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Table 9.1. Month-on-Month Changes of the Food and FBT, By Area, in Percent (1994 = 100)

AREA	COMMODITY GROUP	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	1998						1997		
						Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct
PHILIPPINES	Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.7	0.4 r	0.4	-0.1 r	1.9	1.8 r	0.8	0.8	1.2	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.2
	Food	0.6	0.4	0.3 r	-0.1	2.1	1.8 r	0.9	0.7	1.1	0.9	0.2 r	0.4	0.2
METRO MANILA	Food, Beverages and Tobacco	1.5	0.4	-0.4	-1.7	1.0	4.1	1.4	0.9	0.5	0.8	1.4	0.0	0.3
	Food	1.6	0.4	-0.5	-1.8 r	1.0	4.2	1.5	0.9	0.4	0.6	1.4	0.1	0.2
AREAS OUTSIDE METRO MANILA	Food, Beverages and Tobacco	0.4	0.4 r	0.6 r	0.5 r	2.2	1.1 r	0.7	0.7	1.4	0.9	0.1	0.4	0.2
	Food	0.3	0.4	0.6 r	0.5	2.4	1.1 r	0.8	0.6	1.3	0.9	0.0 r	0.4	0.3

Source: Prices and Indicators Section  
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