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Summary Inflation Report of the Consumer Price Index Apayao Province, May 2024

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Inflation Rate decelerated to 4.1 percent in May 2024

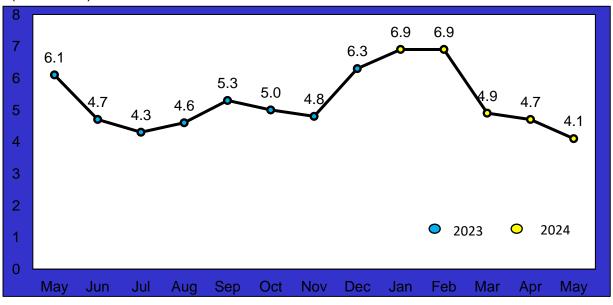
Table 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Apayao Province, All Items in Percent May 2024 (2018=100)

May 2023	April 2024	May 2024	Year-to-date
6.1	4.7	4.1	5.5

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

The province's inflation rate decelerated to 4.1 percent in May 2024 from 4.7 percent in April 2024. It is lower by 2.0 percentage points compared with the same month of the previous year at 6.1 percent and 0.6 percentage points lower than April 2024 at 4.7 percent. (Figure 1 and Table 1)

Figure 1. Year-on Year Inflation Rate, All Items in Percent, May 2023 – May 2024 (2018=100)



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Table 2. Year-on-Year Consumer Price Index in Apayao, By Commodity Groups in Percent (2018=100)

Commodity Groups	May 2023	April 2024	May 2024
ALL ITEMS	120.8	126.4	125.7
I. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	115.4	127.3	126.0
II. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	154.1	158.6	159.9
III. Clothing and Footwear	120.2	121.0	121.0
IV. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	127.9	126.6	126.6
V. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	114.4	115.5	115.7
VI. Health	113.7	114.5	114.3
VII. Transport	139.0	132.8	132.0
VIII. Information and Communication	103.3	103.5	103.5
IX. Recreation, Sport and Culture	134.4	135.4	136.4
X. Education Services	109.4	109.4	109.4
XI. Restaurants and Accommodation Services	150.1	156.9	157.5
XII. Financial Services	146.0	146.0	146.0
XIII. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	116.0	117.7	117.7

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The overall CPI increased from 120.8 of the same months of the previous year to 125.7 on May 2024, representing a 4.1% inflation rate. The data shows that the value of goods amounting 100 pesos in the base year 2018 values 120.80 pesos in May 2023; 126.40 pesos in April 2024; and 125.70 pesos in May 2024. When the CPI increases, it indicates that the average price level of goods and services has also increased, and vice versa.

Specifically, three (3) commodity groups decreased compared to the previous month's CPI which are: 1) Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages which decreased by -1.30; 2) Health by -0.20; and 3) Transport by -0.80. (Table 2)



On the other hand, four (4) commodity groups increased on its CPI which are: 1) Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco by 1.30; 2) Recreation, Sport, and Culture by. 1.0; 3) Restaurants and Accommodation services by 0.6; 4) Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance with 0.2. (Table 2)

Furthermore, Clothing and Footwear; Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels; Information and Communication; Education Services; Financial Services; and Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services retained on their CPI. (Table 2)

Table 3. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates in Apayao, By Commodity Groups in Percent (2018=100)

Commodity Groups	May 2023	April 2024	May 2024
ALL ITEMS	6.1	4.7	4.1
I. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	7.2	10.9	9.2
II. Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	4.1	3.5	3.8
III. Clothing and Footwear	7.0	0.9	0.7
IV. Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	4.4	-1.4	-1.0
V. Furnishing, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	0.4	0.9	1.1
VI. Health	-0.3	0.8	0.5
VII. Transport	8.7	-5.6	-5.0
VIII. Information and Communication	0.8	0.2	0.2
IX. Recreation, Sport and Culture	7.6	1.1	1.5
X. Education Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
XI. Restaurants and Accommodation Services	14.1	4.5	4.9
XII. Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
XIII. Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.7	1.2	1.5

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

The commodity groups which had the highest percentage share in the downtrend during the period are as follows:

- 1. Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, which accounted for 9.2 percent and had a 97.9 percent share in the overall trend;
- 2. Clothing and Footwear, which accounted for 0.7 percent and had a 1.2 percent share in the overall trend; and
- 3. Health, which accounted for 0.5 percent and had a 0.9 percent share in the overall trend



Moreover, the following commodity sub-class which has the highest percent share in the inflation trend during the month of May 2024 are:

- 1. Rice with 63.8 percent;
- 2. Mangoes, guavas and mangosteens, fresh with 9.2 percent;
- 3. Eggs of hen and other birds in shell, fresh with 8.9 percent;
- 4. Meat of poultry, fresh, chilled, or frozen with 5.2 percent;
- 5. Bananas, fresh with 4.4 percent;
- 6. Other pelagic fish, live, fresh, chilled or frozen with 1.9 percent;
- 7. Meat of pigs, fresh, chilled, or frozen with 1.4 percent;
- 8. Freshwater fish, live, fresh, chilled or frozen with 1.1 percent;
- Alcohol for medical uses, fluids required for dialysis, as well as gases used in healthcare, such as oxygen, when the patient purchases them directly with 0.6 percent;
- 10. Offal, blood and other parts of slaughtered animals, fresh, chilled or frozen, dried, salted, in brine or smoked with 0.5 percent;
- 11. Footwear for women including sports footwear with 0.5 percent;
- 12. Flour of wheat with 0.4 percent;
- 13. Coconuts, fresh with 0.4 percent;
- 14. Garments for women or girls with 0.4 percent;
- 15. Medicines, branded and generic products to treat illnesses with 0.3 percent;
- 16. Corn with 0.2 percent;
- 17. Footwear for children (2 to 17 years) with 0.2 percent;
- 18. Other fish, prepared or preserved with 0.2 percent;
- 19. Other articles of clothing with 0.1 percent;
- 20. Other sugar confectionery and desserts n.e.c (not containing cocoa) with 0.1 percent;
- 21. Margarine and similar preparations with 0.1 percent;
- 22. Footwear for men including sports footwear with 0.1 percent; and
- 23. Cheese with 0.1 percent. (Figure 2 and Table 3)

Inflation Rate of All Items by Commodity Groups 12.0 10.9 10.0 9.2 8.0 6.0 4.5 3.5_3.8 4.0 2.0 0.9 0.7 0.8 0.2 0.2 0.0 0.0 0.00.0 -2.0 -4.0 -6.0 -8.0 □ Apr-24 □ May-24

Figure 2. Inflation Rate of All Items by Commodity Groups, Comparison Between April 2024 and May 2024

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Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) recorded at 0.80 in May 2024

Purchasing power of peso continues to weaken through the years and reached 0.80 in May 2024. The PPP of 0.80 implies that the Php1.00 in the base year 2018 values only Php 0.80 in May 2024. A high purchasing power of the peso indicates that the currency can purchase a greater quantity of goods and services. Conversely, a low purchasing power signifies that the currency has depreciated in value and can acquire a reduced amount of goods and services. (Figure 3)

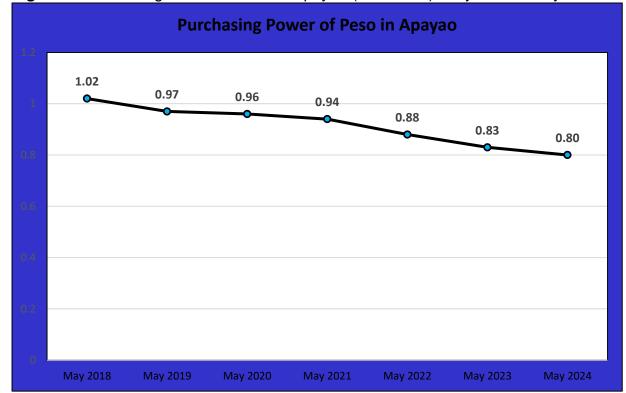


Figure 3. Purchasing Power of Peso in Apayao (2018=100): May 2018 – May 2024

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DEFINITION OF TERMS

Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the overall change in consumer prices based on a representative basket of goods and services over time.

Inflation refers to an overall increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which is a weighted average of prices for different goods.

Purchasing power of the peso shows how much the peso in the base period is worth in the current period. It is computed as the reciprocal of the CPI for the period under review multiplied by 100.

Commodity Groups are group of goods and services found in the market basket of the province. There are thirteen (13) commodity groups which were arranged according to the PCOICOP.

PCOICOP a detailed classification of individual consumption expenditures on goods and services incurred by the three of the five (5) institutional sectors of the 1993 and 2008 System of National Accounts (SNA), namely: (a) households, (b) financial corporations, (c) non-financial corporations, (d) general government, and (e) non-profit institutions serving households. It stands for Philippine Classification of individual Consumption According to Purpose.



FNAB stands for Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

ABT stands for Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco

CF stands for Clothing and Footwear

HWEGO stands for Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas, and Other Fuels

FHERHM stands for Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance

IC stands for Information and Communication

RSC stands for Recreation, Sport, and Culture

ES stands for Education Services

RAS stands for Restaurants and Accommodation Services

FS stands for Financial Services

PCMGS stands for Personal Care, Miscellaneous Goods and Services

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