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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 8				1 9 9 7								
	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar
PHILIPPINES													
All Items	0.6	1.4	1.0	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.1	1.3	0.0	0.1	0.8
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.5	1.2	0.8	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.5 r	0.8	-0.2	0.6	-0.2	0.0	0.9
Clothing	0.5	1.3	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.7 r	0.4 r	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3
Housing and Repairs	1.1	1.8	1.4	0.5 r	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.9	0.8	0.2	0.2	1.1
Fuel, Light and Water	-0.1	2.0	1.0	0.6	1.3	0.8	-0.2	2.5	-0.3	0.4	-0.6	0.8	0.6
Services	0.7	1.1	1.3	1.0 r	1.6	0.7	0.7	0.4	0.8	6.1	0.4	0.2	0.3
Miscellaneous	1.1	1.8	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2
METRO MANILA													
All Items	0.4	1.5	0.9	0.8 r	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.0	1.9	0.3	-0.1	1.1
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.6	0.9	-0.3	1.1 r	-0.6	0.4	0.7	-0.3	-0.9	0.5	0.9	-0.7	1.2
Clothing	0.1	1.6	1.8	0.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.9
Housing and Repairs	0.2	2.1	1.4	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.1	0.0	0.2	1.9
Fuel, Light and Water	-1.6	3.5	0.9	1.2	1.9	2.1	-2.2	6.8	-0.5	-0.4	-2.0	1.8	-1.4
Services	0.7	0.6	2.3	1.3	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.2	12.2	0.3	0.1	-0.1
Miscellaneous	1.1	1.6	1.2	0.6	0.4	0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	0.2	-0.2	-0.1	0.2
AREAS OUTSIDE METRO MANILA													
All Items	0.7	1.3	1.0	0.3	0.7 r	0.2	0.6	0.8	0.2	1.0	-0.2	0.2	0.7
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.5	1.3	1.0 r	0.0 r	0.5	-0.1	0.5 r	1.0	0.0	0.6	-0.4	0.2	0.8
Clothing	0.6	1.1	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.9 r	0.5 r	0.4	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.0	0.2
Housing and Repairs	1.9	1.4	1.5	0.6 r	1.2	0.8	1.2	0.5	0.8	1.5	0.3	0.2	0.3
Fuel, Light and Water	0.4	1.5	1.0	0.3	1.1	0.4	0.6	0.9	-0.2	0.7	-0.2	0.5	1.3
Services	0.7	1.3	0.8	0.9 r	1.7 r	0.8	0.7	0.5	1.0	3.5	0.5	0.2	0.4
Miscellaneous	1.2	1.8	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2 r	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2

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