

STOCK MARKET	ASIAN MARKETS	WORLD MARKETS	PESO-DOLLAR RATES	ASIAN MONIES-US\$ RATE	WORLD CURRENCIES	DUBAI CRUDE OIL
PSEI OPEN: 7,017.95 HIGH: 7,026.92 LOW: 6,988.29 CLOSE: 6,988.29 VOL: 0.882 B VAL(P): 3.363 B 29.73 pts. 0.42% 30 DAYS TO APRIL 11, 2022	APRIL 11, 2022 JAPAN (NIKKEI 225) 26,821.52 ▼ -164.28 -0.61 HONG KONG (HANG SENG) 21,208.30 ▼ -663.71 -3.03 TAIWAN (TAIEX) 17,048.37 ▼ -236.17 -1.37 THAILAND (SET INDEX) 1,678.46 ▼ -75.4 -4.45 S. KOREA (KOSPI) 2,693.10 ▼ -7.29 -0.27 SINGAPORE (STRAITS TIMES) 3,363.56 ▼ -19.72 -0.58 SYDNEY (ALL ORDINARIES) 7,485.20 ▲ 7.20 0.10 MALAYSIA (KLC COMPOSITE) 1,604.61 ▼ -2.68 -0.17	APRIL 8, 2022 Dow Jones 34,721.120 ▲ 137.550 NASDAQ 13,710.996 ▲ -186.304 S&P 500 4,488.280 ▼ -11.930 FTSE 100 7,669.560 ▲ 117.750 Euro Stoxx50 3,788.810 ▲ 55.320	FX OPEN P51.700 HIGH P51.690 LOW P52.080 CLOSE P52.050 W.AVE. P51.914 VOL. \$1,635.10 M SOURCE: BAP 46.00 cns 30 DAYS TO APRIL 11, 2022	APRIL 11, 2022 LATEST BID (0900GMT) JAPAN (YEN) 125.340 ▼ 124.320 HONG KONG (HK DOLLAR) 7.839 ▼ 7.839 TAIWAN (NT DOLLAR) 29.500 ▼ 28.891 THAILAND (BAHT) 33.570 ▼ 33.590 S. KOREA (WON) 1,232.430 ▼ 1,229.190 SINGAPORE (DOLLAR) 1.364 ▼ 1.364 INDONESIA (RUPIAH) 14,365 ▼ 14,360 MALAYSIA (RINGGIT) 4.229 ▼ 4.220	APRIL 11, 2022 US\$/UK POUND 1.3045 ▲ 1.3031 US\$/EURO 1.0920 ▲ 1.0876 \$/AUSTRALIAN DOLLAR 0.7447 ▼ 0.7455 CANADA DOLLAR/US\$ 1.2581 ▲ 1.2568 SWISS FRANC/US\$ 0.9337 ▼ 0.9346	FUTURES PRICE ON NEAREST MONTH OF DELIVERY \$98.05/BBL 30 DAYS TO APRIL 8, 2022

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PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE'S 10 MOST ACTIVE STOCKS BY VALUE TURNOVER • APRIL 11, 2022 (PSEi snapshot on S1/2; article on S1/6)

BPI	P100.000	SM	P865.000	ALI	P34.300	SCC	P30.900	SMPH	P37.000	ICT	P223.000	MER	P372.400	CEB	P48.700	DMC	P9.150	CNVRG	P29.200
Value	P259,220,207	Value	P236,615,445	Value	P199,901,935	Value	P175,978,065	Value	P136,952,045	Value	P129,868,522	Value	P110,559,190	Value	P109,167,880	Value	P105,913,842	Value	P101,707,575
P1.500	▲ 1.523%	P0.000	— 0.000%	-P0.650	▼ -1.860%	-P0.550	▼ -1.749%	-P0.050	▼ -0.135%	-P2.000	▼ -0.889%	-P1.600	▼ -0.428%	P1.250	▲ 2.634%	P0.040	▲ 0.439%	P0.550	▲ 1.920%

War's impact on PHL 'minimal' — BSP

THE CENTRAL BANK on Monday said Philippine banks have "minimal" exposure to Russia and Ukraine, as the war continues for a seventh week.

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Governor Benjamin E. Diokno said cross-border deposit

liabilities of Philippine banks to Russia and Ukraine amounted to less than 1% of the banking industry's total deposit liabilities as of end-September last year.

"The cross-border financial exposure of Philippine banks to Russia and Ukraine is mini-

mal. As of end-September 2021, Philippine banks have cross-border deposit liabilities to Russia and Ukraine amounting to only \$672,200 and \$969,200, respectively," he said in a Viber message to reporters on Sunday evening.

Local lenders have no cross-border financial assets with Ukraine and Russia, the BSP chief added.

Mr. Diokno said two Philippine banks have P254.12 million in investments, through their trust departments, in two Russian banks — VTB Bank Public Joint Stock

Co. and the Russian Agricultural Bank — as of December 2021.

"This represents less than 1% of (the two Philippine banks') total assets under management," he said.

Mr. Diokno also said inflows from both Russia and Ukraine ac-

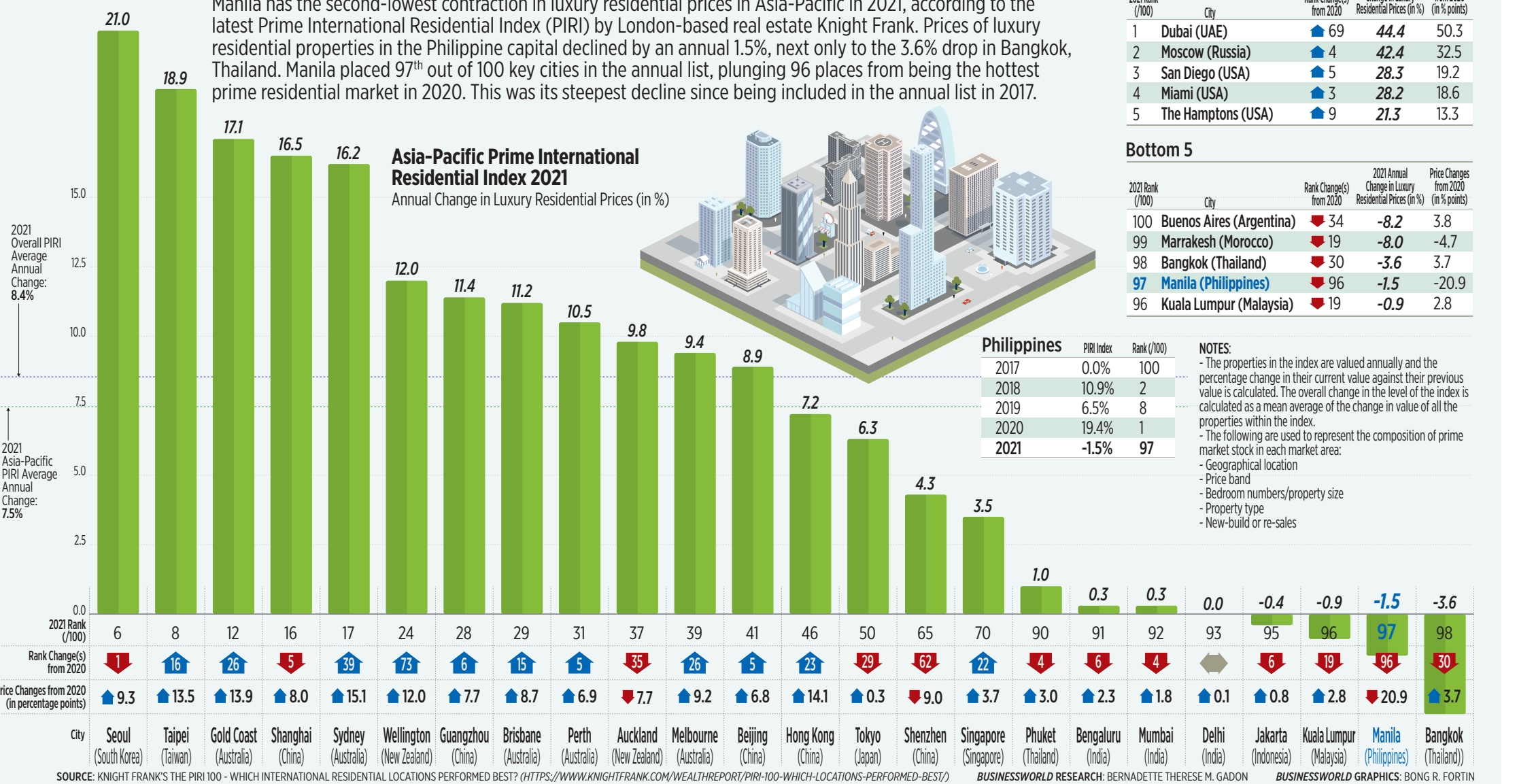
count for less than 1% of the total cash remittances last year.

"Nevertheless, BSP is aware that the crisis could indirectly affect the flow of remittances of overseas Filipinos from the two warring countries," Mr. Diokno said.

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MANILA PLUNGES IN ANNUAL LUXURY RESIDENTIAL MARKET LIST

Manila has the second-lowest contraction in luxury residential prices in Asia-Pacific in 2021, according to the latest Prime International Residential Index (PIRI) by London-based real estate Knight Frank. Prices of luxury residential properties in the Philippine capital declined by an annual 1.5%, next only to the 3.6% drop in Bangkok, Thailand. Manila placed 97th out of 100 key cities in the annual list, plunging 96 places from being the hottest prime residential market in 2020. This was its steepest decline since being included in the annual list in 2017.



Some nonprofit hospitals, schools may have to pay 25% income tax, BIR says

PRIVATE SCHOOLS and nonprofit hospitals may have to pay the 25% regular corporate income tax if their gross income from unrelated business activities exceeds 50% of the total income, the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) said.

BIR Revenue Regulation No. 3-2022 sets the implementing rules and regulations for Republic Act No. 11635 which amended the National Internal Revenue Code to clarify the income tax rate for private schools and nonprofit hospitals. The regulation was signed on April 7 and published in a newspaper on Monday.

Under the BIR rules, nonprofit hospitals and private schools will be imposed a 10% preferential corporate income tax rate after June 30, 2023.

Also covered by the rules are nonstock, nonprofit educational institutions whose net income or assets benefit a member or specific person.

These institutions are currently imposed a 1% corporate income tax rate from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023 due to the Corporate Recovery and Tax Incentives for Enterprises (CREATE) Act.

However, the BIR rules stated that the 25% corporate income tax will be imposed on the entire taxable income of private schools and nonprofit hospitals if their gross income from unrelated trade, business, or other activity exceeds 50% of the total gross income from all sources.

The BIR said unrelated trade and business means any activity that is "not substantially related to the exercise or performance by such educational institutions or hospitals of its primary purpose or function."

For other nonstock and nonprofit educational institutions, a 25% regular corporate income tax will be imposed on its revenues or assets that are not used exclusively for educational purposes.

The BIR rules said "nonprofit" means all net income or assets of the institution and all its activities are conducted not to generate profits.

However, it clarified that nonprofit institutions will not be prohibited from granting transportation allowance for attending meetings and other compensation to the Board of Trustees, officers, employees of the institutions.

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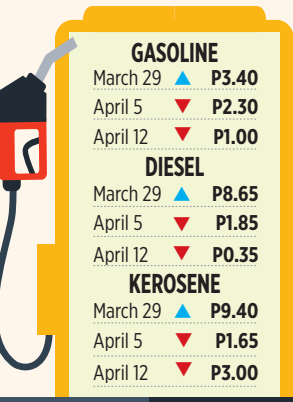
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• April 12, 12:01 a.m. — Caltex Philippines
 • April 12, 6 a.m. — Petron Corp.; Phoenix Petroleum; Pilipinas Shell Petroleum Corp.; PTT Philippines Corp.; Seaoil Philippines, Inc.
 • April 12, 8:01 a.m. — Cleanfuel (Shaw Autogas, Inc.)

Shipping industry struggles to reach pre-pandemic cargo volume

By Arjay L. Balinbin Senior Reporter

THE FUEL CRISIS is making it more difficult for the domestic shipping industry to reach pre-pandemic cargo volumes this year, the Philippine Liner Shipping Association (PLSA) said.

"It's still up and down. It's still below 2019. The 2021 numbers did not meet the 2019 numbers. It's very tough," PLSA President Mark Matthew F. Parco told *BusinessWorld* in a recent phone interview.

Data from Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) showed that domestic cargo throughput in 2021

reached 96.86 million metric tons (MT), down by 7.2% from 104.43 million MT in 2019 before the coronavirus pandemic crisis.

Last year's domestic cargo volume, however, was 3.5% higher than the 93.59 million MT recorded in 2020.

"We were [initially] hopeful that 2022 would get us there (pre-pandemic level)," Mr. Parco said.

"But with the spike in fuel prices and the overhang of the Ukraine war, it's going to be a problem because if the fuel prices spike up more, people will have less money to spend, and then we still have to pay our fuel bills. So that is the problem," he added.

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Bulk prices hit 7-year high in 2021

THE COUNTRY'S wholesale prices of general goods rose to their highest level in seven years in 2021 as lockdown restrictions further eased in the last two months.

The general wholesale price index (GWPI) eased to 4.1% year on year in December, from the 4.2% in the prior month and the slowest since October's 3.9%, preliminary data from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) showed.

However, the GWPI was quicker than the 2.4% seen in December 2020.

The GWPI is used to monitor the wholesale trade sector and serves as a basis for price adjustments in business contracts and projects.

The December print brought the full-year growth to 3%, the fastest pace since 3.5% in 2014.

The PSA said slower month-on-month price growth was seen in crude materials, inedible except fuels (6.7% from 17.2% in November); mineral fuels, lubricants, and related materials (26.3% from 34.2%); chemicals including animal and

vegetable oils and fats (2.8% from 3.8%); and manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials (6.3% from 6.4%).

On the other hand, food price growth accelerated to 3.3% in December from 2.7% in November. Beverages and tobacco likewise increased to 5.7% from 4.8%.

Wholesale price level of machinery and transport equipment was unchanged at 1.4%.

By major island group, Luzon's bulk prices eased to 4.1% in December from 4.3% the previous month, while prices in Visayas picked up to 2.2% from 1.4%. Bulk prices in Mindanao were unchanged at 5%.

For the entire year, bulk price levels in Luzon rose by 3.2% last year from 2.5% in 2020, while those in Visayas eased to 0.4% from 0.9% previously. Mindanao bulk prices climbed by 4.6% on average last year from 1.6% in 2020.

Rizal Commercial Banking Corp. Chief Economist Michael L. Ricafort attributed the rise in bulk price levels

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