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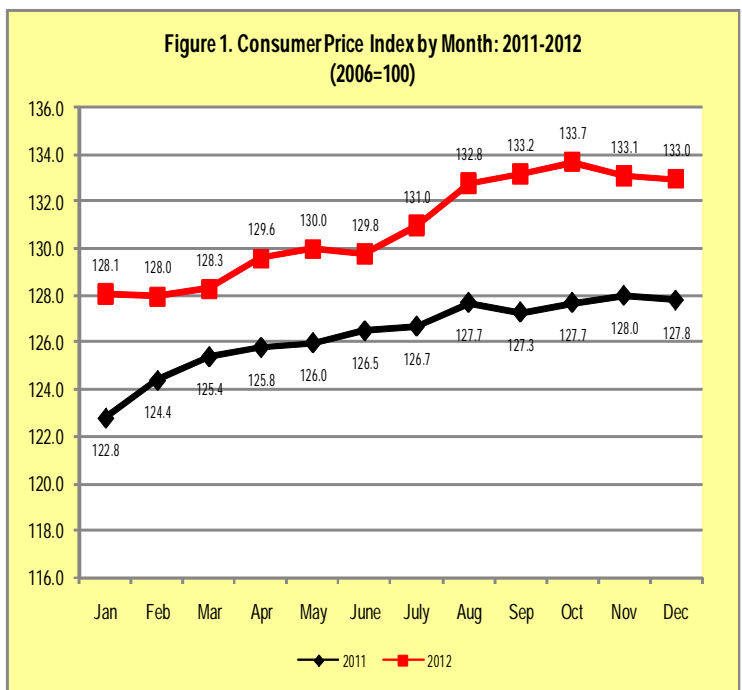
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The Consumer Price Index of Aklan: 2012 Report (2006=100)

CPI in Aklan increases by 4.6 percent

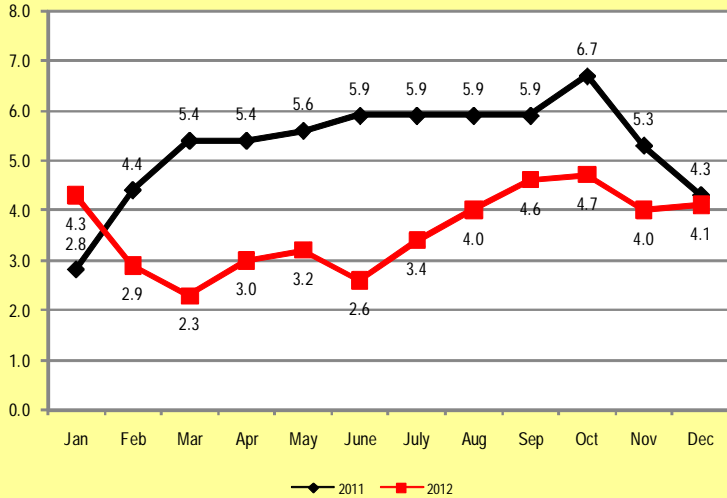
The average consumer price index in Aklan for the year 2012 registered at 130.9 index point or higher by 4.6 percent compared to 2011 figure of 126.3 index. For 2012, the month of October registered the highest index of 133.7, while the month of February has the lowest with 128.0 points. Comparatively, in last year's CPI, November registered the highest index of 128.0, while the month of January has the lowest index at 122.8 (see figure 1 and 4).



Inflation rate went down by 1.7 percent

Table 1 shows that the average inflation rate in Aklan decreased by 1.7 percent from 2011 figure of 5.3 to 3.6 in 2012. The highest inflation rate for 2012 was recorded in the months of October with 4.7 percent. This is followed by the months of September and January with 4.6 and 4.3 percent, respectively. On the other hand, the lowest inflation rate was apparent in March with 2.3 percent mark. From February to June, IR was slightly erratic and slowly increased in July to October. IR becomes slightly stable during the months of November and December pegged at 4.0 and 4.1 percent, respectively.

Figure 2. Inflation Rate by Month, Aklan: 2011-2012 (2006=100)



Unlike in 2012, the year 2011 registered the highest inflation rate of 6.7 percent in October and down in the month of January with 2.8 percent. Inflation rate became slightly stable starting from the month of March to September of the same year.

The CPI by Commodity Group

Among the commodity groups in 2012, Education accounted the highest CPI index of 149.0. This was followed by Health with 144.3; Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages with 138.6 index points. Likewise, HWEG and Other Fuels has the highest index point change among the commodity group with 6.9, followed by Education with 5.3, and Clothing and Footwear with 5.2. The increase in prices of electricity and gas triggered a rise in CPI in 2012.

The purchasing power of peso

The purchasing power of peso exhibited a downward trend for the year 2012. It posted the highest PPP of 0.78 in January to March but dropped to 0.77 in the months of April, May, and June. It continues to decline to 0.75 in the month of August and remained stable until December. This means that the good and services worth 75 pesos in the year 2006 is now worth 100 pesos in 2012.

Likewise, the year 2011 showed a decreasing PPP. From 0.81 in January, it gradually dropped to 0.79 in April and remained stable until July. It went down to 0.78 in August but up again in September. During the last three months, PPP stabilized at 0.78.

Figure 3. Purchasing Power of Peso by Month, Aklan: 2011-2012 (2006=100)

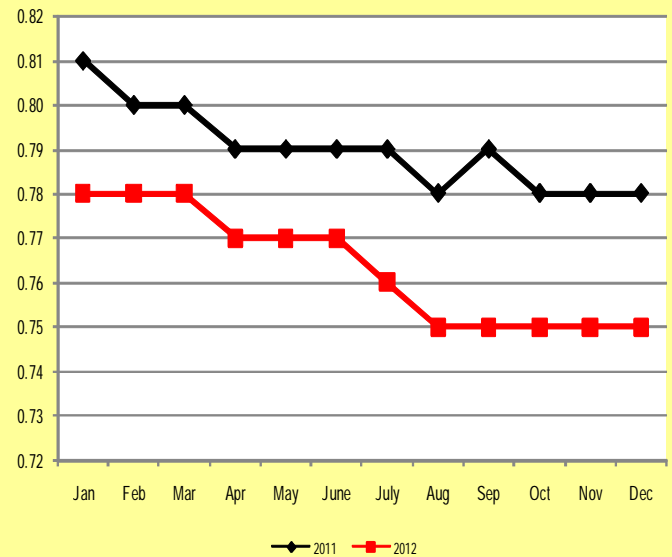
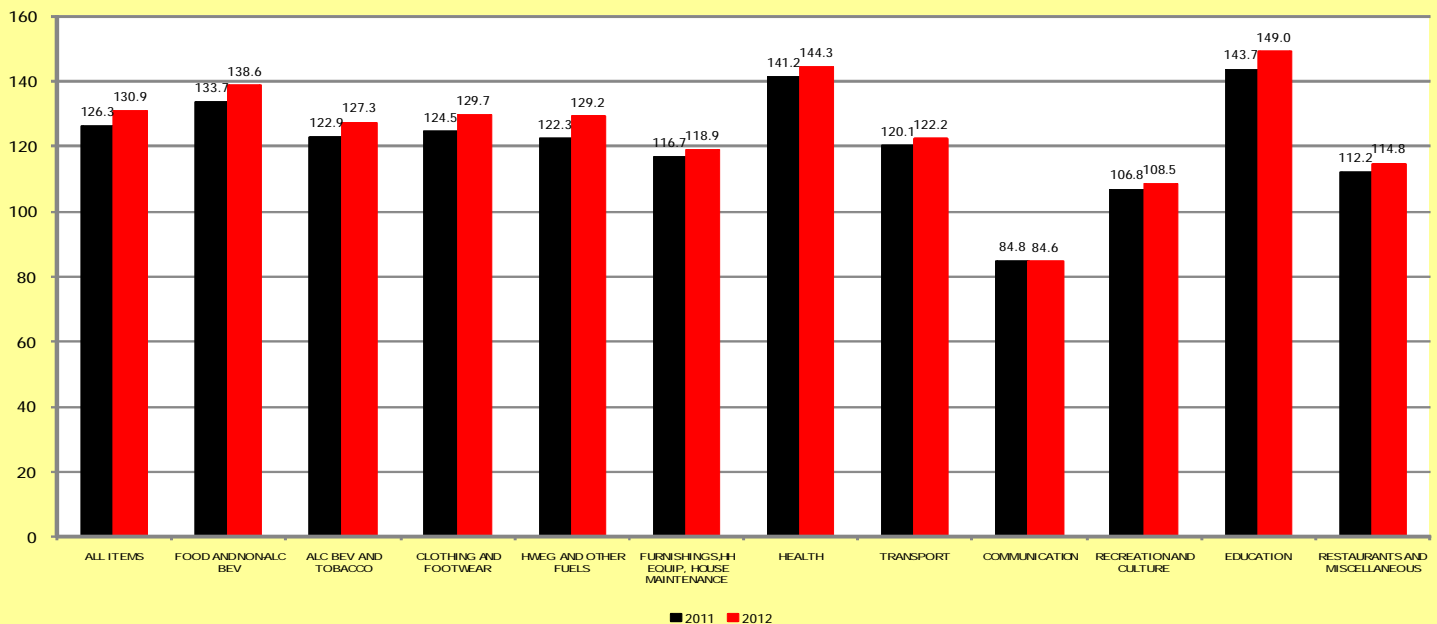


Figure 4. Consumer Price Index by Commodity Group, Aklan: 2011-2012 (2006=100)



Among the commodity group in 2012, HWEG and Other Fuels had the highest inflation rate posted at 5.64 percent. The increasing price of electricity and fuels in the province had caused the inflation rate of this commodity group to shoot up. Coming next with higher inflation rate was Clothing and Footwear with 4.18, and Education with 3.69. On the other hand, a decreasing price movement was noted in Communication with -0.24 percent.

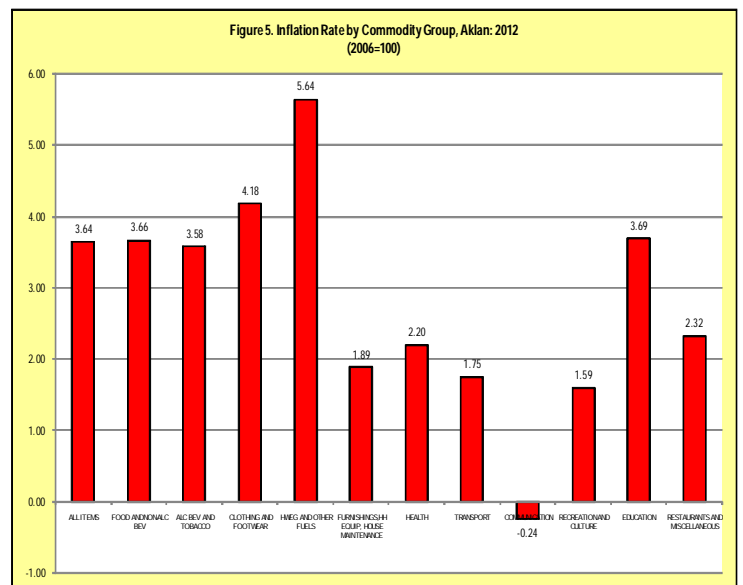


Table 1. Consumer Price Index, Inflation Rate and Purchasing Power of Peso, Aklan: 2011-2012 (2006=100)

Year/Month	CPI	Inflation Rate	Purchasing Power of Peso
2011	126.3	5.3	0.79
January	122.8	2.8	0.81
February	124.4	4.4	0.80
March	125.8	5.4	0.80
April	125.8	5.4	0.79
May	126.0 r	5.6 r	0.79
June	126.5	5.9	0.79
July	126.7	5.9	0.79
August	127.7	5.9	0.78
September	127.3	5.9	0.79
October	127.7	6.7	0.78
November	128.0	5.3 r	0.78
December	127.8	4.3	0.78
2012	130.9	3.6	0.76
January	128.1	4.3	0.78
February	128.0	2.9	0.78
March	128.3	2.3	0.78
April	129.6	3.0	0.77
May	130.0	3.2	0.77
June	129.8	2.6	0.77
July	131.0	3.4	0.76
August	132.8	4.0	0.75
September	133.2	4.6	0.75
October	133.7	4.7	0.75
November	133.1	4.0	0.75
December	133.0	4.1	0.75

Table 2. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group
Aklan: 2011-2012
(2006=100)

Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group														
Month	All Items		Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages		Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco		Clothing and Footwear		Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels		Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House		Health	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
Average	126.3	130.9	133.7	138.6	122.9	127.3	124.5	129.7	122.3	129.2	116.7	118.9	141.2	144.3
January	122.8	128.1	130.7	134.8	116.4	123.7	119.3	126.7	117.8	126.3	114.0	117.6	139.6	142.5
February	124.4	128.0	132.9	134.6	122.9	125.5	120.1	126.7	117.9	125.6	114.5	117.6	140.2	142.6
March	125.4	128.3	134.4	134.9	123.0	129.0	123.6	126.8	118.1	125.5	114.7	117.7	140.8	143.2
April	125.8	129.6	134.2	136.0	123.0	129.0	123.6	128.5	119.7	128.4	117.4	118.4	140.9	144.1
May	125.9	130.0	133.8	137.4	123.3	128.8	123.7	129.0	120.7	127.0	117.5	118.4	141.0	144.5
June	126.5	129.8	134.1	136.2	123.7	128.6	125.8	130.3	120.7	128.8	117.5	118.5	141.1	145.0
July	126.7	131.0	134.2	138.5	123.7	126.3	126.1	131.1	121.4	130.3	117.5	118.4	141.2	144.8
August	127.7	132.8	134.5	141.2	123.8	126.5	126.3	131.1	125.7	132.9	117.5	118.9	141.3	144.7
September	127.3	133.2	133.2	141.7	123.8	127.1	126.4	131.1	126.6	133.0	117.5	119.1	141.6	144.9
October	127.7	133.7	133.9	142.7	123.8	127.7	126.4	131.6	126.6	133.1	117.5	119.6	142.0	144.8
November	128.0	133.1	134.7	143.2	123.5	127.7	126.5	131.7	126.3	128.7	117.5	120.7	142.1	144.9
December	127.8	133.0	134.2	141.8	123.7	127.5	126.7	131.5	126.3	131.1	117.5	121.9	142.5	145.1

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group
Aklan: 2011-2012
(2006=100)

Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group										
Month	Transport		Communication		Recreation and Culture		Education		Restaurant and Miscellaneous Goods and Services	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
Average	120.1	122.2	84.8	84.6	106.8	108.5	143.7	149.0	112.2	114.8
January	114.2	121.8	85.2	84.3	105.2	108.0	137.2	148.4	110.7	113.5
February	116.9	122.2	85.2	84.3	105.5	108.1	137.2	148.4	111.7	113.5
March	119.2	122.9	85.2	84.3	105.5	108.1	137.2	148.4	111.7	113.6
April	120.5	123.7	85.2	84.5	105.8	108.4	137.2	148.4	111.9	114.3
May	121.4	123.3	85.2	84.7	106.0	108.7	137.2	148.4	111.9	114.4
June	121.4	122.1	85.2	84.8	106.4	108.8	148.4	149.4	112.1	114.8
July	120.4	120.4	85.2	84.8	107.5	108.3	148.4	149.4	112.4	115.1
August	121.3	121.7	84.2	84.8	108.0	108.6	148.4	149.4	112.5	114.8
September	121.3	122.4	84.4	84.8	108.0	108.6	148.4	149.4	112.5	115.5
October	121.2	122.2	84.4	84.8	108.0	108.5	148.4	149.4	112.7	115.7
November	121.7	121.6	84.3	84.8	108.0	108.7	148.4	149.4	113.0	116.3
December	121.4	121.5	84.3	84.8	108.0	108.8	148.4	149.4	113.3	116.6

Table 3. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Commodity Group, Aklan: 2012
(2006=100)

Commodity Group	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ave
ALL ITEMS	128.1	128.0	128.3	129.6	130.0	129.8	131.0	132.8	133.2	133.7	133.1	133.0	130.9
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	134.8	134.6	134.9	136.0	137.4	136.2	138.5	141.2	141.7	142.7	143.2	141.8	138.6
Food	136.2	136.0	136.3	137.4	138.8	137.6	140.0	142.9	143.4	144.6	145.1	143.5	140.2
Bread and Cereal	159.7	159.6	159.9	159.4	160.3	158.4	160.4	164.1	162.3	161.0	160.5	157.7	160.3
Rice	162.3	162.2	162.5	161.9	163.0	161.3	163.3	167.9	165.7	163.9	163.3	159.9	163.1
Corn	136.2	136.2	136.2	136.2	137.3	139.6	141.9	139.6	139.6	139.6	141.9	138.5	138.6
Meat	121.8	120.9	121.2	121.5	122.4	122.2	120.6	120.4	120.6	120.1	120.7	120.1	121.0
Fish	111.4	110.8	110.9	115.7	118.4	116.5	121.4	129.0	132.5	136.2	140.5	139.5	123.6
Milk, Cheese and Eggs	129.0	129.0	129.4	130.0	129.5	128.6	128.9	130.6	131.4	131.1	131.0	132.7	130.1
Oils and Fats	230.8	230.8	232.5	237.3	242.9	241.0	241.1	236.2	237.3	234.6	234.3	235.2	236.2
Fruit	114.0	117.7	119.7	120.2	123.7	122.9	128.8	136.5	134.6	142.8	144.6	145.5	129.3
Vegetables	124.4	125.9	125.7	127.0	128.6	128.2	137.4	137.4	141.7	154.2	150.5	146.7	135.6
Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate & Confectionery	131.6	128.3	127.9	131.8	134.9	135.1	143.6	142.3	144.5	140.7	144.1	137.8	136.9
Food Products N.E.C.	160.1	160.1	161.7	162.2	162.3	162.4	161.2	164.0	164.4	164.7	164.9	160.3	162.4
*Non-alcoholic Beverages	115.7	116.0	116.3	117.4	117.9	117.7	118.0	118.5	118.7	117.8	117.7	118.3	117.5
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	123.7	125.5	129.0	129.0	128.8	128.6	126.3	126.5	127.1	127.7	127.7	127.5	127.3
Alcoholic Beverages	126.5	126.7	130.4	130.4	130.9	130.4	129.8	129.3	129.7	130.7	131.0	131.7	129.8
Tobacco	119.4	123.8	126.8	126.8	125.7	125.9	120.9	122.3	123.1	123.1	122.8	121.2	123.5
NON-FOOD	122.6	122.4	122.6	124.1	123.6	124.4	124.8	125.9	126.2	126.3	124.8	125.8	124.5
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	126.7	126.7	126.8	128.5	129.0	130.3	131.1	131.1	131.1	131.6	131.7	131.5	129.7
Clothing	124.4	124.4	124.5	126.9	127.5	129.0	129.5	129.5	129.4	129.4	129.9	129.5	127.8
Footwear	132.8	132.8	132.8	132.7	132.9	133.9	135.4	135.4	135.8	137.4	136.5	136.9	134.6
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	126.3	125.6	125.5	128.4	127.0	128.8	130.3	132.9	133.0	133.1	128.7	131.1	129.2
Actual Rentals for Housing	115.6	115.6	115.6	119.3	119.3	119.8	120.6	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	121.4	119.4
Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling	127.6	127.6	127.6	130.3	130.6	131.2	130.5	130.5	130.6	132.1	131.9	131.5	130.2
Water Supply and Miscellaneous Services Relating to the Dwelling	115.4	115.4	116.5	117.5	117.5	114.4	117.7	121.2	122.7	122.7	126.1	128.0	119.6
Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels	146.2	144.2	143.8	145.5	141.3	145.8	148.8	154.6	154.7	155.1	141.5	148.6	147.5
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE	117.6	117.6	117.7	118.4	118.4	118.5	118.4	118.9	119.1	119.6	120.7	121.9	118.9
Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings	109.1	109.1	109.1	109.7	110.4	110.4	110.4	115.6	115.6	115.6	118.2	123.5	113.1
Household Textiles	141.2	141.4	141.4	141.7	141.8	141.8	141.9	141.9	141.9	142.3	142.0	143.6	141.9

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Commodity Group	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Ave
Household Appliances	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.1	116.7	116.2
Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils	126.3	126.3	126.3	126.4	126.3	126.5	126.6	126.9	126.9	126.7	127.6	128.4	126.8
Tools and Equipment for House and Garden	147.1	147.1	147.9	150.7	152.3	153.2	152.7	148.9	152.3	151.6	152.2	153.0	150.8
Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance	115.6	115.7	115.8	116.7	116.6	116.7	116.5	116.5	116.7	117.6	118.9	119.6	116.9
VI. HEALTH	142.5	142.6	143.2	144.1	144.5	145.0	144.8	144.7	144.9	144.8	144.9	145.1	144.3
Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment	135.4	135.6	135.6	137.1	137.9	138.8	138.4	138.2	138.6	137.9	137.7	138.0	137.4
Out-patient Services	163.4	163.4	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.2	165.3	165.3	164.9
Hospital Services	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	120.5	122.7	124.8	124.8	121.4
VII. TRANSPORT	121.8	122.2	122.9	123.7	123.3	122.1	120.4	121.7	122.4	122.2	121.6	121.5	122.2
Operation of Personal Transport Equipment	137.4	138.8	141.6	144.3	143.1	138.4	131.8	136.8	139.6	138.8	136.4	136.0	138.6
Transport Services	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3	116.3
VIII. COMMUNICATION	84.3	84.3	84.3	84.5	84.7	84.8	84.8	84.8	84.8	84.8	84.8	84.8	84.6
Postal Services	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1	118.1
Telephone and Telefax Equipment	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4	44.4
Telephone and Telefax Services	97.2	97.2	97.2	97.5	97.8	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.9	97.7
IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE	108.0	108.1	108.1	108.4	108.7	108.8	108.3	108.6	108.6	108.5	108.7	108.8	108.5
Audio-Visual, Photographic and Information Processing Equipment	95.5	95.5	95.5	95.9	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.3	96.0	96.0
Other Major Durables for Recreation and Culture													
Other Recreational Items and Equipment, Gardens and Pets	104.4	104.4	104.4	105.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	106.3	107.2	107.5	105.9
Recreational and Cultural Services	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6	103.6
Newspapers, Books and Stationery	127.5	127.6	127.6	127.8	127.9	128.1	126.7	127.6	127.6	127.1	127.7	128.2	127.6
X. EDUCATION	148.4	148.4	148.4	148.4	148.4	149.4	149.4	149.4	149.4	149.4	149.4	149.4	149.0
Pre-primary and Primary Education													
Secondary Education	132.3	132.3	132.3	132.3	132.3	135.5	135.5	135.5	135.5	135.5	135.5	135.5	134.2
Tertiary Education	156.5	156.5	156.5	156.5	156.5	156.4	156.4	156.4	156.4	156.4	156.4	156.4	156.4
Education Not Definable by Level													
XI. RESTAURANT AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	113.5	113.5	113.6	114.3	114.4	114.8	115.1	114.8	115.5	115.7	116.3	116.6	114.8
Catering Services	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.0	107.8	108.3	109.0	109.7	110.9	110.9	110.9	108.5
Personal Care	120.9	120.9	121.1	122.5	122.7	122.6	122.8	121.5	122.2	122.4	122.6	123.2	122.1
Personal Effects N.E.C.	125.6	125.6	125.6	130.7	130.7	130.7	130.5	125.8	127.3	126.5	126.5	126.2	127.6

Explanatory Notes

Consumer Price Index (CPI) - is an indicator of the change in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by the households relative to a base year. It shows how much on the average, prices of goods and services have increased or decreased from a particular reference period.

The 2012 CPI Report was derived from the results of the 2006-based CPI survey comprised of eleven (11) major commodity groups. These are the following: Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages; Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco; Clothing and Footwear; Housing, Water, Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels; Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House; Health; Transport; Communication; Recreation and Culture; Education; Restaurants and Miscellaneous Goods and Services.

Inflation rate is defined as the annual rate of change or the year-on-year change in the CPI.

Purchasing power of peso is a measure of the real value of the peso in a given period relative to a chosen reference period.

Market basket is a term used to refer to a sample of goods and services that are commonly purchased and bought by an average Filipino household.

Base period or Base Year is the period, usually a year, at which the index number is set to 100. It is the reference point of the index number series.