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Summary Inflation Report Consumer Price Index for All Income Households South Cotabato (2018=100)

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Table 1. Year – on – Year Inflation Rates, All Items (2018 = 100)
In percent

Pro					
Area	June 2023	May 2024	June 2024	Year-to- Date*	
Philippines	5.4	3.9	3.7	3.5	
Region XII	4.9	4.5	3.8	4.5	
South Cotabato	6.5	4.5	3.2	5.1	

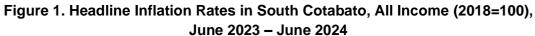
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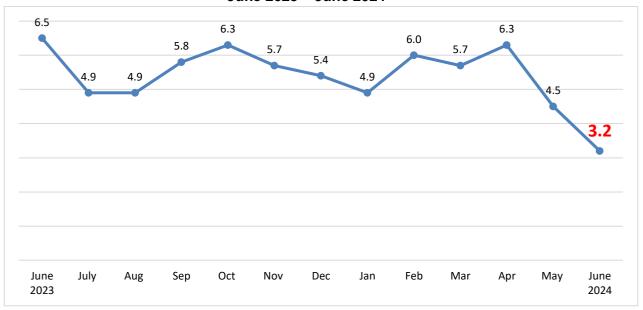
YEAR-ON-YEAR INFLATION RATES

The headline inflation or the annual rate of change on the prices of goods and services in the market basket of South Cotabato decreased to 3.2 percent in June 2024. It was lower by 3.3 percentage points from the same month last year at 6.5 percent and 1.3 percentage points lower from May 2024 at 4.5 percent. South Cotabato's inflation was lower by 0.5 percentage point compared to the national estimates of 3.7 percent, respectively. The province average inflation stood at 5.1 percent (Figure 1).

^{*}Year-on-Year change of average CPI for January - June 2024







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The major contributors to the downtrend in the province's inflation rate for the month of June 2024 were Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels at 1.1 percent, Transport at 1.2 percent, and Recreation, Sport and Culture and 3.0 percent.

Lower annual increments were noted in the indices of the following commodity groups:

- a. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco, from 1.6% to 1.5%
- b. Clothing and Footwear, from 1.7% to 1.2%
- c. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels, from 8.7% to 1.1%
- d. Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance, from 1.6% to 1.3%
- e. Transport, from 1.6% to 1.2%
- f. Recreation, Sport and Culture, from 4.4% to 3.0%

Major commodity group which registered higher inflation are Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, from 5.6% to 5.7% and Health, from 3.1% to 3.4%.

The rest of the commodity groups: Information and Communication (0.0%), Education Services (4.7%), Restaurants and Accommodation Services (1.3%), Financial Services (-0.1%), and Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services (2.7%) maintained their previous month's inflation rates (Table 2).



Table 2. Year-on-year Inflation by Commodity Group, South Cotabato June 2023, May 2024, and June 2024 (2018=100), In percent

Commodity Group	June 2023	May 2024	June 2024
ALL ITEMS	6.5	4.5	3.2
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	7.0	5.6	5.7
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	14.9	1.6	1.5
Clothing and Footwear	6.5	1.7	1.2
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels	14.9	8.7	1.1
Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	9.5	1.6	1.3
Health	3.8	3.1	3.4
Transport	(6.7)	1.6	1.2
Information and Communication	1.0	0.0	0.0
Recreation, Sport and Culture	7.6	4.4	3.0
Education Services	1.8	4.7	4.7
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	5.9	1.3	1.3
Financial Services	0.0	(0.1)	(0.1)
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	6.7	2.7	2.7

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Meanwhile, inflation for food decreased to 6.0 percent in June 2024 from 5.9 percent in May 2024. In June 2023, food inflation was higher at 6.9 percent (Table 3).

The top three food groups that contributed to the decrease in food inflation were Milk, other dairy products and eggs at 1.9%, Meat and other parts of slaughtered land animals at 0.1%, and Cereals and cereal products at 19.0%.

Table 3. Year-on-year Inflation Rates on Food Items, South Cotabato June 2023, May 2024, and June 2024 (2018=100), In percent

Commodity Group	June 2023	May 2024	June 2024	
FOOD	6.9	5.9	6.0	
Cereals and Cereal Products	3.8	18.9	19.0	
Cereals	2.3	24.2	24.0	
Rice	2.2	24.9	24.8	
Corn	4.3	1.5	1.6	
Flour, Bread and Other Bakery Products, Pasta Products, and Other Cereals	9.6	2.3	2.6	
Meat and Other Parts of Slaughtered Land Animals	8.8	(1.4)	0.1	
Fish and Other Seafood	4.6	(5.2)	(8.6)	
Milk, Other Dairy Products, and Eggs	7.4	(3.3)	1.9	
Oils and Fats	8.7	(6.3)	(3.9)	
Fruits and Nuts	14.9	4.5	4.8	
Vegetables, Tubers, Cooking Bananas and Pulses	11.8	7.6	5.8	
Sugar, Confectionery and Desserts	24.9	0.5	0.3	
Ready-Made Food and Other Food Products N.E.C.	4.4	12.0	12.5	

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Table 4. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in South Cotabato on All Items, South Cotabato January 2019 – June 2024 (2018=100), In percent

Month	Inflation Rates					
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
January	5.3	2.6	2.0	5.6	7.3	4.9
February	4.8	2.2	3.4	4.3	7.6	6.0
March	4.7	1.9	5.5	2.9	7.6	5.7
April	4.2	2.8	4.8	3.7	6.2	6.3
May	4.0	2.3	5.4	6.2	6.8	4.5
June	3.3	2.0	5.5	4.8	6.5	3.2
July	2.7	2.0	5.2	6.0	4.9	
August	1.1	0.8	6.2	6.6	4.9	
September	0.1	1.1	6.3	6.9	5.8	
October	0.1	0.8	6.9	6.4	6.3	
November	2.1	0.7	6.5	6.9	5.7	
December	3.1	0.2	7.1	7.1	5.4	
Average	2.9	1.6	5.4	5.4	6.2	5.1

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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 the 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 the 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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