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Table 4. Month-on-Month Changes of the CPI in Percent By Area, By Commodity Group
(1988 = 100)

| AREA/COMMODITY GROUP | 1 9 9 7 | | | | | | | 1 9 9 6 | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|---------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| | Aug | Jul | Jun | May | Apr | Mar | Feb | Jan | Dec | Nov | Oct | Sep | Aug |
| PHILIPPINES | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Items | 0.8 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | -0.2 | -0.1 | -0.2 | 1.0 |
| Food, Beverages and Tobacco | 0.8 | -0.2 | 0.6 | -0.2 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 r | -0.9 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 1.5 |
| Clothing | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Housing and Repairs | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 1.8 r | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Fuel, Light and Water | 2.5 | -0.3 | 0.4 | -0.6 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 0.8 r | 1.4 | 1.3 r | 0.9 r | -0.2 | 1.2 r |
| Services | 0.4 | 0.8 | 6.1 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 2.0 r | 1.0 | 0.3 r | 0.6 | 0.5 |
| Miscellaneous | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 r | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| METRO MANILA | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Items | 0.5 | 0.0 | 1.9 | 0.3 | -0.1 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 0.0 r | 0.9 | 0.2 r | 0.4 | -0.4 | 1.5 r |
| Food, Beverages and Tobacco | -0.3 | -0.9 | 0.5 | 0.9 | -0.7 | 1.2 | 0.3 | -1.0 | 1.3 | -0.3 r | 0.1 | -1.4 | 3.3 |
| Clothing | -0.1 | -0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Housing and Repairs | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 1.0 r | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Fuel, Light and Water | 6.8 | -0.5 | -0.4 | -2.0 | 1.8 | -1.4 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 2.5 r | 2.8 r | 1.5 | -0.1 | 2.9 r |
| Services | 0.2 | 0.2 | 12.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Miscellaneous | -0.1 | -0.2 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| AREAS OUTSIDE METRO MANILA | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Items | 0.8 | 0.2 | 1.0 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 r | -0.3 | -0.3 r | -0.1 | 0.8 |
| Food, Beverages and Tobacco | 1.0 | 0.0 | 0.6 | -0.4 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 0.5 | -1.0 | -0.7 | -0.4 | 1.0 |
| Clothing | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.4 |
| Housing and Repairs | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Fuel, Light and Water | 0.9 | -0.2 | 0.7 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 1.3 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.8 r | -0.3 r | 0.5 r |
| Services | 0.5 | 1.0 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 2.2 r | 0.9 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Miscellaneous | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 r | 0.2 r | 0.2 |

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