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Indicators

ECONOMIC STATISTICS

Price Indices	March 2024	February 2024	March 2023
Consumer Price Index (2018=100)	130.5	130.6	124.4
Food and non-alcoholic beverages	127.6	128.2	119.2
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	203.5	203.2	190.3
NON-FOOD	129.2	129.0	125.7
Clothing and Footwear	137.4	137.5	129.1
Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels	110.1	110.4	109.6
Furnishing, household equipment and routine maintenance of the house	125.1	124.3	122.6
Health	119.5	119.2	115.5
Transport	162.0	161.6	157.9
Information and Communication	108.9	108.5	108.6
Recreation, Sport and Culture	128.1	125.9	121.3
Education Services	124.9	124.9	123.7
Restaurant and Accommodation Services	163.4	162.7	154.0
Financial Services	163.6	163.6	163.6
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	127.7	127.3	122.0
Inflation Rate	4.9	4.6	6.2
Purchasing Power of the Peso	0.77	0.77	0.80
Domestic Trade, Preliminary Results	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2022
Coastwise trade			
Value (in thousand pesos)	40,240.89	47,141.08	89,876.04
Agriculture Statistics			
Crops Production (metric tons)	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2022
Palay	3,307.6	3,734.2	5,256.8
Corn	6.1	4.1	17.6
Livestock Inventory (in heads)	as of 1 Jan 2024	as of 1 Oct 2023	as of 1 Jan 2023
Carabao	4,117	4,191	3,770
Cattle	1,399	760	1,280
Swine	3,788	2,044	6,999
Goat	1,263	1,126	1,208
Poultry Inventory (in birds)	as of 1 Jan 2024	as of 1 Oct 2023	as of 1 Jan 2023
Chicken	106,245	78,227	168,191
Duck	2,905	10,806	3,024
Fishery (metric tons)	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2022
Commercial	64.2	23.5	53.9
Marine	459.8	537.5	378.9
Inland	40.5	26.6	48.7
Aquaculture	4.1	5.0	26.4
Private Building Construction, Preliminary Results	Q4 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2022
Total Number of Buildings	54	107	69
Total Floor Area (in sq.m.)	9,073	19,136	13,697
Total Value (in thousand)	160,674	309,400	197,905.00
Residential (number)	43	80	45
Floor Area (in sq.m.)	5,550	9,145	6,289
Value (in thousand)	74,648	123,688	75,203.00
Non-Residential (number)	11	27	24
Floor Area (in sq.m.)	3,523	9,991	7,408
Value (in thousand)	86,026	185,712	122,702.00
Business and Industry (Source: Listing of Establishments. ULE)	2021	2018	2016
Total number of establishments (Total employment with 20 and over workers)	2,146	1,670	1,696
Agriculture, forestry, and fishing	5	1	1
Mining and quarrying	8	1	1
Manufacturing	390	306	335
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	16	12	12
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	6	6	6
Construction	15	7	8
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles, and motorcycles	1,051	741	699
Transport and storage	23	27	15
Accommodation and food service activities	286	214	194
Information and communication	25	61	83
Financial insurance activities	90	64	63
Real estate activities	9	10	12
Professional, scientific and technical activities	15	19	28
Administrative and support service activities	7	7	9
Education	20	25	28
Human health and social work activities	37	31	37
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	37	55	56
Other services	106	83	109



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Education (Source: PSA, 2015 POPCEN/2010 PCH/2000 CPH)	2015	2010	2000
Basic literacy rate (10 years old and over; basic reading and writing skills, in thousands)	197	186	147
Functional literacy rate (10 to 64 years old; basic reading, writing, and computing skills)	98.98	99.06	94.27
Family Income and Expenditure (Source: PSA, FIES)	2021	2018	2015
Poverty Incidence among Families (%)	16.8	14.4	33.6
Magnitude of Poor Families ('000)	10.0	8.2	19.3
Poverty Incidence among Population (%)	23.5	20.3	43.4
Magnitude of Poor Population ('000)	64.8	54.5	124.3
Annual Per Capita Food Threshold (in PhP)	19,572.00	17,035.00	15,131.00
Annual Per Capita Poverty Threshold (in PhP)	28,020.00	24,380.00	21,668.00
Overseas Employment (Source: PSA, 2015 POPCEN/2010 CPH/2007 POPCEN)	2015	2010	2007
Total overseas Filipino workers in the Province	3,165	2,138	1,673
Male	1,362	1,021	750
Female	1,803	1,117	923
Demography (Source: PSA, 2020 CPH/ 2015 POPCEN/2010 CPH)	01-May-20	01-Aug-15	01-May-10
Total Population	271,879	260,964	246,300
Male	-	133,732	125,883
Female	-	127,232	119,691
Average Annual Population Growth Rate	0.87	1.11	1.35
Population Density (persons per square kilometer)	182	175	163
Population by Age Group (in percent)			
0-14 years	33	35.6	37.0
15-64 years	60	58.0	56.6
65 years and over	7	6.3	6.4
Household Population	270,775	258,874	245,574
Male	138,488	132,407	125,883
Female	132,287	126,467	119,691
Sex Ratio	105	105	105
Number of Household	60,352	53,814	49,368
Average Household Size	4.5	4.8	5.0
Vital Statistics, Preliminary Result (Source: Monthly LCRO Submission Report)	March 2024	February 2024	March 2023
Registered births	495	440	614
Male	247	220	298
Female	248	220	316
Legitimacy	495	440	614
Legitimate	123	123	173
Illegitimate	372	317	441
Attendant at Birth	495	440	614
Physician	155	2	214
Nurse	6	4	4
Midwife	119	110	122
Hilot	215	171	267
Others	0	6	7
Registered marriages	33	66	67
Civil	21	37	17
Church	8	27	47
Other Rites	4	2	3
Muslim	0	0	0
Registered deaths	121	163	169
Male	58	76	94
Female	63	87	75
Fetal deaths	1	2	5

ACRONYM

PSA - Philippine Statistics Authority
 ASPBI - Annual Survey of Philippine Business and Industry
 FLEMMS - Functional Literacy, Education, and Mass Media Survey
 FIES - Family Income and Expenditure Survey
 CPH - Census of Population and Housing
 POPCEN - Census of Population
 ULE - Updating of Lists of Establishments

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