

SOCCSKSARGEN's Headline Inflation Up By 5.7% in June 2022

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Table 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates For All Income Households, All Items, By Province/HUC, SOCCSKSARGEN Region
May 2022 to June 2022
(2018=100)

AREA	June 2021	May 2022	June 2022	Year - to -date
PHILIPPINES	3.7	5.4	6.1	4.4
SOCCSKSARGEN	5.1	4.7	5.7	4.5
NORTH COTABATO	5.0	4.8	6.4	4.2
SULTAN KUDARAT	3.0	4.1	6.0	4.4
SOUTH COTABATO	5.5	4.0	4.8	4.2
SARANGANI	5.0	4.4	5.7	4.1
GENERAL SANTOS CITY	5.6	6.2	6.4	5.7
COTABATO CITY	8.0	4.0	3.4	4.1

*Year-on-year change of average CPI for January to June, 2022 vs. 2021 Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index Philippine Statistics Authority

YEAR-ON-YEAR INFLATION RATES

Headline inflation rate or the annual rate of change on the prices of goods and services in the market basket in SOCCSKSARGEN Region continues to move at a faster pace of 5.7% in June 2022 from 4.7% in May 2022. This is lower than the national inflation of 6.1% for the current month under review. Inflation for the first six months of the year averaged at 4.5%, higher than the national average of 4.4 percent (Table 1).







Cotabato Province, with an inflation rate of 6.4%, was the highest contributor to SOCCSKSARGEN Region's 5.7% headline inflation in June 2022. It was followed by General Santos City with an inflation of 6.4%; South Cotabato, 4.8%; Sultan Kudarat Province, 6.0%; Sarangani, 5.7%; and Cotabato City, 3.4%. The main sources of the price uptrend from May 2022 to June 2022 were Cotabato Province, Sultan Kudarat, South Cotabato, Sarangani, and General Santos City. See Table 1.

TABLE 2. Year -on-Year Inflation Rates, All Items, SOCCSKSARGEN, January 2019 to June 2022 (2018=100)

MONTH	INFLATION RATES (%)			
	2019	2020	2021	2022
January	4.6	2.5	3.9	5.0
February	3.9	3.0	4.9	3.9
March	3.9	2.6	6.2	3.3
April	3.5	3.7	5.2	4.2
May	3.2	3.5	5.4	4.7
June	2.5	3.4	5.1	5.7
July	2.1	3.4	5.1	
August	0.4	2.6	5.8	
September	(0.2)	3.3	5.2	
October	(0.3)	3.3	5.5	
November	1.1	3.4	5.6	
December	2.4	3.1	5.6	
Average	2.3	3.2	5.3	4.5

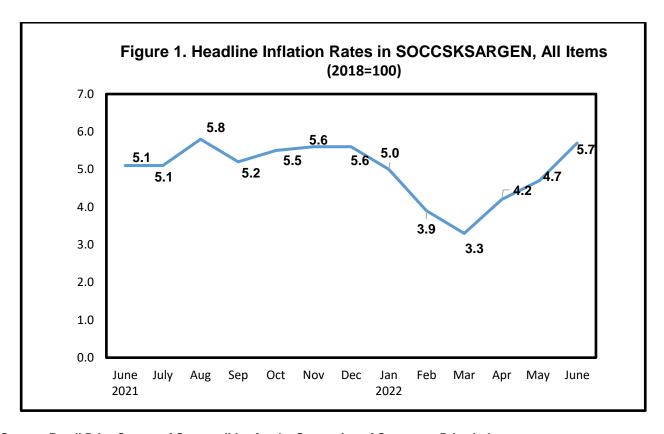
Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index Philippine Statistics Authority

From 2019 to 2021, the annual average inflation rate on the prices of goods and services in the market basket was highest in 2021 at 5.3 percent. The lowest average inflation was in 2019 at 2.3 percent. The lowest monthly inflation was recorded in October 2019 at -0.3% while the highest was recorded in March 2021 at 6.2%. Headline Inflation for All Items in 2022 exhibited an uptrend from 3.9% in February to 5.7% in June. (*Table 2*).





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

In June 2021, inflation was lower by 0.6 percentage point at 5.1% as compared to the June 2022 inflation of 5.7%. From June 2021-June 2022, the highest price uptick was noted in August 2021 at 5.8% while the lowest was recorded in March 2022 at 3.3%. Headline Inflation for All Items in 2022 exhibited an uptrend from 3.9% in February to 5.7% in June. (Figure 1).





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Table 3. Year-on-year Inflation by Commodity Group, SOCCSKSARGEN Region June 2021, May 2022 and June 2022 (2018=100)

Commodity Group	June 2021	May 2022	June 2022
All Items	5.1	4.7	5.7
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	1.7	2.9	4.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	14.8	8.0	8.1
Clothing and Footwear	2.3	2.0	2.2
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	3.5	7.8	6.5
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	3.0	1.9	2.8
Health	8.8	1.1	1.3
Transport	22.4	15.5	18.9
Information and Communication	0.4	0.9	1.3
Recreation, Sport and Culture	(0.6)	1.9	2.2
Education Services	4.3	0.2	0.2
Restaurants and Accomodation Services	9.1	1.1	1.8
Financial Services	51.9	0.0	0.0
Personal Care and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.2	2.1	2.8

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

The major contributors to the June 2022 inflation were Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages (from 2.9% to 4.7%); Transport (from 15.5% to 18.9%); and Restaurant and Accommodation Services (from 1.1% to 1.8%). Other commodity groups exhibiting higher price gains were Personal Care and Miscellaneous Goods and Services (from 2.1% and 2.8%); Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance (from 1.9% to 2.8%); Information and Communication (from 0.9% to 1.3%); Clothing and Footwear (from 2.0% to 2.2%); Health (from 1.1% to 1.3%); Recreation, Sports and Culture (from 1.9% to 2.2%); and Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (from 8.0% to 8.1%).

A lower price hike was noted in *Housing, Water; Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels* (from 7.8% to 6.5%) while *Education Services* (0.2%), and *Financial Services* sustained or had negligible change from their previous month's rate (Table 2).





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TABLE 4: INFLATION RATE BY COMMODITY GROUP, FNAB, SOCCSKSARGEN JUNE 2021, MAY 2022 AND JUNE 2022 (2018=100)

COMMODITY	JUNE 2021	MAY 2022	JUNE 2022
FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	1.7	2.9	4.7
Cereals and cereal products (ND)	(6.8)	2.4	3.3
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (ND)	14.1	5.1	8.6
Fish and other seafood (ND)	12.9	0.2	4.0
Milk, other dairy products and eggs (ND)	4.6	(1.1)	0.1
Oils and fats (ND)	9.6	15.5	16.4
Fruits and nuts (ND)	(6.4)	(4.9)	0.5
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses (ND)	(0.2)	11.0	9.3
Sugar, confectionery and desserts (ND)	1.4	11.0	13.5
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c. (ND)	(1.5)	3.6	4.7
Fruit and vegetable juices (ND)	3.1	3.5	3.4
Coffee and coffee substitutes (ND)	0.1	2.6	4.5
Tea, maté and other plant products for infusion (ND)	1.7	3.4	3.5
Cocoa drinks (ND)	1.7	3.0	3.7
Water (ND)	0.5	1.3	1.6
Soft drinks (ND)	1.2	1.9	1.8
Other non-alcoholic beverages (ND)	1.3	2.2	3.1

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

The major contributors to the 4.7% inflation on the Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages (FNAB) index in June 2022 were Cereals and cereal products, Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals; Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses; Fish and other seafood; and Sugar, confectionery and desserts.

The major contributors to the price uptrend in the FNAB were Fish and other seafood (from 0.2% to 4.0%); Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals (from 5.1% to 8.6%); Cereals and cereal products (from 2.4% to 3.3%); Fruits and nuts (-4.9% to 0.5%); and Milk, other dairy products and eggs (from -1.1% to 0.1%).





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Definition of Terms

Base Period/Year this refers to the period, usually a year, at which the index

number/points is set to 100. It is the point of index number series.

Headline Inflation measures changes in the cost of living based on movements in the prices

of a specified basket of major commodities. It refers to the annual rate of

change or the year-on-year change in the Consumer Price Index.

Consumer Price Index the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services

commonly purchased by households relative to a base year

Inflation Rate the annual rate of change or year-on-year change in the CPI

expressed in percent

Market Basket refers to a sample of goods and services that are commonly

purchased and bought by an average Filipino household

Weights a system that considers the relevance of the components if the

index

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