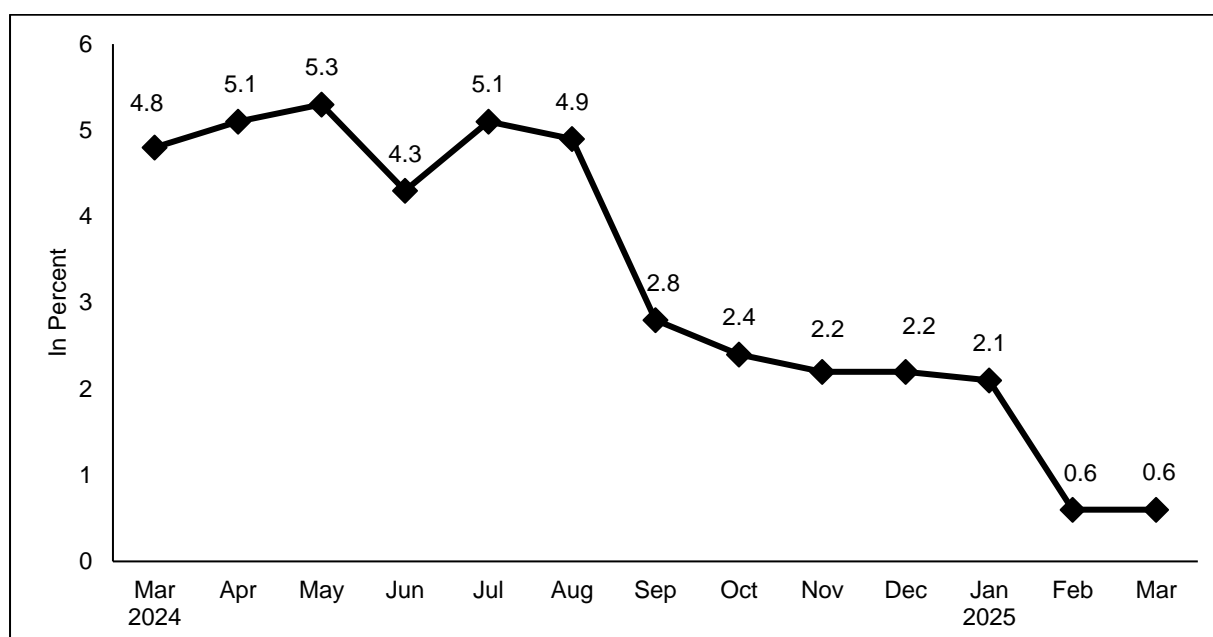
Area	March 2024	February 2025	March 2025	Year-to- date*
Philippines	3.7	2.1	1.8	2.2
Davao Region	4.8	0.6	0.6	1.1
Davao del Norte	3.2	-0.5	0.0	0.2
Davao del Sur	7.8	0.7	0.3	1.3
Davao Oriental	5.3	-1.7	-2.1	-1.0
Davao de Oro	4.1	-1.2	-1.2	-0.6
Davao Occidental	6.9	-0.3	-0.7	0.2
Davao City	4.4	1.8	1.9	2.1

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 March 2025 vs. 2024



Figure 1. Inflation Rates in Region XI, All Items
(2018=100)



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1. Regional Headline Inflation

The year-on-year headline inflation of Davao Region remained at 0.6 percent in March 2025 from February 2025. In March 2024, the region's inflation was higher at 4.8 percent. (Table 1 and Figure 1).

The major contributors to the region's overall inflation in March 2025 were Restaurants and Accommodation Services at 2.8 percent from 2.7 percent; followed by Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco at 4.3 percent from 4.4 percent; and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels at 0.7 percent from 0.3 percent.

Slower annual increments were noted in the indices of the following commodity groups during the month:

- Clothing and Footwear at 2.7 percent from 2.9 percent;
- Furnishings, Household Equipment, and Routine Household Maintenance at 3.1 percent from 3.5 percent; and
- Transport at -2.7 percent from -2.1 percent.

On the other hand, faster annual increments were recorded in the indices of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages at -0.2 percent from -0.3 percent; Information and Communication at 0.9 percent from 0.5 percent; and Recreation, Sport, and Culture at 4.7 percent from 4.6 percent.

Meanwhile, Health at 2.5 percent; Education Services at 7.8 percent; Financial Services at 0.0 percent; and Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services at 2.9 percent retained the previous month's inflation rate.

Table 2. CPI and Inflation Rates by Commodity Group (2018 = 100),
Region XI: March 2024, February 2025, and March 2025

Commodity Group	March 2024 Inflation Rate	February 2025 Inflation Rate	March CPI		March 2025 Inflation Rate
			2024	2025	
All Items	4.8	0.6	128.3	129.1	0.6
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	8.5	-0.3	132.5	132.3	-0.2
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	9.1	4.4	175.5	183.1	4.3
Clothing and Footwear	5.1	2.9	122.4	125.7	2.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels	-3.4	0.3	118.0	118.8	0.7
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.6	3.5	124.8	128.7	3.1
Health	4.4	2.5	129.0	132.2	2.5
Transport	3.5	-2.1	132.8	129.2	-2.7
Information and Communication	0.2	0.5	105.1	106.0	0.9
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	6.3	4.6	125.8	131.7	4.7
Education Services	4.0	7.8	116.7	125.8	7.8
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	6.8	2.7	128.0	131.6	2.8
Financial Services	-0.1	0.0	147.2	147.2	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.7	2.9	124.4	128.0	2.9

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

2. Davao Region Food Inflation

The region's Food inflation accelerated at -0.5 percent in March 2025 from -0.7 percent the previous month's inflation. In March 2024, the Food inflation was higher at 8.7 percent. (Table 3)

The commodity group of Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas, and Pulses, at 1.2 percent from -5.5 percent, was the main contributor to the uptrend of the region's Food inflation. Additionally, the indices of the following commodity groups recorded higher annual growth rates during the month namely: Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals at 6.1 percent from 4.3 percent; Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs at 3.4 percent from 2.8 percent; Oils and Fats at 11.7 percent from 9.0 percent; Fruits and Nuts at 2.6 percent from 1.3 percent; and Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts, at -0.9 percent from -1.2 percent.

On the other hand, the following food groups recorded a slower annual increase during the month:

- a. Cereals and Cereal Products, at -8.4 percent from -6.2 percent;
- a. Fish and other Seafood at 3.1 percent from 3.7 percent; and
- b. Ready-made Food and other Food Products n.e.c. at 6.5 percent from 6.9 percent.

Table 3. CPI and Inflation Rates of Selected Food Items (2018=100),
Region XI: March 2024, February 2025, and March 2025

Commodity Group	March 2024 Inflation Rate	February 2025 Inflation Rate	March CPI		March 2025 Inflation Rate
			2024	2025	
Food	8.7	-0.7	132.5	131.9	-0.5
Cereals and Cereal Products	21.4	-6.2	121.4	111.2	-8.4
Cereals	26.0	-8.2	119.0	105.9	-11.0
Rice	31.7	-6.9	117.1	105.2	-10.2
Corn	0.3	-15.7	131.8	111.0	-15.8
Flour, Bread, and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	6.1	1.8	131.9	134.3	1.8
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	-0.3	4.3	143.7	152.5	6.1
Fish and Other Seafood	3.7	3.7	138.2	142.5	3.1
Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs	3.1	2.8	129.9	134.3	3.4
Oils and Fats	-4.6	9.0	137.9	154.0	11.7
Fruits and Nuts	24.0	1.3	143.7	147.4	2.6
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	2.0	-5.5	144.3	146.1	1.2
Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	-4.2	-1.2	147.3	146.0	-0.9
Ready-Made Food and Other Food Products N.E.C.	6.4	6.9	131.5	140.1	6.5

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3. Regional Inflation Rates

At the national level, the country's headline inflation declined to 1.8 percent from its previous month's inflation at 2.1 percent. (Table 4)

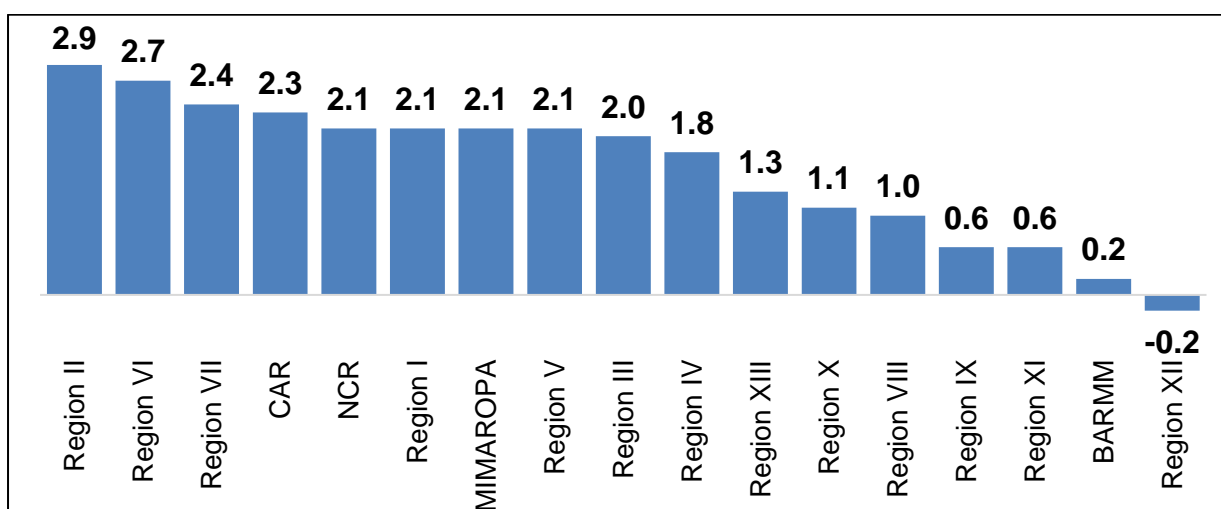
Among the 17 administrative regions, Region II (Cagayan Valley) had the highest inflation rate at 2.9 percent, followed by Region VI (Western Visayas) at 2.7 percent and Region VII (Central Visayas) at 2.4 percent. On the other hand, Region XII (SOCCSKSARGEN) recorded the lowest inflation rate at -0.2 percent. (Table 4 and Figure 2)

Table 4. Year-on-Year Regional Inflation Rates for All Items (2018=100):
February 2025 and March 2025

Area/Region	February 2025	March 2025	Area/Region	February 2025	March 2025
Philippines	2.1	1.8	VI - Western Visayas	2.7	2.7
National Capital Region (NCR)	2.3	2.1	VII - Central Visayas	2.5	2.4
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	2.5	2.3	VIII - Eastern Visayas	1.1	1.0
I - Ilocos Region	2.5	2.1	IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	1.5	0.6
II - Cagayan Valley	3.9	2.9	X - Northern Mindanao	1.8	1.1
III - Central Luzon	2.3	2.0	XI - Davao Region	0.6	0.6
IV - CALABARZON	2.1	1.8	XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	-0.3	-0.2
MIMAROPA Region	2.1	2.1	BARMM	0.2	0.2
V - Bicol Region	2.7	2.1	XIII - Caraga	1.1	1.3

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

Figure 2. Year-on-Year Regional Inflation Rates in Percent for All Items (2018=100): Philippines, March 2025



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

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

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TECHNICAL NOTES

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

The CPI is an indicator of the change in the average prices of goods and services commonly purchased by consumers.

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 Period

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 the base year 2012 to the base year 2018.

b. Market Basket

Market basket refers to a sample of goods and services commonly purchased by households.

c. Weighting System

The weighting pattern uses the expenditures on various consumer items purchased by households as a proportion of total expenditure.

d. Formula

The 2018-based CPI series uses the same method of computation as the 2012-based CPI series, which is Chained Laspeyres formula.

e. Geographic Coverage

CPI values are computed at the national, regional, and provincial levels, and Highly Urbanized Cities.

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

Headline Inflation refers to the rate of change in the CPI, a measure of the average standard “basket” of goods and services consumed by a typical family.

Purchasing Power of Peso shows how much the peso in the base period is worth in the current period. It is computed as the reciprocal of the CPI for the period under review multiplied by 100.