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UPDATES ON PHILIPPINE PALAY, RICE AND CORN PRICES WEEK 1 OF MARCH 2020

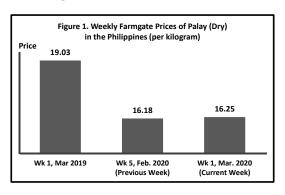
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A. Farmgate Price of Palay

Farmgate price of palay continues to increase during the week

The average farmgate price of palay **inched up** to P16.25/kg or by 0.4 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P16.18/kg. Meanwhile, on an annual basis, its rate **declined** by 14.6 percent compared with its level of P19.03/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 1)



B. Farmgate Prices of Yellow and White Corngrains

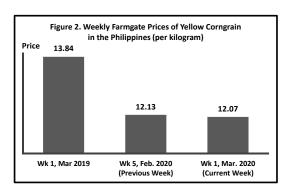
Farmgate price of yellow corngrain drops while that of white corngrain picks up during the week

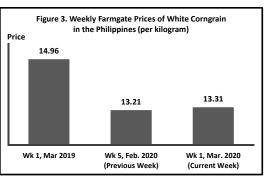
The average farmgate price of yellow corngrain went down to P12.07/kg or by 0.5 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P12.13/kg. Similarly, its annual rate decreased further by 12.8 percent from its level of P13.84/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 2)

The average farmgate price of white corngrain **rose** to P13.31/kg or by 0.8 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P13.21/kg. On the contrary, it exhibited an annual **decline** as it plunged by 11.03 percent relative to its level of P14.96/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 3)

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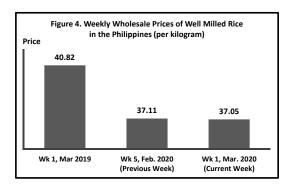




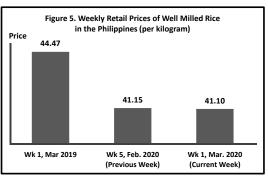
C. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Well Milled Rice (WMR)

Both wholesale and retail prices of well milled rice continue to post downtrends this week

The average wholesale price of well milled rice **dipped** to P37.05/kg or by 0.2 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P37.11/kg. Likewise, it **moved down** at an annual rate of 9.2 percent from its level of P40.82/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 4)



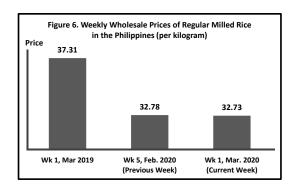
The average retail price of well milled rice **dropped** to P41.10/kg or by 0.1 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P41.15/kg. It also **declined** at an annual rate of 7.6 percent relative to its level of P44.47/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 5)



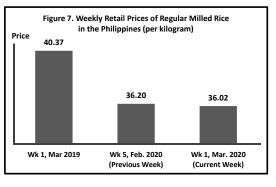
D. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Regular Milled Rice (RMR)

Lower wholesale and retail prices of regular milled rice are observed during the week

The average wholesale price of regular milled rice **went down** to P32.73/kg or by 0.2 percent this week compared with its previous week's level of P32.78/kg. Similarly, it **fell** at an annual rate of 12.3 percent from its level of P37.31/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 6)



The average retail price of regular milled rice **moved down** to P36.02/kg or by 0.5 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P36.20/kg. It continued to **decrease** at an annual rate of 10.8 percent from its level of P40.37/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 7)

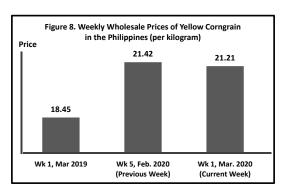


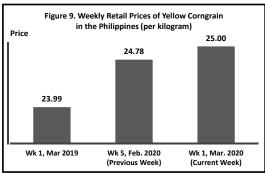
E. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Yellow Corngrain

Wholesale price of yellow corngrain drops while its retail price accelerates this week

The average wholesale price of yellow corngrain **moved down** to P21.21/kg or by 1.0 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P21.42/kg. Meanwhile, it continued to **climb** at an annual rate of 15.0 percent, from its average price of P18.45/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 8)

The average retail price of yellow corngrain **increased** to P25.00/kg or by 0.9 percent during the week, from its previous week's level of P24.78/kg. Likewise, it **picked up** at an annual rate of 4.2 percent, from its level of P23.99/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 9)



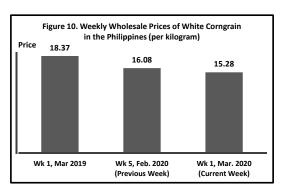


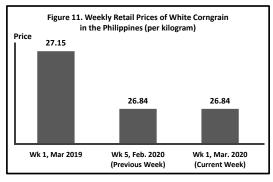
F. Wholesale and Retail Prices of White Corngrain

Wholesale price of white corngrain declines while its retail price remains stable during the period

The average wholesale price of white corngrain **went down** to P15.28/kg or by 5.0 percent during the week, from its previous week's level of P16.08/kg. Compared with its level of P18.37/kg in the same period of the previous year, it **decreased** by 16.8 percent. (Table 2 and Figure 10)

White corngrain **retained** its previous week's average retail price of P26.84/kg. However, it had an annual **decline** of 1.1 percent, from its average price of P27.15/kg in the same week a year ago. (Table 2 and Figure 11)





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