

Table 5. Month-on-Month Changes of the CPI in Percent by Area, by Commodity Group  
 March 2007 - March 2008  
 (2000 = 100)

Area/Commodity Group	2 0 0 8			Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	2 0 0 7			May	Apr	Mar
	Mar	Feb	Jan					Aug	Jul	Jun			
<b>Philippines</b>													
<b>All items</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-0.1</b>
Food, beverages, and tobacco	1.2	0.6	1.4	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	-0.2
Clothing	0.5	1.3	0.9	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Housing and repairs	0.4	0.6	1.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0
Fuel, light, and water	1.6	-1.0	0.9	2.8	1.9r	-1.6r	-2.4r	-1.1	3.6r	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.1
Services	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.7	2.0	0.4	0.4	0.1
Miscellaneous	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
<b>National Capital Region</b>													
<b>All items</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-0.1</b>
Food, beverages and tobacco	2.0	-0.4	0.7	1.6	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.0	-0.3
Clothing	0.4	2.6	1.6	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.2
Housing and repairs	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0
Fuel, light and water	2.1	-1.6	1.1	2.5	0.9	-4.6	-4.9	-2.8	8.7	0.5	0.3	-0.1	0.1
Services	0.8	-0.3	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.1	0.2	1.2	2.0	0.6	0.6	0.1
Miscellaneous	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1
<b>Areas Outside NCR</b>													
<b>All items</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.8r</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3r</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Food, beverages, and tobacco	0.9	0.8	1.7	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.3	-0.1
Clothing	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1r	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
Housing and repairs	0.6	0.9	2.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.0
Fuel, light, and water	1.3	-0.7	0.8	2.9	2.4r	0.0r	-0.9r	-0.1	0.8r	1.0	0.7	0.3r	0.0
Services	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.1	0.4r	2.0	0.3	0.3	0.1
Miscellaneous	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2

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