



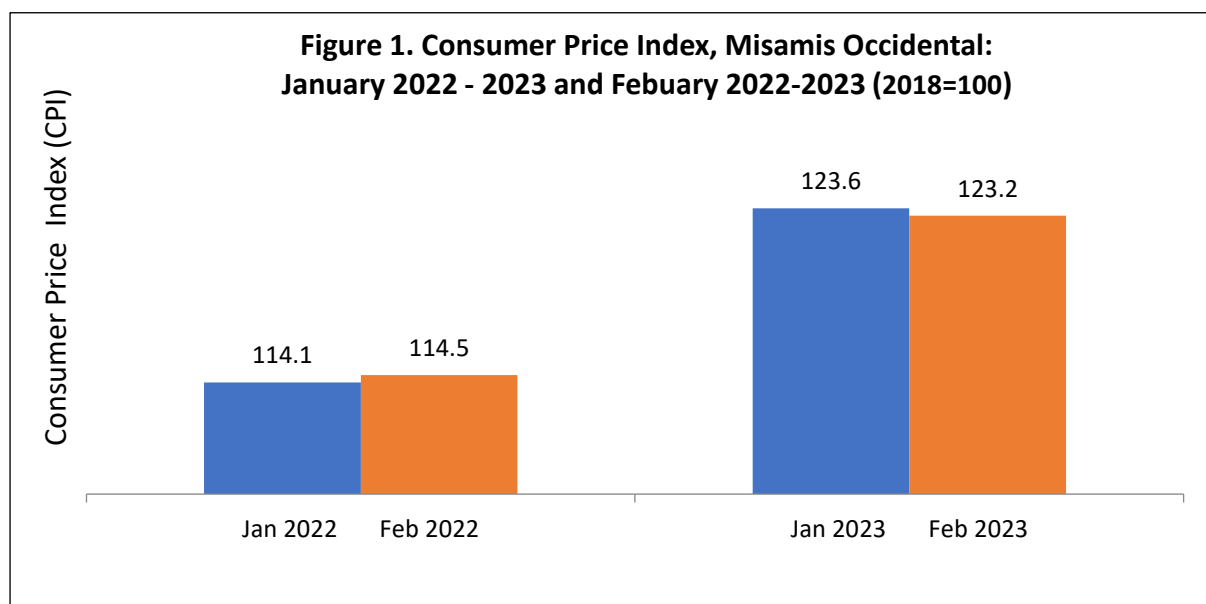
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Highlights of the Consumer Price Index in Misamis Occidental for the Month of February 2023 (2018 = 100)



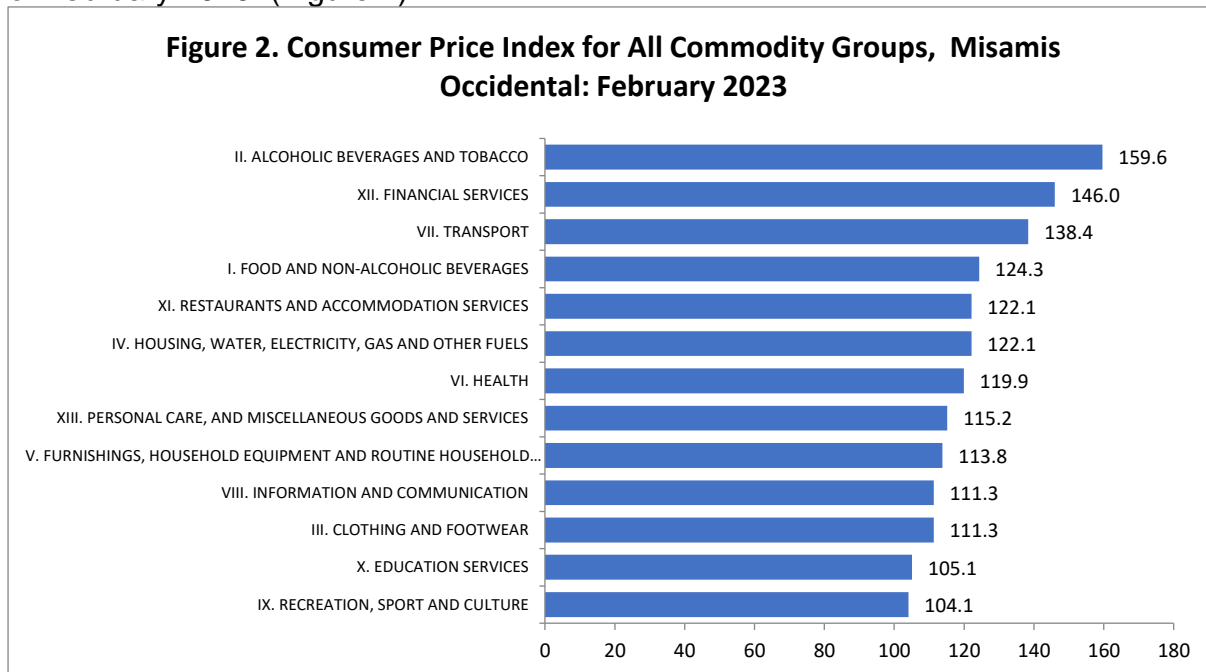
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The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in Misamis Occidental for the month of February 2023 decreased at 123.2 from 123.6 in the month of January 2023. This implies that the same basket of goods and services worth 100 pesos in 2018 has decreased by 23.2 percent in February 2023. The CPI is an indicator of the change in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to a base year. In comparison to the CPI recorded in the months of January 2022 and February 2022, it has increased from 114.1 and 114.5 to 123.6 and 123.2 in January 2023 and February 2023 respectively. (Figure 1)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Among the commodity groups, Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco posted the highest CPI in February 2023 at 159.6, followed by Financial Services at 146.0 and Transport at 138.4. On the other hand, Information and Communication, Clothing and Footwear at 111.3, Education Services at 105.1 and Recreation, Sport, and Culture at 104.1 were the bottom three commodity groups with the lowest CPI recorded in the month of February 2023. (Figure 2)

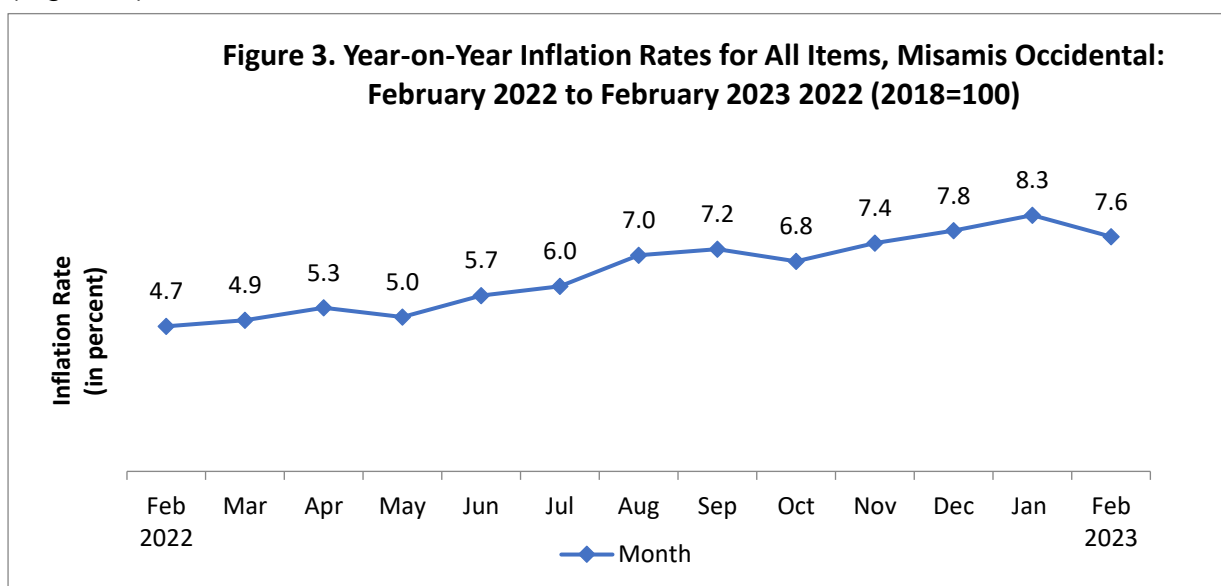


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

February 2023 Inflation Rate (IR) in the Province Drop by 0.7

Provincial inflation in February 2023 drops by 7.6 from 8.3 percent in January 2023. This is the first downward trend recorded since October 2022. On the other hand, the year-on-year provincial inflation increased from 4.7 percent in February 2022.

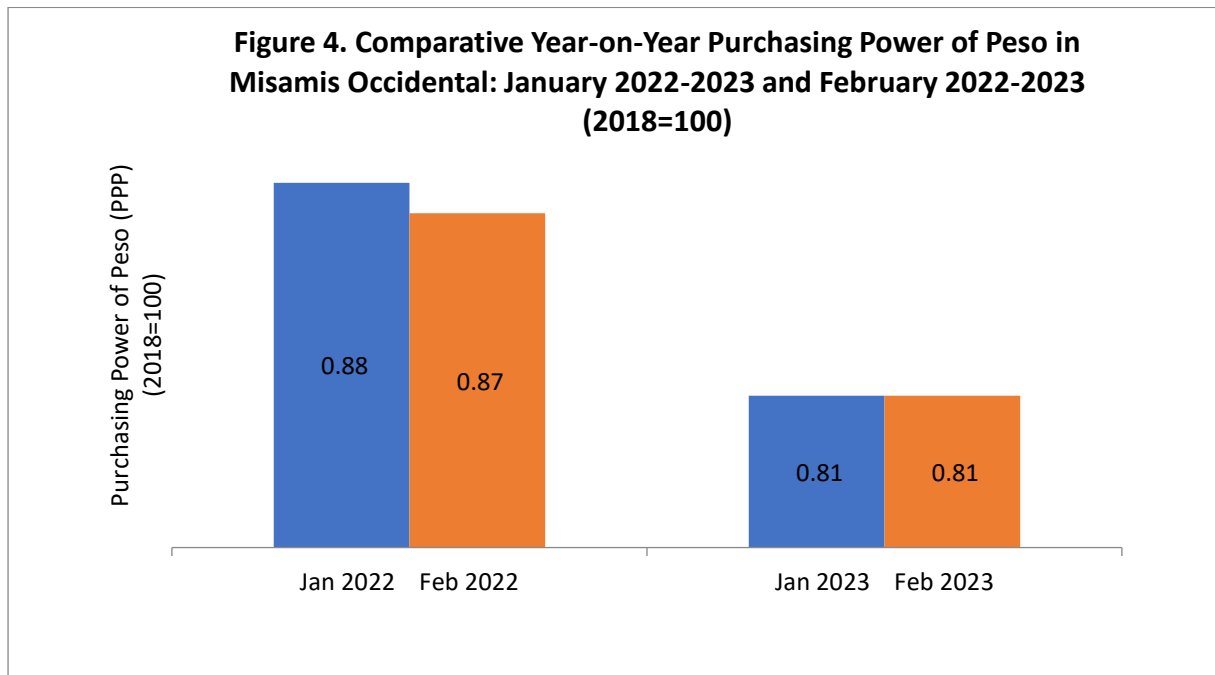
(Figure 3)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP)

The Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) shows the real value of peso relative to the base period. The PPP in Misamis Occidental in February 2023 remain the same with 0.81 but is lower by 0.07 compared to 0.87 last February 2022. This means that a consumer's PhP100.00 in 2018 can only purchase PhP81.00 worth of goods and services in February 2023. (Figure 4)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

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**Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Commodity Groups, Misamis Occidental:
January and February 2023 (2018=100)**

COMMODITY GROUP	Jan 2023	Jan 2023
ALL ITEMS	123.6	123.2
I. FOOD AND NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	125.2	124.3
II. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	159.6	159.6
III. CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	111.2	111.3
IV. HOUSING, WATER, ELECTRICITY, GAS AND OTHER FUELS	121.7	122.1
V. FURNISHINGS, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT AND ROUTINE HOUSEHOLD MAINTENANCE	113.1	113.8
VI. HEALTH	120.1	119.9
VII. TRANSPORT	140.1	138.4
VIII. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	110.7	111.3
IX. RECREATION, SPORT AND CULTURE	103.9	104.1
X. EDUCATION SERVICES	105.1	105.1
XI. RESTAURANTS AND ACCOMMODATION SERVICES	122.1	122.1
XII. FINANCIAL SERVICES	146.0	146.0
XIII. PERSONAL CARE, AND MISCELLANEOUS GOODS AND SERVICES	114.9	115.2

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

TECHNICAL NOTES

Consumer Price Index (CPI) – The CPI is an indicator of the changes in the average retail prices of a fixed basket of goods and services commonly purchased by households relative to a base year.

Use of CPI – CPI is most widely used in the calculation of the inflation rate and purchasing power of peso. It is a major statistical series used for economic analysis and as a monitoring indicator of government economic policy.

Computation of CPI – The computation of the CPI involves consideration of the following important points:

- a. Base Period – The reference data or base period is the benchmark or reference date or period at which the index is taken as equal to 100.
- b. Market Basket – A sample of the thousands of varieties of goods purchased for consumption and services availed by the households in the country selected to represent the composite price behavior of all goods and services purchased by consumers.
- c. Weighing System – The weighing pattern uses the expenditures on various consumer items purchased by households as a proportion to total expenditure.
- d. Formula – The formula used in computing the CPI is the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives, the Laspeyre's formula with a fixed base year period (2012) weights.
- e. Geographic Coverage – CPI values are computed at the national, regional, and provincial levels, and for selected cities.

Inflation Rate (IR) – is the rate of change of the CPI expressed in percent. Inflation is interpreted in terms of declining purchasing power of peso.

Purchasing Power of Peso (PPP) – 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.