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Table 3. Year-on-Year Changes of the CPI in Percent By Area, By Commodity Group
(1988 = 100)

AREA/COMMODITY GROUP	1998			Ave	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	1997						
	Feb	Jan							Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb
PHILIPPINES															
All Items	7.4	6.4	5.1	6.1	6.5	5.7	5.3	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.2	4.6	4.8	4.4	
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	4.9	3.7	1.9	3.1	3.6	2.4	2.0	0.8	1.5	1.7	1.2	1.8	1.9	1.1	
Clothing	5.1	4.2	3.8	4.0	4.2	4.3 r	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.8	3.9	
Housing and Repairs	10.3	10.3	9.7	10.7 r	10.7	10.3	10.3	9.7	9.4	9.0	8.8	8.8	9.5	9.6	
Fuel, Light and Water	9.2	8.1	8.9	7.9	8.8	8.7	8.9	8.9	7.5	8.3	7.9	9.4	10.5	10.2	
Services	15.4	14.7	13.2	14.1 r	15.2 r	14.6	14.1	14.0	14.1	13.7	11.7	11.5	11.5	11.8	
Miscellaneous	5.1	3.5	2.0	3.0	2.7	2.4	2.0 r	1.9	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.7	
METRO MANILA															
All Items	8.4	7.8	6.6	6.9 r	7.0	7.0	6.8	5.8	6.9	6.9	5.9	6.0	7.0	6.6	
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	3.0	2.3	3.0	1.6 r	1.9	2.2	2.0	-0.1	3.5	4.0	4.3	4.1	5.3	4.4	
Clothing	5.1	3.7	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.0	2.3	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.5	
Housing and Repairs	10.0	10.0	8.1	9.5	9.2	8.9	8.9	8.3	7.6	7.0	7.1	7.2	8.1	7.8	
Fuel, Light and Water	11.8	8.7	10.6	7.7	9.2	10.1	9.6	11.9	7.9	8.4	8.0	10.5	14.5	15.1	
Services	20.6	20.2	14.5	18.0	18.1	18.4	17.9	17.5	17.5	17.3	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.6	
Miscellaneous	4.1	2.8	0.9	1.6	1.3	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.2	
AREAS OUTSIDE METRO MANILA															
All Items	7.1	6.0	4.5	5.8 r	6.3 r	5.2	4.7 r	4.0	4.0	4.1	3.6	4.0	4.0	3.6	
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	5.3	4.0	1.7	3.5	4.0	2.5	1.9 r	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.5	1.2	1.1	0.4	
Clothing	5.1	4.3	4.1	4.4	4.6	4.8 r	4.0 r	4.0	4.0	3.7	3.6	3.6	4.1	4.3	
Housing and Repairs	10.7	10.5	11.3	11.8 r	12.1	11.8	11.8	11.1	11.2	11.0	10.5	10.4	10.8	11.5	
Fuel, Light and Water	8.2	7.8	8.3	7.9	8.6	8.2	8.7	7.8	7.4	8.3	7.9	9.0	9.1	8.5	
Services	13.2	12.4	12.7	12.5 r	13.9 r	13.0	12.4	12.4	12.6	12.1	12.6	12.4	12.5	12.8	
Miscellaneous	5.4	3.7	2.3	3.3	3.1	2.9	2.4 r	2.3 r	2.3	2.1	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.8	

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