

**Table 13. Year-on-Year Changes of the Food and FBT, in Percent, by Area**  
**March 2003 - March 2004**  
**(1994=100)**

Area and Commodity Group	2004			Ave	2 0 0 3										
	Mar	Feb	Jan		Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	
<b>Philippines</b>															
Food, beverages, and tobacco	4.2	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.4	2.5	1.9	1.4	1.5	2.2	2.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	
Food	4.4	3.4	3.4	2.0	2.4	2.6	1.9	1.4	1.5	2.1	2.9	1.8	1.7	1.8	
<b>National Capital Region (NCR)</b>															
Food, beverages, and tobacco	5.2	4.3	3.8	2.7	3.5	5.0	4.0	2.3	1.7	1.3	3.5	1.3	1.6	1.5	
Food	5.4	4.5	3.9	2.7	3.6	5.3	4.3	2.3	1.7	1.2	3.6	1.3	1.6	1.5	
<b>Areas Outside NCR (AONCR)</b>															
Food, beverages, and tobacco	3.9	3.0	3.2	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.3	1.2	1.5	2.4	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.9	
Food	4.1	3.0	3.2	1.7	2.0	1.8	1.1	1.1	1.3	2.4	2.6	1.9	1.7	1.9	

Source: Economic Indices and Indicators Division  
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