



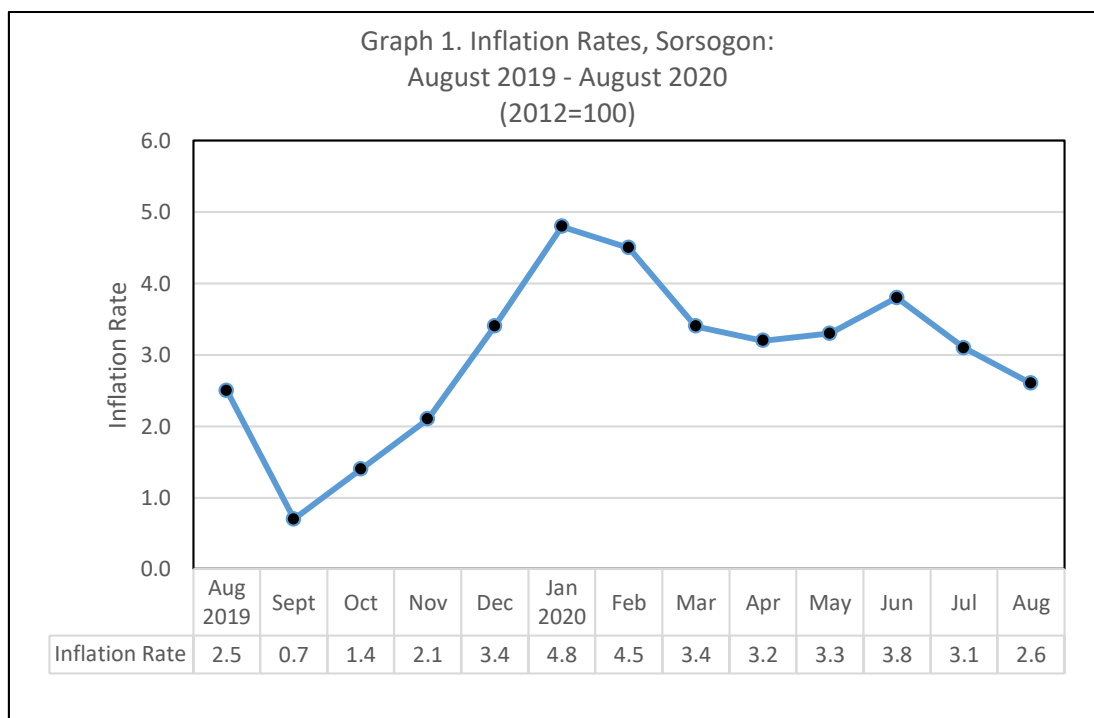
# SPECIAL RELEASE

## CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN SORSOGON: August 2020 (2012=100)

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### PRICE SITUATION: Year-on-Year

The year-on-year inflation rate (IR) for the province of Sorsogon registered at 2.6 percent in August 2020 with 2012 as base year. This is 0.4 percentage points higher than the IR last month which was 3.1 percent. The IR a year ago was 2.5 percent. (Refer to Graph 1)

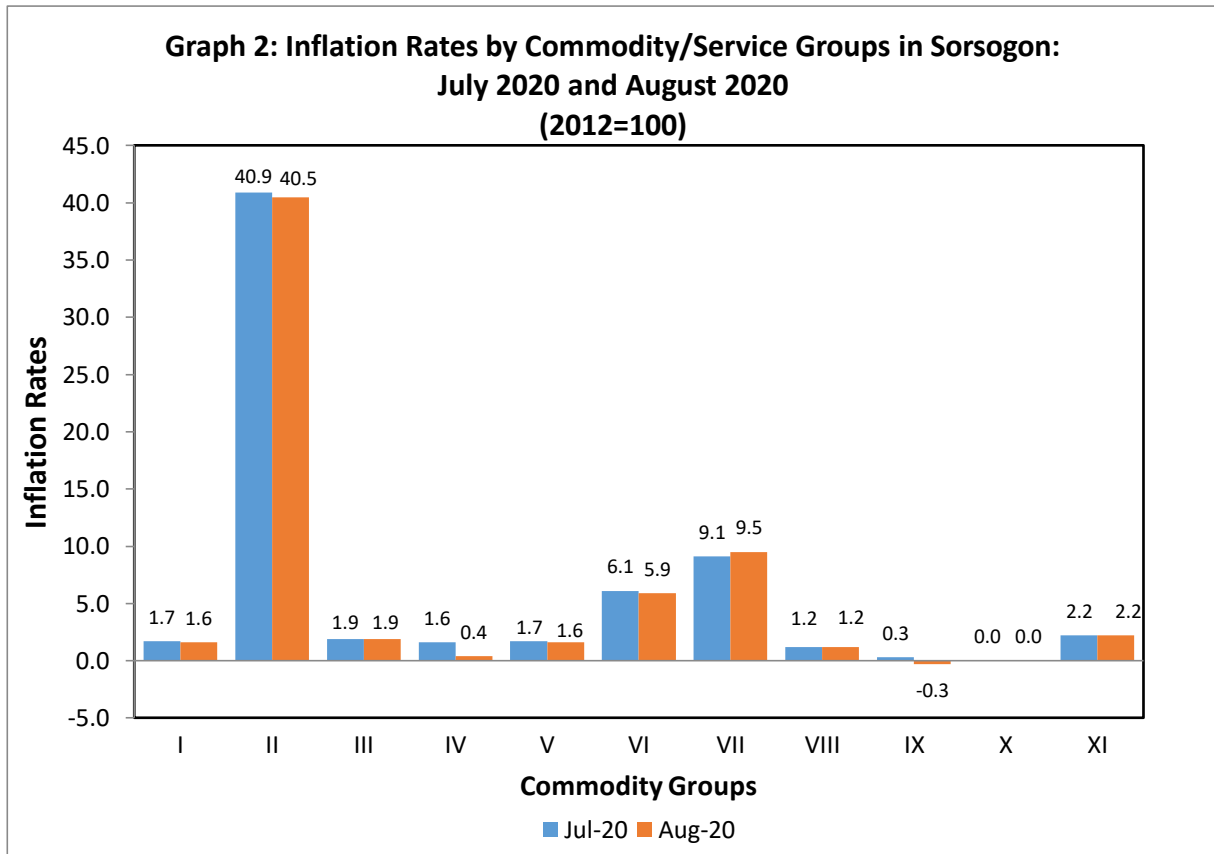


The current IR movement could be attributed to the slight increase of both Food and Non-food items. Food and Non-alcoholic beverages registered at 0.1 percentage points and Alcoholic beverages and tobacco registered at 0.5 percentage point increase.

Among Food items under commodity group (CG) I, significant change were posted on Fruits and Vegetables with 4.3 and 1.0 percentage points increase accordingly and Fish and Meat with 1.6 and 1.0 percentage points decrease consecutively.



Along Non-Food items, all of the CGs posted less than one percentage points change except for CG IV which posted 1.2 percentage points increase. CG VII slightly decrease by 0.4 percentage points while CG IX posted 0.6 percentage points increase. Other CGs registered slight changes and some remained at the same IR level. (Refer to Graph 2)



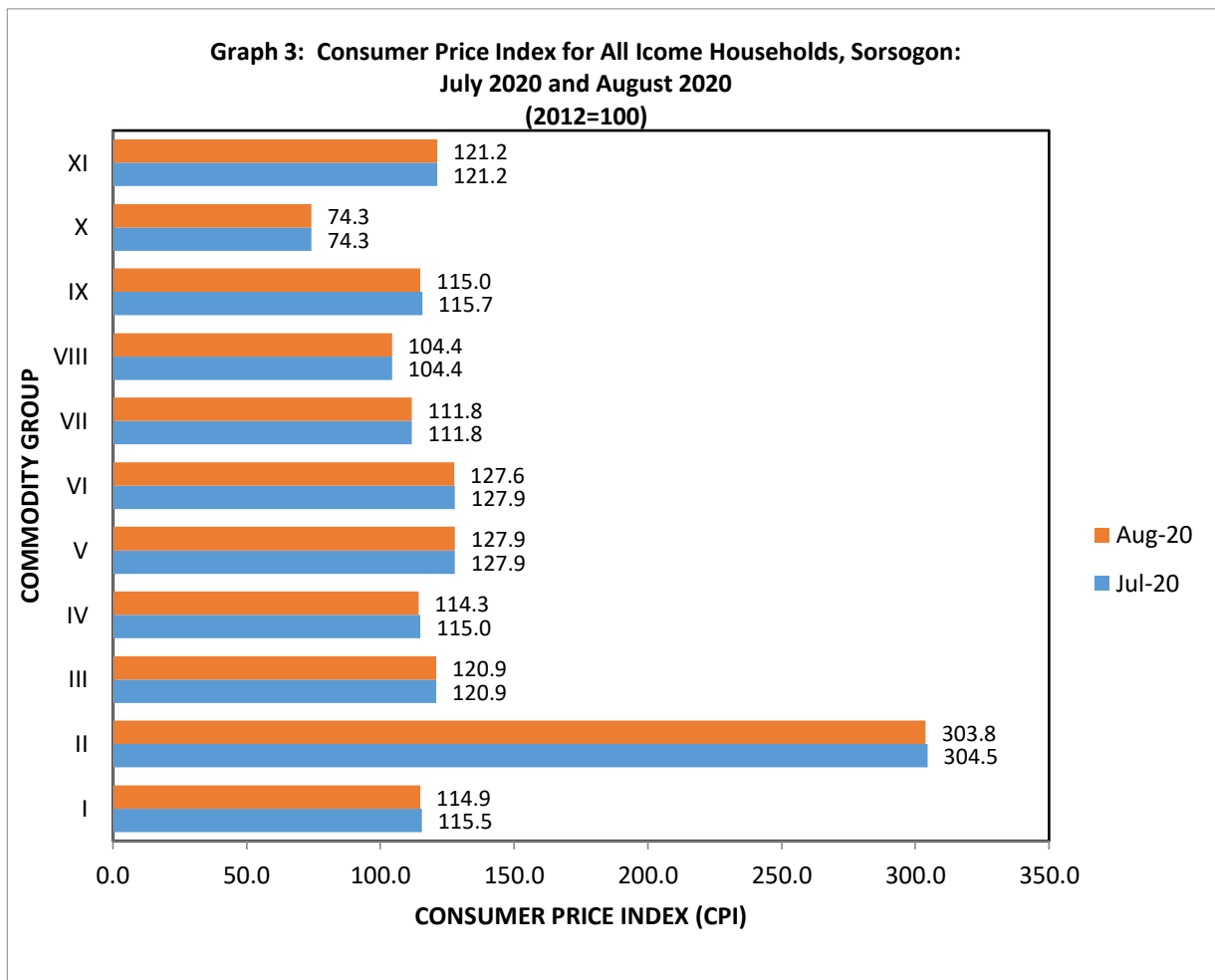
- I. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages
- II. Alcoholic and Beverages and Tobacco
- III. Clothing and Footwear
- IV. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels
- V. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House
- VI. Health
- VII. Transport
- VIII. Communication
- IX. Recreation and Culture
- X. Education
- XI. Restaurants and Miscellaneous and Services



**PRICE SITUATION: Month-on-Month**

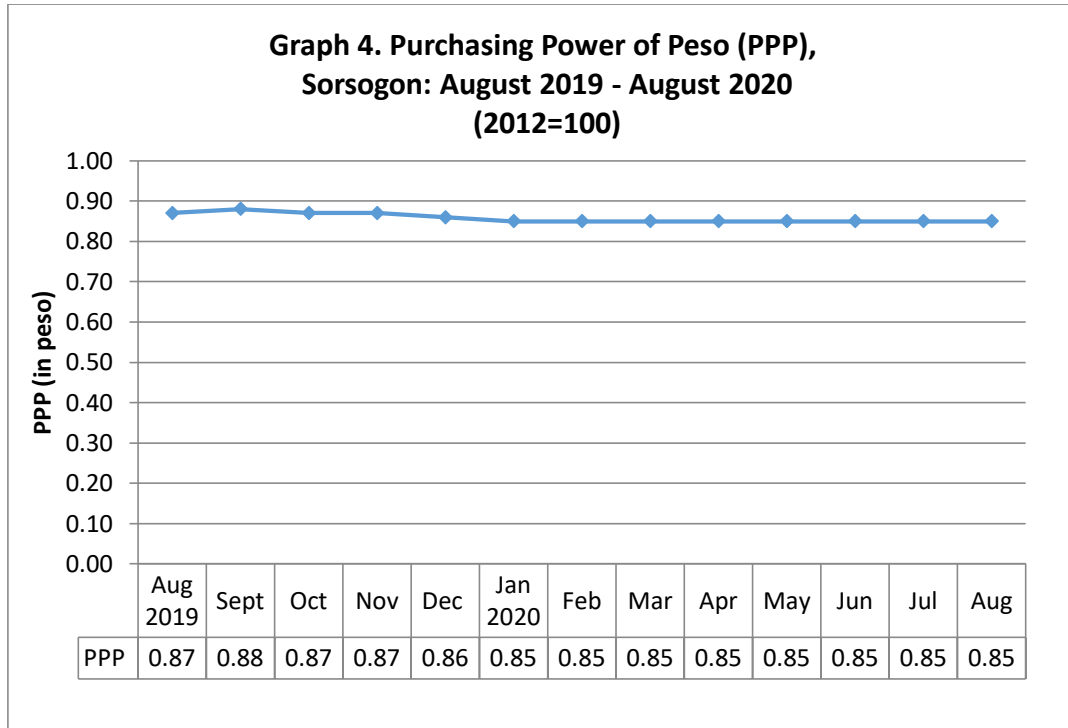
On a monthly basis, the consumer price index (CPI) for all income households in the province of Sorsogon was 117.6 in August 2020. This was slightly lower by 0.4 percent compared to the CPI in July 2020 which was 118.1 level. This also means that the general prices for the province of Sorsogon increased by 17.6 percent with 2012 base year.

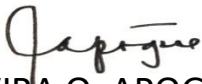
All of the CGs posted less than one percent change from last month's index level. CG IV and IX were both the highest decrement with 0.6 percent. This was followed by CG I with 0.5 percent and CG II and VI with both 0.2 percent decrease. (Refer to Graph 3)





The purchasing power of peso (PPP) in the province of Sorsogon remained at 0.85 pesos for eight months already. This means that a peso in 2012 is worth 85 centavos in August 2020 in the province of Sorsogon. The PPP a year ago was 0.87 pesos. (Refer to Graph 4)



  
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**Table 1: Consumer Price Index for All Income Households in SORSOGON:  
 July 2020 and August 2020  
 (2012 = 100)**

COMMODITY GROUP	Jul-19	Jul-20	Aug-19	Aug-20	Month-on-Month Percent Change	Jul-20 Inflation rate	Aug-20 Inflation Rate
ALL ITEMS	114.6	118.1	114.6	117.6	-0.42	3.1	2.6
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	113.6	115.5	113.1	114.9	-0.52	1.7	1.6
* Food	112.5	114.4	111.9	113.7	-0.61	1.7	1.6
Bread and Cereals	110.8	113.7	111.4	113.7	0.00	2.6	2.1
Rice	108.3	111.3	109.1	111.3	0.00	2.8	2.0
Corn	156.1	187.4	156.1	187.4	0.00	20.1	20.1
Meat	116.2	114.9	116.1	116.0	0.96	-1.1	-0.1
Fish	99.8	95.5	93.7	91.2	-4.50	-4.3	-2.7
Milk, Cheese and Eggs	116.4	120.5	116.4	120.5	0.00	3.5	3.5
Oils and Fats	119.3	120.9	119.3	120.9	0.00	1.3	1.3
Fruit	112.9	133.9	116.6	133.3	-0.45	18.6	14.3
Vegetables	151.9	150.6	153.9	151.1	0.33	-0.9	-1.8
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery	87.1	85.3	86.8	85.3	0.00	-2.1	-1.7
Food Products N.E.C.	123.5	129.9	123.4	129.8	-0.08	5.2	5.2
* Non-alcoholic Beverages	128.0	129.6	128.2	129.8	0.15	1.3	1.2
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	216.1	304.5	216.3	303.8	-0.23	40.9	40.5
Alcoholic Beverages	126.8	147.2	126.9	145.3	-1.29	16.1	14.5
Tobacco	266.8	393.8	267.1	393.8	0.00	47.6	47.4
NON-FOOD	113.3	116.1	113.6	115.7	-0.34	2.5	1.8
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	118.6	120.9	118.7	120.9	0.00	1.9	1.9
Clothing	114.5	117.2	114.7	117.2	0.00	2.4	2.2
Footwear	128.8	130.2	128.8	130.2	0.00	1.1	1.1
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	113.2	115.0	113.8	114.3	-0.61	1.6	0.4
Actual Rentals for Housing	114.5	119.1	114.4	119.1	0.00	4.0	4.1
Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling	117.0	119.8	117.0	119.8	0.00	2.4	2.4
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling	127.4	131.8	127.4	131.8	0.00	3.5	3.5
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	108.4	102.3	110.5	99.8	-2.44	-5.6	-9.7
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE	125.8	127.9	125.9	127.9	0.00	1.7	1.6
Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings	113.5	115.3	113.5	115.3	0.00	1.6	1.6
Household Textiles	123.3	125.1	123.3	125.1	0.00	1.5	1.5
Household Appliances	108.1	108.2	108.1	108.2	0.00	0.1	0.1
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	108.6	109.0	108.6	109.0	0.00	0.4	0.4
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	112.6	114.6	112.6	114.6	0.00	1.8	1.8



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Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	129.3	131.7	129.4	131.7	0.00	1.9	1.8
VI. HEALTH	120.5	127.9	120.5	127.6	-0.23	6.1	5.9
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	114.4	116.6	114.5	116.0	-0.51	1.9	1.3
Out-patient Services	125.6	136.8	125.6	136.8	0.00	8.9	8.9
Hospital Services	131.3	148.4	131.3	148.4	0.00	13.0	13.0
VII. TRANSPORT	102.5	111.8	102.1	111.8	0.00	9.1	9.5
Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	99.3	92.2	98.7	92.3	0.11	-7.2	-6.5
Transport Services	105.0	125.5	104.5	125.5	0.00	19.5	20.1
VIII. COMMUNICATION	103.2	104.4	103.2	104.4	0.00	1.2	1.2
Postal Services	105.4	105.4	105.4	105.4	0.00	0.0	0.0
Telephone and Telefax Equipment	100.0	105.7	100.0	105.7	0.00	5.7	5.7
Telephone and Telefax Services	104.1	104.1	104.1	104.1	0.00	0.0	0.0
IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE	115.3	115.7	115.3	115.0	-0.61	0.3	-0.3
Audio-visual, Photographic and Information Processing Equipment	109.1	109.2	109.1	109.2	0.00	0.1	0.1
Other Major Durables for Recreation and Culture	106.7	106.7	106.7	106.7	0.00	0.0	0.0
Other Recreational Items and Equipment, Gardens and Pets	113.2	114.5	113.2	114.7	0.17	1.1	1.3
Recreational and Cultural Services	185.4	185.9	185.4	157.4	-15.33	0.3	-15.1
Newspapers, Books and Stationery	123.6	124.6	123.6	124.8	0.16	0.8	1.0
X. EDUCATION	74.3	74.3	74.3	74.3	0.00	0.0	0.0
Pre-primary and Primary Education	130.0	130.0	130.0	130.0	0.00	0.0	0.0
Secondary Education	117.1	117.1	117.1	117.1	0.00	0.0	0.0
Tertiary Education	47.5	47.5	47.5	47.5	0.00	0.0	0.0
Education Not Definable by Level							
XI. RESTAURANTS AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	118.6	121.2	118.6	121.2	0.00	2.2	2.2
Catering Services	117.4	119.7	117.4	119.7	0.00	2.0	2.0
Personal Care	115.9	118.0	115.9	118.3	0.25	1.8	2.1
Personal Effects N.E.C.	115.9	116.3	115.9	116.3	0.00	0.3	0.3
<b>Inflation Rate</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.6</b>			
<b>Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP)</b>	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.85</b>	<b>0.87</b>	<b>0.85</b>			