



# SPECIAL RELEASE

### Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index (2018=100)

## Zamboanga Peninsula 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*
Region IX	4.6	0.0	0.2	1.0
Zamboanga del Norte	3.3	(1.0)	(0.2)	0.7
Zamboanga del Sur	4.3	(1.3)	(0.6)	(0.1)
Zamboanga Sibugay	5.8	0.7	1.2	1.2
City of Zamboanga	5.1	1.1	0.4	2.0
City of Isabela	4.2	2.9	2.0	2.4

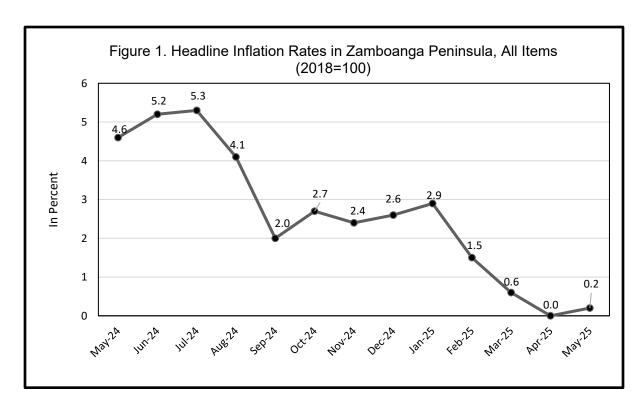
Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index Philippine Statistics Authority



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<sup>\*</sup>Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to May 2024 vs January to May 2025



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#### A. Zamboanga Peninsula

#### 1) Headline Inflation

Inflation rate in Zamboanga Peninsula increased to 0.2 percent in May 2025 from 0.0 percent in April 2025. This brings the region's annual inflation from January to May 2025 at 1.0 percent. Inflation rate was higher in May 2024 at 4.6 percent. (Table A and Figure 1)

#### 1.1 Main Drivers to the Upward Trend for the Headline Inflation:

The acceleration in the region's inflation in May 2025 was primarily influenced by the increase in the indices of *Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages at* (1.4) percent from (2.0) percent, *Restaurants and Accommodation Services* at 4.4 percent from 4.1 percent and *Clothing and footwear* at 1.5 percent from 1.2 percent.

Compared with the previous month's inflation rates, faster annual increment was noted in the index of Information and communication at 0.1 percent from 0.0 percent in the previous month.

In contrast, lower inflation rate during the month was observed in the index of the following:

1) Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, 3.7 percent from 4.1 percent;



- 2) Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels, 3.0 percent from 2.5 percent;
- 3) Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance, 2.5 percent from 2.6 percent;
- 4) Health, 3.7 percent from 4.0 percent;
- 5) Transport, (3.2) percent from (3.0) percent; and
- 6) Recreation, sport and culture, 2.8 percent from 3.0 percent.

Meanwhile, the following commodity groups retained their previous month's inflation:

- 1) Education Services, 4.8 percent;
- 2) Financial Services, 0.0 percent; and
- 3) Personal care, and miscellaneous goods and services, 1.6 percent.

#### 2.2 Main Contributors to the Inflation Rate for the Headline Inflation:

The following commodity groups were the top three contributors to the May 2025 overall inflation:

- 1) Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with 188.8 percent share or 0.38 percentage point;
- 2) Restaurants and Accommodation Services with 115.8 percent share or 0.23 percentage point; and
- 3) Alcoholic beverages and tobacco with 36.7 percent share or 0.07 percentage point.

Table B. Year-on-year Inflation Rates in Zamboanga Peninsula, All items in Percent January 2021 to April 2025 (2018=100)

MONTH	YEAR				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	0.4	6.0	8.5	1.8	2.9
February	2.1	3.8	9.9	2.2	1.5
March	3.2	3.3	9.0	3.5	0.6
April	3.7	4.5	6.4	4.7	0.0
May	3.0	5.6	5.9	4.6	0.2
June	2.7	6.8	4.6	5.2	
July	2.4	8.3	3.0	5.3	
August	2.4	9.1	4.3	4.1	
September	2.8	9.6	5.4	2.0	
October	3.6	9.0	4.4	2.7	
November	4.2	8.9	4.3	2.4	
December	4.5	8.7	3.7	2.6	
Average	2.9	7.0	5.7	3.4	1.0

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## Inflation Rate by Commodity Group for All Income Households in ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA 2018=100

	Inflation			
Commodity Group	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025	
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	6.0	(2.0)	(1.4)	
FOOD	6.4	(2.5)	(2.0)	
Cereals and cereal products	17.2	(12.7)	(12.7)	
Cereals	20.8	(16.2)	(16.3)	
Rice	23.5	(16.8)	(17.1)	
Corn	12.1	(14.2)	(13.0)	
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals	4.4	2.4	2.2	
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	(8.0)	5.9	5.8	
Fish and other seafood	(2.7)	1.3	5.2	
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	2.1	5.4	8.5	
Oils and fats	(4.1)	(0.5)	(0.3)	
Fruits and nuts	12.2	11.6	14.1	
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	3.0	2.7	(2.5)	
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	(3.8)	1.5	0.5	
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	8.7	2.4	2.7	
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	7.4	4.1	3.7	
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	1.7	1.2	1.5	
HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	1.7	3.0	2.9	
FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	3.7	2.6	2.5	
HEALTH	3.9	4.0	3.7	
TRANSPORT	3.2	(3.0)	(3.2)	
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	(0.5)	0.0	0.1	
RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	5.9	3.0	2.8	
EDUCATION SERVICES	8.2	4.8	4.8	
RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	5.2	4.1	4.4	
FINANCIAL SERVICES	(0.4)	0.0	0.0	
PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	3.1	2.0	1.6	

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#### 2. Food Inflation

Food inflation in Zamboanga Peninsula increased to (2.0) percent in May 2025 from (2.5) percent in the previous month. Meanwhile, food inflation in May 2024 was higher at 6.4 percent.

2.1 Main Drivers behind the upward trend of the Food Inflation.

This month's upward trend in the category of *Food* was mainly due by the higher increase in the annual inflation of *Fish* and other seafood (ND) with (5.2) percent from 1.3 percent, *Milk*, other dairy products and eggs (ND) with 8.5 percent in May 2025 from 5.4 percent in April 2025, and *Fruits* and nuts (ND) at 14.1 percent from 11.6 percent in the previous month.

Moreover, the following food groups were observed to have higher increments during the month:

- 1) Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c (ND), (2.5) percent from 2.7 percent; and
- 2) Oils and fats (ND), (0.3) percent from (0.5) percent.

On the contrary, slower annual increases were noted in the indices of the following food group:

- 1) Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND), 5.8 percent from 5.9 percent; and
- 2) Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND), 2.7 percent from 7.4 percent;
- 3) *Rice*, (17.1) percent from (16.8) percent;
- 4) Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals,2.2 percent from 2.4 percent; and
- 5) Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND), 0.5 percent from 1.5 percent.

Cereal and cereal products retained its previous month's inflation with (12.7) percent.

#### 2.2 Main Contributors to the Food Inflation:

Food Inflation contributed (348.6) percent share or (0.70) percentage points to the May 2025 Inflation rate. Among the food groups, the main contributors to the food inflation during the month were the following:



- 1) Cereals and cereal products, 247.7 percent share or (4.95) percentage points;
- 2) Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND), 11.7 percent share or (0.23) percentage point;
- 3) Oils and fats (ND), 0.2 percent share or (0.00) percentage point

Among the provinces in the region, City of Isabela had the highest inflation at 2.0 percent, followed by Zamboanga Sibugay at 1.2 percent, City of Zamboanga at 0.4 percent and Zamboanga del Norte with (0.2) percent inflation. On the other hand, Zamboanga del Sur recorded the lowest inflation which stood at (0.6) percent inflation.

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

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