



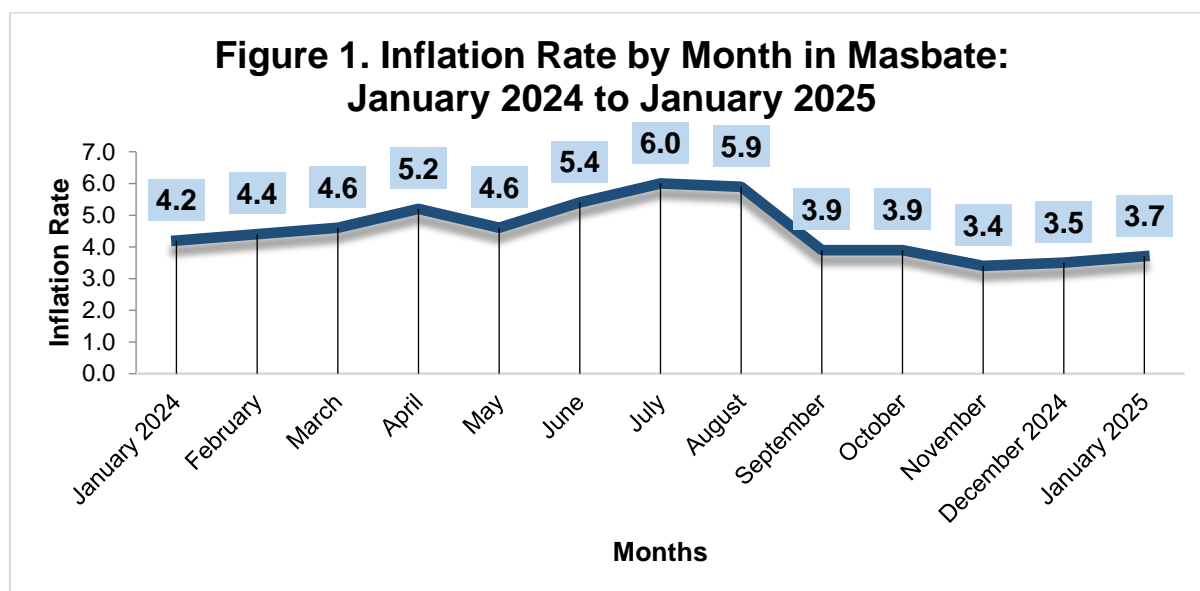
# SPECIAL RELEASE

## SUMMARY INFLATION REPORT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN MASBATE: January 2025 (2018 = 100)

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### Masbate's headline inflation rises to 3.7 percent

The headline inflation rate in Masbate rose to 3.7 percent in January 2025 from 3.5 percent in December 2024. The highest reported inflation rate 6.0 percent in July 2024. (See Figure 1)



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

The **Food and Non-alcoholic Beverages** category leads among commodity service groups, reflecting the highest share to the inflation trend, recorded at 3.0 percent, an increase from 2.3 percent the previous month. **Restaurant and Accommodation Services**, whose index rose from 3.5 percent in December 2024 to 4.3 percent in January 2025, and **Transport** whose index increased from 2.6 percent last month to 3.0 percent this month.

In addition, annual increases were observed in the indices of the following commodity groups/services during the month:

- Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, 7.4 percent;
- Health, 0.4 percent; and
- Information and Communication, 6.9 percent;

On the other hand, the following commodity groups/services shows annual decreases during the month:

- a. Clothing and Footwear, 1.6 percent;
- b. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels, 4.4 percent;
- c. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance, 10.0 percent;
- d. Recreation and Culture, 9.9 percent; and
- e. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services, 5.4 percent.

While the following commodity groups/services remained its annual rate during the month:

- a. Education Services, 0.0 percent; and
- b. Financial Services, 0.0 percent.

Provincial food inflation increased to 2.5 percent from 1.8 percent in the previous month. The annual growth rate in *Fish and other seafood*, which increased from -4.7 percent last month to 4.8 percent in January 2025, was one of the primary factors to the uptrend in food inflation. 4.8 percent from -4.7 percent last month. *Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses* came in at 7.7 percent this month from -0.1 percent last month, followed by *Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals* at 11.5 percent from 9.7 percent.

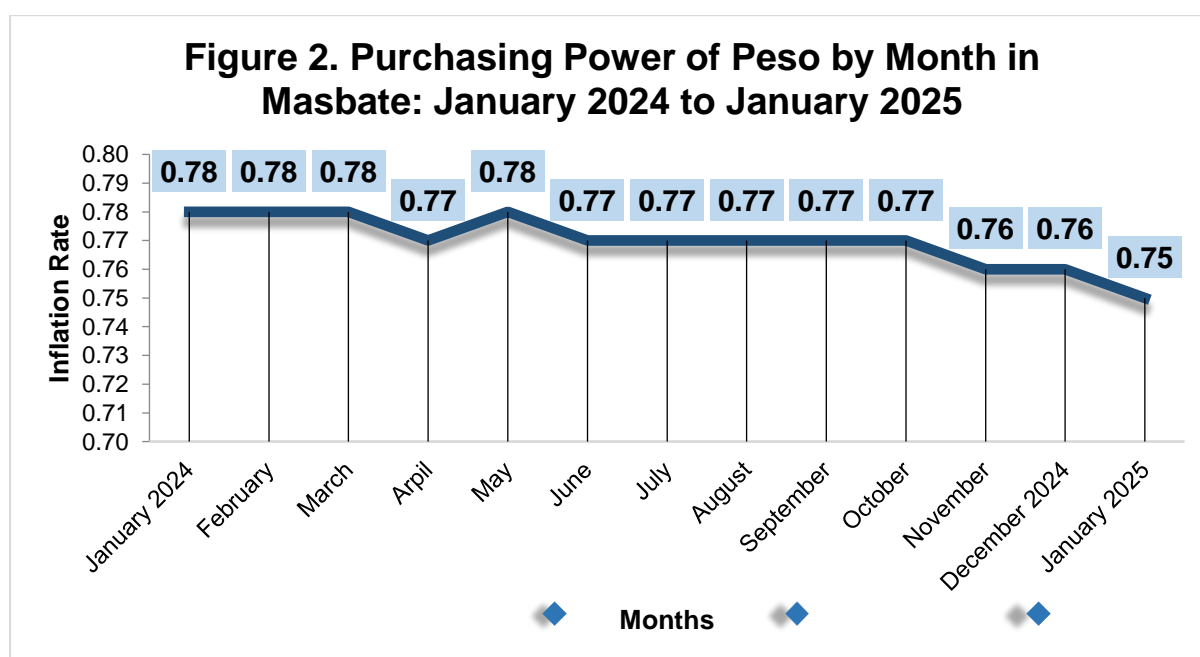
The following commodities also showed higher annual growth rate in February 2024:

- a. Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 3.1 percent;
- b. Fruits and nuts, 8.2 percent; and
- c. Sugar, confectionery and desserts, -7.5 percent

In contrary, the following food commodities have showed annual deceleration during the month:

- a. Cereals and cereal products (including rice and corn), -2.4 percent;
- b. Oils and fats, -3.9 percent; and
- c. Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c, 12.0 percent.

The provincial Purchasing Power of the Peso (PPP) in Masbate decrease at 0.75 as a result of the changes in prices and the ascending trend of the inflation rate with a movement in Consumer Price Index (CPI). (See Table 1 and Figure 2)

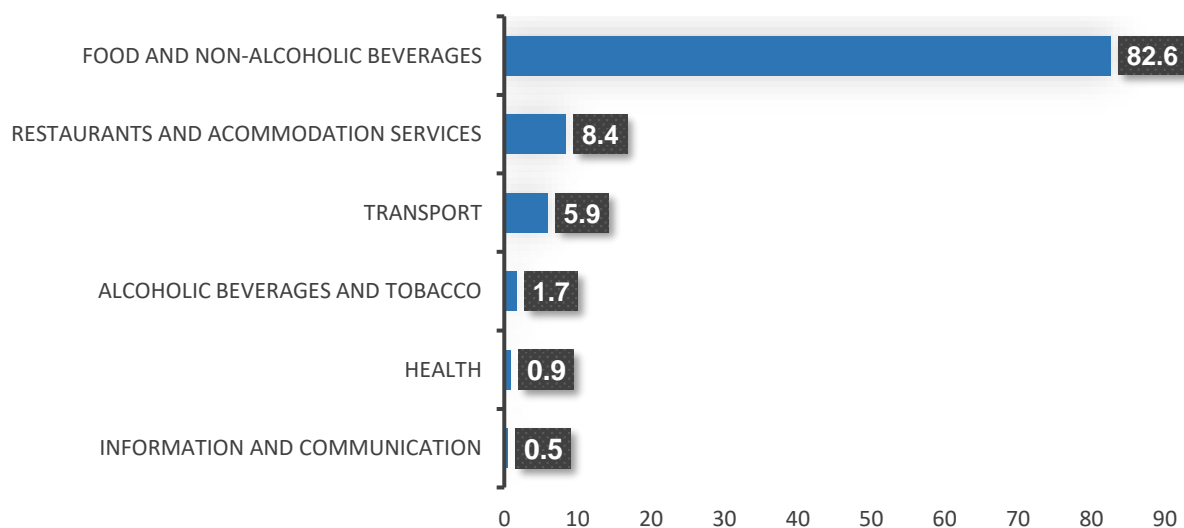


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**Table 1. Consumer Price Index by Commodity Group, Month-on-Month and Year-on-Year Percent Changes in Masbate (2018=100)**

Commodity Group	CPI			Inflation Rates	
	Jan 2024	Dec 2024	Jan 2025	Month-on-Month	Year-on-Year
<b>ALL ITEMS</b>	127.8	131.3	132.5	0.9	3.7
<b>I. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	125.3	127.1	129.1	1.6	3.0
<b>II. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco</b>	162.3	171.6	174.3	1.6	7.4
<b>III. Clothing and Footwear</b>	142.0	144.5	144.3	-0.1	1.6
<b>IV. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels</b>	119.3	124.7	124.5	-0.2	4.4
<b>V. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance</b>	127.1	139.3	139.8	0.4	10.0
<b>VI. Health</b>	132.5	132.7	133.0	0.2	0.4
<b>VII. Transport</b>	151.3	155.2	155.8	0.4	3.0
<b>VIII. Information and Communication</b>	107.7	115.1	115.1	0.0	6.9
<b>IX. Recreation, Sport and Culture</b>	133.6	147.2	146.8	-0.3	9.9
<b>X. Education Services</b>	116.1	116.1	116.1	0.0	0.0
<b>XI. Restaurants and Accommodation Services</b>	128.9	133.4	134.4	0.7	4.3
<b>XII. Financial Services</b>	163.6	163.6	163.6	0.0	0.0
<b>XIII. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods</b>	121.8	127.9	128.4	0.4	5.4

**Figure 3. Percent Share of Commodity Groups in Inflation Trend, Masbate: January 2025**



## CONCEPTS AND DEFINITION

### **CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI):**

- *A measure of the changes in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to base year.*
- *It measures the composite change in the consumer prices of various commodities overtime.*
- *It stands for the percentage change in the average prices of goods and services commonly bought by a group of consumers from the base year.*

### **COMPONENTS OF THE CPI:**

- *Market Basket – refers to sample of goods and services commonly purchased by a particular group of consumers in a particular area.*
- *Weight – a value attached to a commodity or group of commodities to indicate the relative importance of that commodity or group of commodities in the market basket.*
- *Base Year Period – a period usually a year, at which the index number is set to 100 or it is the reference point of the index number series.*
- *Index Method – gives the formula used in computing the index number.*
- *Sample outlets – establishment or retail outlets where prices of commodities/services are collected or quoted.*


### **INDICATORS DERIVED FROM THE CPI:**

#### **INFLATION RATE (IR):**

- *Rate of change in the average price level as measured by the CPI between two periods.*
- *It is equivalent to the decline in the internal purchasing of the peso.*
- *It is a derived indicator by comparing the CPI between two periods, usually a year.*

#### **PURCHASING POWER OF PESO (PPP):**

- *Shows how much the peso in the base year (2018) is worth in another year or in the current period.*

  
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