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GENERAL RETAIL PRICE INDEX (GRPI) IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR) (2012=100)

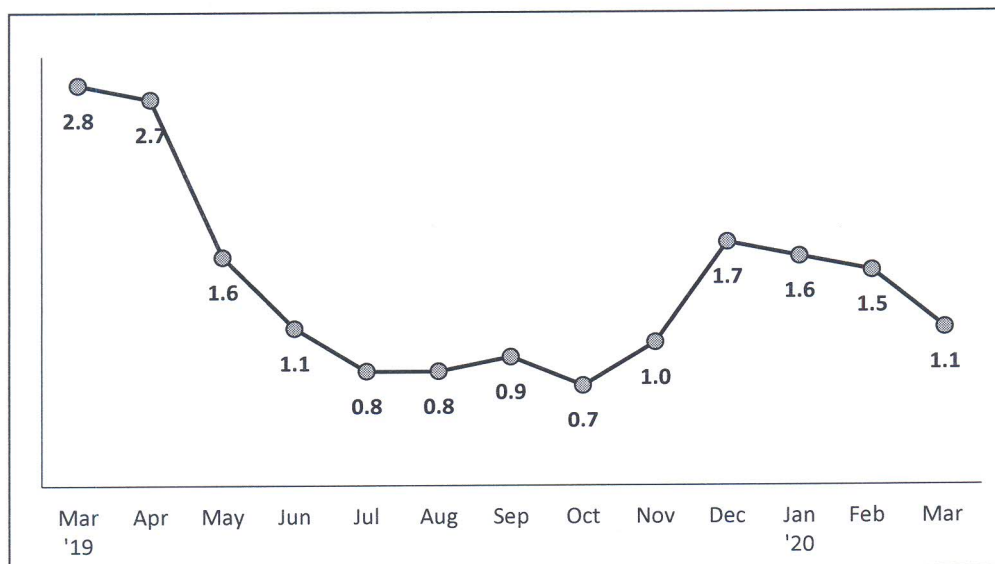
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**Table A Year-on-Year Changes of GRPI for All Items, in Percent
(2012=100)**

March 2020	February 2020	March 2019	Year-to-Date
1.1	1.5	2.8	1.4

**Figure 1 Annual Growth Rates of GRPI for All Items, in Percent
March 2019 – March 2020**



GRPI in the National Capital Region (NCR) continues to register a slower annual rate of increase

The annual rate of increment of GRPI in NCR decelerated further to 1.1 percent in March 2020. In the previous month, its annual rate was posted at 1.5 percent and in March 2019, 2.8 percent. (Table A and Table 2)

Of the eight major commodity groups, only mineral fuels, lubricants and related materials recorded an annual decline of 8.8 percent in March 2020. In the previous month, index for this commodity group rose at an annual rate of 0.3 percent.

The rest of the commodity groups exhibited increases, however, at slower rates compared with their annual growth rates in the previous month. (Table 2)

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