

Year-on-Year Monthly Inflation Rate by Commodity, Region XII		
(2018=100)	Nov'24	Dec'24
ALL ITEMS	1.7	1.2
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	2.4	1.1
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	2.1	2.0
Clothing and Footwear	0.6	0.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels	1.9	2.0
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	0.9	0.7
Health	2.1	1.8
Transport	-2.5	-0.4
Information and Communication	0.2	0.2
Recreation, Sport, and Culture	1.1	1.2
Education Services	3.3	3.3
Restaurant and Accommodation Services	2.6	2.3
Financial Services	-0.1	-0.1
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	1.6	1.6

PRICES		
Inflation Rate (%)	Nov'24	Dec'24
Region XII	1.7	1.2
Cotabato	2.1	1.4
Sarangani	0.5	-0.3
South Cotabato	1.8	1.4
Sultan Kudarat	0.9	1.1
Gen. Santos City	1.2	1.1
Purchasing Power of Peso	Nov'24	Dec'24
Region XII	0.78	0.78
Cotabato	0.77	0.77
Sarangani	0.77	0.77
South Cotabato	0.78	0.78
Sultan Kudarat	0.80	0.80
Gen. Santos City	0.80	0.79

Inflation Rates By Commodity Group		
CPI for Bottom 30% (2018=100)	nov'24	Dec'24
Rice	3.0	-1.6
Corn	-8.0	-10.3
Flour, Bread, and Other Bakery, and Pasta Products, and other Cereals	1.1	0.8
Meat	0.1	0.8
Fish and Other Seafood	2.5	1.2
Milk, Other Dairy Products and Eggs	4.4	4.1
Oils and Fats	3.2	3.1
Fruits and Nuts	8.0	7.2
Vegetables	3.8	4.6
Sugar, Confectionery, and Desserts	-6.8	-5.4
Food Products, N.E.C.	6.2	5.0

SOURCE: Consumer Price Index (CPI), PSA

VITAL STATISTICS		
Total Registered Marriages	2022	2023 ^P
PHILIPPINES	449,428	406,331
SOCCSKSARGEN ¹	17,956	15,515
Cotabato ²	5,581	4,753
Sarangani	2,240	2,054
South Cotabato	4,545	4,122
Sultan Kudarat	2,935	2,091
Gen. Santos City	2,655	2,495
Total Registered Births	2022	2023 ^P
PHILIPPINES	1,455,393	1,422,161
SOCCSKSARGEN	70,224	68,285
Cotabato	23,430	21,939
Sarangani	8,963	9,613
South Cotabato	15,067	14,819
Sultan Kudarat	12,200	11,790
Gen. Santos City	10,564	10,124

Total Registered Deaths	2022	2023 ^P
PHILIPPINES	679,766	682,531
SOCCSKSARGEN ¹	27,296	26,167
Cotabato ²	9,133	8,281
Sarangani	2,964	3,007
South Cotabato	6,742	6,794
Sultan Kudarat	4,417	4,107
Gen. Santos City	4,040	3,978

Vital Statistics by Sex (Live Births)	Male	Female
PHILIPPINES (2023 ^P)	739,691	682,470
SOCCSKSARGEN ¹	35,610	32,675
Cotabato ²	11,499	10,440
Sarangani	5,030	4,583
South Cotabato	7,738	7,081
Sultan Kudarat	6,099	5,691
Gen. Santos City	5,244	4,880

Vital Statistics by Sex (Deaths)	Male	Female
PHILIPPINES (2023 ^P)	386,256	296,275
SOCCSKSARGEN ¹	15,444	10,723
Cotabato ²	4,879	3,402
Sarangani	1,757	1,250
South Cotabato	4,042	2,750
Sultan Kudarat	2,436	1,671
Gen. Santos City	2,330	1,648

SOURCE: Philippine Statistics Authority (2023^P, and 2022)
^P—Provisional as of 31 July 2024
*- Includes babies born in the Philippines whose mother’s usual residence in a foreign country
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¹—Excludes the City of Cotabato
²—Includes the 63 barangays in the province of Cotabato that are now part of the 8 area clusters in BARMM as data by barangay are not available

TOTAL POPULATION, SOCCSKSARGEN	
2015 ¹	2020 ¹
4,245,838	4,360,974
Notes: ¹ — Excludes the City of Cotabato and the 63 barangays in the province of Cotabato that are now part of the 8 area clusters in BARMM as data by barangay are not available	

LABOR FORCE			
SOCCSKSARGEN	Oct '22 ^f	Apr '23 [*]	Oct'23 [*]
Total 15 years old and over (in '000)	3,022	3,037	3,064
Labor Force Participation Rate (%)	71.6	70.6	69.3
Employment Rate (%)	96.3	96.0	96.8
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	4.0	3.2
Underemployment rate (%)	27.1	29.2	25.2

FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS		
TOP 5 IMPORTED COMMODITIES IN REGION XII (November 2023, in US\$)		
Commodity	Value	Percentage
Skipjack or stripe-belled bonito	11,904,616.00	21.0
Yellowfin Tunas	7,326,964.00	12.9
Other Coal	3,757,050.00	6.6
Other Crude Oil	3,661,084.00	6.5
Other semi-milled or wholly milled rice	1,885,000.00	3.3

TOP 5 EXPORTED COMMODITIES IN REGION XII (November 2023, in US\$)		
Commodity	Value	Percentage
Other Crude Oils	15,450,838.00	17.4
Tunas in Airtight Containers	10,063,457.00	11.3
Other Pineapples	9,195,499.00	10.4
Other fish, whole or in pieces	8,658,921.00	9.7
Fresh Pineapples	7,842,591.00	8.8

FISHERIES		
Production (in MT)	3rd Quarter 2023	3rd Quarter ^P 2024
SOCCSKSARGEN	83,704.53	65,676.47 ^P
Commercial Fisheries	66,256.45	47,295.71 ^P
Marine Municipal Fisheries	7,060.21	8,101.31 ^P
Inland Municipal Fisheries	6,242.90	4,795.82 ^P
Aquaculture Fisheries	4,144.97	5,483.63 ^P
P—Preliminary, R—Revised		

SOURCE: Labor Force Survey (LFS), PSA
Foreign Trade Statistics, PSA
^{*} Preliminary results

