

**Table 10. Regional Year-on-Year Inflation Rates of Selected Food Items,
March and February, 2002 and 2003
(1994 = 100)**

Area/Region	C E R E A L S						R I C E					
	2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)		2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous
Philippines	153.6	153.6	149.0	148.9	3.1	3.2	153.1	153.0	148.3	148.4	3.2	3.1
National Capital Region (NCR)	154.4	154.4	150.6	150.8	2.5	2.4	154.6	154.6	150.7	150.8	2.6	2.5
Areas Outside NCR	153.5	153.5	148.8	148.7	3.2	3.2	152.9	152.8	148.0	148.1	3.3	3.2
Regions:												
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	139.9	139.1	134.6	134.2	3.9	3.7	139.5	138.7	134.2	133.7	3.9	3.7
I - I l o c o s	156.2	156.4	152.3	152.4	2.6	2.6	156.3	156.5	152.4	152.4	2.6	2.7
II - Cagayan Valley	159.7	159.0	153.1	152.9	4.3	4.0	161.1	160.4	154.4	154.2	4.3	4.0
III - Central Luzon	155.2	156.5	153.4	155.2	1.2	0.8	154.0	155.2	152.5	154.3	1.0	0.6
IV - Southern Tagalog	157.7	157.7	152.0	151.9	3.7	3.8	157.5	157.5	151.7	151.6	3.8	3.9
V - B i c o l	141.8	140.8	138.4	139.2	2.5	1.1	139.9	138.9	136.6	137.5	2.4	1.0
VI - Western Visayas	151.0	150.6	146.7	146.7	2.9	2.7	149.0	148.6	144.5	144.5	3.1	2.8
VII - Central Visayas	153.4	153.5	147.1	144.3	4.3	6.4	167.8	165.7	156.5	152.9	7.2	8.4
VIII - Eastern Visayas	155.9	156.2	151.5	152.3	2.9	2.6	153.0	153.4	148.4	149.4	3.1	2.7
IX - Western Mindanao	170.1	170.2	161.7	161.1	5.2	5.6	166.9	166.9	154.9	154.8	7.7	7.8
X - Northern Mindanao	155.8	155.0	146.9	145.3	6.1	6.7	148.4	148.4	142.8	141.7	3.9	4.7
XI - Southern Mindanao	145.3	146.1	141.8	141.0	2.5	3.6	144.3	144.9	139.8	139.1	3.2	4.2
XII - Central Mindanao	140.0	140.3	139.7	139.0	0.2	0.9	141.8	142.1	140.3	140.3	1.1	1.3
XIII - Caraga	162.8	162.2	152.5	152.1	6.8	6.6	160.9	160.4	150.2	149.8	7.1	7.1
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	152.7	152.6	152.9	153.3	-0.1	-0.5	152.2	152.1	152.7	153.1	-0.3	-0.7

Table 10 (continued)

Area/Region	C O R N						CEREAL PREPARATIONS					
	2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)		2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous
Philippines	158.2	159.0	155.4	153.7	1.8	3.4	162.5	162.0	156.1	155.7	4.1	4.0
National Capital Region (NCR)	138.2	138.2	141.1	149.0	-2.1	-7.2	170.1	169.4	161.4	160.4	5.4	5.6
Areas Outside NCR	158.6	159.4	155.7	153.8	1.9	3.6	159.6	159.2	154.1	153.9	3.6	3.4
Regions:												
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	172.2	171.3	169.3	170.0	1.7	0.8	149.7	148.5	149.9	149.9	-0.1	-0.9
I - I l o c o s	148.8	148.8	146.0	147.6	1.9	0.8	159.1	158.5	154.4	154.3	3.0	2.7
II - Cagayan Valley	130.0	130.1	126.6	126.4	2.7	2.9	150.7	149.1	148.5	148.5	1.5	0.4
III - Central Luzon	268.8	274.7	238.1	236.3	12.9	16.3	161.5	160.7	154.2	154.3	4.7	4.1
IV - Southern Tagalog	175.1	175.4	172.9	173.8	1.3	0.9	152.8	152.5	148.8	148.7	2.7	2.6
V - B i c o l	174.3	173.3	169.4	169.3	2.9	2.4	155.6	155.2	148.2	147.7	5.0	5.1
VI - Western Visayas	200.2	199.8	200.9	199.3	-0.3	0.3	154.4	154.1	149.0	149.0	3.6	3.4
VII - Central Visayas	135.5	138.3	135.5	133.5	0.0	3.6	177.1	176.9	168.7	168.7	5.0	4.9
VIII - Eastern Visayas	194.4	194.1	192.8	190.7	0.8	1.8	142.5	142.1	139.2	139.1	2.4	2.2
IX - Western Mindanao	177.5	177.7	177.2	175.6	0.2	1.2	168.1	167.9	161.4	160.8	4.2	4.4
X - Northern Mindanao	173.0	170.4	156.3	153.5	10.7	11.0	162.0	161.9	161.6	161.5	0.2	0.2
XI - Southern Mindanao	149.5	151.2	150.4	149.0	-0.6	1.5	184.9	184.4	174.0	173.7	6.3	6.2
XII - Central Mindanao	127.9	127.8	135.6	130.0	-5.7	-1.7	144.3	144.0	140.9	140.6	2.4	2.4
XIII - Caraga	176.8	175.1	169.2	168.9	4.5	3.7	151.2	150.7	148.4	148.2	1.9	1.7
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	172.1	172.6	161.4	162.6	6.6	6.2	168.1	168.1	163.5	162.8	2.8	3.3

Table 10 (continued)

Area/Region	DAIRY PRODUCTS						E G G S					
	2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)		2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous
Philippines	160.0	159.4	155.5	155.4	2.9	2.6	138.0	138.1	138.2	138.6	-0.1	-0.4
National Capital Region (NCR)	163.4	162.8	157.7	157.5	3.6	3.4	141.4	141.7	146.5	147.5	-3.5	-3.9
Areas Outside NCR	158.7	158.1	154.6	154.6	2.7	2.3	137.0	137.0	135.7	136.0	1.0	0.7
Regions:												
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	162.5	160.6	157.5	157.5	3.2	2.0	144.4	142.4	142.7	142.7	1.2	-0.2
I - I l o c o s	162.1	161.5	159.9	159.7	1.4	1.1	147.1	147.0	147.6	147.7	-0.3	-0.5
II - Cagayan Valley	163.9	161.5	158.7	158.5	3.3	1.9	137.9	136.5	136.2	136.5	1.2	0.0
III - Central Luzon	150.1	149.8	145.2	145.5	3.4	3.0	132.6	131.2	130.4	131.5	1.7	-0.2
IV - Southern Tagalog	159.9	159.5	156.3	156.1	2.3	2.2	133.6	134.1	133.4	134.8	0.1	-0.5
V - B i c o l	151.3	151.1	148.9	148.6	1.6	1.7	142.5	142.7	142.4	139.9	0.1	2.0
VI - Western Visayas	148.3	147.7	144.6	144.9	2.6	1.9	137.4	137.4	137.1	137.7	0.2	-0.2
VII - Central Visayas	162.2	161.8	157.7	157.9	2.9	2.5	146.7	148.2	146.3	146.5	0.3	1.2
VIII - Eastern Visayas	157.9	157.4	155.1	155.1	1.8	1.5	136.0	136.1	135.3	135.2	0.5	0.7
IX - Western Mindanao	162.4	162.2	159.6	159.6	1.8	1.6	145.2	145.2	135.9	137.1	6.8	5.9
X - Northern Mindanao	162.0	161.2	155.6	155.4	4.1	3.7	133.7	133.0	130.6	130.5	2.4	1.9
XI - Southern Mindanao	170.4	169.2	166.0	166.0	2.7	1.9	127.6	129.5	126.2	125.5	1.1	3.2
XII - Central Mindanao	193.5	193.0	188.5	188.2	2.7	2.6	140.5	140.4	142.0	139.6	-1.1	0.6
XIII - Caraga	160.4	159.7	153.9	153.3	4.2	4.2	140.0	140.9	138.4	138.2	1.2	2.0
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	170.8	170.8	161.3	160.7	5.9	6.3	147.6	147.6	138.9	138.9	6.3	6.3

Table 10 (continued)

Area/Region	F I S H						FRUITS AND VEGETABLES					
	2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)		2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous
Philippines	175.6	177.0	173.8	174.1	1.0	1.7	172.3	175.4	172.5	168.7	-0.1	4.0
National Capital Region (NCR)	161.8	163.8	163.4	163.3	-1.0	0.3	179.9	187.9	179.2	161.2	0.4	16.6
Areas Outside NCR	178.8	180.1	176.2	176.6	1.5	2.0	169.9	171.6	170.4	171.0	-0.3	0.4
Regions:												
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	166.1	171.7	161.1	161.9	3.1	6.1	146.8	149.0	149.8	149.2	-2.0	-0.1
I - I l o c o s	180.7	183.7	173.4	175.9	4.2	4.4	153.8	158.0	163.4	161.6	-5.9	-2.2
II - Cagayan Valley	164.6	163.8	165.9	165.3	-0.8	-0.9	150.3	152.2	145.1	148.8	3.6	2.3
III - Central Luzon	171.4	173.5	174.0	176.8	-1.5	-1.9	165.0	166.8	166.7	167.6	-1.0	-0.5
IV - Southern Tagalog	180.7	182.0	180.3	180.0	0.2	1.1	151.5	156.5	156.2	158.2	-3.0	-1.1
V - B i c o l	204.0	205.9	197.8	194.5	3.1	5.9	164.4	165.2	166.5	169.3	-1.3	-2.4
VI - Western Visayas	166.6	166.6	163.7	163.1	1.8	2.1	185.7	188.1	186.8	186.5	-0.6	0.9
VII - Central Visayas	198.4	200.1	191.8	193.7	3.4	3.3	198.8	198.4	196.5	195.8	1.2	1.3
VIII - Eastern Visayas	171.9	171.8	170.3	170.6	0.9	0.7	178.6	177.5	184.1	186.7	-3.0	-4.9
IX - Western Mindanao	167.5	169.3	168.7	169.9	-0.7	-0.4	184.8	184.5	176.3	175.0	4.8	5.4
X - Northern Mindanao	165.9	167.6	163.2	163.2	1.7	2.7	173.7	173.4	173.7	172.2	0.0	0.7
XI - Southern Mindanao	163.5	164.9	159.7	158.3	2.4	4.2	173.7	173.2	167.1	167.8	3.9	3.2
XII - Central Mindanao	160.8	160.9	159.4	159.2	0.9	1.1	158.1	159.7	157.0	154.3	0.7	3.5
XIII - Caraga	176.2	177.0	170.3	173.4	3.5	2.1	174.5	173.4	170.2	170.2	2.5	1.9
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	272.6	271.4	255.8	258.2	6.6	5.1	250.8	250.6	244.2	242.7	2.7	3.3

Table 10 (continued)

Area/Region	MEAT						MISCELLANEOUS FOODS					
	2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)		2003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous	Mar	Feb	Mar	Feb	Current	Previous
Philippines	133.9	133.7	134.3	134.8	-0.3	-0.8	152.4	152.2	148.7	148.4	2.5	2.6
National Capital Region (NCR)	125.6	125.4	126.9	128.4	-1.0	-2.3	145.9	145.6	141.5	141.2	3.1	3.1
Areas Outside NCR	137.8	137.5	137.7	137.8	0.1	-0.2	155.4	155.2	152.0	151.8	2.2	2.2
Regions:												
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	144.2	144.1	145.0	144.8	-0.6	-0.5	152.9	152.8	150.4	151.0	1.7	1.2
I - I l o c o s	135.7	135.8	135.2	135.1	0.4	0.5	150.5	150.4	150.0	150.1	0.3	0.2
II - Cagayan Valley	137.5	137.6	138.9	138.9	-1.0	-0.9	147.9	147.7	145.6	145.8	1.6	1.3
III - Central Luzon	132.4	132.0	132.3	132.5	0.1	-0.4	148.5	148.5	146.8	147.0	1.2	1.0
IV - Southern Tagalog	136.3	136.0	137.4	137.7	-0.8	-1.2	152.2	152.0	150.2	148.7	1.3	2.2
V - B i c o l	147.1	147.0	147.7	148.3	-0.4	-0.9	184.4	184.2	180.7	180.2	2.0	2.2
VI - Western Visayas	145.8	145.8	146.2	146.8	-0.3	-0.7	155.2	154.7	148.2	151.3	4.7	2.2
VII - Central Visayas	147.4	146.4	147.6	148.2	-0.1	-1.2	172.8	172.6	163.0	160.6	6.0	7.5
VIII - Eastern Visayas	137.3	137.5	136.6	136.7	0.5	0.6	163.3	163.1	161.7	161.2	1.0	1.2
IX - Western Mindanao	130.9	130.9	132.0	131.1	-0.8	-0.2	150.5	149.5	146.8	147.9	2.5	1.1
X - Northern Mindanao	136.9	136.3	135.0	134.8	1.4	1.1	167.2	167.3	163.0	163.6	2.6	2.3
XI - Southern Mindanao	132.7	132.6	128.5	128.3	3.3	3.4	146.9	146.5	142.0	141.6	3.5	3.5
XII - Central Mindanao	137.2	136.6	136.2	136.0	0.7	0.4	144.0	144.1	140.2	140.1	2.7	2.9
XIII - Caraga	147.5	147.4	140.7	140.6	4.8	4.8	140.6	140.1	140.3	140.0	0.2	0.1
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	154.8	155.2	151.7	150.7	2.0	3.0	180.5	180.5	177.5	176.5	1.7	2.3

Table 10 (concluded)

Area/Region	MEALS EATEN OUTSIDE					
	2 003		2002		Inflation Rates (%)	
	Feb	Jan	Feb	Jan	Current	Previous
Philippines	152.7	151.9r	147.2	146.0	3.7	4.0r
National Capital Region (NCR)	145.9	144.3	137.4	137.1	6.2	5.3
Areas Outside NCR	158.0	157.9r	154.9	153.0	2.0	3.2r
Regions:						
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	138.5	137.9	137.6	137.6	0.7	0.2
I - I l o c o s	156.8	156.8	154.7	149.2	1.4	5.1
II - Cagayan Valley	154.9	154.4	154.4	154.4	0.3	0.0
III - Central Luzon	151.7	151.7	149.8	149.0	1.3	1.8
IV - Southern Tagalog	157.3	157.3	155.5	152.3	1.2	3.3
V - B i c o l	250.3	250.3r	243.3	240.0	2.9	4.3r
VI - Western Visayas	155.5	155.4	152.6	151.9	1.9	2.3
VII - Central Visayas	156.4	156.4	146.9	146.0	6.5	7.1
VIII - Eastern Visayas	177.6	177.5	175.8	171.4	1.0	3.6
IX - Western Mindanao	145.9	144.2	141.3	147.1	3.3	-2.0
X - Northern Mindanao	173.4	173.4	162.5	162.5	6.7	6.7
XI - Southern Mindanao	138.6	138.3	135.1	133.4	2.6	3.7
XII - Central Mindanao	149.3	149.3	146.7	146.2	1.8	2.1
XIII - Caraga	135.3	135.3	135.3	135.3	0.0	0.0
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	197.9	196.7	195.6	195.6	1.2	0.6

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