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**Summary Inflation Report  
Consumer Price Index for the  
Bottom 30% Income Households  
(2018=100)**

**Sarangani Province  
January 2025**

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**Table A. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households,  
In Percent  
(2018=100)**

Area	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025	Year-to-date*
Philippines	3.6	2.5	2.4	2.4
Region XII	4.6	1.1	0.8	0.8
Sarangani	6.1	(0.9)	(1.1)	(1.1)

**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 2025 vs. 2024**

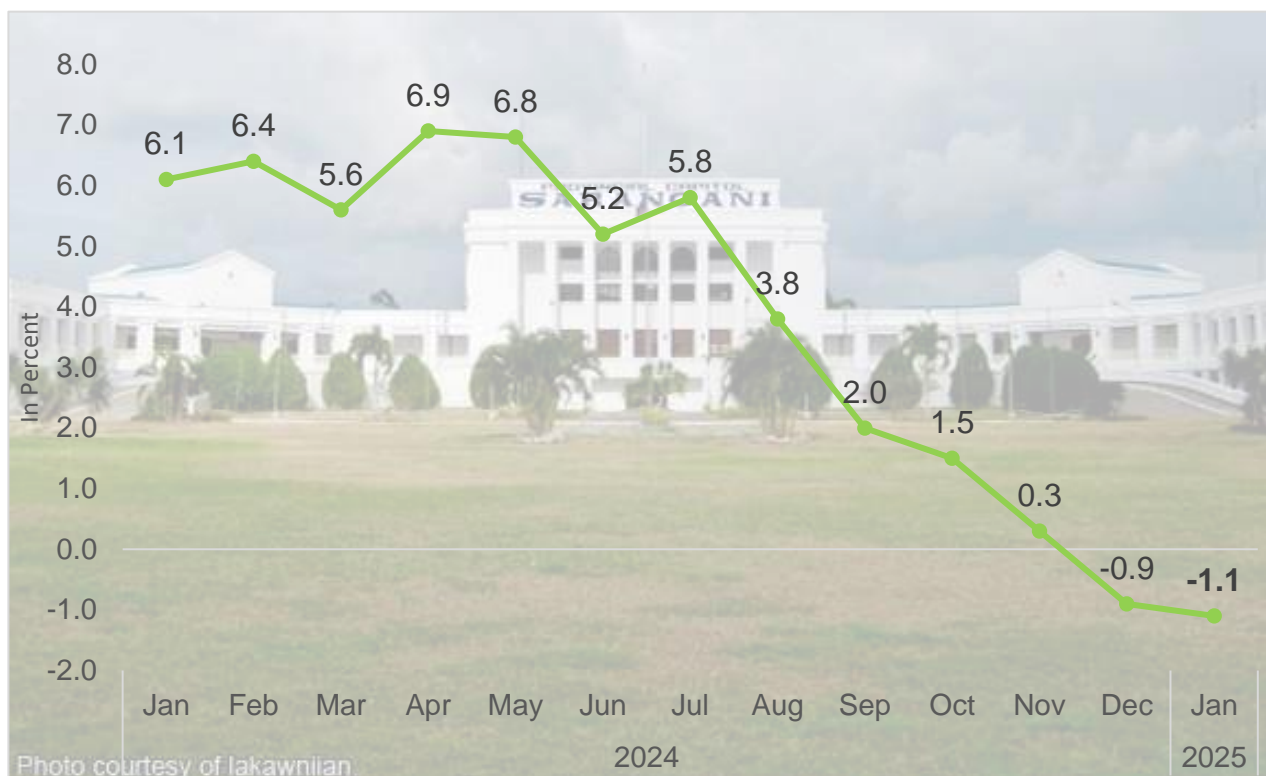
## YEAR-ON-YEAR INFLATION RATES

The annual rate of change on the prices of goods and services in the market basket for the bottom 30% income households or the low-income group in Sarangani Province further declined to 1.1 percent in January 2025 from last month's inflation at -0.9 percent. This was lower than the regional and national levels at 0.8 percent and 2.4 percent, respectively. In January 2024, the inflation rate was posted at 6.1 percent. *(Table A and Figure 1)*

**Figure 1. Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households**



**in Sarangani Province, All Items  
(2018=100)**



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The downtrend in the province's inflation for the bottom 30% income households in January 2025 was brought about by the faster year-on-year decline in food and non-alcoholic beverages at 3.3 percent from 2.8 percent in the previous month. This was followed by housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels with -0.1 percent inflation from 0.6 percent in December 2024. Also, information and communication contributed to the downtrend with zero inflation in January 2025 from 0.4 percent inflation in the previous month. Moreover, clothing and footwear also posted a slower annual increase during the month at 1.4 percent inflation from 1.5 percent in December 2024.

On the contrary, the following commodity groups showed higher annual growth rates for the bottom 30% income households during the month:

- Alcoholic beverages and tobacco, 5.4 percent from 3.4 percent;
  - Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance, 1.2 percent from 0.7 percent;
  - Health, 1.8 percent from 1.7 percent;
  - Transport, 3.1 percent from 2.4 percent; and
  - Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services, 5.3 percent from 4.6 percent.
- (Table B)

Furthermore, the following commodity groups maintained their previous month's inflation rates:

- Recreation, sport and culture, at 3.8 percent;
- Education services, at zero inflation;



- c) Restaurants and accommodation services, at zero inflation; and
- d) Financial services, at zero inflation. (Table B)

**Table B. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households,  
 By Commodity Group, Sarangani Province  
 January 2024, December 2024 and January 2025  
 In Percent  
 (2018=100)**

Commodity Group	Inflation Rate		
	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025
<b>All Items</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>(0.9)</b>	<b>(1.1)</b>
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	8.7	(2.8)	(3.3)
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	10.5	3.4	5.4
Clothing and Footwear	2.3	1.5	1.4
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	(1.5)	0.6	(0.1)
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	5.4	0.7	1.2
Health	1.8	1.7	1.8
Transport	0.1	2.4	3.1
Information and Communication	0.5	0.4	0.0
Recreation, Sport and Culture	11.8	3.8	3.8
Education Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	3.8	0.0	0.0
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	4.7	4.6	5.3

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The major contributor to the downtrend in the inflation of food and non-alcoholic beverages was cereals and cereal products at -12.5 percent in January 2025 from -9.6 percent in the previous month with 77.3 percent share. This was followed by fruits and nuts at 2.6 percent in January 2025 from 6.3 percent in the previous month. Also, fish and other seafoods showed a downtrend



during the month with 3.2 percent inflation from 4.1 percent in December 2024.

Moreover, the following also contributed to the downtrend inflation of food and non-alcoholic beverages during the month:

- a) Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 5.2 percent from 6.2 percent;
  - b) Oil and fats, -3.0 percent from -2.7 percent;
  - c) Coffee and coffee substitutes, 2.6 percent from 3.3 percent;
  - d) Tea, mate and other plant products for infusion, 1.1 percent from 1.6 percent.
- (Table C)

**Table C. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households on Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, Sarangani Province January 2024, December 2024 and January 2025 In Percent (2018=100)**

Commodity Group	Inflation Rate		
	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025
<b>Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>(2.8)</b>	<b>(3.3)</b>
Cereals and cereal products	25.7	(9.6)	(12.5)
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	3.4	(0.3)	1.7
Fish and other seafood	(1.9)	4.1	3.2
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	12.2	6.2	5.2
Oils and fats	0.2	(2.7)	(3.0)
Fruits and nuts	15.1	6.3	2.6
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	(13.9)	(2.4)	5.2
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	(9.6)	(5.3)	(4.0)
Ready-made food and other food products	8.2	3.4	4.5
Fruit and vegetable juices	2.1	(0.2)	(0.2)
Coffee and coffee substitutes	4.5	3.3	2.6
Tea, mate and other plant products for infusion	5.0	1.6	1.1
Cocoa drinks	0.0	6.3	7.3
Water	1.2	(0.6)	0.6
Soft drinks	0.0	6.3	7.3
Other non-alcoholic beverages	4.7	0.0	0.0

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Meanwhile, the province's food inflation for the bottom 30% income households further declined to 3.6 percent in January 2025 from 3.2 percent in December 2024. In January 2024, food inflation for the bottom 30% income households was higher at 9.0 percent. (Table D)

The deceleration of food inflation for the bottom 30% income households in January 2025

was due to the faster price drop of rice with -13.5 percent from -8.8 percent in the previous month. This was followed by fruits and nuts at 2.6 percent inflation during the month from 6.3 percent in December 2024. Also, fish and other seafood contributed to the downtrend with 3.2 percent in January 2025 from 4.1 percent in the previous month. (Table D)

In addition, lower inflation rates were also recorded in the following indices:

- a) Corn, -18.7 percent from -17.0 percent;
- b) Milk, other dairy products and eggs, 5.2 percent from 6.2 percent;
- c) Oil and fats, -3.0 percent from -2.7 percent. (Table D)

**Table D. Year-on-Year Inflation on Food Items, for the Bottom 30% Income Households, Sarangani Province  
 January 2024, December 2024 and January 2025  
 In Percent  
 (2018=100)**

Commodity Group	January 2024	December 2024	January 2025
<b>Food</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>(3.2)</b>	<b>(3.6)</b>
Cereals and cereal products	25.7	(9.6)	(12.5)
Cereals	27.1	(10.8)	(14.8)
Rice	38.5	(8.8)	(13.5)
Corn	0.7	(17.0)	(18.7)
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	19.0	(3.3)	(1.5)
Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals	3.4	(0.3)	1.7
Fish and other seafood	(1.9)	4.1	3.2
Milk, other dairy products and eggs	12.2	6.2	5.2
Oils and fats	0.2	(2.7)	(3.0)
Fruits and nuts	15.1	6.3	2.6
Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses	(13.9)	(2.4)	5.2
Sugar, confectionery and desserts	(9.6)	(5.3)	(4.0)
Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c.	8.2	3.4	4.5

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In contrast, the following food groups posted higher annual increases in the bottom 30% income households during the month:

- a) Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals, -1.5 percent from -3.3 percent;
- b) Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals, 1.7 percent from 0.3 percent;





- c) Vegetables, tubers, plantains, cooking bananas and pulses, 5.2 percent from -2.4 percent;
- d) Sugar, confectionery and desserts, -4.0 percent from -5.3 percent;
- e) Ready-made food and other food products n.e.c., 4.5 percent from 3.4 percent;  
 (Table D)

**Table E. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates for the Bottom 30% Income Households, Sarangani Province, All Items: January 2019 to January 2025**  
**In Percent**  
**(2018=100)**

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	2.6	3.5	5.6	4.5	9.2	6.1	(1.1)
February	3.5	4.1	5.5	2.6	10.2	6.4	
March	4.1	3.0	6.7	2.1	10.3	5.6	
April	3.7	6.6	3.2	3.0	8.0	6.9	
May	4.1	6.4	3.5	3.3	7.5	6.8	
June	3.4	5.2	3.9	4.8	7.3	5.2	
July	2.6	4.0	5.0	6.1	6.3	5.8	
August	1.3	3.3	5.6	7.0	7.1	3.8	
September	0.3	3.3	4.1	8.8	7.6	2.0	
October	0.3	4.2	4.1	9.0	6.4	1.5	
November	0.7	3.1	5.8	9.0	6.6	0.3	
December	2.0	3.7	5.5	9.3	6.4	(0.9)	
<b>Average</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>(1.1)</b>

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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.
- 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 of the index





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