



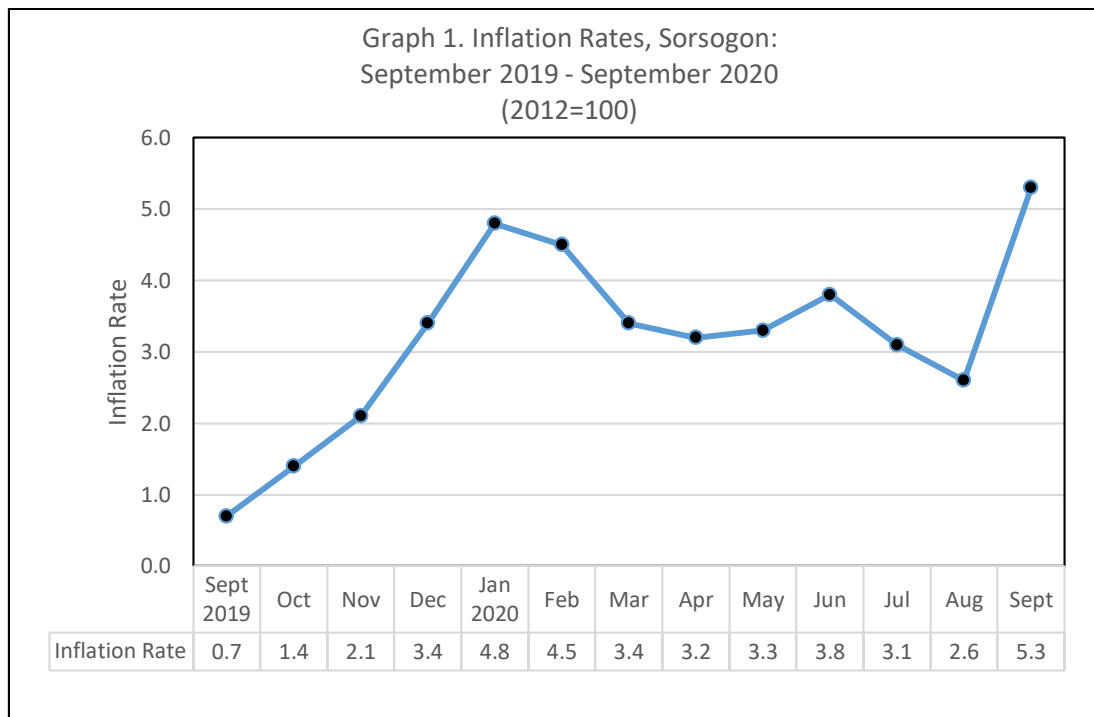
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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN SORSOGON: September 2020 (2012=100)

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PRICE SITUATION: Year-on-Year

The year-on-year inflation rate (IR) for the province of Sorsogon registered at 5.3 percent in September 2020 with 2012 as base year. This is 2.7 percentage points higher than the IR last month which was 2.6 percent. The IR a year ago was 0.7 percent. (Refer to Graph 1)



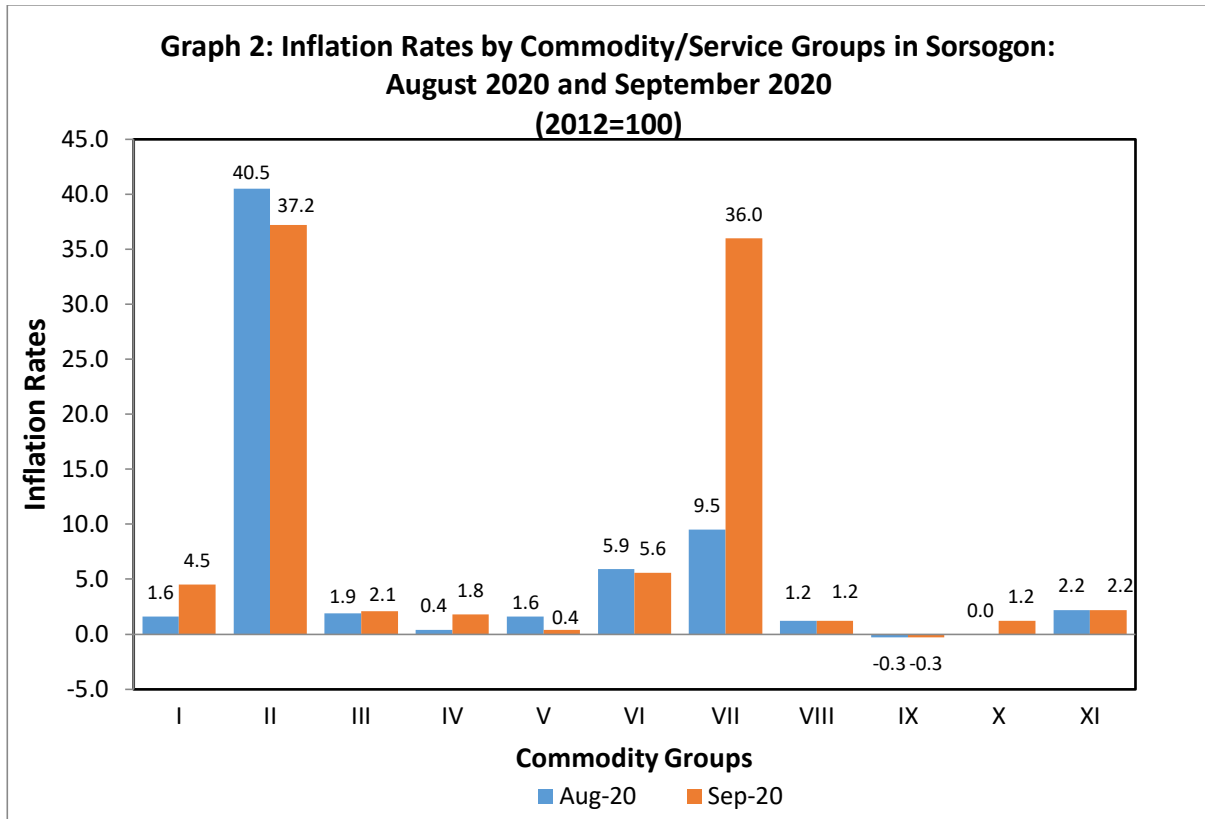
The current IR movement could be attributed to the slight increase of both Food and Non-food items. Food and Non-alcoholic beverages registered at 2.9 percentage points while Alcoholic beverages and tobacco registered decreased by 3.3 percentage point. Non-Food items increased by 2.6 percentage points.

Among Food items under commodity group (CG) I, significant change was posted on Fish with almost twenty percentage points increase (18.5). This was followed by Fruits with minor increase of two percentage points. Non-alcoholic beverages also posted two percentage points increase. Meanwhile, slight decrements were posted on



Vegetables and Sugar, jam, honey, chocolate and confectionery with 1.7 and 1.1 percentage points respectively.

Along Non-Food items, CG VII posted significantly high inflation rate this month with 36.0% or 26.5 percentage points higher than the IR in August. CG X and IV also posted slight increase of 1.2 and 1.3 percentage points accordingly. CG V, VI, IX posted slight decrease of less than two percentage points. (Refer to Graph 2)



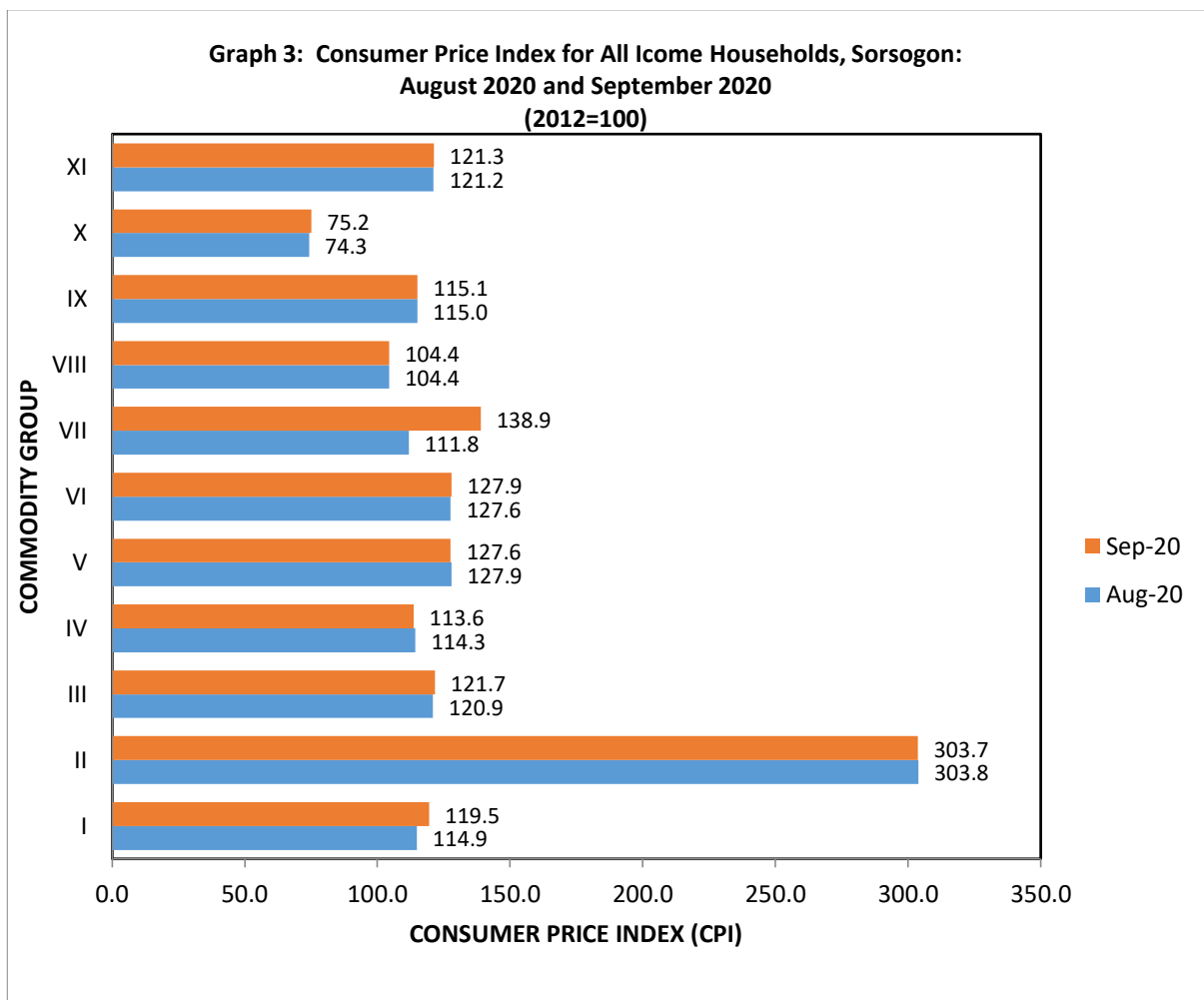
- I. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages
- II. Alcoholic and Beverages and Tobacco
- III. Clothing and Footwear
- IV. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and other Fuels
- V. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House
- VI. Health
- VII. Transport
- VIII. Communication
- IX. Recreation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



PRICE SITUATION: Month-on-Month

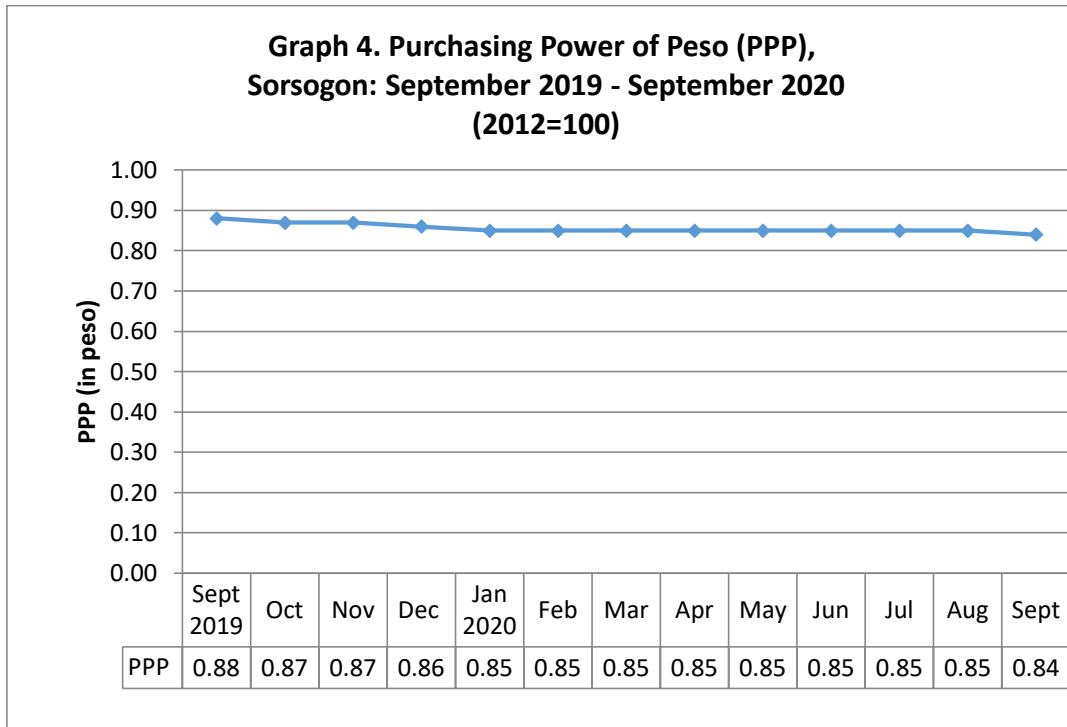
On a monthly basis, the consumer price index (CPI) for all income households in the province of Sorsogon was 119.5 in September 2020. This was slightly higher by 1.6 percent compared to the CPI in August 2020 which was 117.6 level. This also means that the general prices for the province of Sorsogon increased by 19.5 percent with 2012 base year.

Among CGs, significant increase was posted on CG VII with almost 25% (24.2). CG I and X registered also increase but slightly by 1.7 and 1.2 percent respectively. Other CGs recorded slight changes. (Refer to Graph 3)





The purchasing power of peso (PPP) in the province of Sorsogon deflated at 0.84 pesos. This means that a peso in 2012 is worth 84 centavos in September 2020 in the province of Sorsogon. The PPP a year ago was 0.88 pesos. (Refer to Graph 4)



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

COMMODITY GROUP	Aug-19	Aug-20	Sep-19	Sep-20	Month-on-Month Percent Change	Aug-20 Inflation rate	Sep-20 Inflation Rate
ALL ITEMS	114.6	117.6	113.5	119.5	1.62	2.6	5.3
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	113.1	114.9	111.9	116.9	1.74	1.6	4.5
* Food	111.9	113.7	110.6	115.7	1.76	1.6	4.6
Bread and Cereals	111.4	113.7	110.8	113.6	-0.09	2.1	2.5
Rice	109.1	111.3	108.2	111.0	-0.27	2.0	2.6
Corn	156.1	187.4	156.1	187.4	0.00	20.1	20.1
Meat	116.1	116.0	117.0	117.2	1.03	-0.1	0.2
Fish	93.7	91.2	86.3	100.0	9.65	-2.7	15.9
Milk, Cheese and Eggs	116.4	120.5	116.7	120.6	0.08	3.5	3.3
Oils and Fats	119.3	120.9	119.6	120.9	0.00	1.3	1.1
Fruit	116.6	133.3	117.8	137.0	2.78	14.3	16.3
Vegetables	153.9	151.1	156.1	150.6	-0.33	-1.8	-3.5
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate and Confectionery	86.8	85.3	87.8	85.3	0.00	-1.7	-2.8
Food Products N.E.C.	123.4	129.8	123.8	130.9	0.85	5.2	5.7
* Non-alcoholic Beverages	128.2	129.8	128.5	132.2	1.85	1.2	2.9
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	216.3	303.8	221.4	303.7	-0.03	40.5	37.2
Alcoholic Beverages	126.9	145.3	128.4	145.2	-0.07	14.5	13.1
Tobacco	267.1	393.8	274.2	393.8	0.00	47.4	43.6
NON-FOOD	113.6	115.7	112.5	117.5	1.56	1.8	4.4
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	118.7	120.9	119.2	121.7	0.66	1.9	2.1
Clothing	114.7	117.2	115.1	118.3	0.94	2.2	2.8
Footwear	128.8	130.2	129.3	130.2	0.00	1.1	0.7
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	113.8	114.3	111.6	113.6	-0.61	0.4	1.8
Actual Rentals for Housing	114.4	119.1	114.5	119.1	0.00	4.1	4.0
Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling	117.0	119.8	117.4	119.8	0.00	2.4	2.0
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	110.5	99.8	102.2	97.1	-2.71	-9.7	-5.0
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE	125.9	127.9	127.1	127.6	-0.23	1.6	0.4
Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings	113.5	115.3	114.0	114.4	-0.78	1.6	0.4
Household Textiles	123.3	125.1	123.4	125.1	0.00	1.5	1.4
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	113.7	114.5	-0.09	1.8	0.7



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Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	129.4	131.7	130.9	131.4	-0.23	1.8	0.4
VI. HEALTH	120.5	127.6	121.1	127.9	0.24	5.9	5.6
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	114.5	116.0	115.4	116.5	0.43	1.3	1.0
Out-patient Services	125.6	136.8	125.6	136.9	0.07	8.9	9.0
Hospital Services	131.3	148.4	131.3	148.4	0.00	13.0	13.0
VII. TRANSPORT	102.1	111.8	102.1	138.9	24.24	9.5	36.0
Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	98.7	92.3	98.8	90.0	-2.49	-6.5	-8.9
Transport Services	104.5	125.5	104.5	175.8	40.08	20.1	68.2
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	115.0	115.5	115.1	0.09	-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	114.7	113.2	114.6	-0.09	1.3	1.2
Recreational and Cultural Services	185.4	157.4	185.7	158.2	0.51	-15.1	-14.8
Newspapers, Books and Stationery	123.6	124.8	124.5	124.9	0.08	1.0	0.3
X. EDUCATION	74.3	74.3	74.3	75.2	1.21	0.0	1.2
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	122.9	4.95	0.0	5.0
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	118.7	121.3	0.08	2.2	2.2
Catering Services	117.4	119.7	117.4	119.7	0.00	2.0	2.0
Personal Care	115.9	118.3	116.4	118.6	0.25	2.1	1.9
Personal Effects N.E.C.	115.9	116.3	116.0	116.3	0.00	0.3	0.3
Inflation Rate	2.5	2.6	0.7	5.3			
Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP)	0.87	0.85	0.88	0.84			