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## General Retail Price Index (GRPI) In the National Capital Region (NCR) (2012=100)

**August 2020**

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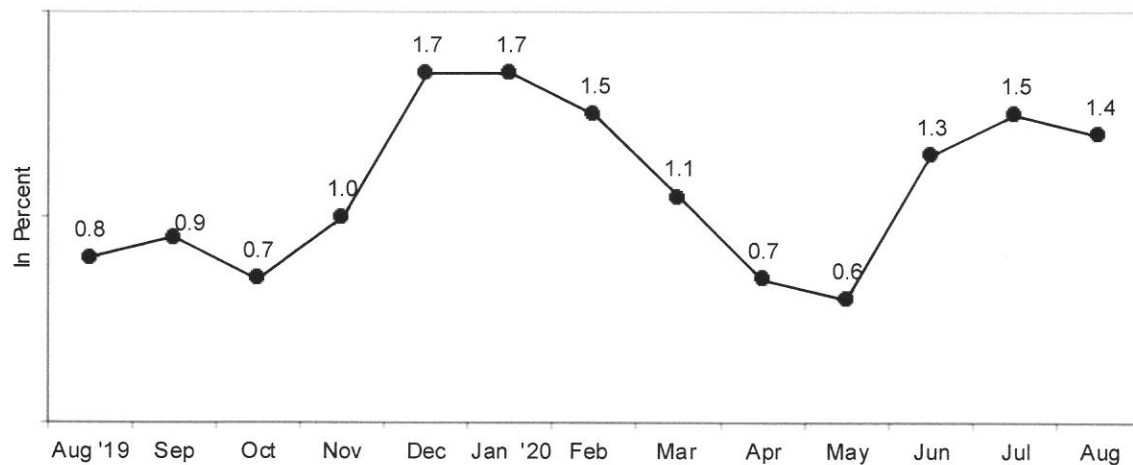
Table A. Year-on-Year Growth Rates of the GRPI in NCR, All Items,  
 In Percent  
 (2012=100)

Aug 2020	July 2020	Aug 2019	Year-to-Date
1.4	1.5 <sup>r</sup>	0.8	1.2

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Figure 1. Growth Rates of the GRPI in NCR, All Items  
 August 2019 – August 2020  
 (2012=100)



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## **GRPI in NCR decelerates in August 2020**

The annual rate of GRPI in NCR eased to 1.4 percent in August 2020. In the previous month, its annual change was registered at 1.5 percent and in August 2019 at 0.8 percent. (Tables A and 2)

A downward movement was still observed in the index of mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials as its annual rate dropped by 5.9 percent in August 2020. In addition, lower annual increments were posted in the indices of beverages and tobacco at 5.9 percent, and miscellaneous manufactured articles at 0.7 percent.

On the other hand, annual increases were higher in the indices of chemicals, including animal and vegetable oils and fats at 0.3 percent, and manufactured goods classified chiefly by materials at 1.5 percent during the month.

The indices of food and crude materials, inedible except fuels retained their corresponding previous month's annual rates of 2.7 percent and 1.8 percent, while the index of machinery and transport equipment had a zero annual growth during the period. (Table 2)



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Table 1. Monthly General Retail Price Index by Commodity Group in the National Capital Region, August 2019 - August 2020  
(2012=100)

COMMODITY GROUP	2020								2019					
	AUG	JUL	JUN	MAY	APR	MAR	FEB	JAN	AVE	DEC	NOV	OCT	SEP	AUG
All Items	114.5	114.5 r	114.1	113.7	113.7	114.0	114.3	114.3	113.0	114.1	113.6	113.4	113.2	112.9
A. Food	123.3	123.2 r	122.9	122.8	122.9	122.6	122.6	122.5	120.5	122.3	121.4	120.8	120.4	120.1
B. Beverages and Tobacco	149.5	149.3 r	146.0	145.6	145.5	145.4	145.4	144.7	141.4	144.3	143.8	143.1	142.2	141.2
C. Crude Materials, Inedible Except Fuels	116.2	116.0 r	116.0	115.7	115.7	115.3	115.1	114.5	114.0	114.5	114.3	114.2	114.2	114.2
D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	92.3	92.6 r	89.7	83.1	82.0	91.4	97.5	100.7	98.6	98.7	98.0	98.7	98.7	98.1
E. Chemicals, Including Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	111.1	111.1	111.0	111.0	110.9	110.9	111.7	111.4	110.6	111.3	111.1	110.9	110.9	110.8
F. Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	112.3	112.2	112.1	112.1	112.0	112.0	111.9	111.5	110.7	111.4	111.2	111.3	111.2	110.6
G. Machinery and Transport Equipment	102.1	102.1 r	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.0	102.2	102.2	102.0	102.2	102.2	102.1	102.1	102.1
H. Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	110.4	110.4	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.3	110.2	110.1	109.4	110.1	109.8	109.8	109.8	109.6

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Source: Survey of Retail Prices of Selected Commodities for the Generation of the General Retail Price Index, Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 2. Year-on-Year Percent Change of General Retail Price Index by Commodity Group in the National Capital Region, August 2019 - August 2020  
(2012=100)

COMMODITY GROUP	2020								2019					
	AUG	JUL	JUN	MAY	APR	MAR	FEB	JAN	AVE	DEC	NOV	OCT	SEP	AUG
All Items	1.4	1.5 r	1.3	0.6	0.7	1.1	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.0	0.7	0.9	0.8
A. Food	2.7	2.7 r	2.6	1.9	2.2	1.9	2.1	2.1	2.6	2.2	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.2
B. Beverages and Tobacco	5.9	6.1 r	3.8	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.5	2.8	3.4	3.2	2.9	2.7	2.2
C. Crude Materials, Inedible Except Fuels	1.8	1.8 r	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.3	1.0	0.2	3.9	1.1	2.9	2.8	3.5	4.1
D. Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and Related Materials	-5.9	-6.3 r	-8.6	-18.5	-19.0	-8.8	0.3	7.6	-1.4	4.1	-3.6	-7.5	-5.5	-4.0
E. Chemicals, Including Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.2	1.0	0.5	1.0	0.8	1.2	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.7
F. Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Materials	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.4	1.4	0.8
G. Machinery and Transport Equipment	0.0	0.1 r	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
H. Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.7	1.1	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.9

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0.0 - either no change or percent change is less than 0.05

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