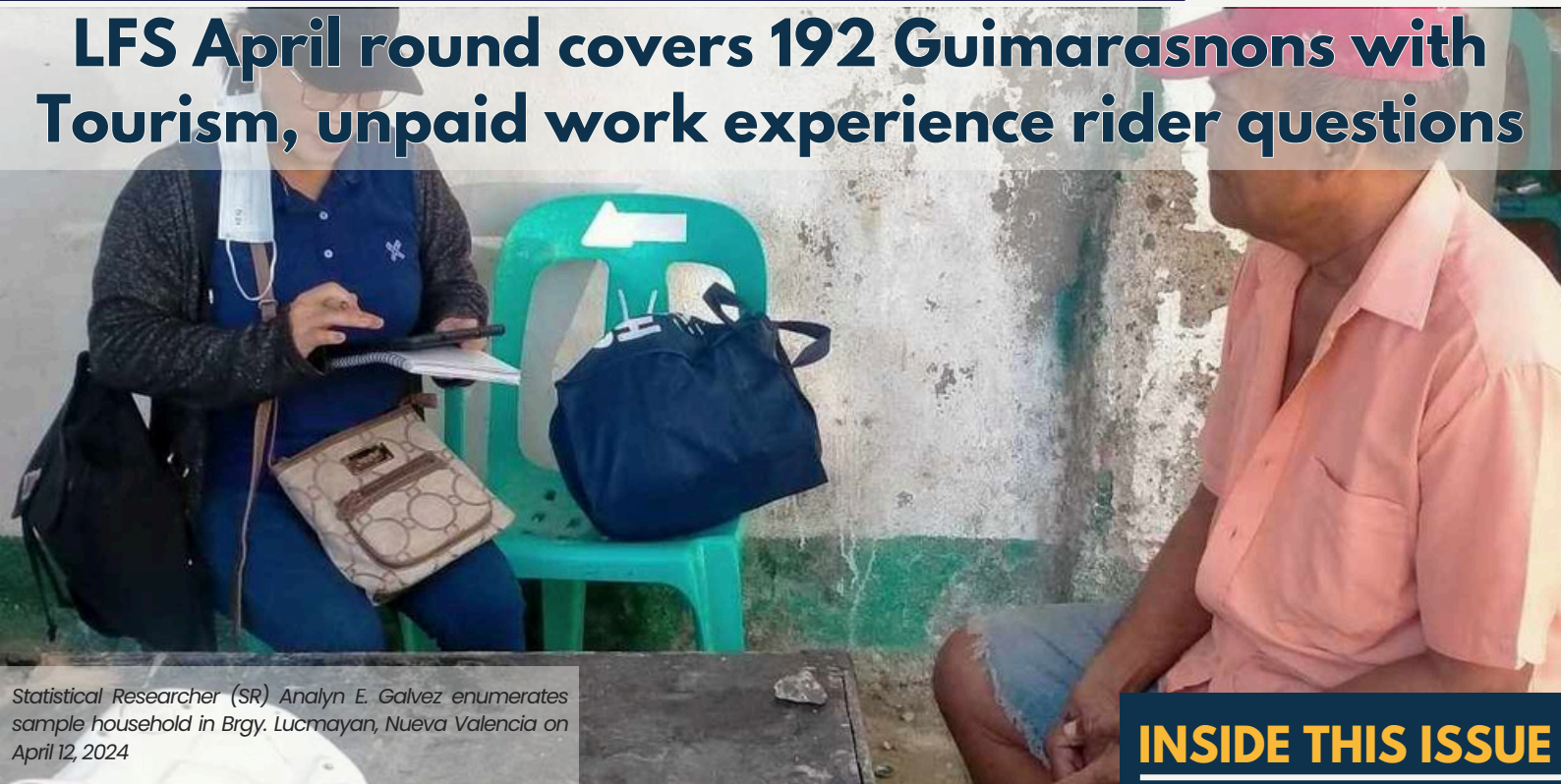


## LFS April round covers 192 Guimarasnons with Tourism, unpaid work experience rider questions



Statistical Researcher (SR) Analyne E. Galvez enumerates sample household in Brgy. Lucmayan, Nueva Valencia on April 12, 2024

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)-Guimaras Provincial Statistical Office annumerated 192 Guimarasnons in the Labor Force Survey (LFS) April round with a rider questionnaire on tourism and unpaid work for the past seven (7) days to all household members who are five years old and over.

The rider questions related to unpaid activities such as care and domestic work, including the number of minutes spent

on particular activities that aim to provide statistical information on the equal redistribution of unpaid care and domestic work between women and men in the households.

Provincial Statistics Officer Nelida B. Losare cited that the questions were added as riders in the survey, as it is considered essential for the welfare of every Filipino and in the operation of the market-based economy. >>>2

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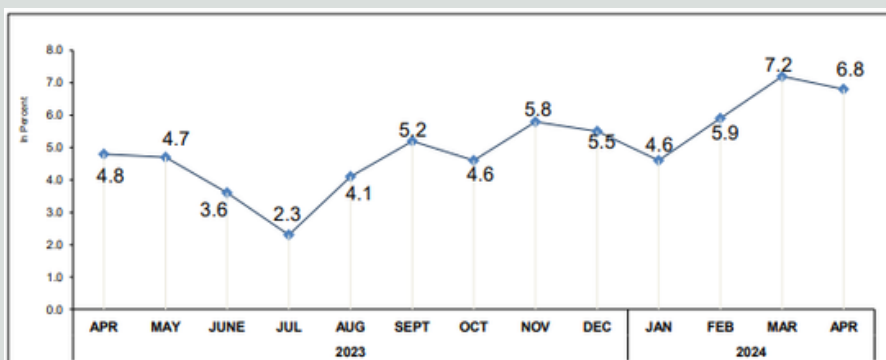
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## Guimaras' headline inflation slows to 6.8% in April 2024

The inflation rate in Guimaras province slowed to 6.8% in April from the previous month's (March 2024) rate, bringing the provincial average inflation from January to April 2024 to 6.1%, according to the latest price data released by the Philippines Statistics Authority (PSA).

"The downtrend in the overall inflation in April 2024 was primarily influenced by the slower year-on-year decrease in the heavily weighted Restaurants and Accommodation Services at 3.1% during the month, from 13.7% in March 2024 which was pushed by the sluggish price movement on restaurants, cafes, and

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



Source: Retail Price Survey of Commodities for the Generation of Consumer Price Index, PSA

similar establishments, whether providing full service or service alone with an inflation of 2.9% in April 2024," Provincial Statistics Officer Nelida B. Losare said.

"The slower annual growth rate of the Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas,

and Other Fuels index at 0.6% in April 2024 from 1.5 percent in the previous month due to the dwindling price on Electricity with 4.1%, also contributed to the downtrend of the overall inflation," she added. >>>2



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*“Unpaid care and domestic work were among the significant identified issues for sustainable development,” she said.*

Actually, it is one of the objectives in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), specifically in the SDG Goal 5, which aims to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls,” she stated.

PSO Losare also expounded that in Guimaras, the 192 pre-identified sample households (HHs) successfully enumerated for the survey were from various 12 Enumeration Areas (EAs) covering 12 barangays.

Losare specified that in Buenavista Municipality, the enumerators covered 19 Households (HHs) in Brgy. Avila, 10

HHs in Daragan, 15 HHs in East Valencia, 12 HHs in Getulio, 11 HHs in Mclain, and 18 HHs in Supang.

In the Municipality of Jordan, the chosen sample HHs were from the barangays of Alaguisoc with 18 HHs, Buluangan with 20 HHs, and Santa Teresa with 11 HHs.

Concordia Sur with 19 HHs, and Lucmayan with 18 HHs were the sample barangays in the Municipality of Nueva Valencia, while 21 HHs in Millan 11 HHs in the Municipality of Jordan,” Losare said.

Losare elaborated further that 36 of the 192 pre-identified sample HHs, were replaced with other samples.

The pre-identified samples found to have permanently moved out from their housing units were replaced, including the single person occupying the housing unit who had passed away.

Of the 36 replacements, three (18) each were from the Municipalities of Buenavista, nine (9) were from Jordan, while six (6) came from Nueva Valencia and three (3) from Sibunag.

The LFS is a household survey that

measures the country’s current labor market and is also used to calculate national and provincial employment and unemployment rates.

“It aimed at providing a quantitative framework for plans and policy formulation affecting the labor market. Likewise, involving the collection of labor and employment data, and it also gathers the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the labor force,” Losare said

Losare also cited that the enumeration started on the 8th until the 30th of April 2024 through the efforts of the hired Statistical Researchers (SRs) of PSA-Guimaras.

Meanwhile, Losare appreciated the support of all the sample households and she assured that the gathered data will be solely used as a reference for the levels and trends of employment, unemployment, and underemployment in the province, and that all information gathered will be kept strictly confidential and shall not be used for taxation, investigation, or regulation as provided under Article 55 of Republic Act 10625,” Losare clarified./PSA Guimaras

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In addition, a slower inflation rate was also noted in Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco at 9.3% during the month from 9.7% in March 2024 driven by the falling price of Tobacco with 9.7% inflation.

In contrast, commodity groups that registered faster inflation rates during the month were Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages, 10.9 percent from 10.3 percent; Clothing and Footwear, 2.1 percent from 2.0 percent; Transport, 2.5 percent from 0.8 percent; Information and Communication, -0.1 percent from -0.4 percent; Recreation, Sport and culture, 11.0 percent from 9.7 percent; and Personal Care, And Miscellaneous Goods and Services, 2.7 percent from 2.6 percent.

Only Education and Financial Services retained their previous month’s annual rates.

Meanwhile, the top three commodity groups with major contributions to the April 2024 overall inflation were Food and non-alcoholic beverages, with 81.3 percent share or 5.53 percentage points; Alcoholic beverages and Tobacco with 4.8 percent share or 0.33 percentage points; and Health with 3.4 percent share or 0.23 percentage points.

Losare also highlighted that core inflation, which excludes selected food and energy items, slowed down to 3.3 percent in April 2024 from 3.5 percent in the previous month. In April 2023, core inflation was higher at 6.2 percent.

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 131.7 CPI, this indicates that a typical Guimarasnon household needs 1,317.00*

*pesos in April 2024 to purchase a basket of goods and services worth 1000 pesos in 2018, this is 1.3% lower than the 133.0 CPI in March 2024 and higher by 8.0% against the 123.3 CPI in April 2023,” Losare clarified.*

*“The Purchasing Power of the Peso (PPP) in Guimaras at 0.76 in April 2024 indicates that the one peso in 2018 is now worth 0.76 centavos, recording a slow increment 0.01% from the 0.75 PPP in April 2024 and devaluation 0.05% from 0.81 PPP April 2023,” Losare added./PSA Guimaras*



# PSA visits 98 Brgys in Guimaras for BPQ Data Collection, Listing of Service Facilities, Government Projects



Statistical Analyst (SA) – Roney E. Genanda and Senior Statistical Specialist (SSS) Salvacion D. Lemos visit Brgy., Sta Teresa, Jordan to conduct an initial coordination with the Municipal and Barangay Personnel and Officials (M/BPOs) as a preparatory activity for the Barangay Profile Questionnaire (BPQ) Data Collection and Listing of Service Facilities and Government Projects on April 23, 2024.

**The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Provincial Statistical Office successfully visited the ninety-eight barangays of the 5 municipalities in Guimaras in preparation for the Barangay Profile Questionnaire (BPQ) Data Collection and Listing of Service Facilities and Government Projects (SFGP).**

Statistical Analyst (SA) – Roney E. Genanda and Senior Statistical Specialist (SSS) Salvacion D. Lemos and Statistical Specialist II Ellen Gracwe Galuara facilitated the conduct of an initial coordination with the Municipal and Barangay Personnel and Officials (M/BPOs) in the 5 towns of Guimaras which started on 22nd until 30th of April.

The said activity is an integral part of the 2024 Census of Population (POPCEN) and Community-Based

Monitoring System (CBMS), which is an integrated activity and a cost-efficient strategy of the PSA and primarily aimed to update the population and social registry of the Philippines.

*“The collected data on barangay profile will be used to update the urban-rural classification of barangays”, Provincial Nelida B. Lsoare said.*

*Losare also expounded that the listing of service facilities and government projects shall serve as a reference file in the conduct of the geotagging of service facilities and government projects for the 2024 POPCEN-CBMS.*

*“Collectively, the data collected will be used in planning and program implementation and efficient allocation of resources*

*for poverty alleviation and economic development”, Losare said.*

*The 2024 POPCEN-CBMS BPQ Data Collection and the Listing of SFGP was reviewed and cleared for conduct under the Statistical Survey Review and Clearance System (SSRCS).*

*“This is a mechanism being implemented by the PSA by virtue of Rule 28 of Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 10625 to ensure sound design for data collection; minimize the burden placed upon respondents; effect economy in statistical data collection; eliminate unnecessary duplication of statistical data collection efforts; and achieve better coordination of government statistical activities”, Losare explained./ PSA Guimaras*





# PSA PhilSys Guimaras authenticate more than 4k beneficiaries of 4Ps in April



Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps) Philippine Identification System (National ID) authentication, registration and ePhillIDs issuance and distribution in barangay Igang, Nueva Valencia Guimaras on May 24, 2024.

**The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Guimaras Provincial Statistical Office successfully implemented the Philippine Identification System (National ID) authentication for the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), reaching a total of 4,572 beneficiaries in April 2024.**

*“As directed by PSA Undersecretary Claire Dennis S. Mapa, PhD, National Statistician and Civil Registrar General, and Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Secretary Rex Gatchalian, the province of Guimaras also started the ePhillID/PhilID authentication for 4Ps beneficiaries in mid-February,”*

*Provincial Statistics Officer Nelida B. Losare said.*

*“This identity verification is being done through biometric authentication using the PhilSys Authentication Application to avail of the Family Day Session (FDS) equivalency,” Losare added.*

*FDS is a monthly activity that beneficiaries should complete and attend under the DSWD guidelines, designed and expected to build and strengthen the capabilities of Pantawid families.*

*Losare explained that under the PhilSys authentication process, 4Ps beneficiaries already registered to*

PhilSys shall present their PhilID or ePhilID.

*“The PSA personnel will encode the PhilSys Card Number or PCN and scan their fingerprint through the PhilSys Authentication Application, which will show if the individual has a matched record in the PhilSys registry,” Losare said.*

*“This will then be recorded on an attendance sheet that will be signed by the PSA and DSWD representatives,” Losare added.*

She also expounded that the process allows easy verification of the beneficiary’s identity and compliance to the FDS requirement.

Aside from authentication, the PSA Guimaras also conducted registration services and ePhilID issuance at the FDS to register those unregistered 4Ps beneficiaries, including their 1-4-year-old children.

*“The team also issued and distributed ePhillIDs to those registrants who have not yet received their PhilID,” Losare said.*

Meanwhile, PSO Losare assured that PhilSys Guimaras will continue its collaboration with DSWD to successfully authenticate the other remaining 4Ps beneficiaries in the province before the Office Memorandum regarding the commitment of the PSA to register beneficiaries of the DSWD and their dependent children will end on June 30 this year. /PSA Guimaras

## The Editor's Note



The fourth month (April) of 2024 brought another exciting yet challenging days in the implementation of various activities. Despite the overlapping activities, we continued delivering relevant and reliable statistics to our clients and stakeholders.

In this issue, we featured some activities we successfully conducted and participated in during the month and will keep you updated with the latest price statistics, PhilSys status, and other statistical operations implemented by the office.

We hope you will enjoy reading our Newsletter, “Ulat Estadistika.” May this issue inspire, motivate, and boost your awareness of the various statistical products and services of PSA-Guimaras.

Thank you.

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