

# SPECIAL RELEASE

## Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index for the Bottom 30% Income Households (2018=100)

Zamboanga City  
May 2025

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

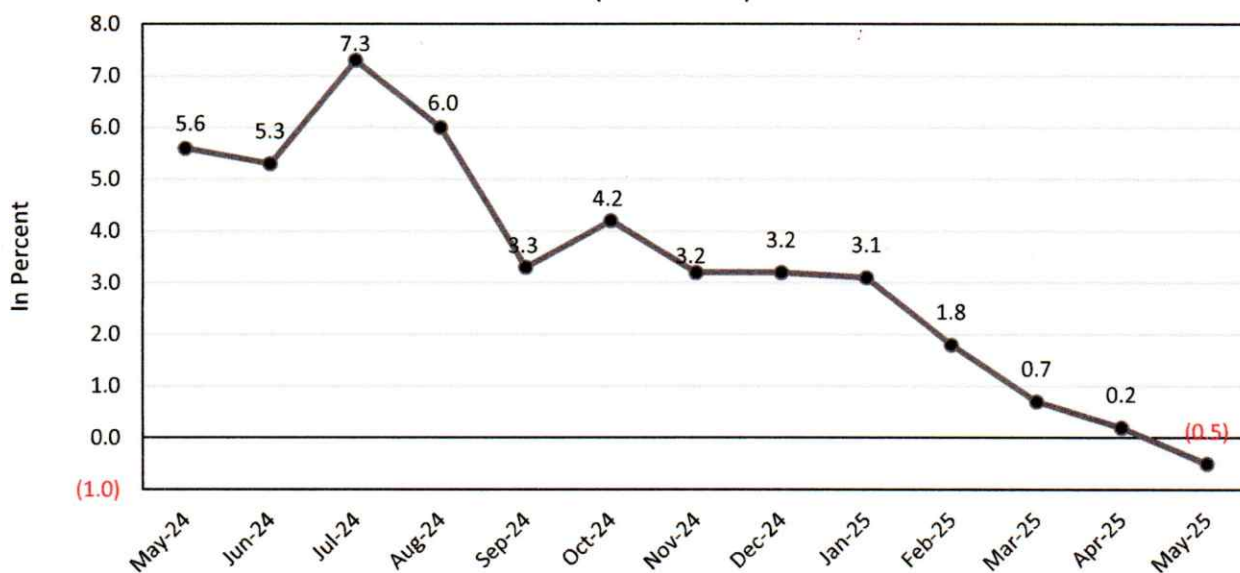
Area	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025	Year-To-Date*
Region IX	6.3	(1.7)	(1.0)	(0.1)
City of Zamboanga	5.6	0.2	(0.5)	1.0

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

**\*Year-On-Year change of average CPI for May to December 2024 vs. May 2025**



**Figure 1. Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30%  
Income Households in Zamboanga City, All Items  
(2018=100)**



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#### **a. Zamboanga City**

##### **1. Inflation Rate for the Bottom 30 percent Income Households**

Zamboanga City's inflation rate for the bottom 30 percent income households eased to **(0.5)** percent in May 2025 from 0.2 percent in April 2025, marking a continued slowdown. This was lower than the 5.6 percent inflation recorded in May 2024. Moreover, the city's average inflation from January to May 2025 stood at 1.0 percent (Refer to Table A and Figure 1).

##### **1.1 Main Drivers to the Downtrend of the Inflation Rate for the Bottom 30 percent Income Households**

The decrease was primarily driven by the slower annual increase in *Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages*, which decreased to **(2.0)** percent in May 2025 from **(1.4)** percent in the previous month. In addition, the gradual increase in prices within the indices of *Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels* at 3.5 percent from 5.4 percent, and *Restaurants and Accommodation Services*, which stood at 1.1 percent from 1.2 in April 2025, also contributed to the slower trend in the inflation rate for the bottom 30 percent income bracket in the city.

Lower increments were also observed in the following commodity groups:

- a. *Clothing and Footwear*, with 0.7 percent from 0.8 percent inflation;
- b. *Health* at 2.3 percent from 2.4 percent; and,
- c. *Recreation, Sport and Culture*, 5.2 percent from 5.3 percent.





Among the indices, only *Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance* posted a higher annual growth rate, with inflation at 0.0 percent in May 2025 from (0.2) in the preceding month.

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

- a. *Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco*, 0.3 percent;
- b. *Transport*, (2.3) percent;
- c. *Information and Communication*, 0.0 percent;
- d. *Education Services*, 6.1 percent;
- e. *Financial Services*, also at 0.0 percent; and,
- f. *Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services* posted 0.8 percent;

Table B. Year-on-year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households  
in Zamboanga City, All items in Percent  
January 2021 to January 2025  
(2018=100)

MONTH	YEAR				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	-0.3	4.9	6.3	3.5	3.1
February	1.5	3.0	7.4	3.9	1.8
March	2.6	1.6	6.9	5.8	0.7
April	2.9	2.6	5.4	5.8	0.2
May	1.5	3.9	5.0	5.6	(0.5)
June	1.6	5.5	4.5	5.3	
July	1.2	6.5	3.2	7.3	
August	1.9	6.6	4.6	6.0	
September	3.6	6.5	5.8	3.3	
October	3.6	6.5	5.1	4.2	
November	3.1	8.1	4.7	3.2	
December	3.1	7.6	4.8	3.2	
Average	2.2	2.2	5.3	5.3	1.0

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Table C. Inflation Rate by Commodity Group for the Bottom 30% Income Households in  
ZAMBOANGA CITY  
2018=100

Commodity Group	Inflation		
	May 2024	April 2025	May 2025
<b>FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>(1.4)</b>	<b>(2.0)</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>(1.6)</b>	<b>(2.2)</b>
Cereals and cereal products	16.0	(11.4)	(13.1)
Cereals	20.0	(14.7)	(17.0)
Rice	20.3	(14.8)	(17.1)
Corn	6.8	(12.8)	(11.3)
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals	3.7	0.8	0.9
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	(1.0)	5.9	5.1
Fish and other seafood	(1.6)	1.9	3.3
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	1.2	3.7	10.3
Oils and fats	(0.1)	1.4	0.4
Fruits and nuts	11.7	26.9	23.6
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	3.4	6.0	0.1
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	(5.9)	3.9	4.6
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	12.5	1.7	3.0
<b>ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>
<b>CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>
<b>HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>(0.2)</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>HEALTH</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.3</b>
<b>TRANSPORT</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>(2.3)</b>	<b>(2.3)</b>
<b>INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.2</b>
<b>EDUCATION SERVICES</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>6.1</b>
<b>RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.1</b>
<b>FINANCIAL SERVICES</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>

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## 2. Food Inflation

The monthly *Food* inflation for the bottom 30% Income Households in Zamboanga City slowed further to **(2.2)** percent, down from **(1.6)** percent in April 2025. This was lower than the recorded *Food* inflation in May 2024, which stood at 6.4 percent inflation.

The primary drivers of the deceleration of food inflation was the lower annual growth rate in the index of *Cereals and cereal products* at **(13.1)** percent from **(11.4)** percent. This was followed by *Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses*, which posted 0.1 percent from 6.0 percent, and *Fruits and nuts* at 23.6 percent from 26.9 percent.

Slower annual increases were also observed in the following food commodities:

- a. *Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals*, which stood at 5.1 percent from 5.9 percent; and,
- b. *Oils and fats*, with 0.4 percent in May 2025 from 1.4 percent in the prior month.

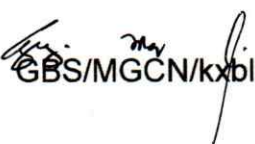
Meanwhile, higher year-on-year growth rates were recorded within the food indices of:

- a. *Fish and other seafood*, 3.3 percent from 1.9 percent;
- b. *Milk, other dairy products and eggs*, 10.3 percent from 3.7 percent inflation in April 2025;
- c. *Sugar, confectionery and desserts*, which posted 4.6 percent from 3.9 percent; and,
- d. *Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.*, 3.0 percent from 1.7 percent.

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Note: CPIs and inflation rates for the bottom 30% income households by region and by province and selected city are posted at the PSA website (<http://openstat.psa.gov.ph/>).

  
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