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UPDATES ON PHILIPPINE PALAY, RICE AND CORN PRICES WEEK 2 OF MARCH 2020

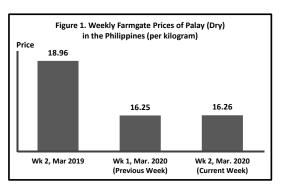
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A. Farmgate Price of Palay

Farmgate price of palay inches up further during the week

The average farmgate price of palay **increased** to P16.26/kg or by 0.1 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P16.25/kg. However, its annual rate **dropped** by 14.2 percent compared with its level of P18.96/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 1)



B. Farmgate Prices of Yellow and White Corngrains

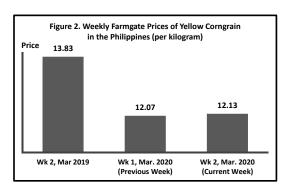
Farmgate price of yellow corngrain picks up while that of white corngrain declines during the week

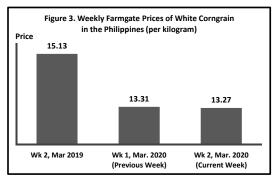
The average farmgate price of yellow corngrain **moved up** to P12.13/kg or by 0.5 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P12.07/kg. On the contrary, its annual rate **went down** by 12.3 percent from its level of P13.83/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 2)

The average farmgate price of white corngrain **plunged** to P13.27/kg or by 0.3 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P13.31/kg. Similarly, it **dipped** at an annual rate of 12.3 percent relative to its level of P15.13/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 3)

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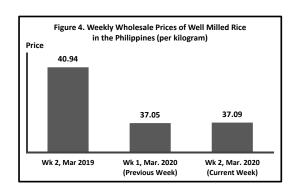




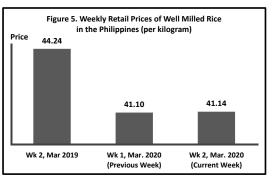
C. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Well Milled Rice (WMR)

Prices at the wholesale and retail trades of well milled rice are higher this week

The average wholesale price of well milled rice **rose** to P37.09/kg or by 0.1 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P37.05/kg. However, it **decreased** further at an annual rate of 9.4 percent from its level of P40.94/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 4)



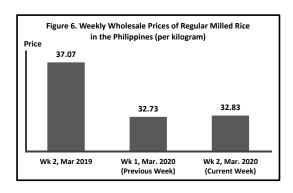
The average retail price of well milled rice **climbed up** to P41.14/kg or by 0.1 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P41.10/kg. Meanwhile, it **declined** at an annual rate of 7.0 percent relative to its level of P44.24/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 5)



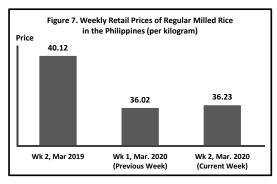
D. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Regular Milled Rice (RMR)

Wholesale and retail prices of regular milled rice accelerate during the week

The average wholesale price of regular milled rice **went up** to P32.83/kg or by 0.3 percent this week compared with its previous week's level of P32.73/kg. On the contrary, it **moved down** at an annual rate of 11.4 percent, from its level of P37.07/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 6)



The average retail price of regular milled rice **picked up** to P36.23/kg or by 0.6 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P36.02/kg. However, its annual rate still posted a decline of 9.7 percent from its level of P40.12/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 1 and Figure 7)

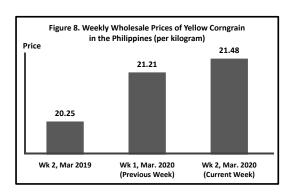


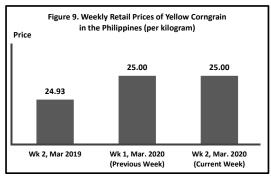
E. Wholesale and Retail Prices of Yellow Corngrain

Wholesale price of yellow corngrain picks up while its retail price remains stable this week

The average wholesale price of yellow corngrain **moved up** to P21.48/kg or by 1.3 percent this week relative to its previous week's level of P21.21/kg. Likewise, its annual rate exhibited an **increase** of 6.1 percent compared with its level of P20.25/kg in the same week of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 8)

The average retail price of yellow corngrain during the week was the same as its previous week's level of P25.00/kg. However, it **rose** at an annual rate of 0.3 percent from its level of P24.93/kg in the same period of the previous year. (Table 2 and Figure 9)



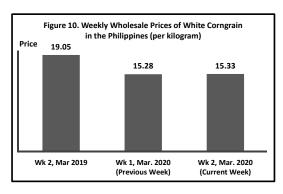


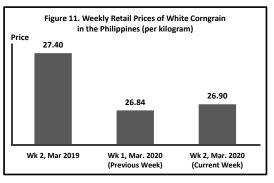
F. Wholesale and Retail Prices of White Corngrain

Both wholesale and retail prices of white corngrain register increments during the period

The average wholesale price of white corngrain **increased** to P15.33/kg or by 0.3 percent during the week, from its previous week's level of P15.28/kg. Compared with its level of P19.05/kg in the same period of the previous year, it, however, **plunged** at an annual rate of 19.5 percent. (Table 2 and Figure 10)

The average retail price of white corngrain moved up to P26.90/kg or by 0.2 percent this week, from its previous week's level of P26.84/kg. Meanwhile, it still had an annual decline as it dropped by 1.8 percent, from its level of P27.40/kg in the same week a year ago. (Table 2 and Figure 11)





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