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Farm Price Statistics in the Cordillera Region: 1st Quarter 2017 and 2018

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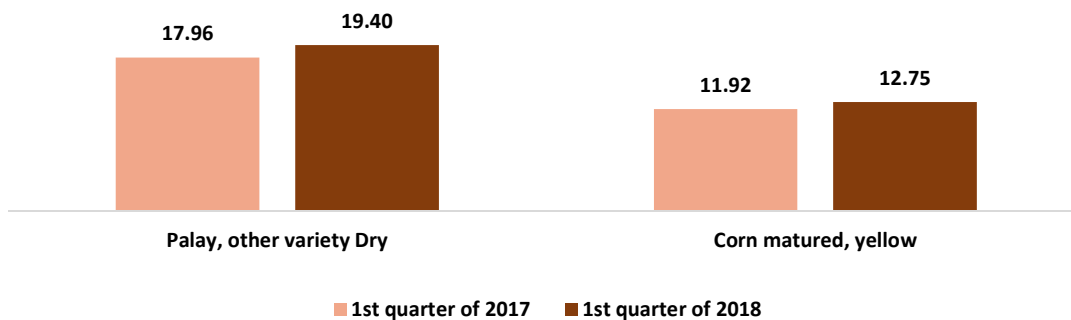
Farm Prices Survey (FPS) is a nationwide household-based monthly survey designed to gather data on farmgate or producer's prices received by farmers, livestock and poultry raisers for the sale of their produce, at the first point of sale, excluding transportation and delivery cost.

The general purpose of the FPS is to gather reliable price information at the farm level. It aims to develop sets of price indices and to measure the purchasing power of growers of selected agricultural products and serve as input in analyzing the seasonal trends and variation in agricultural prices.

The availability of marketing information on agriculture, particularly on farm prices, is essential not only in the formulation of economic programs and policies of the government but also in the production planning and decision-making to optimize profit.

A. Cereals

**Figure 1. Quarterly Average Farmgate Prices of Cereals, CAR:
1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)**



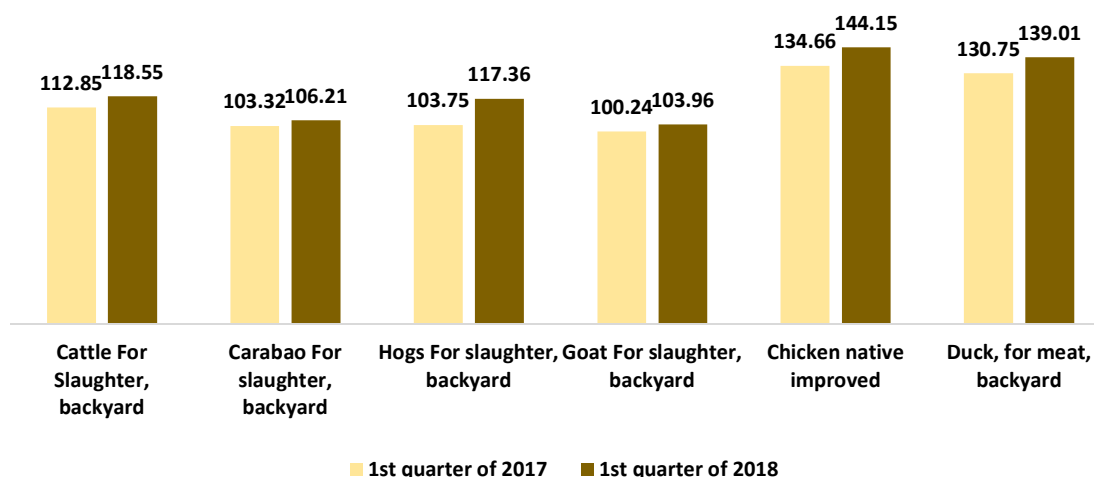
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The average farmgate price of palay and other variety (dry) went up from PhP17.24 during the first quarter of 2017 to PhP19.40 per kilogram during the first quarter of 2018. During the same period, the price of yellow corn increased from PhP11.92 to PhP12.75 per kilogram.

B. Livestock and Poultry

- The average farmgate price of live weight livestock and poultry increased from the first quarter of 2017 to first quarter of 2018. Price of cattle increased from PhP112.85 to PhP118.55; carabao from PhP103.32 to PhP106.21; hogs from PhP103.75 to PhP117.36 pesos; goat from PhP100.24 to PhP103.96 pesos; native chicken from PhP 134.66 to PhP144.15 pesos; and duck from PhP130.75 to PhP139.01 per kilogram (Figure 2).

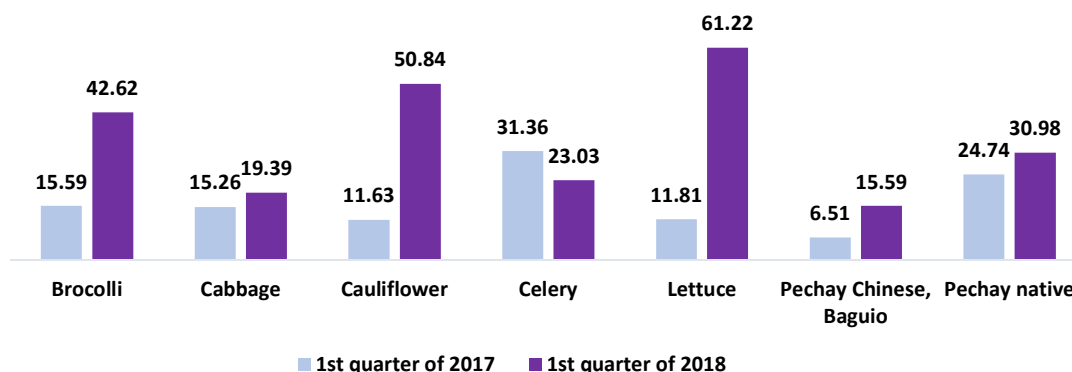
Figure 2. Quarterly Average Farmgate Prices of Livestock and Poultry, CAR: 1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

C. Leafy Vegetables

Figure 3. Quarterly Average Farmgate Prices of Leafy Vegetables, CAR: 1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)

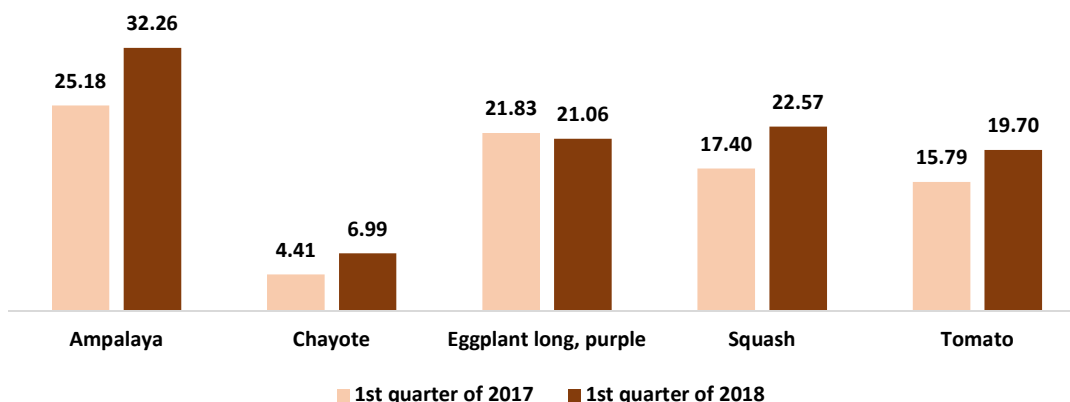


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- Brought about by lesser production during the first quarter of 2018 compared to the same period last year, the prices of most leafy vegetables in the Cordillera increased. The farmgate price of broccoli went up from PhP 15.59 to PhP 42.62; cabbage from PhP15.26 to PhP19.39; cauliflower from PhP11.63 to PhP50.84; lettuce from PhP11.81 to PhP61.22; Chinese pechay from PhP6.51 to PhP15.59 and pechay native from PhP24.74 to PhP30.98 per kilogram. On the other hand, price of celery decreased from PhP31.36 to PhP23.03 due to more production in the province of Benguet (Figure 3).

D. Fruit Vegetables

**Figure 4. Quarterly Average Farmgate Prices of Fruit Vegetables, CAR:
1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)**

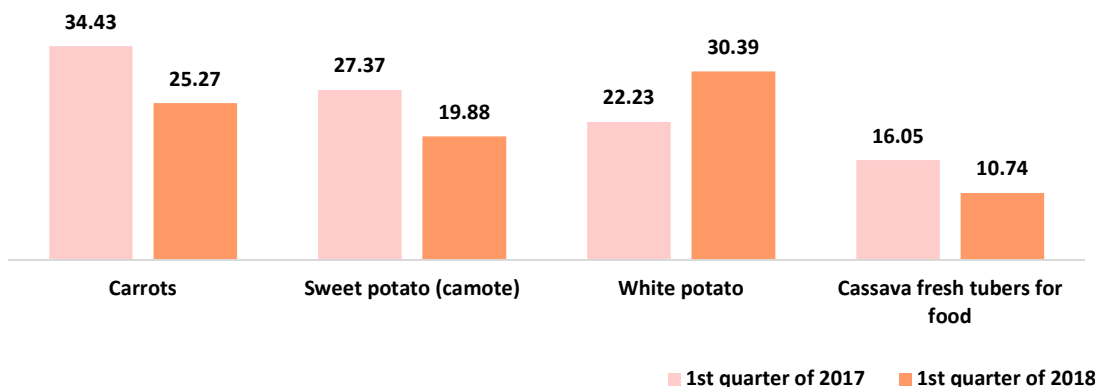


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- On fruit vegetables, the average farmgate price of ampalaya went up from PhP25.18 to PhP32.26; chayote from PhP4.41 to PhP6.99; squash from PhP17.40 to PhP22.57; and tomato from PhP15.79 to PhP19.70 per kilogram. The price of eggplant long purple slightly dropped from PhP21.83 to PhP21.06 (Figure 4).

E. Roots and Tubers

**Figure 5. Quarterly Average Farmgate Price of Roots and Tubers, CAR:
1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)**

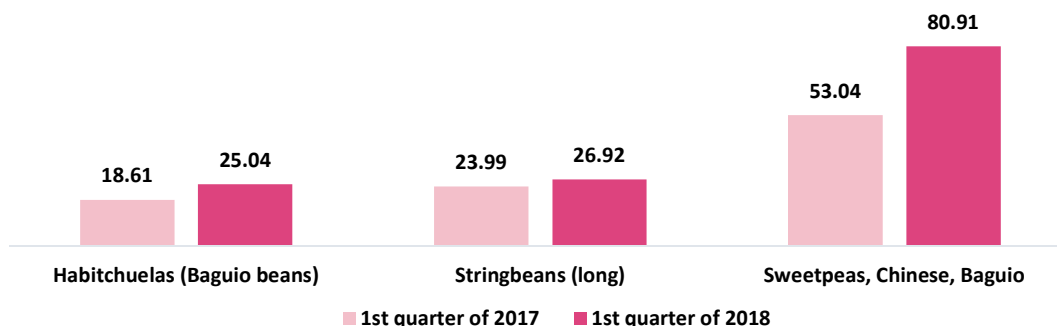


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The average farmgate prices of roots and tubers generally declined. Price of carrots decreased from PhP34.43 to PhP25.27; sweet potato from PhP27.37 to PhP19.88; and cassava fresh tubers for food from PhP16.05 to PhP10.74 per kilogram. Meanwhile, the price of white potato increased from PhP22.23 to PhP30.39 per kilogram (Figure 5).

F. Beans and Legumes

Figure 6. Quarterly Average Farmgate Price of Beans and Legumes: CAR, 1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)

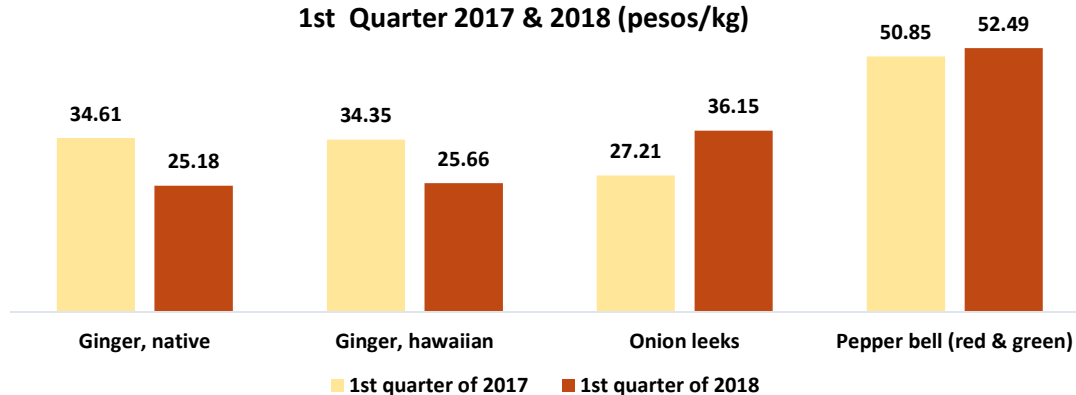


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The average farmgate prices of beans and legumes increased - price of habitchuelas from PhP18.61 to PhP25.04, stringbeans from PhP23.99 to PhP26.92 and sweet peas, Chinese Baguio from PhP53.04 to PhP80.91 per kilogram (Figure 6).

G. Condiments

Figure 7. Quarterly Average Farmgate Prices of Condiments, CAR: 1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)

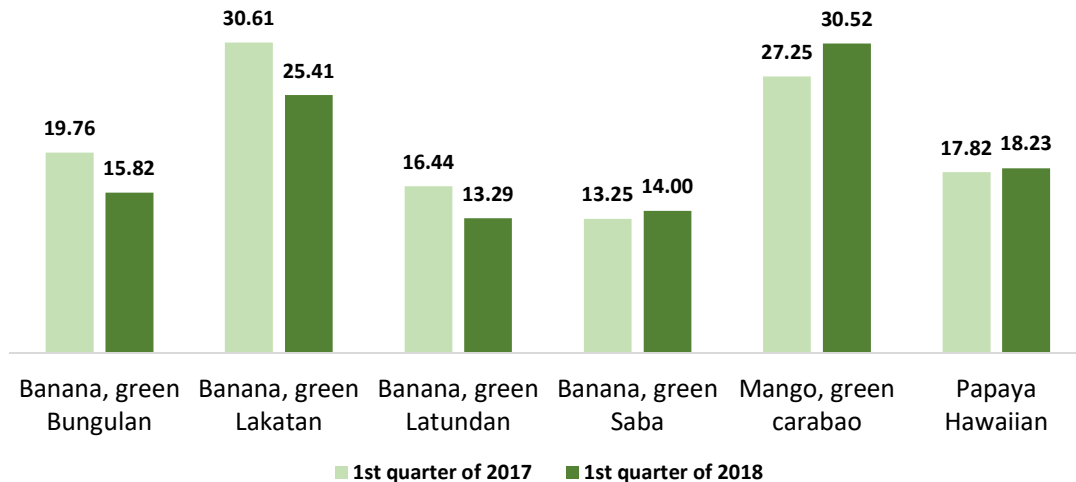


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The changes in average farmgate prices of available condiments in the region such as ginger native, ginger Hawaiian, onion leeks, and bell pepper varies. In the first quarter of 2018, the price of ginger native went down from PhP34.61 from PhP25.18 and ginger, Hawaiian from PhP34.35 to PhP25.66. However, the prices of onion leeks went up from PhP27.21 to PhP36.15 and bell pepper from PhP 50.85 to PhP 52.49 (Figure 7).

H. Fruits

Figure 8. Quarterly Average Farm Gate Price of Fruits, CAR:
1st Quarter 2017 & 2018 (pesos/kg)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

- The average farmgate prices of fruits available during the period fluctuated differently. The price of banana green *bungulan* went down from PhP19.76 to PhP15.82; *lakatan* from PhP30.61 to PhP25.41; *latundan* from PhP16.44 to PhP13.29. On the contrary, the average farmgate prices of banana green *saba* increased from PhP13.25 to PhP14.00, mango green carabao from PhP27.25 to PhP30.52 and papaya Hawaiian from PhP17.82 to PhP18.23 per kilogram.

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Technical Notes

Farmgate Price - price received by farmers for selling their produce at the first point of sale. These prices depend on the place of sale which may be within the production site, at the wholesale market or other areas.

Cereals - any grass cultivated that produces grain that can be used for food.

Livestock - domesticated animals raised in agricultural setting and used by people.

Poultry - domesticated birds kept for eggs or meat.

Leafy Vegetables - type of vegetables harvested for the consumption of their leafy parts.

Fruit Vegetables - type of vegetables that are technically fruit.

Root and tubers - group of plants with tubers on the underground stems or on the side roots that are used for food,

Beans and Legumes - seed of any various erect or climbing plants purposively used for food.

Condiments - type of plants that is added to food to enhance its flavor.

Fruits - usually sweet food that grows on trees, hills and bush.
