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## Guimaras Inflation Down to 0.5% by Midyear 2025

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15 July 2025– Guimaras. The inflation rate in the province dropped to 0.5 percent in June 2025, down from 0.8 percent in May, as midyear figures reflected a continued decline in consumer prices from the 6.2 percent recorded in June 2024, according to the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – Guimaras.

*“The downtrend in the overall inflation in June 2025 was primarily influenced by the slower annual changes in the indices of the housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels at 1.2 percent during the month, from 3.7 percent in May 2025,”* Provincial Statistics Officer Nelida B. Losare said.

*“The slow-moving annual price change of transport at 0.1 percent in June 2025 from 1.2 percent in the previous month also contributed to the sluggish inflation trend,”* Losare added.

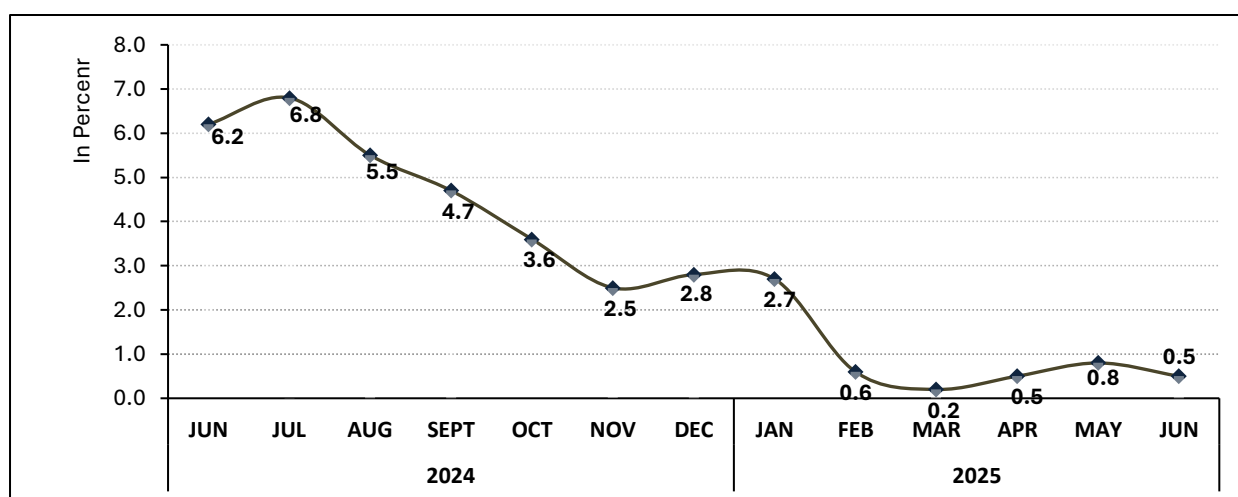
Housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuel services shared 83.2 percent to the downtrend of June inflation, while transport accounted for 16.0 percent.

Table 1. Year-on-Year Inflation Rates, All Items, Guimaras, In Percent (2018=100)

Area	June 2024	May 2025	June 2025	Year-to-Date*
Philippines	3.7	1.3	1.4	1.8
Western Visayas	4.8	1.5	0.6	2.3
Guimaras	6.2	0.8	0.5	0.9

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index \*Year-on-year change of CPI for January to June 2025 vs. 2024

Figure 1. Headline Inflation Rate in the Province of Guimaras, All Items (2018=100)



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

*“From May to June 2025, the housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels services; restaurants and accommodation services; and transport were mainly pushed by the slow-moving price movement of electricity, gas and other fuels with 3.2 % inflation from 10.0 %, passenger transport services with 0.1 % inflation from 1.2 % inflation,” Losare said.*

Moreover, a dwindling annual price index was observed in recreation, sport and culture in June 2025 at 0.6 percent from 0.7 percent in May 2025.

In contrast, two of the 13 commodity groups recorded faster inflation rates in June 2025 over May 2025:

- a. Information and communication, 2.9 percent from 2.7 percent; and
- b. Personal care and miscellaneous goods and services, 1.3 percent from 1.1 percent.

While the other seven commodities retained their previous month’s inflation rate: food and non-alcoholic beverages: 1.8 percent, alcoholic beverages and tobacco: 7.7 percent, clothing and footwear: 2.6 percent, health: 1.4 percent, education services: 0.0, restaurants and accommodation services: 10.4 percent, and financial services: 0.0 percent.

Table 2. Year-on-Year Changes of the Consumer Price Index in Percent in Guimaras by Commodity Group, June 2024 – June 2025 (2018=100)

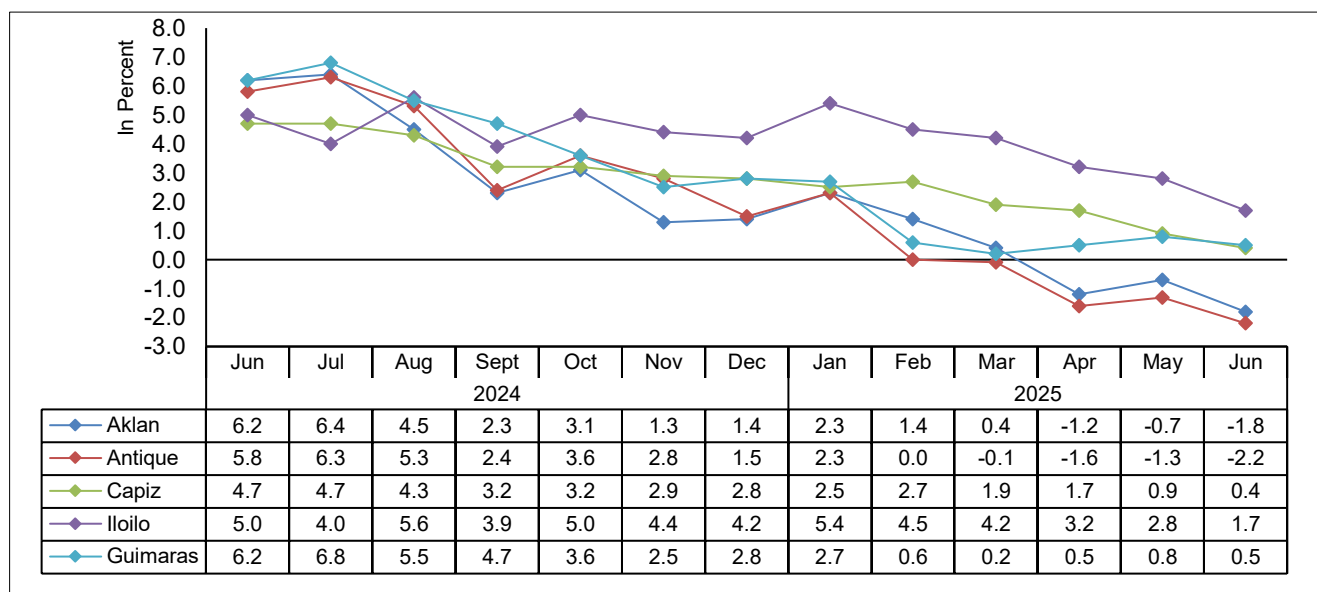
Area/Commodity Group	2 0 2 4								2 0 2 5					
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ave	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jan
<b>GUIMARAS (ALL ITEMS)</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages	9.4	10.7	7.0	5.3	4.5	2.4	4.6	7.3	4.2	0.7	-0.7	-1.8	-1.8	-1.8
Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco	5.4	5.0	4.6	4.7	4.1	3.0	1.5	12.3	4.6	4.8	7.9	8.3	7.7	7.7
Clothing and Footwear	1.8	1.7	2.1	1.1	0.3	0.3	2.4	2.1	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6
Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	1.7	0.8	6.2	10.2	6.7	6.6	2.6	0.6	2.6	2.1	0.9	1.5	3.7	1.2
Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Household Maintenance	2.7	2.0	1.7	0.7	-0.3	-0.5	-0.3	4.8	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	0.1	0.0
Health	7.2	7.7	7.0	6.9	3.9	3.8	2.7	9.4	-0.4	-1.0	-0.3	1.4	1.4	1.4
Transport	3.8	4.9	-1.3	-5.0	-4.0	-0.9	2.1	-1.8	2.4	-0.8	-0.1	1.6	1.2	0.1
Information and Communication	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.4	3.3	3.3	3.3	-0.6	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.9
Recreation, Sport and Culture	10.6	10.7	11.8	8.8	6.3	6.0	5.7	8.3	4.1	1.1	1.1	0.4	0.7	0.6
Education Services	-7.3	-7.3	5.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-7.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Restaurants and Accommodation Services	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.2	5.1	-0.5	-5.7	11.4	5.3	-5.7	-8.0	-3.2	10.4	10.4
Financial Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Personal Care, and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	2.7	2.4	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.2	1.5	2.7	2.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.1	1.3

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

Moreover, in June 2025, the overall inflation rate in Guimaras was primarily influenced by restaurants and accommodation services, with a 131.7 percent contribution to the province’s inflation rate, or 0.66 percentage points, with the notable increase driven by a significant 10.5 percent surge in Food and beverage serving services, particularly, restaurants, café and the like - with full service.

Alcoholic beverages and tobacco followed closely with a 90.4 percent impact on the overall province’s inflation, or 0.45 percentage points, with a noteworthy bearing from alcoholic beverages showing an inflation rate of 8.8 percent, specifically, spirits and liquors.

Figure 2. Headline Inflation Rate in Western Visayas, by Province: All Items (2018=100)  
June 2024 to June 2025



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

From May to June 2025, inflation across Western Visayas continued to decline, with four of five provinces recording lower rates. Guimaras' inflation eased slightly from 0.8% to 0.5%, while Aklan and Antique deepened into deflation, and Capiz and Iloilo showed moderate declines.

Over the 13-months from June 2024 to June 2025, Guimaras showed a consistent drop in inflation—from 6.2% to 0.5%—without entering deflation, unlike Aklan and Antique. Capiz maintained a stable, positive trend, and Iloilo remained the most inflation-resilient, recording the highest rates in the region despite a downward trend.

*“The Inflation Rate is the rate of change in the CPI derived by computing the indices relative to the same period in the previous year or month, and currently, Guimaras Province posted a 132.6 CPI, translating that a typical Guimarasnon household needs 1,326.00 pesos in June 2025 to purchase a basket of goods and services worth 1000 pesos in 2018,”* Losare clarified.

*“The Purchasing Power of the Peso (PPP) in Guimaras was at 0.75 in June 2025. This indicates that one peso in 2018 is now worth 0.75 centavos,”* Losare added.

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