

PRESS RELEASE

Summary INFLATION Report
Consumer Price Index
(2018=100)
January 2025

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Table 1. Year-on-Year Headline Inflation Rates, All Items in Percent (2018=100)

Area	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025	Year-to-Date*
Philippines	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9
Region XII	4.1	1.2	1.1	1.1
Sultan Kudarat	3.8	1.1	1.3	1.3

*Year-on-year change of average CPI for January 2025 vs. 2024.

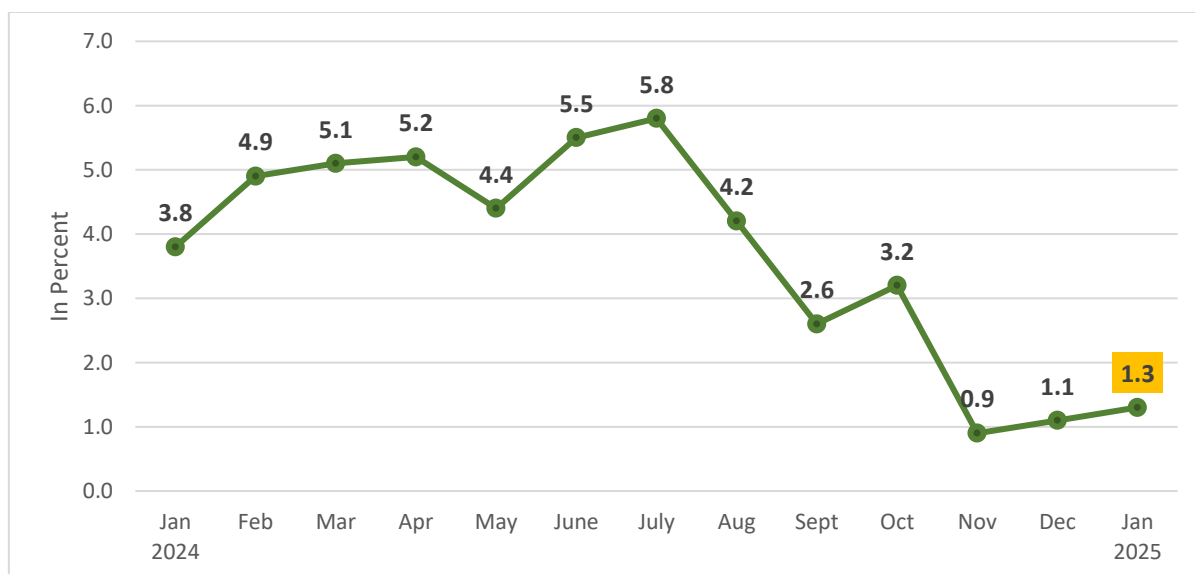
Source: Survey of Retail Prices of Commodities for Consumer Price Index, Philippine Statistics Authority

YEAR-ON-YEAR INFLATION RATES

The headline inflation rate or the year-on-year change in the prices of goods and services commonly purchased by people in the province of Sultan Kudarat increased to 1.3 percent in January 2025 compared to 1.1 percent recorded in December 2024. In January 2024, the inflation rate was higher at 3.8 percent. (Table 1, Table 2, and Figure 1)



**Figure 1: Inflation Rate in Sultan Kudarat Province, All Items
January 2024 to January 2025
(2018=100)**



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**Table 2. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates, Sultan Kudarat Province in Percent
January 2019 – January 2025
(2018=100)**

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	4.2	3.0	1.8	4.2	7.3	3.8	1.3
February	4.6	3.1	2.4	3.8	6.7	4.9	
March	4.9	2.9	2.7	3.8	6.4	5.1	
April	4.6	3.1	3.3	4.2	5.2	5.2	
May	3.5	2.7	3.5	4.1	5.4	4.4	
June	3.2	2.4	3.0	6.0	3.9	5.5	
July	2.2	2.5	3.5	6.0	2.9	5.8	
August	1.2	1.7	4.4	5.2	5.0	4.2	
September	0.2	2.2	3.3	5.6	6.1	2.6	
October	0.7	1.7	3.6	4.9	6.2	3.2	
November	1.9	1.9	3.5	5.7	7.0	0.9	
December	2.9	2.2	3.0	6.1	6.3	1.1	
Average	2.8	2.5	3.2	5.0	5.7	3.9	

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The uptrend in the overall inflation in January 2025 was primarily influenced by the higher annual growth rate in the index of Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages at 1.1 percent inflation compared to 0.7 percent in December 2024. This was followed by, Transport at 0.5 percent compared to -0.1 percent deflation in December 2024, and Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels at 2.1 percent inflation compared to 2.0 percent in December 2024.

In addition, the following commodity groups also contributed to the uptrend of January 2025 inflation rate.

- a. Clothing and Footwear at 0.6 percent from 0.4 percent;
- b. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance at 2.6 percent from 2.3 percent;
- c. Financial Services at 0.0 percent from -0.4 percent deflation; and
- d. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services at 1.9 percent from 1.8 percent.

In contrast, the two (2) commodity groups registered lower inflation rates during the month.

- a. Health at 1.0 percent from 1.4 percent; and
- b. Recreation, Sport and Culture at 2.8 percent from 3.1 percent.

Meanwhile the indices of the rest of the commodity groups retained their respective previous month's inflation rate (*Table 3*)

**Table 3. Year-on-Year Inflation by Commodity Groups
Sultan Kudarat Province in Percent
January 2024, December 2024, and January 2025
(2018=100)**

COMMODITY GROUP	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025	Trend Indicator
ALL ITEMS	3.8	1.1	1.3	↑
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	5.4	0.7	1.1	↑
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	7.8	1.1	1.1	=
Clothing and Footwear	4.8	0.4	0.6	↑
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	(1.5)	2.0	2.1	↑
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	4.7	2.3	2.6	↑
Health	4.0	1.4	1.0	↓
Transport	(2.5)	(0.1)	0.5	↑
Information and Communication	0.4	0.2	0.2	=
Recreation, Sport and Culture	8.5	3.1	2.8	↓
Education Services	1.8	0.7	0.7	=
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	10.0	2.5	2.5	=
Financial Services	(0.4)	(0.4)	0.0	↑
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	3.3	1.8	1.9	↑

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Food Inflation, likewise, increase to 1.0 percent inflation compared to 0.6 percent reported in December 2024. In January 2024, food inflation was higher at 5.5 percent.

The acceleration of food inflation in January 2025 was primarily brought about by the faster year-on-year increase of Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses at 24.8 percent during the month from 4.8 percent in December 2024.

This was followed by Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals at 5.7 percent from 3.5 percent in December 2024, and Fish and Other Seafood at 1.4 percent from 0.7 percent.

In addition, the following food groups also contributed to the uptrend of food inflation.

- a. Oils and Fats at 20.0 percent from 18.1 percent;
- b. Fruits and Nuts at 4.1 percent from 2.0 percent;
- c. Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts at -8.0 percent deflation from -8.6 percent deflation in December 2024; and
- d. Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c., at 3.7 percent from 3.2 percent.

In contrast, lower annual growth rates during the month were observed in the indices of the following food groups:

- a. Cereals and Cereals Products at -6.8 percent deflation from -1.7 percent deflation; and
- b. Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs at 0.0 percent from 0.8 percent. (Table 4)

**Table 4. Year-on-Year Inflation on Food Items
Sultan Kudarat Province in Percent
January 2024, December 2024, and January 2025
(2018=100)**

COMMODITY GROUP	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025	Trend Indicator
FOOD	5.5	0.6	1.0	↑
Cereals and Cereal Products	23.6	(1.7)	(6.8)	↓
-Cereals	27.9	(2.3)	(8.4)	↓
-Rice	30.3	(2.1)	(8.7)	↓
-Corn	(2.7)	(5.0)	(4.0)	↑
-Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, And Other Cereals	5.7	1.3	1.4	↑
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	0.4	3.5	5.7	↑
Fish and Other Seafood	(5.9)	0.7	1.4	↑
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	10.5	0.8	0.0	↓
Oils and Fats	(5.3)	18.1	20.0	↑
Fruits and Nuts	10.6	2.0	4.1	↑
Vegetables, Tubers, Plantains, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	(21.4)	4.8	24.8	↑
Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	3.4	(8.6)	(8.0)	↑
Ready-made Food and Other Food Products n.e.c.	3.3	3.2	3.7	↑

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TECHNICAL NOTES

Consumer Price Index (CPI):

- ❖ A measure of the change 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 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.

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 derived indicator by comparing the CPI between two periods, usually a year.

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