## $\underbrace{(2006=100)}$

## CPI in Aklan increases by 6.0 percent

The average consumer price index in Aklan for the year 2013 registered at 136.9 index point or higher by 6.0 percent compared to 2012 figure of 130.9 index. For 2013, the month of December registered the highest index of 141.6, while the month of May has the lowest with 135.1 points. Comparatively, in last year's CPI, October registered the highest index of 133.7, while the month of February has the lowest index at 128.0 (see figure 1).

## Inflation rate went up by 1.0 percent

Table 1 shows that the average inflation rate in Aklan increased by 1.0 percent from 2012 figure of 3.6 to 4.6 in 2013. The highest inflation rate for 2013 was recorded in the month of December with 6.5 percent. This is followed by the months of February and March with 6.0 percent, respectively. On the other hand, the lowest inflation rate was apparent in October with 3.4 percent mark. The inflation rate became erratic from the month of April until November. It went up significantly at the end of the year (see figure 2).


Unlike in 2013, the year 2012 registered the highest inflation rate of 4.7 percent in October and down in the month of March with 2.3 percent.

## The CPI by Commodity Group

Among the commodity groups in 2013, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco accounted the highest CPI index of 160.7. This was followed by Education with 149.4; Health with 147.4; and Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages with 146.0 index points. Likewise, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco has the highest index point change among the commodity group with 33.4, followed by Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages with 7.4, and HWEG with 5.9, and Furnishings, HH Equipment and House Maintenance with 4.6.

## Peso value pegs at 0.73 in 2013

The purchasing power of peso exhibited a downward trend for the year 2013. It posted the highest PPP of 0.74 in January to June but dropped to 0.73 in the months of July and August and continue to decline to 0.72 in the months of September and November. At the end of the year, the PPP pegged at 0.71 . The average PPP in 2013 is 0.73 which means that the good and services worth 73 pesos in the year 2006 is now worth 100 pesos in 2013.

Likewise, the year 2012 showed a decreasing PPP. 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 0.76 in the month of August and remained stable until December.


Figure 4. Consumer Price Index by Commodity Group, Aklan: 2012-2013
(2006=100)


Among the commodity group in 2013, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco had the highest inflation rate posted at 26.4 percent. The implementation of RA 10351 (Sin Tax Law) triggered the inflation rate of this commodity group to shoot up. Coming next with higher inflation rate was Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages with 5.3, HWEG and Other Fuels with 4.6 and Furnishings, Household Equipment and Routine Maintenance of the House with 3.9 percent. On the other hand, a decreasing price movement was noted in Recreation and Culture with -1.1 and Transport with -0.6 percent.

Table 1. Consumer Price Index, Inflation Rate and Purchasing Power of Peso, Aklan: 2012-2013 (2006=100)

| Year/Month | CPI | Inflation Rate | Purchasing Power of Peso |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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 |
| 2013 | 136.9 | 4.6 | 0.73 |
| January | 135.4 | 5.7 | 0.74 |
| February | 135.7 | 6.0 | 0.74 |
| March | 136.0 | 6.0 | 0.74 |
| April | 135.3 | 4.4 | 0.74 |
| May | 135.1 | 3.9 | 0.74 |
| June | 135.2 | 4.2 | 0.74 |
| July | 136.8 | 4.4 | 0.73 |
| August | 137.6 | 3.6 | 0.73 |
| September | 138.0 | 3.6 | 0.72 |
| October | 138.2 | 3.4 | 0.72 |
| November | 138.0 | 3.7 | 0.72 |
| December | 141.6 | 6.5 | 0.71 |

Table 2. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group Aklan: 2012-2013 (2006=100)

| Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Month | All Items |  | Food and NonAlcoholic 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 |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Average | 130.9 | 136.9 | 138.6 | 146.0 | 127.3 | 160.7 | 129.7 | 132.4 | 129.2 | 135.1 | 118.9 | 123.5 | 144.3 | 147.4 |
| January | 128.1 | 135.4 | 134.8 | 144.9 | 123.7 | 151.8 | 126.7 | 131.7 | 126.3 | 132.4 | 117.6 | 121.9 | 142.5 | 145.1 |
| February | 128.0 | 135.7 | 134.6 | 143.6 | 125.5 | 164.3 | 126.7 | 131.8 | 125.6 | 134.7 | 117.6 | 122.3 | 142.6 | 147.0 |
| March | 128.3 | 136.0 | 134.9 | 144.5 | 129.0 | 163.3 | 126.8 | 131.6 | 125.5 | 134.0 | 117.7 | 122.5 | 143.2 | 147.0 |
| April | 129.6 | 135.3 | 136.0 | 142.7 | 129.0 | 162.8 | 128.5 | 132.0 | 128.4 | 134.5 | 118.4 | 123.5 | 144.1 | 147.0 |
| May | 130.0 | 135.1 | 137.4 | 142.5 | 128.8 | 162.5 | 129.0 | 132.2 | 127.0 | 134.2 | 118.4 | 123.3 | 144.5 | 146.7 |
| June | 129.8 | 135.2 | 136.2 | 142.5 | 128.6 | 162.5 | 130.3 | 132.6 | 128.8 | 134.7 | 118.5 | 123.4 | 145.0 | 146.7 |
| July | 131.0 | 136.8 | 138.5 | 145.5 | 126.3 | 160.0 | 131.1 | 132.7 | 130.3 | 135.7 | 118.4 | 123.7 | 144.8 | 146.6 |
| August | 132.8 | 137.6 | 141.2 | 147.1 | 126.5 | 159.3 | 131.1 | 132.7 | 132.9 | 135.9 | 118.9 | 123.7 | 144.7 | 148.2 |
| September | 133.2 | 138.0 | 141.7 | 148.2 | 127.1 | 159.8 | 131.1 | 132.9 | 133.0 | 135.3 | 119.1 | 124.1 | 144.9 | 148.5 |
| October | 133.7 | 138.2 | 142.7 | 148.1 | 127.7 | 160.3 | 131.6 | 132.9 | 133.1 | 136.1 | 119.6 | 124.4 | 144.8 | 148.5 |
| November | 133.1 | 138.0 | 143.2 | 147.7 | 127.7 | 160.7 | 131.7 | 132.8 | 128.7 | 136.0 | 120.7 | 124.4 | 144.9 | 148.5 |
| December | 133.0 | 141.6 | 141.8 | 155.1 | 127.5 | 160.7 | 131.5 | 133.1 | 131.1 | 137.5 | 121.9 | 124.5 | 145.1 | 148.5 |

(Table 2 cont...)
Table 2. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Major Commodity Group Aklan: 2012-2013 (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 |  |
|  | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 | 2012 | 2013 |
| Average | 122.2 | 121.5 | 84.6 | 84.8 | 108.5 | 107.3 | 149.0 | 149.4 | 114.8 | 117.2 |
| January | 121.8 | 121.4 | 84.3 | 84.8 | 108.0 | 107.4 | 148.4 | 149.4 | 113.5 | 116.6 |
| February | 122.2 | 121.4 | 84.3 | 84.8 | 108.1 | 107.3 | 148.4 | 149.4 | 113.5 | 116.7 |
| March | 122.9 | 121.6 | 84.3 | 84.8 | 108.1 | 106.8 | 148.4 | 149.4 | 113.6 | 116.9 |
| April | 123.7 | 121.3 | 84.5 | 84.8 | 108.4 | 106.6 | 148.4 | 149.4 | 114.3 | 116.7 |
| May | 123.3 | 120.7 | 84.7 | 84.8 | 108.7 | 106.2 | 148.4 | 149.4 | 114.4 | 116.8 |
| June | 122.1 | 121.2 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 108.8 | 107.9 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 114.8 | 116.8 |
| July | 120.4 | 121.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 108.3 | 107.8 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 115.1 | 117.5 |
| August | 121.7 | 121.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 108.6 | 107.8 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 114.8 | 117.4 |
| September | 122.4 | 122.0 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 108.6 | 107.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 115.5 | 117.4 |
| October | 122.2 | 121.6 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 108.5 | 107.6 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 115.7 | 117.7 |
| November | 121.6 | 121.6 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 108.7 | 107.5 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 116.3 | 117.6 |
| December | 121.5 | 121.4 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 108.8 | 107.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 116.6 | 118.2 |

Table 3. Consumer Price Index For All Income Households by Commodity Group, Aklan: 2013 (2006=100)

| Commodity Group | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Ave |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ALL ITEMS | 135.4 | 135.7 | 136.0 | 135.3 | 135.1 | 135.2 | 136.8 | 137.6 | 138.0 | 138.2 | 138.0 | 141.6 | 136.9 |
| I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES | 144.9 | 143.6 | 144.5 | 142.7 | 142.5 | 142.5 | 145.5 | 147.1 | 148.2 | 148.1 | 147.7 | 155.1 | 146.0 |
| Food | 146.9 | 145.5 | 146.5 | 144.5 | 144.3 | 144.3 | 147.5 | 149.3 | 150.4 | 150.3 | 149.9 | 157.8 | 148.1 |
| Bread and Cereal | 159.8 | 158.6 | 158.6 | 156.5 | 159.0 | 160.8 | 163.1 | 166.5 | 169.0 | 168.3 | 168.1 | 169.0 | 163.1 |
| Rice | 162.4 | 160.7 | 160.9 | 158.2 | 161.3 | 163.5 | 166.3 | 170.4 | 173.4 | 172.3 | 172.3 | 173.4 | 166.3 |
| Corn | 138.5 | 137.9 | 137.3 | 137.3 | 137.3 | 137.5 | 136.2 | 136.2 | 136.2 | 136.2 | 136.2 | 144.4 | 137.6 |
| Meat | 119.3 | 121.8 | 129.6 | 126.1 | 123.1 | 121.6 | 124.9 | 125.5 | 126.6 | 125.0 | 124.4 | 127.5 | 124.6 |
| Fish | 153.5 | 145.3 | 145.7 | 141.7 | 136.7 | 136.7 | 142.9 | 145.7 | 146.2 | 146.8 | 145.5 | 165.0 | 146.0 |
| Milk, Cheese and Eggs | 133.1 | 133.4 | 133.2 | 133.9 | 134.1 | 134.0 | 135.1 | 134.3 | 134.3 | 133.9 | 134.0 | 134.0 | 133.9 |
| Oils and Fats | 236.9 | 237.5 | 233.9 | 234.7 | 234.1 | 234.4 | 237.0 | 241.1 | 231.8 | 243.4 | 242.8 | 232.3 | 236.7 |
| Fruit | 147.6 | 145.9 | 145.5 | 140.6 | 135.7 | 134.0 | 142.2 | 141.1 | 142.2 | 144.3 | 144.0 | 162.8 | 143.8 |
| Vegetables | 150.4 | 149.0 | 142.4 | 144.6 | 146.8 | 146.2 | 143.9 | 146.1 | 148.2 | 149.7 | 150.9 | 190.5 | 150.7 |
| Sugar, Jam, Honey, Chocolate \& Confectionery | 134.6 | 137.1 | 137.9 | 137.6 | 146.5 | 140.4 | 139.3 | 139.2 | 137.2 | 135.9 | 136.1 | 135.9 | 138.1 |
| Food Products N.E.C. | 168.5 | 162.0 | 161.5 | 161.3 | 166.9 | 166.9 | 185.6 | 185.7 | 185.7 | 185.4 | 185.6 | 185.8 | 175.1 |
| *Non-alcoholic Beverages | 118.3 | 118.4 | 118.1 | 118.3 | 118.2 | 117.8 | 118.0 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.3 | 118.2 | 118.3 | 118.2 |
| II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO | 151.8 | 164.3 | 163.3 | 162.8 | 162.5 | 162.5 | 160.0 | 159.3 | 159.7 | 160.3 | 160.7 | 160.7 | 160.7 |
| Alcoholic Beverages | 144.3 | 146.4 | 147.8 | 149.0 | 148.9 | 148.8 | 149.2 | 150.2 | 150.9 | 151.2 | 151.8 | 151.9 | 149.2 |
| Tobacco | 163.1 | 191.3 | 186.6 | 183.6 | 183.1 | 183.1 | 176.3 | 173.0 | 173.0 | 174.1 | 174.1 | 174.1 | 178.0 |
| NON-FOOD | 126.2 | 127.2 | 127.0 | 127.2 | 127.0 | 127.4 | 128.0 | 128.1 | 127.9 | 128.3 | 128.2 | 128.9 | 127.6 |
| III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | 131.7 | 131.8 | 131.6 | 132.0 | 132.2 | 132.6 | 132.7 | 132.7 | 132.9 | 132.9 | 132.8 | 133.1 | 132.4 |
| Clothing | 129.7 | 129.6 | 129.5 | 130.0 | 129.9 | 130.5 | 130.6 | 130.6 | 130.8 | 130.8 | 130.8 | 130.8 | 130.3 |
| Footwear | 137.2 | 137.7 | 137.3 | 137.2 | 138.4 | 138.3 | 138.2 | 138.3 | 138.4 | 138.4 | 138.3 | 139.4 | 138.1 |
| IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS | 132.4 | 134.7 | 134.0 | 134.5 | 134.2 | 134.7 | 135.7 | 135.9 | 135.3 | 136.1 | 136.0 | 137.5 | 135.1 |
| Actual Rentals for Housing | 123.5 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 126.7 | 126.7 | 126.7 | 128.9 | 128.9 | 128.9 | 128.9 | 128.9 | 128.9 | 127.2 |
| Maintenance and Repair of the Dwelling | 132.1 | 132.0 | 132.7 | 134.0 | 134.0 | 134.0 | 135.0 | 137.2 | 137.7 | 138.1 | 138.1 | 138.8 | 135.3 |
| Water Supply and Miscellaeous Services Relating to the Dwelling | 129.0 | 130.0 | 130.1 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 | 129.9 |
| Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels | 148.4 | 153.7 | 151.4 | 148.8 | 148.0 | 149.5 | 148.5 | 148.7 | 149.2 | 149.2 | 148.9 | 153.3 | 149.6 |
| V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE OF THE HOUSE | 121.9 | 122.3 | 122.5 | 123.5 | 123.3 | 123.4 | 123.7 | 123.7 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.4 | 124.5 | 123.5 |
| Furniture and Furnishings, Carpets and Other Floor Coverings | 123.5 | 122.8 | 122.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 127.4 | 127.4 | 127.4 | 127.4 | 125.2 |
| Household Textiles | 143.9 | 143.2 | 143.2 | 143.0 | 142.8 | 143.8 | 143.7 | 144.4 | 144.4 | 144.4 | 144.3 | 144.3 | 143.8 |

(Table 2 cont...)

| Commodity Group | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | June | July | Aug | Sept | Oct | Nov | Dec | Ave |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Household Appliances | 116.6 | 118.3 | 118.3 | 118.3 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 118.0 | 117.8 |
| Glassware, Tableware and Household Utensils | 127.5 | 127.5 | 127.5 | 127.5 | 127.5 | 127.7 | 127.8 | 127.9 | 128.1 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 127.8 |
| Tools and Equipment for House and Garden | 153.0 | 152.1 | 152.1 | 152.7 | 152.7 | 152.7 | 152.7 | 152.7 | 152.9 | 152.9 | 152.9 | 152.9 | 152.7 |
| Goods and Services for Routine Household Maintenance | 119.7 | 120.1 | 120.4 | 121.8 | 121.6 | 121.6 | 122.1 | 122.1 | 122.4 | 122.9 | 123.0 | 123.0 | 121.7 |
| VI. HEALTH | 145.1 | 147.0 | 147.0 | 147.0 | 146.7 | 146.7 | 146.6 | 148.2 | 148.5 | 148.5 | 148.5 | 148.5 | 147.4 |
| Medical Products, Appliances and Equipment | 138.0 | 138.4 | 138.4 | 138.4 | 137.8 | 137.8 | 137.6 | 136.7 | 137.2 | 137.2 | 137.2 | 137.2 | 137.7 |
| Out-patient Services | 165.2 | 170.6 | 170.6 | 170.7 | 170.7 | 170.7 | 170.7 | 177.6 | 177.6 | 177.6 | 177.6 | 177.6 | 173.1 |
| Hospital Services | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 | 124.8 |
| VII. TRANSPORT | 121.4 | 121.4 | 121.6 | 121.3 | 120.7 | 121.2 | 121.8 | 121.8 | 122.0 | 121.6 | 121.6 | 121.4 | 121.5 |
| Operation of Personal Transport Equipment | 135.9 | 135.9 | 136.6 | 135.2 | 133.2 | 135.6 | 137.2 | 137.4 | 138.2 | 136.6 | 136.3 | 135.9 | 136.2 |
| Transport Services | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.1 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 | 116.3 |
| VIII. COMMUNICATION | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.9 | 84.8 |
| Postal Services | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 118.1 | 121.0 | 118.3 |
| 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 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 98.0 | 97.9 | 97.9 | 98.0 | 97.9 |
| IX. RECREATION AND CULTURE | 107.4 | 107.3 | 106.8 | 106.6 | 106.2 | 107.9 | 107.8 | 107.8 | 107.4 | 107.6 | 107.5 | 107.4 | 107.3 |
| Audio-Visual, Photographic and Information Processing Equipment | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.6 | 91.5 | 91.4 | 91.5 | 91.5 | 91.3 | 91.1 | 91.5 |
| Other Major Durables for Recreation and Culture |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other Recreational Items and Equipment, Gardens and Pets | 109.8 | 109.8 | 109.8 | 109.8 | 112.6 | 112.6 | 112.6 | 112.6 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.1 | 111.2 |
| Recreational and Cultural Services | 103.6 | 103.6 | 103.6 | 102.3 | 101.3 | 123.5 | 123.0 | 123.1 | 123.4 | 123.8 | 123.6 | 123.8 | 114.9 |
| Newspapers, Books and Stationery | 129.8 | 129.5 | 128.3 | 128.0 | 126.4 | 126.1 | 126.3 | 126.4 | 125.4 | 125.8 | 125.7 | 125.7 | 127.0 |
| X. EDUCATION | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 | 149.4 |
| Pre-primary and Primary Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Secondary Education | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 | 135.5 |
| Tertiary Education | 156.4 | 156.4 | 156.4 | 156.4 | 156.4 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 | 156.3 |
| Education Not Definable by Level |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| XI. RESTAURANT AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES | 116.6 | 116.7 | 116.9 | 116.7 | 116.8 | 116.8 | 117.5 | 117.4 | 117.4 | 117.7 | 117.6 | 118.2 | 117.2 |
| Catering Services | 110.9 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 110.9 | 111.9 | 111.9 | 111.9 | 112.4 | 112.4 | 113.3 | 111.5 |
| Personal Care | 123.4 | 123.5 | 124.0 | 123.7 | 123.8 | 123.9 | 124.3 | 124.1 | 124.0 | 124.1 | 124.0 | 124.1 | 123.9 |
| Personal Effects N.E.C. | 124.7 | 124.6 | 124.1 | 123.0 | 123.4 | 123.0 | 122.4 | 122.4 | 122.4 | 122.7 | 122.6 | 122.7 | 123.2 |

## 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 2013 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.

