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# May '25 Inflation Eases amid concurrent harvests and moderation in transport prices

Inflation in May 2025 showed further moderation driven by concurrent harvest in some regions on some volatile foods commodities. This was reflected in headline monthly deflation of –0.37% MoM (Prev: 1.17% MoM, Cons: –0.01% MoM), while annual inflation eased to 1.60% YoY (Prev: 1.95% YoY, Cons: 1.94% YoY). The deflation was primarily driven by declines in volatile foods and administered prices, while core inflation remained positive, albeit at a slower pace. Monthly core inflation eased to 0.08% MoM (Prev: 0.31% MoM), and on an annual basis declined to 2.40% YoY (Prev: 2.50% YoY). Administered prices recorded monthly deflation of –0.02% MoM (Prev: 5.21% MoM), though rose modestly on an annual basis to 1.36% YoY (Prev: 1.25% YoY). Meanwhile, volatile foods dropped sharply by 2.48% MoM (Prev: –0.04% MoM) and –1.17% YoY (Prev: 0.64% YoY).

**From the expenditure group perspective, the largest deflation occurred in the food, beverages, and tobacco category, which declined by 1.4% MoM and contributed 0.41% to overall monthly deflation.** The main deflation contributors were red chili and cayenne pepper that down 0.12% MoM and shallots 0.09% MoM. This was driven by oversupply due to the simultaneous harvest of these commodities in several regions, such as East Java, South Kalimantan, and South Sulawesi. This is also reflected in the Strategic Food Price Information Centre (PIHPS) under Bank Indonesia *(see table 2, p.3)*. The transportation group also experienced deflation of –0.07% MoM, mainly due to lower intercity transportation fares and fuel prices that down 0.01% MoM.

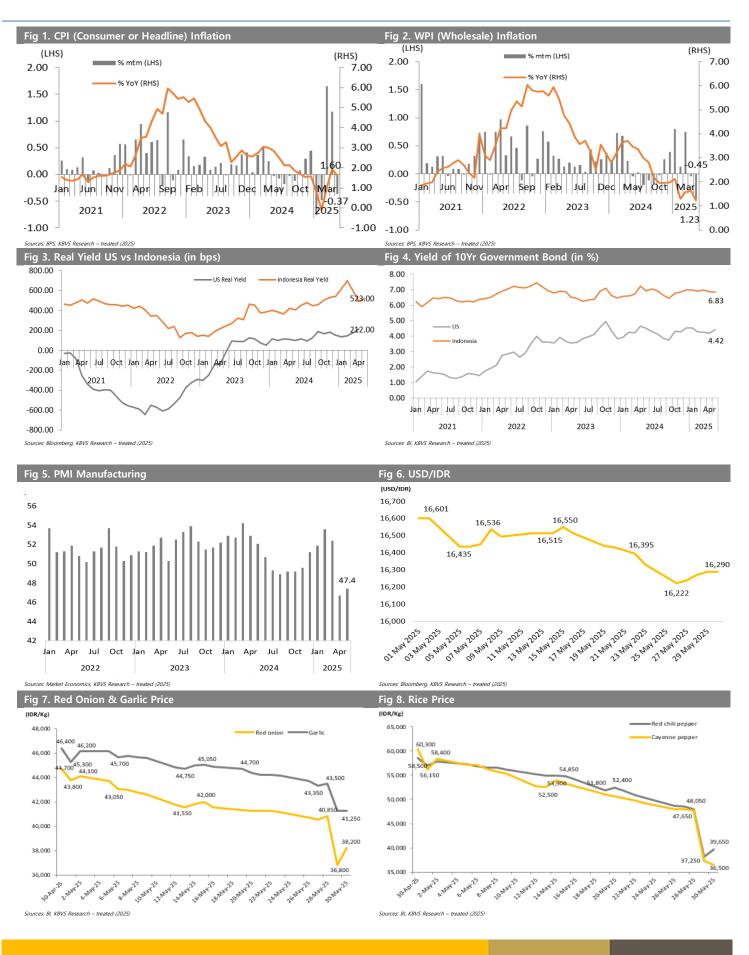
Meanwhile, the highest inflation was recorded in the information, communication, and financial services category, particularly in the sub-category of information and communication services, which rose by 0.31% MoM. This aligns with the increase in internet data package prices purchased during the Eid holiday. However, its contribution to monthly inflation was minimal at just 0.02%, providing only slight upward pressure on core inflation in May 2025. Inflation also occurred in the personal care and other services category, which rose by 0.23% MoM and contributed around 0.02% to core inflation in May 2025. This category once again became one of the main contributors to inflation for the first time since it was last recorded in August 2020.

Looking ahead, we expect decline in the BI rates will increase consumer spending and thus increase the deflation upward again. As is well known, the BI rate was lowered to stimulate the economy and keep inflation within BI's inflation target of 2.5+-1%. In addition, the new civil servant salary bonus that was distributed in early June is also expected to boost household spending.

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| Indicators  | Index  |        | Inflation |        |  |
|---|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--|
| Indicators  | Latest | M-1    | MoM       | YoY    |  |
| Consumer Price Index (CPI)                          | 108.07 | 108.47 | -0.37%    | 1.60%  |  |
| Food, Beverages, and Tobacco                        | 111.98 | 113.57 | -1.40%    | 1.03%  |  |
| Clothing and Footwear                               | 103.95 | 103.92 | 0.03%     | 0.98%  |  |
| Housing,Water, Electricity, and Household Fuels     | 103.89 | 103.87 | 0.02%     | 1.54%  |  |
| Equipment, Tools, and Routine Household Maintenance | 104.07 | 104.11 | -0.04%    | 0.79%  |  |
| Health  | 105.58 | 105.58 | 0.00%     | 1.79%  |  |
| Transport   | 109.89 | 109.97 | -0.07%    | 0.18%  |  |
| Info, Comm. and Financial Services                  | 99.30  | 98.99  | 0.31%     | -0.28% |  |
| Recreation, Sport and Culture                       | 104.87 | 104.78 | 0.09%     | 1.24%  |  |
| Education Services                                  | 105.08 | 105.08 | 0.00%     | 1.88%  |  |
| Food and Beverages Services/Restaurants             | 107.57 | 107.47 | 0.09%     | 1.97%  |  |
| Personal Care and Other Services                    | 119.62 | 119.34 | 0.23%     | 9.24%  |  |
| Core inflation                                      | 106.59 | 106.51 | 0.08%     | 2.40%  |  |
| Administered Price                                  | 109.93 | 109.95 | -0.02%    | 1.36%  |  |
| Volatile Food                                       | 111.90 | 114.75 | -2.48%    | -1.17% |  |
|   |        |        |           |        |  |
| Wholesale Price Index (WPI)                         | 104.60 | 105.07 | -0.45%    | 1.23%  |  |
| Agriculture   | 106.08 | 108.41 | -2.15%    | 0.27%  |  |
| Mining and Quarrying                                | 101.26 | 100.89 | 0.37%     | -0.20% |  |
| Manufacturing                                       | 106.81 | 106.86 | -0.05%    | 1.07%  |  |
| Farmer Exchange Rate                                | 121.15 | 121.06 | 0.07%     | 3.80%  |  |
| Farmers Price Received Index                        | 149.84 | 150.19 | -0.23%    | 5.86%  |  |
| Farmers Price Paid Index                            | 123.68 | 124.07 | -0.31%    | 1.98%  |  |

Table 2. Commodity Price In Traditional Market

| No.  | Commodity                       |              | Price (Rp per Kg) |             |              |              |          |
|------|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|----------|
|      |                                 | 30/ 04/ 2025 | 07/ 05/2025       | 14/ 05/2025 | 21/ 05/ 2025 | 30/ 05/ 2025 | (%, ptp) |
| 1    | Rice                            | 15,300       | 15,300            | 15,350      | 15,400       | 15,400       | 0.65%    |
| 1    | Lower Quality Rice I            | 14,100       | 14,150            | 14,150      | 14,150       | 14,200       | 0.71%    |
| 2    | Lower Quality Rice II           | 13,900       | 13,900            | 13,950      | 13,950       | 14,000       | 0.72%    |
| 3    | Medium Quality Rice I           | 15,350       | 15,400            | 15,400      | 15,450       | 15,450       | 0.65%    |
| 4    | Medium Quality Rice II          | 15,250       | 15,300            | 15,300      | 15,350       | 15,350       | 0.66%    |
| 5    | Super Quality Rice I            | 16,700       | 16,700            | 16,700      | 16,750       | 16,750       | 0.30%    |
| 6    | Super Quality Rice II           | 16,250       | 16,250            | 16,250      | 16,300       | 16,300       | 0.31%    |
| П    | Chicken meat                    | 34,500       | 35,200            | 36,000      | 36,050       | 35,600       | 3.19%    |
| 1    | Fresh Race Chicken Meat         | 34,500       | 35,200            | 36,000      | 36,050       | 35,600       | 3.19%    |
| ш    | Beef                            | 136,800      | 136,700           | 136,650     | 136,650      | 136,200      | -0.44%   |
| 1    | Quality 1 Beef                  | 140,100      | 140,000           | 139,900     | 139,900      | 139,250      | -0.61%   |
| 2    | Quality 2 Beef                  | 131,950      | 131,800           | 131,800     | 131,750      | 131,400      | -0.42%   |
| IV   | Chicken eggs                    | 30,100       | 30,050            | 29,950      | 29,850       | 29,650       | -1.50%   |
| 1    | Fresh Chicken Eggs              | 30,100       | 30,050            | 29,950      | 29,850       | 29,650       | -1.50%   |
| v    | Red onion                       | 44,700       | 43,000            | 41,850      | 41,250       | 40,850       | -8.61%   |
| 1    | Medium Shallot                  | 44,700       | 43,000            | 41,850      | 41,250       | 40,850       | -8.61%   |
| VI   | Garlic                          | 46,400       | 45,800            | 45,000      | 44,250       | 43,500       | -6.25%   |
| 1    | Medium Size Garlic              | 46,400       | 45,800            | 45,000      | 44,250       | 43,500       | -6.25%   |
| /11  | Red chili pepper                | 58,500       | 56,650            | 54,950      | 51,750       | 48,050       | -17.86%  |
| 1    | Large Red Chili                 | 53,850       | 53,450            | 52,450      | 49,850       | 46,800       | -13.09%  |
| 2    | Curly Red Chili                 | 60,350       | 57,900            | 56,550      | 52,750       | 48,750       | -19.22%  |
| /111 | Cayenne pepper                  | 60,300       | 56,350            | 53,900      | 50,150       | 47,650       | -20.98%  |
| 1    | Green Cayenne Pepper            | 49,750       | 48,100            | 46,500      | 44,550       | 41,750       | -16.08%  |
| 2    | Red Cayenne Pepper              | 69,100       | 63,000            | 59,450      | 54,150       | 51,600       | -25.33%  |
| IX   | Cooking oil                     | 21,050       | 21,050            | 21,000      | 21,000       | 21,000       | -0.24%   |
| 1    | Bulk Cooking Oil                | 18,800       | 18,800            | 18,700      | 18,650       | 18,650       | -0.80%   |
| 2    | Branded Packaging Cooking Oil 1 | 22,350       | 22,350            | 22,350      | 22,300       | 22,350       | 0.00%    |
| 3    | Branded Packaging Cooking Oil 2 | 21,400       | 21,400            | 21,400      | 21,400       | 21,400       | 0.00%    |
| х    | Sugar                           | 19,300       | 19,300            | 19,250      | 19,250       | 19,250       | -0.26%   |
| 1    | Premium Quality Sugar           | 19,850       | 19,850            | 19,900      | 19,850       | 19,900       | 0.25%    |
| 2    | Local Sugar                     | 18,750       | 18,750            | 18,750      | 18,700       | 18,700       | -0.27%   |

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