



# SPECIAL RELEASE

**Summary Inflation Report of Sorsogon  
Consumer Price Index in Sorsogon  
(2018=100)  
February 2025**

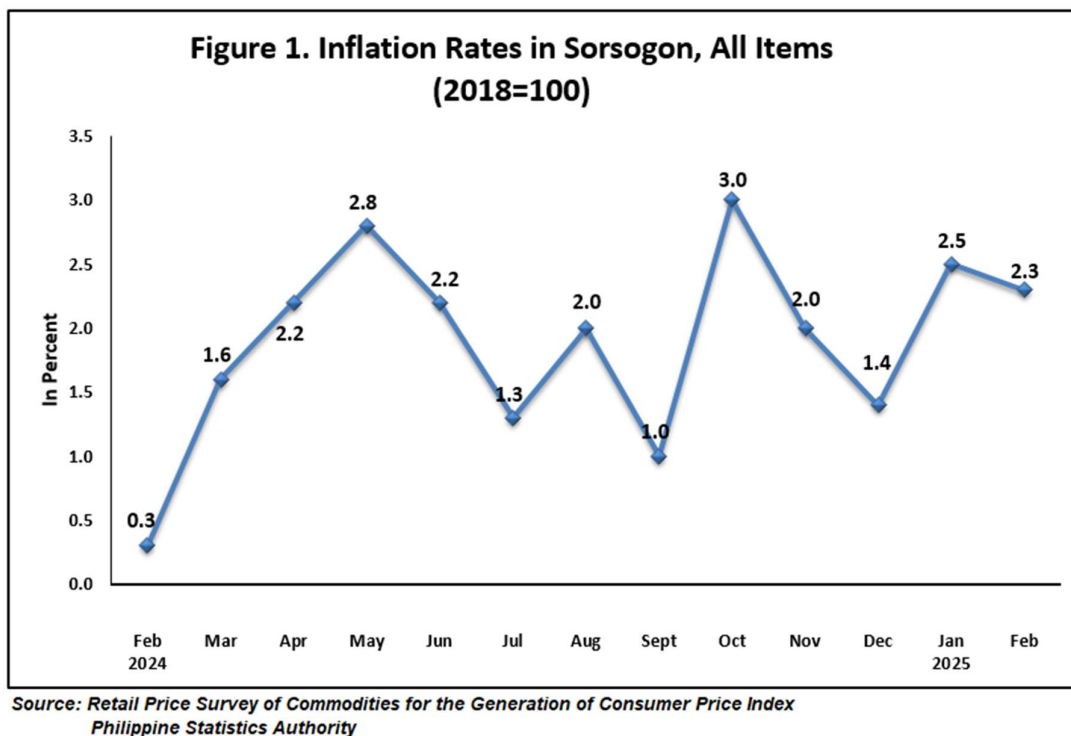
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**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in  
Sorsogon, All Items  
In Percent  
(2018=100)**

Area	Jan-25	Feb-24	Feb-25	Year- to-date *
Sorsogon	2.5	0.3	2.3	2.4

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

\*Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to December, 2025 vs 2024



## 1. The Headline Inflation

Inflation in the province of Sorsogon moved slower to 2.3 percent in February 2025, from 2.5 percent in the previous month. In 2024 of the same month, inflation was posted at 0.3 percent. This brings the provincial average inflation rate from January to December 2025 at 2.7 percent. (Table 1 and Figure 1)

### 1.1. Main Driver to the Downward Trend

The downward trend in the inflation was due to the slower increases in the indices of the following commodity groups:

- a. Food and Non-alcoholic beverages with 1.8 percent;
- b. Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with 2.0 percent;
- c. Restaurants and accommodation services with 0.7;
- d. Transport with -1.5 percent;
- e. Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services with 2.5 percent;
- and
- f. Clothing and footwear with 0.6 percent.

## *1.2. Main Contributor to Headline Inflation*

The main contributor to Sorsogon's overall inflation was the Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages with an inflation rate of 3.0 percent. This translates to 63.0 percent share or 1.45 percentage points to the province's inflation. The second contributor was Housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with 2.3 percent inflation rate which translates to 17.7 percent share or 0.41 percentage point share. This was followed by Education services and Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services with 8.2 and 4.3 percent share or 0.19 and 0.10 percentage points share respectively.

## **2. Food Inflation**

Food inflation in the province moved slower at 2.9 percent from 3.4 percent on previous month. In the same month of the previous year, food inflation was noted at 3.5 percent.

### *2.1. Main Driver to the Downward trend of Food Inflation*

Lower annual growth rates of the indices were seen in the following commodity groups:

- a. Cereals and cereal products, -6.2 percent;
- b. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, 18.9 percent;
- c. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 1.8 percent; and
- d. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c, 4.1 percent.

### *2.2. Main Contribution to the Food Inflation*

Food inflation contributed 58.0 percent or 1.33 percentage points to the overall inflation in February 2025. Listed below are top five contributors to February 2025 Food inflation along with its percent share and percentage share:

- a. Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, 101.3 percent share or 2.94 percentage points;
- b. Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, 52.6

- percent share or 1.53 percentage points;
- c. Fruits and nuts, 10.0 percent share or 0.29 percentage points;
- d. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c, 6.0 percent share or 0.17 percentage points; and
- e. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 4.7 percent share or 0.14 percentage points.

Meanwhile, Cereals and cereal products contributed -70.2 percent to the total food inflation which translated to negative 2.04 percentage points to the total food inflation.

### Purchasing Power of the Peso

The purchasing power of peso (PPP) in the province of Sorsogon was at 0.78 pesos this month. This means that a peso in 2018 is worth 78 centavos in February 2025. The PPP last month and a year ago was at 0.80 pesos. (Refer to Table 2)

**Table 2. Purchasing Power of Peso in Sorsogon, February 2024 - February 2025**  
(2018=100)

Month	Purchasing Power of Peso
February, 2024	0.80
March	0.80
April	0.79
May	0.80
June	0.80
July	0.80
August	0.79
September	0.79
October	0.78
November	0.79
December	0.79
January, 2025	0.78
February	0.78

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

Table 3. Year-on-Year Changes of the Consumer Price Index in Percent in Sorsogon  
by Commodity Group, February 2024, January 2025 and February 2025  
(2018 = 100)

Area/Commodity Group	2 0 2 4	2 0 2 5	
	Feb	Jan	Feb
ALL ITEMS	0.3	2.5	2.3
			3.0
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	3.5	3.4	3.0
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	14.2	2.0	3.6
Clothing and Footwear	2.3	0.7	0.7
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	-12.5	2.7	2.3
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.2	1.6	2.0
Health	-1.2	0.6	1.2
Transport	-0.4	-1.0	-1.7
Information and Communication	0.3	0.0	0.0
Recreation, Sport and Culture	3.2	1.7	1.9
Education Services	2.8	17.4	17.4
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	5.3	1.1	0.7
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.7	2.2	2.1

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

Table 9. Consumer Price Index by Subgroup, Month-on-Month and Year-on-Year Percent Changes  
in Sorsogon  
(2018=100)

Commodity Group	CPI			Inflation Rates	
	Feb 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Month- on- Month	Year- on- Year
ALL ITEMS	125.6	128.6	128.5	-0.1	2.3
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	125.9	129.7	129.7	0.0	3.0
* Food	125.9	129.7	129.6	-0.1	2.9
Cereals and Cereal Products	124.9	118.4	117.1	-1.1	-6.2
Cereals	125.0	115.5	113.6	-1.6	-9.1
Rice	124.6	114.9	113.0	-1.7	-9.3
Corn	193.4	209.8	216.4	3.1	11.9
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta					
Products, and Other Cereals	124.9	125.8	125.9	0.1	0.8
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land					
Animals	121.3	131.7	143.1	8.7	18.0
Fish and Other Seafood	135.7	137.5	135.2	-1.7	-0.4
Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs	118.1	120.2	120.2	0.0	1.8
Oils and Fats	113.1	113.2	113.3	0.1	0.2
Fruits and Nuts	128.7	128.8	136.4	5.9	6.0
Vegetables, Tubers, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	122.6	164.5	145.8	-11.4	18.9
Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	142.1	137.8	139.0	0.9	-2.2
Ready-Made Food and Other Food Products					
N.E.C.	125.9	131.4	131.1	-0.2	4.1
* Non-alcoholic Beverages	125.0	130.1	130.6	0.4	4.5
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	212.1	215.3	219.7	2.0	3.6
Alcoholic Beverages	153.5	160.5	160.6	0.1	4.6
Tobacco	262.2	262.2	270.2	3.1	3.1
Other Vegetable-Based Tobacco Products					
NON-FOOD	121.5	123.7	123.2	-0.4	1.4
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	124.9	125.8	125.8	0.0	0.7
Clothing	119.7	121.0	121.0	0.0	1.1
Footwear	136.1	136.1	136.1	0.0	0.0

IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	118.8	123.3	121.5	-1.5	2.3
Actual Rentals for Housing	113.1	117.0	117.0	0.0	3.4
Maintenance, Repair and Security of the Dwelling	122.4	122.6	122.2	-0.3	-0.2
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling	126.0	126.0	126.0	0.0	0.0
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	125.9	132.0	127.4	-3.5	1.2
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	123.7	125.2	126.2	0.8	2.0
Furniture and Furnishings, and Loose Carpets	123.4	123.7	123.7	0.0	0.2
Household Textiles	122.2	122.7	122.7	0.0	0.4
Household Appliances	105.6	105.9	105.9	0.0	0.3
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	119.3	122.8	122.8	0.0	2.9
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	106.4	106.9	106.8	-0.1	0.4
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	127.6	129.6	131.0	1.1	2.7
VI. HEALTH	128.5	129.9	130.1	0.2	1.2
Medicines and Health Products	115.5	117.7	118.2	0.4	2.3
Outpatient Care Services	139.6	139.6	139.6	0.0	0.0
Inpatient Care Services	151.4	151.4	151.4	0.0	0.0
Other Health Services	137.1	140.1	140.1	0.0	2.2
VII. TRANSPORT	132.1	129.5	129.9	0.3	-1.7
Purchase of Vehicles	101.7	101.7	101.7	0.0	0.0
Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	123.2	114.3	115.9	1.4	-5.9
Passenger Transport Services	147.3	147.3	147.3	0.0	0.0
Transport Services of Goods	105.4	105.4	105.4	0.0	0.0
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	100.6	100.6	100.6	0.0	0.0
Information and Communication Equipment	100.9	100.9	100.9	0.0	0.0
Information and Communication Services	100.3	100.3	100.3	0.0	0.0

Table 9--Concluded

Commodity Group	CPI			Inflation Rates	
	Feb 2024	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Month-on-Month	Year-on-Year
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	111.9	113.8	114.0	0.2	1.9
Recreational Durables	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Other Recreational Goods	113.9	114.1	114.1	0.0	0.2
Garden Products and Pets	122.9	124.2	126.7	2.0	3.1
Recreational Services	92.4	92.4	92.4	0.0	0.0
Cultural Goods	103.1	103.6	106.6	2.9	3.4
Cultural Services	102.2	102.2	102.2	0.0	0.0
Newspapers, Books and Stationery	141.0	148.5	149.0	0.3	5.7
Package Holidays	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
X. EDUCATION SERVICES	106.8	125.4	125.4	0.0	17.4
Early Childhood and Primary Education	114.4	118.6	118.6	0.0	3.7
Secondary Education	108.2	108.1	108.1	0.0	-0.1
Tertiary Education	103.5	133.7	133.7	0.0	29.2
Education Not Defined by Level					
XI. RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	124.1	125.0	125.0	0.0	0.7
Food and Beverage Serving Services	124.3	125.2	125.2	0.0	0.7
Accommodation Services	120.1	120.1	120.1	0.0	0.0
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES	146.0	146.0	146.0	0.0	0.0
Financial Services	146.0	146.0	146.0	0.0	0.0
XIII. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	120.9	123.2	123.4	0.2	2.1
Personal Care	121.0	123.5	123.7	0.2	2.2
Other Personal Effects	120.8	120.8	120.8	0.0	0.0
Other Services	108.0	108.0	108.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index,  
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Note: CPIs and inflation rates are posted at the PSA website  
(<http://openstat.psa.gov.ph/>).

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